



# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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 INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

## 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024

**Baptisms and Weddings** by arrangement  
 Please see Fr Adrian after Mass to make an appointment for a preparation course.

**Sunday Masses:** 9.30 am and 11.00 am

**Weekday Mass:** the church opens at 9.00 am with Mass at 9.30 am, but please check below for details.

**Please note the church is closed on Tuesday.**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on Fridays from 9.00 am, ending with Benediction before 9.30 Mass.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

Saturdays from 9.00 am to 10.30 am and by request.

**Parish Office Open:**

**Wednesday to Friday 10.30 am to 3.30 pm**

**Our Cemetery is open daily from 9 am to 3 pm**  
 365 days a year (except for emergency call outs).

### THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> January.

Our weekly income was £746 [an average of the last 4 weeks]  
*We are all in such extreme circumstances, many with reduced incomes that it is a blessing to be able to receive any donation you are able to give.*  
 Please Note: no one is asked to give a specific amount as it all depends on individual income.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

We can receive donations via the following methods:

- Download a Standing order form  
[www.stmarymags.org.uk/community](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk/community)
- Online Banking using the Parish Bank details:  
**NatWest Richmond, Surrey (A) Branch**  
**NAME: RCAS Mortlake**  
**Account number: 20224311**  
**Sort Code: 60-07-20**

(Please quote your Gift Aid Number if you have one.)

- The Donation Button on our website's Homepage:  
[www.stmarymags.org.uk](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk)
- Gift Aid Envelopes or Cash can be deposited in the blue donation buckets at the exit of the Church.
- Contactless Cards can be used at the Payment Points located by the Calvary Statue & Sacristy.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: Mass Book p 127-129

### Peace Sunday & Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Catholic Church in England and Wales and other congregations around the country will come together to pray this Sunday for peace. After this we start the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which is traditionally observed during the octave of St. Peter and St. Paul until 25<sup>th</sup> January. In recognition of present conflict, this year, prayers for Christian Unity have been prepared by churches in the Middle East, the history of which was, and still is, characterised by conflict and strife, tainted with blood and darkened by injustice and oppression. In response to the Israeli-Palestinian crisis, CAFOD have launched an appeal to support those affected and get funds to local experts in Gaza and southern Israel to aid those who need our help. **If you would like to make a donation to CAFOD please either go directly to [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk) click [HERE](#) or call 0303 303 3030.** In addition, since last week, envelopes have been available at the back of the church for anyone who would like to give a donation to the work of PAX Christi, a Catholic Movement for Peace. Each year, PAX Christi provide a prayer for Peace Sunday ...

God our creator and sustainer.

*We thank you for the gifts of creativity you have given us, for the ability to explore science and understand your creation. We ask your forgiveness for the times we have used science for evil and not for good, for war and not for peace. Make us vigilant as we develop technology; that violence and discrimination may not take root, that injustice and inequality will not be fuelled, that the poor and vulnerable will not pay the cost. May all that we create contribute to peace and justice, Amen.*

### ON-GOING SUPPORT OF THE PARISH

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish, especially whilst we are unable to take basket collections in church as we used to. If you haven't yet signed up to contribute by Standing Order or online, then please help our 'Maintenance and Mission' fund by [clicking on this link](#) in the online version of the newsletter. **Thank you for giving what you can**, it will be a great blessing for the continued support of the church.

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		14 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2024
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
14 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Sunday	9.30 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		For the Holy Spirit
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	For the Brown and Hoyle Families
16 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Tuesday	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>NB the church is closed</b>	<b>The Church and Office are closed today</b>
17 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Wednesday	9.30 am	St Anthony	For the wellbeing of Fr Adrian and his family
18 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Reverend Charles Hogan [Foundation Mass]
19 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Friday	9.00 am	<b>Rosary and Benediction</b>	<b>Prayers for Ukraine: the sorrowful Mysteries</b>
<b>NB after Benediction</b>	9.30 am	Feria	For the welfare of Amelia Law
20 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Saturday	9-10.30am	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	<b>The church is open for prayer until 12pm today</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> Jan. Sunday	9.30 am	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	James Collins RIP
	11.00 am		The needs of our Parish Family

**Parish Building Together Collection:** Today we are taking the monthly Building Together collection for the care and maintenance of our Parish at all Masses. For anyone who would like to, you can make your donation by clicking [HERE](#) in the online electronic newsletter via your electronic device, thank you. .

**Can you help please?** Thank you to all those who helped last week in taking down most of the Parish decorations. There are just a few boxes that need to be taken-up to the organ loft, so please join us after Sunday's 11am Mass if you can help put away our Christmas decorations. Thank you to the small team of people who help each year, it is such a blessing.

**Fr Adrian has been contacted by a number of people this week who've only just returned from being away.**

**For those who might not have seen this message, Fr Adrian has asked for it to be updated for this week:**

"Thank you for your kind gifts and cards, especially all the children's drawings, home made treats, whisky and wine. A wee dram will help toast the end of all the nasty side-effects from my cancer treatment but the home-made ginger biscuits were such a great help, THANK YOU so much. As a Parish Family, we have all been through a lot during 2023, as I wasn't the only one who had to spend time away in hospital and convalescing, so thank you for remembering each Sunday all those who were in need in prayer and for welcoming Fr Peter Andrews from January to April.

**THANK YOU for the ways you served the Lord in 2023 and how we still continue to be Stewards of the wonderful buildings, projects and gifts that you are to the Parish. I would like to thank ...**

Nicola, the Parish Secretary, our Parish Finance and Building Committee members, and each and every Parish Member for your support and service throughout the year by donating to the Sunday collections and volunteering in so many ways. It is a blessing to have the continued support of Sophie and Jan our First Communion Catechists, our Confirmation Parent volunteers and Catechists, Anna who helped to co-ordinate the Extraordinary Ministers and to all in our Sunday teams, to all our Readers, Welcomers, those who've helped with the Collection, Jennie and the Flower Arrangement helpers, Clare and our Church Cleaning teams, our three Linen Laundry volunteers, Chris our Parent helper with the Servers and the enthusiastic Altar Server Team. To our Sunday Music Co-ordinator Kate and to all our Musicians and Singers who have helped to bless our Sunday Liturgy with song and to all past and present Children's Liturgy volunteers, in the hope we can continue next year. **A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU!**

May we know the Lord's blessing, comfort and care for ourselves and for our loved ones throughout the New Year and the months ahead. With my prayers, God bless, Fr Adrian

**Please see overleaf for the notice regarding "Peace Sunday and the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" 2024. If you would like to download this year's pamphlet, please click [HERE](#)**



**On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024, the Cemetery Gardening Group invite you to a BURNS NIGHT QUIZ to help raise funds for the 'St Mary Magdalen Cemetery Fund'. This is an independent fund that the Parish Cemetery volunteers run to help with the costs of maintaining the Cemetery. The fund is fully endorsed and supported by the Parish, so any card payment for tickets or the raffle can be Gift-Aided through the Parish. Tickets are available, after all Masses, at a cost of £10 each, to include a typical Burns Night Supper.**



**Please see the poster for full details and save the evening of Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January for a wonderful celebration.**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January is Racial Justice Sunday:** Archbishop John Wilson will be celebrating the event at St George's Cathedral at the 10am Mass. As space is limited, anyone who would like to be is asked to email the Parish Office at [Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk) with your details as Fr Adrian has been asked to let Canon Victor Darlington, who co-ordinates the The Racial and Cultural Inclusion Commission, know how many parishioners would like to attend, thank you.

It's great to receive presents over Christmas but sometimes, if Granny gives you the same bottle of "smellies" she gave you last year or Uncle Jimmy keeps forgetting that Junior can help by donating items to raise funds for the **to receive any non-perishable items (i.e. no best-the donated gifts at a Parish Fair.** No one will know can't be disappointed if you told them you were have half a million pounds of repairs to do this year, Heart Window, so we need to hold a number of **donate any gifts that are extra to your needs, or you have any other ideas for fundraising, please see Fr Adrian after Mass.**



*Please provide the original packaging, where possible, but please note we can't sell used items such as half a bottle of shampoo!*

**Please pray for Parish Family and friends who are unwell:**

The sick and house bound are very much at the heart of the church and support us in their prayers as we support them in our prayers at every Mass.

Please remember all the sick of our Parish, those who care for them and those in any kind of need. Individual names of the sick can be emailed to Fr Adrian for inclusion at Mass. These prayer petitions will be offered at every Mass as Fr Adrian keeps the private list of names at the altar.

**"Rejoice that your names are written in Heaven."**

**Luke 10:20**

Please use Mass Intention envelopes from the church entrance to request a Mass for a family member or friend, or for a particular need and give these to Fr Adrian

**Please pray for the repose of the souls of David Hoyland and Joy Ann Williamson who died recently, for Kathryn Strohe, Henry Healey, Renato Zammit, Marie-Claude Simonelli, Mary Hill, Carol Spurling, Margaret Johnstone, Bridget Fetterston, Leo Nugent and all those whose anniversaries occur near this time.**

**May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen**

The names of those who have died are taken from the Death Register, if you would like to include in prayer an individual whose funeral did not occur here, please list their name in an email to Fr Adrian. Please also state if you would like their name to be added to the Book of Remembrance and to the list above for our prayers of intercession at our Sunday Mass