

ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY —MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7 JULY 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*

'A prophet is only despised in his own country' (Mk 6:1-6)

Meditation: Are you critical towards others, especially those who may be close to you? The most severe critics are often people very familiar to us, a member of our family, a relative, or neighbour or co-worker we rub shoulders with on a regular basis. Jesus faced a severe testing when he returned to his home town, not simply as the carpenter's son, but now as a rabbi with disciples. It would have been customary for Jesus to go to the synagogue each week during the Sabbath, and when his turn came, to read from the scriptures during the Sabbath service. His hometown folks listened with rapt attention on this occasion because they had heard about the miracles he had performed in other towns. What sign would he do in his hometown?

Look upon your neighbour with the eyes of Christ who comes to heal and restore us
Jesus startled his familiar audience with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God can receive honour among his own people. The people of Nazareth took offense at Jesus and refused to listen to what he had to say. They despised his preaching because he was a mere workman, a carpenter, and a layman who had no formal training by a scholar or teacher. They also despised him because of his undistinguished family background. How familiarity can breed contempt. Jesus could do no mighty works in their midst because they were closed-minded and unbelieving towards him.
If people have come together to hate and to refuse to understand, then they will see no other point of view than their own and they will refuse to love and accept others.
How do you treat those who seem disagreeable to you?

The word "gospel" literally means "good news". Isaiah had prophesied that the Messiah would come in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring freedom to the afflicted who suffered from physical, mental, or spiritual oppression (see Isaiah 61:1-2). Jesus came to set people free - not only from their physical, mental, and spiritual infirmities - but also from the worst affliction of all - the tyranny of slavery to sin, Satan, and the fear of losing one's life. God's power alone can save us from hopelessness, dejection, and emptiness of life. The Gospel of salvation is "good news" for everyone who will receive it. Do you know the joy and freedom of the Gospel?

Prayer

Lord Jesus, you are the fulfilment of all our hopes and desires.
Your Spirit brings grace, truth, freedom, and abundant life.
Set my heart on fire with your love and truth.

Fr Allan

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

Those who have died recently: Elizabeth Weir, Bonnie Kirk, John McKiernan

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Catherine and William Dyra, Sean, James and Aidan O'Sullivan, Walter Gomes, Myrtle Henry, Elaine MacFarlene, Peter Mangan, Tom Creed and Tommy McHugh

PARISH NEWS

Collection 30 June 2024 amounted to £1,485.15

Standing orders for May: £3,497

Contactless Income for May: £391.43

Thank you for your generosity in whatever way you give.

St Mary Magdalen Feast Day

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

Please join us for a joyous celebration of St. Mary Magdalen on her Feast Day. There will be lots to do for all the family:

INTERNATIONAL FOOD

Live music

Children's games

Penalty shoot out

Caricaturist

Photobooth

AND MUCH MUCH MORE...

You can still volunteer to support the event - & join the WhatsApp group →

You can also sign up to our international food lists at the back of the church.

Altar Servers from Year 4 upwards

Training for all altar servers will take place on Saturday **13 July at 2pm** in the church. New servers welcome!



Altar servers with over a year of service who haven't received a medal, please contact Mgr Roger ASAP to join the Guild of St Stephen. *Thank you.*

Mass Intentions Week commencing Sunday 7 July 2024

Saturday	6:30pm	Tom Creed & Tommy McHugh	**Anniv**
Sunday	9:00am	Walter Gomes	**Anniv**
	10:30am	Catherine and William Dyra	**Anniv**
	12 noon	Sean, James & Aidan O' Sullivan	**Anniv**
	6:30pm	People of the Parish	**Ints**
Monday	9:30am	Martin Brien	**Ints**
Tuesday	9:30am	Peter Mangan & deceased family	**Anniv**
Wednesday	9:30am	Private Intention	**Ints**
Thursday	9:30am	Martin Doyle	**RIP**
Friday	9:30am	Canon Tony Dwyer - 40th Anniversary of the priesthood.	**Ints**
Saturday	9:30am	Martin Doyle	**RIP**

YOUTH GROUP - Year 9 to 13

Next meeting on: SUNDAY 14th July at 5:00pm

We will be joined by Zuzanna from **Westminster Youth Ministry** who will be presenting a session called **'God & Us'**, exploring identity, prayer and our relationship with God.
It's going to be interesting, interactive and maybe even fun!
Refreshments will be provided.
All welcome!
Registration forms available by the annexe.

REPOSITORY CLOSURE

As announced last week, the repository will be closing on 14 July. Please take a last look - we still have some lovely items for sale!

I am pleased to announce that Barry Phillips-Devaney has been appointed as the new Parish Outreach Worker. He will be continuing helping us all with Adult Formation, Caritas Social Action and Youth Ministry.

BEYOND THE CROSS - SUMMER COURSE

Join us this Thursday at 7pm in the annexe for an enlightening evening exploring El Greco's dramatic 'Pentecost' painting. We'll delve into the Scriptures and enjoy a video with insightful commentary and lively discussion.



Don't miss out!

PARISH DIARY

Monday 8 July	Social Committee Meeting at 7:30pm
Tuesday 9 July	Pupils from St Mary Magdalen's School will be lending a hand at our coffee morning. All welcome!
Thursday 11 July	Art & Culture Course - see item above.
Saturday 13 July	Training for Altar Servers at 2pm

FUNERAL NOTICES

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late
Elizabeth Helen Weir
will take place on Monday 15 July 2024 at 12:00pm
followed by cremation at
West London Crematorium at 1:45pm

May she rest in peace ✞

DIOCESAN NEWS

Pilgrimage to Fatima Places are available to join Golders Green parish on a pilgrimage to Fatima. 7-11 October 2024. Full board. Flights from Heathrow. Cost is £670 per person sharing a room. Single rooms are very limited. Travel insurance is extra. If you would like to join Fr Paul McDermott and his parishioners please contact Golders Green parish for booking details asap. 0208 455 1300 or email goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk