



# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

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

**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).

## 28<sup>th</sup> July to 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024

**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.

## 19<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time –11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

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## Summer Newsletter Version III



From the very first beginnings of our Parish, when small numbers of people gathered for Mass in a stable (on ground now occupied by Tesco's, opposite the train station); we have grown, year on year, as a beacon of Christ's Light to be the wonderful gathering of individuals and families we are today, well over 170 years after the first light of our Parish dawned. We have been

blessed to have had the help of many priests and people over the years, and are extremely grateful to the legacy they have left us. **To build on that legacy, Fr Adrian would like to introduce a series of House Masses on a Saturday evening, where small groups of neighbouring Parish Family members and friends take turns in hosting Mass in a simple gathering in their home, ending with a bring-and-share meal afterwards.** It is hoped, that by gradually coming together as small-group communities, each little gathering for a Saturday evening Mass will be an extra Beacon of Christ's Light in our neighbourhood, with the chance of family and friends to encounter the light of Christ through the warmth, welcome and witness such small gatherings offer. **We don't have the capacity to offer Mass each week on a Saturday or Sunday evening in the Parish Church, but it is hoped that by getting to know each other through small-group House Masses, our Parish will continue to grow and thrive for many more years to come. More details will follow, so please check the newsletter over the coming weeks**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION**  
Our weekly income was £642 [an average of the last 4 weeks]  
Thank you for your continued support of the Parish it is much appreciated. If you prefer to give online please help our 'Maintenance and Mission' fund by [clicking on this link](#) in the online version of the newsletter. **To set up a regular donation for the Sunday collection or for our Building Together Fund please follow this link to the Parish forms on our website: [www.stmarymags.org.uk/community](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk/community)**

You can also give online through our [JustGiving](#) page, through [www.stmarymags.org.uk](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk) or by using the QR codes in the church. Thank you for giving whatever you can, as it will be used as a great blessing for the continued support of the Church.

**OUR PARISH IS PART OF MORTLAKE DEANERY, a partnership of nine churches working together locally.**

The Mass times of our nearest sister churches:

**Our Lady, Queen of Peace, East Sheen has Mass on Saturday (Vigil): 6.00pm; Sunday: 8.30 and 10.30am and St Osmund, Barnes has Mass on**

**Sunday: 8.30 and 10.30am and at 6.30pm.**

**As part of Mortlake Deanery St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church is a community brought together by God's love.**

Our baptism calls us to respond to that love by following Christ and serving our neighbours. We strengthen our union with Christ and with the Catholic Church through the celebration of the Eucharist.

In service to God and our neighbours, we foster works that promote the spirit of the Gospel, especially focussing on issues of racial and social justice.

**"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10**

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		11 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
11 <sup>th</sup> August Sunday	9.30 am	19 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	For the Holy Souls
	11.00 am		The needs of our Parish Family
12 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Monday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
13 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
14 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Wednesday	9.30 am	St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest	For the Holy Souls
15 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Thursday	9.30 am	The Assumption of Our Lady A Holy Day of Obligation	For the Intention of Gilly Best
	7.00 pm		For the Holy Souls
16 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Ukraine: The Joyful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria	Aileen Bajot [Foundation Mass]
17 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today

**This week we pray for the repose of the souls of Catherine Applegarth, Daphne Handville, Eileen McKenna**

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**Mass Intentions during August ...**

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		18 <sup>th</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Feria or Feast Day</i>	<i>Intention</i>
<b>18<sup>th</sup> August Sunday</b>	9.30 am	<b>20<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time</b>	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Josie Donohue RIP
19 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	For the welfare of Fr Adrian
20 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Tuesday	<b>Closed</b>	<b>NB the church is closed</b>	<b>Please note: the church is closed</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> Aug. Wednesday	9.30 am	St Pius X	For the intention of Francisco and Rosa Montero
22 <sup>nd</sup> Aug. Thursday	9.30 am	Queenship of our Blessed Mother	For the Holy Souls
23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug. Friday	9.00 am	<b>Rosary and Benediction</b>	<b>Prayers for Ukraine: The Luminous Mysteries</b>
<b>NB after Benediction</b>	9.30 am	Feria	Canon Bernard Jose [Foundation Mass]
24 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Saturday	9-10.30am	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	<b>The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today</b>

**This week we pray for the repose of the souls of Mona Miller, David Purdey, William Saunders, William Tesh, Michael Gilliat**

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		25 <sup>th</sup> August to 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2024
<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Feria or Feast Day</i>	<i>Intention</i>
<b>25<sup>th</sup> August Sunday</b>	9.30 am	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Week in Ordinary Time</b>	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Joseph Hellel RIP
26 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	For the Holy Souls
27 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Tuesday	<b>Closed</b>	<b>NB the church is closed</b>	<b>Please note: the church is closed</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Wednesday	9.30 am	St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor	For the Holy Souls
29 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Thursday	9.30 am	Passion of St John the Baptist	Teresa B. Corr [Foundation Mass]
30 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 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	Sts M Clitherow, A Line, M Ward	For the intention of J Bemrose
31 <sup>st</sup> Aug. Saturday	9-10.30am	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	<b>The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sept. Sunday</b>	9.30 am	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time</b>	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart

**This week we pray for the repose of the souls of Albert Bruce, Edward Goggins, Jeannie Turner, Teresa Corr, Ellen Brown, Mireille Buckner**

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**Please note: There will be no Mass on Monday and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> August, as Fr Adrian will be unavailable.**

**Thursday 15 August is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the day each year when we remember how our Blessed Mother was Assumed into heaven ‘body and Soul’, with Masses that day at 9.30am and 7.00pm.** After the 7pm Mass Fr Adrian is hosting an open air Pizza night in front of the Parish Hall so do please join us and bring something to drink to go with the pizzas that Fr Adrian will cook to order. ☺ If you plan on coming please let Fr Adrian know as he needs help clearing up after the evening Masss and getting everything ready for the pizza party!



For those who were not able to join us on 28<sup>th</sup> July, the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Fr Adrian has been asked to repeat the prayer from the newsletter that day ...

**You who created us in Your image,** You who never leaves us alone and who accompanies us through every season of life. Do not abandon us, take care of us, and grant us, once again, the ability to discover ourselves and recognise that we are Your children. Renew our hearts with your Word and do not allow anyone to be cast aside.

May your Spirit of love fill us with Your tenderness and teach us to say:

“I will not abandon you!” To those we meet on our journey.

With the help of your beloved Son, may we not lose the taste for fraternity and may we not conform to the sadness of loneliness. Help us to look to the future with renewed hope, and make the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly a day without loneliness, and a day abundant with the first-fruits of Your peace. **Amen**

Fr Adrian would like to thank Fr Piyal, the Principal of St. Xavier's College, Marawila, Sri Lanka, who has been staying in the Presbytery, during July, for his help and support as he leaves us on Monday to begin his journey home after his home again. During his stay, Fr Piyal has been able to visit some of our tourist attractions, meet with many parishioners and some of the children from our own Parish School, St Mary Magdalen, which is very different to his own school in Sri Lanka. If anyone would like to know more about St. Xavier's College, Marawila, and see some of their achievements, please click [HERE](#) in the online newsletter or use this web address <https://stxaviercollege.lk/>

**Would you like your child to receive First Holy Communion next year?**

If your child will be in Year 3 from September 2024, whether they are in our Parish School, another Catholic School or in a Non-Catholic School, please see below. In addition, each year we have some children who have not yet been baptised or are from different faith traditions but would like to be welcomed into the Church, so if that applies to you, please let Fr Adrian know so that he can help. Please follow the QR code or link in the online version of the newsletter <https://forms.office.com/e/GyCPWVSC1z> to express an interest in the First Communion Programme (posters with the QR code for this link are also available in church).



**Please note: this is only the first part of the application, but to enrol your child into our First Communion Programme this initial online form must be completed between now and 20<sup>th</sup> October for the 2024/2025 Programme.**



Whilst many servers are away over the summer holidays we don't run a formal rota, but if you are on a 'staycation' or are back from your holidays then please consider serving at our Sunday Masses. In preparation for the return of the rota in the autumn, would parents of any of our children who made their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion in 2024 who would like to become an Altar Server, please let Fr Adrian know if they would like to join the ministry by downloading an application from via this [LINK](#) in our digital online newsletter. Please then return the completed form to Fr Adrian after Mass, thank you.

**A BIG THANK YOU** for your support for the Parish 'Share & Care' Foodbank.

With thanks as well to the Parish families who donate to local Foodbanks via their supermarket. All Your support is appreciated and helps local families in need especially during the Summer holidays.

It would be a great blessing if families could please include one extra item in their shopping to bring on Sunday or during the week as a donation to help feed Parish and local families. Our Foodbank is urgently in need of dried pasta, rice, tinned tuna, tinned tomatoes, tinned soup or tinned vegetables. Also needed are washing powder, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, tea, coffee, jam and biscuits, thank you



**Catholic Nursery/Reception, Secondary School Transfers and 6<sup>th</sup> Form Applications for 2025**  
**If you're applying to a Catholic School for next year, please see Fr Adrian after Mass to obtain a form called the "Parish Reference Request".** This form, with a family photo and a COPY of the child's baptism certificate, together with any school forms for Fr Adrian to complete (the school SIF if you already have them) are to be handed to Fr Adrian at the end of the usual Sunday Mass you attend. Please do not delay returning the Parish form until you have all the school forms, as Fr Adrian needs time to collate the information. Please make sure you are aware of each School's cut-off date, e.g., Secondary Schools will need their completed forms over the next few weeks.

Please remember, that at least a week is needed to give time to process the forms so , that forms handed in one Sunday are usually returned the next week.

**Please see Fr Adrian if you have any questions ...**, thank you.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> August**

If you would like to join Archbishop John and Bishop Paul for this Pilgrimage and can be there as a young helper, caring support, nurse or as a doctor, please click [HERE](#) in the online newsletter for more information. If you would prefer to join the group as a Pilgrim and would like more details of this Pilgrimage, please click onto this [LINK](#) with your digital device in the online newsletter, thank you.

**Lourdes Pilgrimage in December 2024.**

Northern Star Travel Ltd are organising a Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> December at a cost of £550 per person (sharing) or £675 for a single room at the Grand Hotel Moderne. Departing from Stansted airport at 1.30pm on 7<sup>th</sup> December and returning at approximately 7pm on the 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information please click onto this [LINK](#) in the online newsletter or call 0161 773 2115.

A very BIG thank you from Clare Foster, a member of our Parish family, who is ran in the 5k "Cancer Research Race for Life" in Hyde Park, on 24<sup>th</sup> July: "Thank you so much for donating to the Cancer Research Race for Life. The sponsorship and your kind support means so much to me as it will help to change so many lives, especially as many of us already know people living with cancer. My heartfelt thanks to all those who have contributed so far and to anyone who would like to make a donation, please either use this [LINK](#) in the online newsletter or go to <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/clares-race-for-life-327469032>, thank you ☺



The Divine Mercy Apostolate is holding a "Celebration of St Faustina" at Aylesford Priory on Bank Holiday Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> August, from 10am until 4:30 pm.

The day will include an Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross,

Adoration and Benediction, Mass and teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy.

For more information about the day and transport to and from Aylesford, please call Millie on 07957 594 646, thank you.

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, U switch and many others! This means that you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you are buying, even a summer holiday! If you haven't signed up to support us yet, it's easy and completely FREE. These donations really help us, so it would be great if you could take a moment to get started please.

You can find our easy fundraising page here : <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarymagdalenmortlake>



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Changes to the Bible Readings at Mass - New Lectionary Translation from Advent 2024  
The Lectionary used at Mass contains Bible readings set out over a two or three-year cycle and, as part of the continuing process of updating the liturgy which began in 2011, the Lectionary is changing. These changes have been made to make the translation from the original languages more faithful to the original and, where appropriate, more inclusive. This means that the Parish needs to purchase a new set of the three Lectionaries used at Mass at a cost of £395 for the three-volume set. Some Parish Families asked Fr Adrian if they could contribute towards the cost, and he would like to have a Dedication Page for the front of each volume so that families could either dedicate a single volume to a loved one's memory or have a chosen name included in a list of donors. If you would like to contribute, please use one of the white envelopes marked "LECTIONARY" from the table at the back of the church. Please Gift Aid your donation where possible and in the space on the front of the envelope please write the name(s) to be included on the dedication page, thank you.

**We continue our Parish Prayers for Peace for the People of Ukraine, the Middle East and for all areas of conflict:**

Loving God, we pray for all victims of violence, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need, through Christ our Lord.

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**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**

Mass Intention envelopes are available at the entrance and exit to the church if you would like to request a Mass for a family member or friend, for the Holy Souls or for a particular need. To request a Mass please complete a manilla coloured envelope, alternatively, you can donate via the QR code above but if you do this please email Fr Adrian to let him know so that the Holy Souls Mass can be said as soon as possible, thank you.



**During August please pray for the repose of the souls of**

George Jackman, Eric Albert Shelley, Michele Fraser, Christopher Phipps, Joan Hill, Alice O'Neill, Norbert Healy, Joyce Culnane, Susan Hooper, Brendan Corr, Winifred Kitts, Enda Farrell, Kenneth O'Neil, 'Baby' Burns, Martin Graham, Catherine Applegarth, Daphne Handville, Eileen McKenna, Mona Miller, David Purdey, William Saunders, William Tesh, Michael Gilliat, Albert Bruce, Edward Goggins, Jeannie Turner, Teresa Corr, Ellen Brown, Mireille Buckner 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.

**Father, we give you thanks that you have**

called us to know you and to love you.

You have drawn us to you with bands of love.

Help us to listen and to obey your word.

We pray for all preachers and pastors, for ministers of the word and of the sacraments.

We remember before you all who do not know or love you and we ask your blessing upon all who reach out in mission and love to them.

We pray for any who have lost faith in themselves or in you.

Lord our God, our hope is in you. **Amen**

