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This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

Mass Times

Saturday 6:30pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday) Sunday: 9:00am, 10:30am (Includes Children's Liturgy)12noon & 6:30pm Monday— Friday: 9:30am Saturday: 9:30am & 6:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays and Saturday: One hour before morning Mass

Confession

Saturdays: 10:00am—10:30am 5:30pm— 6:15pm

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ST MARY MAGDALEN
CATHOLIC CHURCH
SEPTEMBER —MONTH OF
THE SORROWFUL MOTHER
25 SEPTEMBER 2022
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C

Dives and Lazarus Luke 16:19-31

Meditation: What most absorbs your time, your attention, and your heart? In the parable of the rich man who refused to help the beggar named Lazarus Jesus paints a dramatic scene of contrasts - riches and poverty, heaven and hell, compassion and indifference, inclusion and exclusion. We also see an abrupt and dramatic reversal of fortune. Lazarus was not only poor and a beggar; he was also sick and unable to fend for himself. He was "laid" at the gates of the rich man's house. The dogs which licked his sores probably also stole the little bread he got for himself. Dogs in the ancient world symbolised contempt. Enduring the torment of these savage dogs only added to the poor man's miseries and sufferings.

The rich man treated the beggar with contempt and indifference, until he found his fortunes reversed at the end of his life! In God's economy, those who hold on possessively to what they have, lose it all in the end, while those who share generously receive back many times more than they gave away.

Hope in God and his merciful help

The name *Lazarus* means *God is my help*. Despite a life of misfortune and suffering, Lazarus did not lose hope in God. His eyes were set on a treasure stored up for him in heaven. The rich man, however, could not see beyond his material wealth and possessions. He not only had everything he needed, he selfishly spent all he had on himself. He was too absorbed in what he possessed to notice the needs of those around him. He lost sight of God and the treasure of heaven because he was preoccupied with seeking happiness in material things. He served wealth rather than God. In the end the rich man became a beggar!

Do you know the joy and freedom of possessing God as your true and lasting treasure? Those who put their hope and security in the kingdom of heaven will not be disappointed (see Hebrews 6:19).

Lord Jesus, you are my joy and my treasure. Make me rich in the things of your heavenly kingdom and give me a generous heart that I may freely share with others the spiritual and material treasures you have given to me.

Fr Allan

Those who are sick: Jim Feeney, Thomas Bradley, Tony Rowland, Peter Corcoran

Those who have died recently: Anne Elliott, Kevin O'Dea, John Minogue, Patricia Mc Govern, Sheila Morrison, Michael Phelan, Teresa McNally, Janelle Nelson

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Coral Gouveia, Monica & Pam Morrow, Agnes Harrison, Emilia Coia, David Portsmouth, Jimmy Sheehan

Parish News

Collection 11 September 2022 amounted to £1,684.81 Standing orders for August amounted to £3,495.00. Thank you.

Roman Catholic Secondary School and Sixth Form Applications.

On Saturday 15 October from 2:00pm until 4:00pm and on Sunday 16 October from 4:30pm until 6:00pm, Monsignor Roger will be available to sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice for Secondary and Sixth form applications only. Meetings will take place in the Sacristy. Before your appointment please complete a CCP Application form, and a Certificate of Catholic Practice form for each school you are applying for (top half of each certificate should be pre-completed). Both of these forms can be found on our parish website at: https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesdengreen/certificate-of-catholic-practice-applications/

Nursery, Infant, and Primary School Applications. Further details to be announced after the October half-term.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation 2023. All children due to receive First Holy Communion (currently year three and above), and make their Confirmation (currently year nine and above), will need to obtain an application form, which will be available after all Sunday Masses, from Monsignor Roger on the weekends of 1/2 October, 8/9 October, 15/16 October and 22/23 October. Please note that Confirmation application forms will be given to candidates only.

Fully completed forms must be returned with a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate and donation of £40 by 12 noon on Thursday 3 November 2022. Please place your application form, together with the donation (if not paying online), in an envelope clearly marked 'First Holy Communion/Confirmation 2023', and your child's name, and post through the inner Presbytery door.

'Kiss the Ground' Film Screening

On Wednesday 28th September 2022 at 6pm, at The Church of the Transfiguration, Kensal Rise, members of our parish will host a special film screening of "Kiss the Ground." For more info please visit: https://kissthegroundmovie.com/

We hope you will join us there!

Rest In Peace



It is with a heavy heart that I write these words for our **Miss Nelson** – Janelle.

For the last nine years she was an integral part of our school community. She was a dedicated teacher, who truly loved her job and our school. She was a positive, caring and committed individual, who built excellent relationships with the children she taught as well as their families and was much respected and loved in the school community.

At this time, we pray for the repose of her soul and that she is received into the merciful presence of God. May she now rest in peace. We also extend our deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathy for Janelle's family and assure them that our thoughts and prayers are with them at this difficult time.

Miss Fonseca. Executive Headteacher St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Junior School

Note of Appreciation

Dear Parishioners of Willesden Green,

I am truly grateful to all of you for your kind generosity shown towards our essential medicine project last week. Your contribution will help two hospitals in Sri Lanka to purchase essential medicines for their patients in the next couple of months. Thank you so much for your valuable support and kind heartedness.

God Bless you all!

Fr.Ruwan

Amount raised for the Sri Lankan appeal: £1,449.18

Funeral Notices

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late **John Minogue** will take place on Wednesday 28 September at 11:00am followed by burial at St Mary's Catholic Cemetery at 12:45pm

The Reception and Requiem Mass of
the late **Sheila Morrison** will be held in
Our Lady of Dolours, Egerton Gardens, Hendon NW4 4BA.
Reception: Friday 30th September at 6:00pm
Requiem Mass: Saturday 1st October at 10:30am
Followed by cremation at Hendon Crematorium at 12noon.

Procession to the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden to pray with the relics of St Bernadette



On Saturday 29 October, we will make a procession, praying the Rosary, from St Mary Magdalen church to the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden. Joined by local parishes from the Deanery, we will venerate the relics of St Bernadette.

There will be a Mass at 12noon, followed by Anointing of the Sick in the presence of the relics.

Please book online at https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/ to reserve a place at this Mass or any location on the tour.

Further details to follow.

Mass Intentions Week commencing 25 September 2022

Saturday	6:30pm	Monica & Pam Morrow	Anniv
Sunday	9:00am	Agnes Harrison & Coral Gouvei	a Anniv
	10:30am	Margaret Butler	Anniv
	12 noon	People of the Parish	Ints
	6:30pm	Emilia Coia	Anniv
Monday	9:30am	Margaret Loughlin	RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	Mrs Hegarty	RIP
Wednesday	9:30am	Maureen McCarthy	RIP
	11:00am	Funeral—John James Minogue	RIP
Thursday	9:30am	Eddie Ginnelly	RIP
Friday	9:30am	Eddie Ginnelly	RIP
Saturday	9:30am	Michael Dempsey	Ints