



# 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).

## 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025

**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.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION**  
Our weekly income was £572 [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**

### The Feast of the Baptism of The Lord

At our baptism, we are formally welcomed into the Church and incorporated into the Kingship, Prophetic role and Priesthood of Christ. In the dignity of our life, from cradle to grave, we share in the Kingship of Christ as 'full heirs' of God's Kingdom. In helping others to understand God's word we share in Christ's Prophetic role and in living a sacrificial life, thinking not just of our needs but of the needs of others, we share in the Priesthood of Christ, both male and female as the 'Priesthood of Believers'. If we are baptised as infants then our parents and Godparents make declarations on our behalf, but, as adults, we renew our baptismal vows each Easter and are called to live out the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit in the life we lead. Last year, the Archdiocese began a process entitled "Called to Bear Fruit". This is a journey of listening, collaboration, and renewal and this year, the Archbishop would like to hear from you, his sisters and brothers in Christ, as we reflect on how we can work together, as clergy, laity, consecrated people, and neighbouring parishes, to make the Church's mission more effective in our local communities. Archbishop John Wilson would like to ask for our help in two ways: first of all, to pray for the renewal of our Archdiocese, asking the Holy Spirit to illumine our hearts and minds with fresh possibilities during this Jubilee Year of Hope. Secondly, he asks us to engage in a consultation on key themes for reflection. Dates will be published soon where we can gather in small groups to prayerfully reflect on how each of us is called to bear fruit and how we can live out our baptism call.

**An anonymous donor has sponsored this week's Sanctuary Candle at a cost of £5.** If you or your family would like to sponsor our 7-day candle, kept burning day and night whenever the Blessed Sacrament is present in the Tabernacle, please email with your family name, thank you.

Liturgical Year C	Mass Details and Intentions		12 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
12 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Sunday	9.30 am	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		For the Holy Souls
13 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	Those in the Ukraine
14 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria	For the Holy Souls
16 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Josie Donohoe RIP
17 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Peace: The Sorrowful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	St Anthony, Abbot	Rev Charles Hogan RIP
18 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12pm today
19 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Sunday	9.30 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	For the Holy Souls
	11.00 am		The needs of our Parish Family

**Parish Building Together Collection:** Today we have the opportunity of contributing towards the monthly 'Building Together' collection, for the care and maintenance of our Parish, at all Masses.

Please remember, you can also donate by clicking [HERE](#) in the online newsletter via your electronic device.

Please note: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January is Peace Sunday giving us the opportunity of making a financial donation towards the work of Pax Christi. Peace Sunday begins a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, thank you.

**Catholic Primary School applications for 2025.** If you're applying to a Catholic Primary School for next year, please see Fr Adrian, after Mass, to obtain a form called the "Parish Reference Request". This form gives details of what information the Parish needs (e.g. baptism details and copy certificate) plus any School forms for Fr Adrian to complete (i.e. the School "SIF"). These forms are to be handed to Fr Adrian at the end of the usual Sunday Mass you attend. 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 following week. Please see Fr Adrian if you have any questions and please make sure that you are aware of each School's cut-off date.

**DON'T FORGET TO APPLY VIA THE COUNCIL AND COMPLETE THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUPPLEMENTARY FORM.**

Please take a leaflet from the table at the back of the church to learn more about why from Advent 2024 all Parishes in England and Wales are using a new ESV translation of the readings at all Masses. With our prayers and thanks to those who have donated already toward the cost of these four volumes. If you would like to contribute toward the cost of these Lectionaries (£395 per volume), please use one of the white envelopes from the table at the back of the church and mark it "LECTIONARY". 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 so that Fr Adrian can add your name to the dedication page inside, thank you 😊



**Archbishop John Wilson stated that the Feast of the Holy Family marked the opening of the Jubilee Year, 'Pilgrims of Hope' in the Archdiocese of Southwark. 2025 has especial significance in England & Wales as it commemorates 175 years since the restoration of the Catholic hierarchy after the penal centuries that followed the Reformation. The 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage is a fundamental element of every Jubilee event. Pope Francis who opened the year of Jubilee on Christmas Eve. Missio (the official charity Pope Francis has to promote and support the caring mission of the Church), has created a bank of resources as we journey through this Holy Year by following this [LINK](#) in the online newsletter.**

**Children's Liturgy at our Sunday 9.30 am Mass:** Fr Adrian would like to invite all families, especially all the children wanting to receive their First Holy communion in 2025 to attend the Children's Liturgy. We encourage all parent volunteers, so if you can, please see Fr Adrian to offer your help, and if you haven't yet signed-up your child to join, please see Fr Adrian for an application.



**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. 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 is washing powder, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, tea, coffee, jam and biscuits.

**2025 is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for HCPT pilgrimages**

In 2025 they are arranging a pilgrimage to Lourdes from 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> August to stay in Hosanna House which is in the foothills of the Pyrenees in the South of France. If you would like to join the group either as a pilgrim, or as a helper, please email either [seamusmaccormaic@hotmail.com](mailto:seamusmaccormaic@hotmail.com) or [annabrown@hotmail.com](mailto:annabrown@hotmail.com) for more information.

**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.

**Please pray for the repose of the souls of**

Ann Opie, Raymond Barnewall, Maurice Wade, Kathryn Strohe, Henry Healey, Renato Zammmit, Marie-Claude Simonelli, Mary Hill, Carol Spurling, Margaret Johnstone, Bridget Fetterston

**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