



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

7th to 14th April 2024

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).

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 9.30 am to 10.30 am and by request.

2nd Sunday Easter: 7th April 2024

Divine Mercy Sunday: Mass Book p. 259-262

On the Sunday after Easter each year, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Saint Pope John Paul II instituted this Feast on May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of the Polish nun, Saint Faustina Kowalska, who came to spread the devotion after receiving spiritual visions on the theme of God's mercy. The message of Divine Mercy



is threefold. It teaches Catholics to pray for Jesus' mercy, to be merciful, and to completely trust in Jesus. The chaplet of Divine Mercy is traditionally prayed on Fridays at 3 pm, the hour in which Jesus perished on the cross. The Divine Mercy prayers are easy to follow and the Chaplet can be prayed on an ordinary Rosary or on your fingers if you do not have one. The prayers can be found on the website www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/pray-the-chaplet A particular way to listen to or join in the prayers is through a sung version which can be found every day on EWTN.com or via <https://youtu.be/p5TGfisOKMM> On Divine Mercy Sunday, the Church calls us to celebrate God's Divine Mercy given to us through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, our need for trusting Faith, and our need for the forgiveness of our sins. In this continued time of unrest in Ukraine and the Middle East, let us pray for the Lord to bring his Mercy to all those who seek peace and for the Holy Spirit to call to account the unjust.

Today we have the monthly opportunity to donate to the Building Together collection for the maintenance of our Parish. If anyone would like to make their donation via 'smartphone', in Mass, there are QR codes available or, you can give by clicking [HERE](#) in the online electronic newsletter.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION

Our weekly income was £515 [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**

You can also give online via the Donation Button on our Homepage: 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 A	Mass Details and Intentions		7 th to 14 th April 2024
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Date
7 th Apr. Sunday	9.30 am	2 nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Frederick and Avis Gilbert RIP
8 th Apr. Monday	9.30 am	Solemnity of the Annunciation	Anne Doyle [Foundation Mass]
9 th Apr. Tuesday	CLOSED	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
10 th Apr. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria	Intention of the Neal Family [Foundation Mass]
11 th Apr. Thursday	9.30 am	St Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr	Rose Farrell [Foundation Mass]
12 th Apr. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Ukraine: the Joyful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria	Liam and Joan O'Connor RIP [Foundation Mass]
13 th Apr. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	No Mass
14 th Apr. Sunday	9.30 am	3 rd Sunday of Easter	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		For the Holy Spirit

Some advance notices: on **Sunday 21st April** we have the opportunity of contributing towards the **Priest Training Fund** and donate towards the cost of the formation of men to become priests. Also on **Sunday 28th April** we can contribute towards the maintenance and upkeep of **St George's Cathedral, our mother church**, thank you.

For all who were away last Sunday ... A message from Fr Adrian: Thank you for your kind gifts and cards. THANK YOU for the ways you serve the Lord and how we still continue to be Stewards of the wonderful buildings, projects and gifts we have in 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 our First Communion Catechists in the Parish and School, our Confirmation Parent volunteers and Candidates, Anna who helps to co-ordinate the Extraordinary Ministers and to all in our Sunday teams of Readers, Welcomers, and those who help with the Collection. A big thank you to Jennie and all those who help with the Flower Arrangements, to Clare and our Church Cleaning volunteers, our Linen Laundry volunteers, to Chris our Parent helper with the Servers and our small Altar Server Teams. To our Sunday Music Co-ordinator Kate and to all our Musicians and Singers who help to on alternate Sundays and to our Children's Liturgy volunteers who volunteer on the 2nd and 4th Sundays - A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU! I pray that we may continue to know the Lord's Blessing and comfort each day. With my thanks and prayers, God bless, Fr Adrian ☺

Happy Anniversary

Annual Cathedral Mass in Celebration of Marriage. If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or over, wedding anniversary this year, is invited to renew your marriage vows at a special Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at 3pm on Saturday 13th July 2024. To receive your personal invitation from Archbishop John, please send an email to mflsw@rcaos.org.uk with your full names, address, your telephone number, as well as which anniversary you will be celebrating, by 31st May. Please do be sure to include the name of your parish in the email thank you.

Two Important Dates to be able to Speak-Up for Life ...

Dame Diana Johnson MP has put forward an extreme **abortion amendment** to the Criminal Justice Bill to allow the use of deadly abortion pills sent by post to carry out an abortion at home, right up to the time of the baby's birth. The Government confirmed that the Bill would not be debated until after the Easter recess, meaning that, this Bill **will be debated after 15th April** to allow those concerned to lobby their MP to vote against the amendment. For more details about this proposal and learn the name of your MP, if you're not sure of their name, and to access the online tool to contact them, please click [HERE](#) in the online newsletter to do so ...

Also, on **29th April, at 4.30 pm**, there will be a **debate on assisted suicide in the House of Commons**. It is vital that as many MP's as possible speak up in the House to oppose any moves to make assisted suicide legal in England and Wales. Please click this [LINK](#), in the online newsletter, to see a briefing on the case against assisted suicide together with three video stories opposing any change in the law, and access the online tool where you can contact your MP regarding this.

New Gift Aid envelopes, April 2024 to March 2025, are now available for collection from the table at the back of church for those parishioners who are currently using envelopes. Please collect the current envelope number that you have been using since 2022. For any other parishioners who would like a box of envelopes, please contact Steve Smith on the following email address mortlakema1@rcaos.org.uk so a box can be arranged for you.

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Please support our Parish Fair on Sunday 12th May

Bottle Tombola ✦ Jewellery items ✦ Prize Raffle ✦ Giftware ✦ Treasure Map and hopefully more!

Thank you to those who have said that they can help at the fair by running a stall and have signed-up to the Fundraising WhatsApp Group. We are still in need of a sponsor for the Raffle, where your company logo could be printed on the tickets. The cost of this would be £500 to cover the raffle prizes and the printing of the tickets.

Please see Fr Adrian or email the Parish on Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk if you can help with the raffle or in running a stall. **We still need items for the fair so please leave any donations after Mass each day. Alternatively, from Wednesday to Friday only, between 10 am and 3pm, items can be left in the Presbytery Porch behind the black gate, 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.

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

Winifred Cleveland, Liam' O'Connor, Bernard Froude, Bill Eastman, Moira Copp, Mary Neal, Ida Maccaferri, Robert Waggett, Jan Kunicki, Margaret Martin 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