

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

June—Month of The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Most Holy Trinity

15 June 2025

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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*
**Livestreamed*

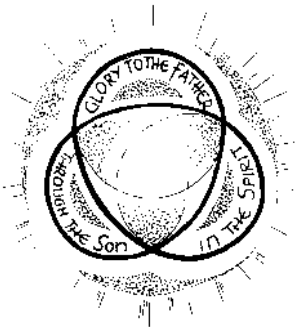
Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays and Saturday:
One hour before morning Mass

Confession

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

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



Of all the great feasts we celebrate within the Church throughout the year, today's Solemnity presents us with a Mystery that is so deep and transcendent that our eternity will be spent in perpetual contemplation. The Trinity, the life of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, will never get old, never be fully understood, and will be the cause of our everlasting adoration and joy. Though the Church has used philosophical concepts to explain the Trinity, no human concept or description will ever fully explain Who God is. Though we can point to some general truths about God, we will never be able to fully depict the inner essence, depth, beauty and omnipotence of the Trinity.

As we consider that fact, it's important to understand that the Trinity is not first a theological mystery we try to define. Rather, the Trinity is first a communion of Persons we are invited to know. We do not primarily come to know God through intellectual deduction. We come to know God through prayerful union with Him. Though theology is exceptionally useful and important, the essence of God is beyond any and every philosophical concept we can define.

The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are Persons. And as Persons, they want to be known. And they want to be known primarily through a life of deep and intimate prayer. Praying to One Person, of course, is praying to all, since they are One God. But we are, nonetheless, called to a relationship of love with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. And though our feeble minds may not be able to fully comprehend the essence of God, He will draw us deeper and deeper into a knowledge of Him if we let Him.

Prayer often begins by saying prayers, by meditating upon Scripture, and by listening. But true prayer is something much deeper. True prayer is contemplative prayer that ultimately leads to divine union. Only God can initiate this form of prayer in our lives, and only God, through this deep form of prayer, can communicate Himself to us as He is. Some of the greatest mystics of our Church, such as Saint John of the Cross and Saint Teresa of Ávila, explain in their mystical theology that the deepest knowledge of God does not come through concepts or images. In fact, if we wish to obtain a knowledge of God in His essence, we must allow Him to purge every concept of Who He is so that the pure light of His essence can be poured forth upon our minds. This knowledge, they say, is beyond knowing "about" God. It's the beginning of a knowledge "of" God.

Try to humble yourself before the great Mystery of the inner life of God. Humility before the Mystery of God means that we know how little we know about Him and how little we know of Him. But that humble truth will help you move closer to the deeper relationship of love to which you are called.

The Peace of Christ
Fr Matteo

Those who are sick: Catherine Crowley, Carmeletta O'Sullivan, Ethel Cuff, Mary Brophy, Betty McConnell

Those who have died recently: Tracy Colmar Barrett, Rocco Marotta, Tony Walsh, Patrick McAshea, Patrick Joseph (PJ) Conway, Tom Kelly

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Martin and Paddy Grealish, Julia Egan, Roy Victor Clackson, Cisline Morris, Elizabeth Patricia 'Pat' Gavrel, Maria Floresca, Betty Weir, Mary Cronin

PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS

Collection 8 June 2025 amounted to £1,523.58
Standing orders for May: £3,982
Contactless Income for May: £629.00

Thank you for your generosity in whatever way you give.

SAVE THE DATE!

On **Sunday 20th July** we will be celebrating our patronal feast.
Mass at **11:00am** will replace the 10:30 and 12noon.
Celebrations will continue in the school hall.



June YOUTH GROUP meeting for Year 9 to 13

The bowling trip on Sunday 29th June is now fully booked.
Please look out for the notice in the newsletter about July's meeting.

ST MARY MAGDALEN CHURCH SUMMER SCHOOL

Pilgrims Of Hope:

Jubilee Year Course – four Thursdays from 26th June
Building on our Lent course *We Dare To Hope*, we'll explore key **Jubilee Year** themes—*Care for Creation, Forgiveness, and Debt*—through short films, scripture, discussion, and prayer.
Join us for four Thursdays at 7.00pm in the church annexe.
Refreshments provided.
To register your interest or find out more, contact Barry at **wgoutreach@rcdow.org.uk**

School and Parish

Joining us this Monday at Mass are the pupils of St Mary Magdalen's School. This will not be live-streamed.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no coffee/tea morning this Tuesday, 17th June.

The next Bi-Annual Concelebrated Requiem Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery NW10 5NU, Kensal Green will be held on **Monday 16th June 2025 at 11.30am.**



Mass Intentions commencing- Sunday 15 June

Saturday	6:30pm	Julia Egan	**Anniv**
Sunday	9:00am	Mariano and Maria D'Souza—on their Wedding Anniversary	**Ints**
	10:30am	People of the Parish	**Ints**
	12:00pm	Martin and Paddy Grealish	**Anniv**
	6:30pm	Ineda Braganca	**Birthday Ints**
Monday	9:30am	Mary McAfee and family	**Ints**
Tuesday	9:30am	Christine Mallaghan	**Get Well Ints**
Wednesday	9:30am	Inacio Braganca	**Birthday Ints**
	12:00pm	Funeral—Tracy Colmar	**RIP**
Thursday	9:30am	Betty Weir	**Anniv**
	12:00pm	Funeral—Rocco Marotta	**RIP**
Friday	9:30am	Roy Victor Clackson	**Anniv**
Saturday	9:30am	Margaret Smullen	**Ints**

FUNERAL NOTICES

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late
Tracy Colmar
will take place on Wednesday 18th June at 12:00pm
followed by burial at St Mary's Catholic Cemetery at 1:30pm.

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The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late
Rocco Marotta
will take place on Thursday 19th June at 12:00pm
followed by cremation at West London Crematorium at 2:00pm.

May they rest in peace ✞

PROCESSION ON THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

On **Sunday 22nd June**, the Feast of Corpus Christi, we warmly invite all our First Holy Communion children and their families to join us for the 12 noon Mass here in our church. There will be a special procession led by the children and we ask that they wear their Holy Communion outfits.

FATHER'S DAY

A reflection on fatherhood, by Deacon Roger Carr-Jones:
Father's Day is a time to give thanks for the gift and responsibility of fatherhood, which is a lifelong, relational vocation. Fatherhood extends beyond biology to include adoptive, foster, step, spiritual, and even father-in-law roles. As Pope Francis teaches, fatherhood is not just a title but a responsibility—"Fathers are not born but made." True fatherhood means self-giving love and care for others, a calling shared by both physical and spiritual fathers, including priests. In a world that challenges family bonds, faithful fatherhood remains a vital gift.

May God bless all fathers with strength, wisdom and love, today and always.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WILL BE CONFIRMED IN WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL NEXT WEEKEND.

Kim		Isabella
Suvena		Bartlomiej
Aloyshius		Esther
Aloyshya		Jasper
Teagan		Joaquin
Ivon	James	Clint
Justin	Charlotte	Krizzle
Haylo	Fiona	Brajan
Mevishka	Livia	Kevin
Jacob	Arianne	Sophia
Kesha	Merlyn	Noah
John	Oisín	Khloe
Elizabeth	Feliks	Maria
Matthias	Sophia	Mariana
Joesvan	Reon	Lukasz
Marley	Mateusz	Aiyana
Shannon	Ranady	Gabriela

Everyone is most welcome to come and support our young parishioners receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 21st June at 2:30pm in Westminster Cathedral.