

Presbytery

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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

NOVEMBER—MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS
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One of the great privileges of a priest or deacon is to help families when they have been bereaved to plan the Requiem Mass and Funeral for the person who has died. I always find it very moving when the family comes to see me and we begin to talk about the person who has died. It is, after all, one of the most important things a family can do.

Nearly always the family is in agreement about what should happen for the funeral. They may have talked it through with the person before they died – and actually that can be a very calming thing to do both for the person who is dying and for the family around them. They may want to repeat the hymns and readings which they have used before. They may want the priest to guide them about choosing the readings which are especially appropriate for the occasion – there are lots to choose from.

Sadly – and not very often – sometimes the funeral arrangements can be a cause of stress and division in the family. It may be that there is an argument over hymns and readings, and over who should do what. It may be that there is an argument over whether to have a Requiem Mass in the church (which is normal for Catholics) or not. It maybe there is an argument over burial or cremation – both are acceptable for Catholics.

To help you and your family, the diocese has prepared a leaflet on which you can indicate what your choices are. It has no force in law, but it is most helpful for families. Printed copies are available at the back of the church. It can also be found online on the Diocesan website at : <https://rcdow.org.uk/liturgy/preparing-for-a-funeral/> which details all resources available for preparing for a funeral.

It is so good that so many you have filled in your lists for the Holy Souls and submitted the envelopes. Thank you so much. Masses will be offered throughout November.

You will also see leaflets of prayers for you to say at the graves of loved ones for their souls, and you may wish to attend the Requiem Mass at St Mary's Catholic Cemetery on Monday 7 November at 11:30am.

May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Monsignor Roger


Those who are sick: Jim Feeney

Those who have died recently: Fr Duncan Michael Adamson,
Denis Fogarty Snr, Amy Ryan, John Daroux

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Sr Milburga
Fernando, Fr Joseph Benedict Fernando, Fr Anthony Slack,
Edward & Ann Ryan, Tom Mahony

Parish News

Collection 23 October 2022 amounted to £1,175.74. Standing orders for September amounted to £3,495.00. Thank you.

 **"Many thanks** to all who took part in the procession to The Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden to venerate the Relics of St Bernadette last Saturday. I am told there were 200 people in this prayerful procession." Mgr Roger

Livestreaming. "I am sorry the livestreaming did not work earlier in the week, and especially on All Saints Day. I must have pushed the wrong button on the computer. Fortunately, Fr Ruwan, an expert, mended it on Wednesday." Mgr. Roger.

The Sick & Retired Priests' collection. Our second collection today will be in support of the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. Most priests offer their resignation as a parish priest at the age of 75, but many continue to serve their communities, working in our parishes, schools, hospitals and chaplaincies. We must ensure no priest is worried about meeting essential costs during their senior years and, as such, Cardinal Nichols and the Diocese of Westminster are committed to ensuring that no retired or sick priest is left without support.

By giving a gift to the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you will help ensure all of our sick and retired priests are cared for at their time of need, after years of service to God and their parishioners. The fund will be used to meet essential costs, like making a flat accessible to a disabled priest. It could ensure a priest has regular visits from a carer after undergoing surgery.

Rest assured, the Diocese works closely with the NHS, local councils and social services, but there will nevertheless be gaps in funding and we need to ensure our priests have peace of mind in their senior years.

Please be generous and remember our clergy, in active ministry, retired or ill, in your prayers. Thank you. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - and the envelopes and posters also feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online.

Bi-Annual Concelebrated Requiem Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery NW10 5NU, Kensal Green will be on Monday 7 November at 11:30am.

Remembrance Sunday, 13 November 2022. The 12 noon Mass will be a Solemn Requiem for the Fallen.

Nursery, Infant, and Primary School Applications. On Saturday 12 November from 2:00pm - 4:00pm and Sunday 13 November 4:30pm - 6:00pm, Mgr Roger will sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice for Nursery, Infant, and Primary School Applications. You will be seen on a 'first come, first served basis.' 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). These forms can be found on our parish website at: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesdengreen/certificate-of-catholic-practice-applications/>

Mass of Remembrance, for all those whose funerals have taken place in the parish, particularly in the past year, will be celebrated at 7:30pm on Thursday 17 November. All are welcome to come and offer the greatest prayer we have—the Mass—for their deceased loved ones.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). If you are an adult who is not Catholic, or who has not made their Confirmation, and would like to be prepared for the sacraments in the RCIA process, please contact Fr Allan: allanalvarado@rcdow.org.uk

Convent of Jesus and Mary Catholic Infant School and Nursery Open Days. If you have a child due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2023, open days will take place on the following dates: **Reception: 8 November at 3:30pm, Nursery: 9 November at 3:30pm.** There is no requirement to book a place.

St Mary Magdalen Parish Special Needs Group will be holding a charity 'Horse Race Night' on Saturday 12 November at Tonys Bar 356-360 Willesden High Road commencing at 8:00pm. Please arrive early to reserve your table. The Parish Special Needs Group is a registered charity which has been active in the community for over 50 years. All monies raised from the evening will be used to pay for a Christmas lunch and gifts for people in and around the parish with learning disabilities and who need permanent care. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you. Please note that only children 12 years and over, and accompanied by an adult are permitted to attend.

Funeral Notice

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late Alice (Amy) Amelia Ryan will take place on Monday 7 November at 11:30am followed by Cremation at the West London Crematorium at 1:00pm

May she rest in peace

Diocesan News

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November 2022. For children who suffer: We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Mass Intentions Week commencing 5 November 2022

Saturday	6:30pm	Colleen Carpen	Ints
Sunday	9:00am	Edward & Ann Ryan	Anniv
	10:30am	Thomas Lennon	Ints
	12 noon	Patricia McGovern	RIP
	6:30pm	People of the Parish	Ints
Monday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP
	11:30am	Funeral - Alice (Amy) Amelia Ryan	RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	Mary MacKenzie Family	Ints
Wednesday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP
Thursday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP
Friday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP
Saturday	9:30am	Elizabeth Fernandes & Mario Mendes	RIP