



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

13th to 20th March 2022

Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement
Please see Fr Adrian after Mass to make an appointment for a preparation course.
Parish Office Open: Monday 10 am to 1 pm and Wednesday to Friday 10 am to 1 pm
Our Cemetery is open daily from 9am to 3pm
365 days a year (except for emergency call-outs).

Sunday Masses: 9:30am, 11.00am & 6:30pm
Weekday Mass: the church opens at 9am with Mass at 9.30 am, but please check below for details.
Please note the church is closed on Tuesdays.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 9am, ending with Benediction before 9.30 Mass.
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturdays from 10 am and by request.

THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 6 March
Our weekly income was £652 [an average of the last 4 weeks]
We are all in such extreme circumstances, many with reduced incomes that it is a blessing to be able to receive any donation you are able to give.
Please Note: no one is asked to give a specific amount as it all depends on individual income.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

We can receive donations via the following methods:

- Download a Standing order form
www.stmarymags.org.uk/community
- Online Banking using the Parish Bank details:
NatWest Richmond, Surrey (A) Branch
NAME: RCAS Mortlake
Account number: 20224311
Sort Code: 60-07-20

(Please quote your Gift Aid Number if you have one.)

- The Donation Button on our website's Homepage:
www.stmarymags.org.uk
- Gift Aid Envelopes or Cash can be deposited in the blue donation buckets at the exit of the Church.
- Contactless Cards can be used at the Payment Points located by the Calvary Statue & Sacristy.

ON-GOING SUPPORT OF THE PARISH

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish, especially whilst we are unable to take basket collections in church as we used to. If you haven't yet signed up to contribute by Standing Order or online, then please help our 'Maintenance and Mission' fund by [clicking on this link](#) in the online version of the newsletter. **Thank you for giving what you can**, it will be a great blessing for the continued support of the church.

2nd Sunday of Lent: Parish Mass Book p. 156-159

Prayers for Peace during Lent & Family Fast Collection

Fr Adrian announced at Mass last week that **our annual Lenten CAFOD Family Fast Collection this Sunday goes directly to help the innocents caught up in the war between Russia and Ukraine.** We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine at all our Masses and this week **we can support some of the most vulnerable families in Ukraine through our second collection.** With your help, CAFOD can be ready to support the families who are in desperate need. Your donations will help local experts in Ukraine to provide food, water, healthcare, shelter and clothing. At Mass please consider using one of the CAFOD Gift Aid envelopes so that HMRC can boost your collection, but currently, for every £1 you give, whether a tax-payer or not, the UK Government will match the donation from its Foreign Aid budget. If you are unable to donate in person at Mass or you prefer to give electronically, in the online version of our newsletter, you can click directly on the highlighted link below to be taken to their website. **Please help the people of Ukraine in your prayers and please give what you can** to the [CAFOD](#) appeal, thank you.

A prayer for Ukraine: Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, 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. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

Please join us in church for the 'Shorter Stations of the Cross' from 10.15 to 10.45 am each Sunday – all are welcome.

Liturgical Year C	Mass Details and Intentions		13 th to 20 th March 2022
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
13 th Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	10.15 Stations of the Cross	Prayers for Peace
	11.00 am	2 nd Sunday	For Peace in Ukraine
	6.30 pm	of Lent	Prayers for Peace
14 th Mar. Monday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Thomas Mostyn [Foundation Mass]
15 th Mar. Tuesday	Closed today	NB the church is closed	Please note – the church is closed today
16 th Mar. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Longina Kreft RIP
17 th Mar. Thursday	9.30 am	Feast of St Patrick	The needs of our Parish Family
18 th Mar. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	The Joyful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	The welfare of Teresa Podolak
19 th Mar. Saturday	9.30 am	Solemnity of St Joseph	For the Intention of Vicki Aver
20 th Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	10.15 Stations of the Cross	Prayers for Peace
	11.00 am	3 rd Sunday	Peter & Elizabeth Sherston-Baker RIP
	6.30 pm	of Lent	The needs of our Parish Family

Please save this first date: Saturday 19 March, 7.30 pm

Fr Adrian mentioned at Mass last week that we are planning a Parish 'open house' celebration near St Patrick's as a **Parish Thanksgiving Party**. Please keep 7.30pm on Saturday 19 March free in your diaries so that we can take the time to meet up with friends and neighbours. Please bring along buffet style 'finger-food' (where we don't need cutlery) and some drinks to share as the Saturday evening is a Feast Day for the Parish so not subject to the in Lenten Fast. **This event is deliberately not designed as a Parish fund-raiser and there is no paid ticket-entry to come along.** To help us celebrate and join in together please contribute what you can to the drinks and food so that we can share and celebrate as a Parish Family as (because of the Pandemic) this is only our second event together since the Christmas Fair in 2019.

Our Parish, Our Needs, Our Responsibility – Planned Giving Appeal: Building Together For the Future

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower,

would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it?' - Luke 14:28

Last week our parish embarked on a Planned Giving appeal. Over the coming weeks we ask all parishioners to take this opportunity to prayerfully reflect on the ways they can help their parish, whether through a gift of volunteering some time, the use of a talent or the financial blessings that can be shared by a donation. **None of us are called to give the same particular 'time, talent or treasure' as we are all different and must be mindful of our personal circumstances.** Today we will hear specifically about the ways we have managed financially as a Parish over the last five years, aided by your generous donations and the help of the Parish Finance Committee members over this period. Please be sure to take both appeal sheets as these outline our financial details and provide information as to how, as a Parish, we have been good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us. Our goal is to help each Parish member understand the stewardship needs of the Parish so that, in considering their own needs each person can prayerfully discern how they can help. At the end of Mass next week each Parish family will be given a 'My Parish Commitment' Form and information on ways to volunteer. Your response to this will enable our parish to plan ahead with confidence for the future. If you have any questions, please see Fr Adrian after or Steve Smith after Mass today. Thank you.

Please save this second date: Saturday 26 March, 10.30 am to 12.30 pm

Now that Spring will soon be upon us, the Parish School PTA are arranging a 'Spring Clean' for a much-needed 'tidy-up' of the 'Early Years' play area which is contained behind the cemetery fence. It would be a great help if school parents and Parish Members, whether you have children or not, could help support this St Mary Magdalen 'Ground Force' meets 'Gardeners' Rescue' morning! **If you can help with some light gardening jobs from 10.30am - 12.30pm on Saturday 26 March 2022, please complete this short google form: <https://forms.gle/VsbLoLpMSQfRyBMr9>** to let the PTA know you can help. On the day please turn up suitably attired with some garden tools you can use and if you bring a packed lunch along it would be a joy to sit back and enjoy the fruits of your labours over lunchtime.

Confirmation Programme News: An email was sent by Fr Adrian to the Parents who registered and applied for Confirmation stating that our programme is soon to start. **The introductory meeting for parents and candidates is in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 29 March.** This is followed by six class sessions on Tuesdays from 7.30-8.30pm in April and May before the rehearsal at 7pm on Friday 10 June and the **Confirmation Mass itself at 11am on Sunday 12 June.** The final Parental Application and Consent form was emailed to those who registered so please look out for it in case it landed in a 'spam' folder. **Please don't forget that the final Parental Application and Consent form must be returned by Sunday 20 March.**

Congratulations to our First Holy Communion Candidates who celebrated their First Reconciliation (First Confession) on Saturday. Parish families with children at other schools are reminded of the changes to the Parish Programme – please see the table on the right.

Saturday 12 March	10.30 to 11.30 pm	Celebration of each child's 'First Confession' (parent to attend)
20 March	5.30-6.20pm - Hall	Chapter 7 & Chapter 8 Bread to Offer & Fruit of the Vine
27 March and 1 May	Please note the changes	NB there are no meetings on these dates



Please can you help our servers? The budget range of cassock albs that the servers wear cost £70-80 each. We have ordered four new ones for our taller servers but hope we can raise the funds. **If parents of our servers and other members of our Parish Family could help contribute £10 each then we just need 28 people to help.** If that's possible, then please either give your donation to Fr Adrian (special envelopes are available by the Mass and Hymn Books) or please donate online [HERE](#) in our digital newsletter, **thank you for your help.** If you are able to Gift Aid your donation please include your details on the envelope or online, thank you.

Fr Adrian is sad to announce the death of Colin Harrisson who died peacefully at home last Sunday. We offer our prayers of condolence for his wife Jane and family. Details of Colin's funeral will be listed in our new letter when they are confirmed.

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 list at the altar. **"Rejoice that your names are written in Heaven."**
Luke 10:20
Please use Mass Intention envelopes from the church entrance to request a Mass for a family member or friend, or for a particular need and give these to Fr Adrian.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Margaret Rayner, Colin Harrisson and Michael McDonagh who died recently, and for Teresa Kirby, Josephine Veglio, Reginald Ralph, Dorothy Cumber, Elizabeth O'Keefe, Mary O'Sullivan, Longina Krefit and for 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