

ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER —MONTH OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -

15 SEPTEMBER 2024

This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust, Registered Charity No: 233699

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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*

Last week I attended a beautiful Mass at St Rose's Convent, just next to Gladstone Park. I'm sure that some of you know this oasis of prayer in North West London. As I looked around the marquee where the Mass was being celebrated by Cardinal Nichols I could see lots of familiar faces from many and varied places. It was good to see parishioners from both The Transfiguration and St Mary Magdalen's, and also to see friends from other parishes and from schools like St Dominic's VIth Form College. This reminded me that as well as the life the parish, there is much that goes on beyond it. Yes, of course, the parish is the most basic element of many of our lives: it is where we are baptised, receive the sacraments, maybe are married and where we come week by week to gather as the local community to celebrate Mass, but we are part of a much wider community than that, with our Cardinal Archbishop at its centre. And he is our tangible sign of Communion with the Pope.

Your priests, for example, are incardinated into the Diocese of Westminster. That means that we have taken a promise of obedience to our bishop, and he can appoint us to parishes and ministries wherever he sees the need arise. The Cardinal appointed Fr Allan to the parish of Willesden Green, and then to the parish of Kensal Rise. Lots of us in both parishes, and at Newman Catholic College, have much to say 'thank you' to Father Allan for. His enthusiasm and humour, his spirituality and his knowledge have enriched us all, and I must record my personal thanks to him. We pray for him as he takes up his new appointment, at the Cardinal's request, to the parish of Kentish Town.

In these days of fewer priests, we must be very grateful that the Cardinal has appointed Fr Matteo di Giuseppe to our parishes. I very much look forward to working with him as a colleague, and I know that you will hold him in your prayers.

At every Mass we pray for our Pope and also for our Bishop. This reminds us that we are part of the Catholic Church. It is a daily reminder of the importance of staying connected as a universal Church in communion with believers across the world and down the centuries. May our sense of Communion grow ever stronger within our parishes and beyond to the diocese and the wider Church.

Monsignor Roger

Those who are sick: Teresa and Jim O'Donnell, Monica Lynch, Betty Bunford, Ethel Cuff, Carmeletta O'Sullivan, Esme Ellington, Ruth Codrington

Those who have died recently: David Hodgins, Jozsef Dobo, Oliver Ndukwe, Cecilia Doherty

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patricia McGovern, Kay Papp, John Savage, Margaret Ita O'Neill, Joaquim Pereira, Janelle Nelson, Gilbertha Giraud Morning, Lincoln Burke

PARISH NEWS

Collection 8 September 2024 amounted to £1,597.77

Standing orders for August: £4,118

Contactless Income for August: £552.36

Thank you for your generosity in whatever way you give.

Signing of School Forms for Roman Catholic Secondary Schools and Sixth Form Applications

Monsignor Roger will be available to sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice for **Secondary and Sixth form applications only**

on **Saturday 5 October 1:00pm - 3:00pm**
Sunday 6 October 3:30pm - 5:00pm

Monsignor Roger will see you on a first come, first served basis. Meetings will take place in the Sacristy, not Clergy House. 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/ Paper copies will also be available on the table at the back of the church.

We will be joined by the pupils of St Mary Magdalen's school this Monday at the 9:30am Mass. This will not be live-streamed.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

Thank you all for signing up to attend the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 21st September. The coaches are now full and we will not be taking any further bookings.

Due to the need to book a second coach, parishioners that are attending have been allocated a coach to travel on. There will be a register on the morning of the pilgrimage. Please ensure you travel on the coach you have been allocated on, both on the way to and from Walsingham. Please also ensure that you arrive here by 7:10am to allow enough time to check which coach you are on before the coaches arrive at 7:20am and 7:30am.

ADULT ALPHA

This follows the Alpha film series, with moving testimonies and an opportunity to share your faith story with others.

Starting date: 19 September in our church annexe
Thursdays @ 6:30pm for 11 weeks with one Saturday retreat

Registration forms available at the back of the church.
Any questions? Please contact Barry, our Outreach Worker at: wgoutreach@rcdow.org.uk

Mass Intentions commencing Sunday 15 September

Saturday	6:30pm	Kay Papp	**Anniv**
Sunday	9:00am	Joaquim Pereira	**Anniv**
	10:30am	People of the Parish	**Ints**
	12:00pm	John Savage	**Anniv**
	6:30pm	Patricia McGovern	**Anniv**
Monday	9:30am	Mary Macdonald	**RIP**
Tuesday	9:30am	Elizabeth Weir	**RIP**
Wednesday	9:30am	Margaret Ita O'Neill	**Anniv**
Thursday	9:30am	Private Intention	
Friday	9:30am	Mary MacKenzie	**Get well Ints**
Saturday	9:30am	Myleene Moura	**21st Birthday Ints**



As Father Matteo moves into the parish house at Kensal Rise and takes up his role in our parishes, we owe a great debt of gratitude to Fr Kamal and Fr Natalino for their assistance and flexibility with the Mass programme in both parishes. Thank you, Fathers!

St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP)

We are joining together with Our Lady of Willesden, to form a new **SVP NW10** group. The work of the SVP focuses on helping those in need. If you are interested in finding out more or would like to attend the meeting, please contact Barry, our Outreach Worker at: wgoutreach@rcdow.org.uk

The first meeting is on **Wednesday 18 September**, at Our Lady of Willesden, 1 Nicoll Road, NW10 9AX at **6pm**

Today is **Evangelii Gaudium Sunday**

The theme for 2024 is ***'Growing as missionary disciples'.***

We are encouraged to pray for our parish communities, that they would become intentionally missionary in their life and witness.

For more information, please see:
https://www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday/

Job Opportunity

The Brent Irish Advisory Service (BIAS) are advertising for a part-time 'Befriending Coordinator' (10 hours per week). It involves supporting isolated clients by linking them with volunteer befrienders.

To find out more about this position and how to apply, please following the link below:
https://biasbrent.co.uk/about-us/careers/