



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).

26th January to 2nd February 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 £ [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 through our [JustGiving](#) page, through 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

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Sunday of the Word of God



Fr Adrian would like to thank those who joined him on Thursday evening to discuss the first of the "Called to Bear Fruit" themes, and Father hopes that more can join him as we continue with this discussion!

You are welcome to come, either in person to the Presbytery or, online, via Zoom if you prefer. As was mentioned last week, the purpose of these discussions is to give everyone the opportunity of joining the process of renewal to help all Parishes in the Archdiocese reflect on the resources to enable them to become communities that evangelise, form disciples, and inspire witness. These discussions take the form of one-hour informal sessions, on a Thursday evening, between 7-8 pm. Please note; for confidentiality reasons, the details for the Zoom link cannot be published in the newsletter. Fr Adrian would like to know how many people can join him in the Presbytery each Thursday, so do please remember to email Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk with the title "Called to Bear to Fruit" in the subject title, to say if you can attend and if it will be in person or, if you would prefer to receive a Zoom link (so it can be emailed to you). Each of the meeting has a set theme where we will pray and reflect together on these topics, on these days:

1. "Proclaiming the Word" 30th January, 7-8 pm
2. "Living Discipleship: Faith" 6th February, 7-8 pm
3. "Prayer and Community" 13th February, 7-8 pm
4. "The Witness of Charity" 20th February, 7-8 pm
5. "Proposals for Revitalisation" 27th February, 7-8 pm

If you weren't able to take your copy last weekend, please take one of the programmes, available from the back of the church, home with you today and join-in the discussion.

Liturgical Year C	Mass Details and Intentions		26 th January to 2 nd February 2025
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
26 th Jan. Sunday	9.30 am	3 rd Week in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Joseph Hellel RIP
27 th Jan. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	Anne Doyle [Foundation Mass]
28 th Jan. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
29 th Jan. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria	Maria Furness [Foundation Mass]
30 th Jan. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	For the Holy Souls
31 st Jan. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Peace: The Joyful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	St John Bosco, Priest	For the Holy Souls
1 st Feb Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12pm today
2 nd Feb. Sunday	9.30 am	4 th Week in Ordinary Time	For the Holy Souls
	11.00 am		The needs of our Parish Family

Just to let you know that on Sunday (2nd Feb.), we are taking the monthly Building Together collection for the care and maintenance of our Parish.

BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE. This is a one-day marriage-enrichment course aimed at couples with average-to-good marriages who would like to try and make them better.

This is an opportunity to explore your relationship and levels of communication, which is the key to relationship. If you would like to attend the course they are being run during March, April, June and September, starting at 9.30 am and should finish by 4.30 pm.

For more information please email mfikent@rcaos.org.uk

Our Faith Enquiry Group – RCIA/RCIC. If you have already spoken with Fr Adrian concerning being baptised or Received/Confirmed, as an adult.

Fr Adrian has sent an email to you, so please check your junk folder if you cannot find it. If anyone is interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about your faith, if you have not seen Fr Adrian already, please speak to him after Mass, 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.

Archbishop John Wilson has written a new book entitled "The Romero Rosary". With introductory chapters about St Oscar Romero and the rosary, this beautiful and creative new book contains reflections on the traditional mysteries of the rosary (*Joy, Light, Sorrow and Glory*) and the New Romero Mysteries (*Charity, Compassion and Mercy, and Justice and Peace*). The book is available to buy from Pauline Bookshops and online at www.paulineuk.org The Archbishop invites everyone to the book launch on Wednesday 12th February at 6 pm in the Amigo Hall, next to St George's Cathedral, SE1, thank you..

Our Sanctuary Candle



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.

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, thank you ... 😊



A date for your diary ... Blessed Carlos Acutis is to be canonised on Sunday 27th April (Divine Mercy Sunday) during the Jubilee of Teenagers. He was beatified by His Holiness Pope Francis on 10th October 2020. Carlos was born in London in 1991 and was only 15 years of age when he died from leukaemia. He created a website documenting Eucharistic miracles and approved Marian apparitions. Blessed Carlos was noted for his cheerfulness, computer skills, and devotion to the Eucharist.

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

Hugh Searight, James Farragher, Ellen Leatherbarrow, Charles Carroll, Etienne Stepanopoci, John Barrington, Maria Gonzy, Canon Moran, Isabella Coombe, William O'Connor

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