

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

June —Month of The Sacred Heart of Jesus

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

23 June 2024

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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— Saturday: 9:30am*

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays and Saturday:
One hour before morning Mass

Confession

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

'Even the wind and the sea obey him'
(Mk 4:35-41)

Meditation: How can we fight fear with faith? Jesus' sleeping presence on the storm-tossed sea reveals the sleeping faith of his disciples. They feared for their lives even though their Lord and Master was with them in the boat. They were asleep to Christ while he was present to them in their hour of need. The Lord Jesus is ever present to us. And in our time of testing he asks the same question: *Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?* Do you recognize the Lord's presence with you, especially when you meet the storms of adversity, sorrow, and temptation? Whenever we encounter trouble, the Lord is there with the same reassuring message:
"It is I, do not be afraid."

Faith must be nourished with the Word of God

What are the characteristics of faith and how can we grow in it? Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to us. Believing is only possible by grace and the help of the Holy Spirit, who moves the heart and who opens the eyes of the mind to understand and accept the truth which God has revealed to us. Faith enables us to relate to God rightly and confidently, with trust and reliance, by believing and adhering to his word, because he is utterly reliable and trustworthy. If we want to live, grow, and persevere in faith, then it must be nourished with the word of God.

Christ's love and truth strengthen us in faith and trust

Fear does not need to cripple us from taking right action or rob us of our trust and reliance on God. Courage working with faith enables us to embrace God's word of truth and love with confidence and to act on it with firm hope in God's promises. The love of God strengthens us in our faith and trust in him and enables us to act with justice and kindness towards our neighbour even in the face of opposition or harm. Do you allow the love of Christ to rule in your heart and mind, and to move your will to choose what is good in accordance with his will?

Prayer

Lord Jesus, increase my faith in your redeeming love and power
that I may always recognize your abiding presence with me.
And give me courage to do your will in all circumstances.

Fr Allan

PARISH NEWS

Collection 16 June 2024 amounted to £1,538.25

Standing orders for May: £3,497

Contactless Income for May: £391.43

Thank you for your generosity in whatever way you give.

Last week we circulated our **SOCIAL EVENTS NEWSLETTER**, this is available to view online as an addition to this newsletter.
It has been produced by our dedicated Social Committee and lists up-and-coming events for our whole community.

SUNDAY 21 JULY

St Mary Magdalen Patronal Celebration

Share an international dish and join in the fun activities!

Food lists available next week.

Canon Kevin Jordan

Cordially invites the parishioners of Willesden Green
To a Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving for 25 years
of the Sacred Priesthood.

Wednesday 3 July, 7pm Mass
Reception to follow: **Our Lady's, 54 Lodge Road, NW8 8LA**

RSVP kevinjordan@rcdow.org.uk

PARISH DIARY

Tuesday 25 June	Coffee/Tea after morning Mass with pupils from St Mary Magdalen's school
Thursday 27 June 7:00pm	 Summer School - session 3 'Beyond the Cross' Art & Culture series

BAPTISM PREPARATION The next course preparing parents for the baptism of their child, will be held on **Saturday 6 July** at 11:00am. Please contact the office to book a place.

Mass Intentions Week commencing Sunday 23 June 2024

Saturday	6:30pm	Kathy Casey	**Anniv**
Sunday	9:00am	John Joe O'Sullivan	**Anniv**
	10:30am	People of the Parish	**Ints**
	12 noon	Laurence Cleary	**RIP**
	6:30pm	Mary Ellen McGuire	**Ints**
Monday	9:30am	Mary Leahy	**Ints**
	1:30pm	Funeral - Luisa Frei	**RIP**
Tuesday	9:30am	Ronald Pitkin	**Ints**
Wednesday	9:30am	Mario Jose Francisco Braganca	**Anniv**
Thursday	9:30am	Elizabeth Driscoll	**RIP**
Friday	9:30am	Miley Doran	**Ints**
Saturday	9:30am	John and Sally Connolly	**60th Wedding Anniversary**

FUNERAL NOTICES

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late
Luisa Frei
will take place on Monday 24 June 2024 at 1:30pm
followed by the interment of ashes at
Kensal Green Crematorium at 2:30pm

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The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late
Evonna Bardouille
will take place on Monday 1 July 2024 at 11:30am
followed by burial at
Islington and St Pancras Cemetery at 1:00pm

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The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late
Josephine Redmond
will take place on Wednesday 3rd July at 11:30am
at
St Mary and St Joseph Catholic Church
186 St John's Road, Boxmoor,
Hemel Hempstead, HP1 1NR

May they rest in peace ✞

CROSSING PETITION

We have been contacted by the local community making us aware of an e-petition supporting the installation of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of St Andrews Road and Willesden High Road. This can be a dangerous point to cross at, especially at peak traffic times - and a new crossing would benefit us all.

For more information and to support the request, please cut and paste the link below:

https://democracy.brent.gov.uk/mgEPetitionLogon.aspx?Id=286&RPID=67591218

Your details (brent.gov.uk)

DIOCESAN NEWS

Anna & Louise **invite all our Catechists for a day retreat on Saturday 6th July** at Sacred Heart School, Hammersmith – this nurturing and relaxed retreat is from 10am-3.30pm. Suggested donation of £10 for the day – please bring a packed lunch.

To register email cadadmin@rcdow.org.uk

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Registration for the Westminster diocesan pilgrimage led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols is now open via the application form on https://rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes/ or by contacting the Pilgrimage Office on 020 7798 9173. There are still a few spaces available to travel by plane.

Those who are sick: Maureen and John Hopkins, Rose McDermott, Miriam Barron, Ethel Cuff, Ophelia Jules, Carmeletta O'Sullivan

Those who have died recently: Josie Redmond, Luisa Frei, Evonna Bardouille, Paddy Rowland, Mary Cronin

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Joe O'Sullivan, Mario Jose Francisco Braganca, Kathy Casey



SOCIAL EVENTS NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the St. Mary Magdalen Church newsletter! We have an action packed schedule for 2024. Find out more about what is happening and how you can get involved.

What is planned for 2024



ST. MARY MAGDALENE FEAST DAY

>>> Sunday 21st July
12-3pm
St. Mary Magdalen's Junior School

We will be celebrating the Feast Day of St. Mary Magdalene with a wonderful party at our local primary school. There will be food, music and fun activities for the children.

We need support to organise and run this event. Please see below for more information about how you can help.



FAMILY FUN DAY

>>> Sunday 22nd September
1-4pm
Willesden Sports Centre

We will be sharing this day with the Church of the Transfiguration. Come along with your family and a picnic for a fun packed afternoon of sport and games.

We need support on the day of the event. Please see below for more information about how you can help.



QUIZ NIGHT

>>> October
Date & time TBC
St. Mary Magdalen's Junior School

Are you a trivia King or Queen or a sports buff? Whatever your knowledge, we warmly welcome you to our quiz night including some light refreshments.

Get a team together or join a team on the night. We look forward to seeing you. Families welcome!

How you can get involved - Volunteering

The Parish Social Committee is a small group of dedicated volunteers who work together to plan and organise events. In the lead up to an event and to make the activity as enjoyable as possible for all, we rely on support from other members of our parish community to do various tasks. Some events are bigger than others and more specific, therefore they require a lot more support in terms of setting up and hosting the event. Please see below for the ways in which you can support us.

>>> PRE-EVENT/EVENT

- Decorating the venue
- Organising tables
- Cleaning the venue
- Children's activity coordinator

>>> FOOD

- Making international food
- Bringing food to the venue
- Serving food

>>> SPECIAL SKILLS

- Sports day games
- Children's entertainer
- Face painting
- Master of Ceremonies

>>> POST EVENT

- Cleaning up
- Moving equipment
- Heavy lifting

If you can volunteer, please join the Parish Social Events Volunteers WhatsApp group by scanning the QR code. More details of how you can help are contained in the description of the group.

If you don't use WhatsApp but would like to help then just get in touch by signing up to the volunteer list at the back of the church or by emailing: willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk

St Mary Magdalen
Summer school 2024:

Beyond the Cross

EASTER ENCOUNTERS WITH THE RISEN CHRIST

Thursday evenings, 7.00PM

13th June – 18th July

Across six sessions, we explore the events in the New Testament following the Crucifixion.



Through a combination of art and spiritual reflection, we seek to gain new and deeper insights into these key moments in the birth of Christianity

Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your understanding of Easter through the lens of art and culture!

To find out more: wgoutreach@rcdow.org.uk

THE BRITISH PROVINCE OF CARMELITES

Exploring CARMEL

Exploring Carmel...

- For young adults aged 18 - 35
- Build relationships and share your life experiences
- Opportunity to grow spiritually and deepen your awareness of God
- Explore the story and gifts of the Carmelite tradition

Delivery

Starting September 2024
12 sessions on 'Zoom'
Prayer - input - group discussion
Supported with options for in-person meeting

More details & Registration

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