



ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY—MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 JULY 2023 - YEAR A

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Presbytery

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Parish office opening times:

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and
Fridays: 10:00am - 2:00pm**

Mass Times This Week

Saturday: 6:30pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday)

Sunday: 9:00am*, 10:30am (Includes
Children's Liturgy) 12 noon & 6:30pm

Monday - Saturday: 9:30am*

Livestreamed

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays and Saturday:
One hour before morning Mass

Confession

Saturdays: 10:00am—10:30am &
5:30pm—6:15pm
At Call



I cannot thank this parish enough for all your prayers, kindness, gifts, and cards, not just last weekend but over many years. Thank you for making the Church (inside and out!) look so beautiful, the Mass so prayerful and the reception so joyful. I'm still processing all these amazing moments of becoming a priest and the immense privilege of celebrating Mass at my home parish. There was, however, one person who I neglected to mention – Mary Lee RIP. Mary Lee was a housebound parishioner who we used to visit as part of the Post-Confirmation Youth Group. It was Mary who, after asking me what I wanted to be when I was older, told me 'Go on, become a priest'. That was the seed, sowed in my heart, planted by God through a faithful parishioner of Willesden Green and nourished by all of you. So, yes – will you be the next Mary Lee? To inspire and encourage another vocation from this parish. Please continue to pray for me, more now than ever, as I navigate these new gifts and graces bestowed upon this unworthy priest. So far it has been an absolute joy and long may it continue to be so.

Fr Francis Thomas

Please Pray for...

Those who have died recently: John Barrett, Will Blake,
Elizabeth Douglas, John Joe O'Sullivan, James Hayes

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Myrtle Henry,
Carlton Benoît, Sophia Elizabeth Thorpe, Cornelius O'Neill

Parish News

Collection (loose plate & envelopes) 25 June: £1,659.00

Standing orders for May: £3,325.00

Contactless Income for May: £852.09

Thank you for your generosity in whatever way you give.

The Family of the late Alexander Joyce would like to thank most sincerely all those who attended the funeral, sent Mass cards and for all the kind words that helped them through a difficult time. A Mass will be offered for your intentions on Thursday 24 August at 9:30am.

Peter's Pence Collection. The annual *Peter's Pence* collection takes place this weekend. The *Peter's Pence* Collection is the Pope's fund to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disaster and others in need of emergency assistance. The proceeds of the collection, are used to assist the Holy Father in his work.

Parish Pilgrimage to Italy 2024. We are planning a pilgrimage to Assisi (St Francis), Loreto (The Holy House of Our Lady), Padua (St Anthony) and Venice (St Mark) 20-26 May 2024. Price is £1,450.00. A deposit of £250.00 is required by 1 August. A brochure detailing the Pilgrimage is available from the Sacristy.

What happens if you go into hospital? In light of strict data protection rules it is essential that, on entering hospital, you indicate that your details (or those of your relative) are to be passed to the Roman Catholic chaplain. Also state that you, or your relative, would like the Roman Catholic chaplain to visit you. Chaplains visit the wards during the week and provide an on-call service in case of emergencies.

Funeral Notice

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late

John Gerard Thomas Barrett

will take place on Tuesday 4 July at 11:30am

followed by Burial at St Mary Cemetery, Harrow Road at 1:00pm

May he rest in peace

Mass Intentions commencing Sunday 2 July 2023

Saturday:	6:30pm	Cornelius O'Neill	Anniv
Sunday :	9:00am	Carla Savasi	Ints
	10:30am	People of the Parish	Ints
	12 noon	Michael Molloy	RIP
	6:30pm	Annie & Jonathan Dempsey	RIP
Monday:	9:30am	Kathleen Higgins	
Tuesday:	9:30am	Patrick Downs	RIP
	11:30am	Funeral - John Barrett	RIP
Wednesday:	9:30am	Josephine Mendonca	Anniv
Thursday:	9:30am	Sister Nora Gorman	Ints
Friday :	9:30am	Priests (Living and Deceased)	Ints
Saturday:	9:30am	Joe Coyle	Ints

SPECIAL NEEDS GROUP SUMMER RAFFLE 2023

The parish Special Needs Group are holding a summer raffle.

First prize—£200 cash;

Second prize—£100 Marks and Spencer voucher;

Third prize—£75 Sanzio Restaurant voucher,
plus many more wonderful prizes.

All proceeds from the raffle will go towards a Summer and Christmas party for local people with learning disabilities.

Raffle tickets will be on sale after all Sunday Masses on the 9 and 16 July (including the Saturday Vigil). Tickets cost £1.

All winners will be announced in the Annexe or outside the church, weather permitting, after 12 noon Mass on Sunday 23 July.

Diocesan News

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July 2023. For a Eucharistic life: We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Catechists' Summer Gathering 2023—'Awe and Wonder: Looking at the World with the Eyes of Faith' takes place on Saturday 8 July, 9:45am—3:30pm at Sacred Heart High School, 212 Hammersmith Road, W6 7DG led by Martin Foster. It gives all catechists an opportunity to reflect on and explore the presence of God in their lives, £10pp, please bring packed lunch, tea and coffee provided. Email: catadmin@rcdow.org.uk

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Divine Mercy Retreat at St Georges RC Church, 970 Harrow Road, Sudbury, Wembley, Middlesex, HA0 2QE on Saturday 8 July 2023 from 1:30pm to 4:30pm. The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Call Millie on 07957 594 646 for more information.

Mission Unleashed: an event with Cardinal Tagle. The Church has a mission but what is it? And how should we do it? Cardinal Tagle of the Philippines has responsibilities for evangelisation and mission in the Vatican and is an inspirational speaker. Join CAFOD online for *Mission Unleashed: Embracing the Social Dimension of Evangelisation* hosted by CAFOD on 14 July, 7:00pm-8:30pm. Please visit: www.bigmarker.com/cafod/evangelisation to book your place for this webinar and be sent the recording. All are welcome.

Pilgrimage of Reparation. There will be a Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life to Walsingham on Saturday, 5 August 2023, led by Archbishop Kevin McDonald. It will take as its theme 'Accepting the Gift.' For further information visit: www.prolifepilgrimage.org.