



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).

1st to 8th 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.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION
Our weekly income was £571 [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

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Mass Book p 126-129

Saturday 7th September sees the Church's 157th Anniversary since our Consecration (when the Church was blessed once it was debt-free) **and it is also 175 years since we formally began life as a Mission in 1849.** That weekend also sees Fr Adrian 'coming of age' as he celebrates 30 years of being part of the Diocese and 21 years as an Ordained Priest. **Please come and celebrate these anniversaries as well**



as the start of the new term and the formal start to our Sacramental Programmes by joining Fr Adrian in the Parish Hall for our second Pizza night of the year! This is not a party for you to bring along gifts, but do please bring along drinks and pizza that you would enjoy. Fr Adrian will cook your pizza so that you can eat and drink with family and friends or bring some pizza that you would be happy to share by 'mixing and matching' with other types of pizza brought along by others. **If you forget, then Fr Adrian will have a few blank pizza bases to cook with a choice of toppings such as mushrooms, basil, mozzarella and olives but if you would like a Hawaiian then you'll need to bring your own pineapple pizza ☺s.**

Parish Sacramental Programmes for 2025. For details concerning **First Holy Communion**, see the 2nd page. Usually we hold **Confirmation** in the Parish every other year, however, if we have 12 candidates in Year 9 or above, we may be able to ask the Vicar General to come along. Please email the Parish if you are interested. **Our Faith Enquiry Group – RCIA/RCIC.** We have a number of adults and children to be Baptised and Received during the (2025) Easter Vigil. If you have not seen Fr Adrian already, and are interested, please be sure to do so, thank you.

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		1 st to 8 th September 2024
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
1st Sep. Sunday	9.30 am	22nd Week in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart
2 nd Sep. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	For the Holy Souls
3 rd Sep. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
4 th Sep. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria	Alexandra Parry-Jones {Foundation Mass}
5 th Sep. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Philip, Count of Paris [Foundation Mass]
6 th Sep. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Ukraine: The Glorious Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria	For the Holy Souls
7 th Sep. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today
8th Sep. Sunday	9.30 am	23rd Week in Ordinary Time	Peter and Elizabeth Sherston-Baker RIP
	11.00 am		The needs of our Parish Family

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 in the church or, you can give by clicking [HERE](#) in the online electronic newsletter. Also, on 8th September we have the annual opportunity of making a donation to support Catholic Education in England and Wales, thank you.

On Tuesday 3rd September, Fr Adrian will be at St Mary Magdalen's School to greet and meet with the children and parents, of those returning and moving up a class and those who are at the start of their new School lives.



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, 175 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.**

Catholic Nursery/Reception, Secondary School Transfers and 6th 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 back 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

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 this 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 20th October for the 2024/2025 Programme

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.

Littleway Healing Outreach Day on Saturday 14th September. At Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine, Bedford, from 11.30 am to 4.30 pm. To learn more about the day please click onto this [LINK](#) in the online newsletter, 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.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Evelyn Fernandes who died recently and for Elizabeth Williams, John Brooks, Austin White, Dorothy Sarson, John O'Sullivan, Ann Kathleen Waters, Roberto Gorini 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