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Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement
Please see Fr Adrian after Mass to make an appointment for a preparation course.

Office Open: Mon. & Wed. to Fri. 10 am to 1 pm

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Parish & School News

Collection details for last Sunday, 3 May

Standing Order **£468**: an average of the whole month
Naturally, in the circumstances we're in, where we're all called to isolate at home in order to minimise the risk of catching and spreading Coronavirus, we are still unable to open the church. **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. If you are able to make a donation, no one is asked to give a specific amount as it all depends on individual income.** This can be done in a couple of ways: by downloading a Standing Order form to return to your bank from our Parish website www.stmarymags.org.uk/community for regular giving direct from your account, or by using your bank's App from your phone or online website to give via the Parish bank details which are listed halfway down the form you can download from that page. Please scroll down the webpage to reach the form and please use your name and Gift Aid number, if you have one, as a reference, thank you.

Thank you to those parish members who have offered support to our vulnerable and elderly parishioners. Our wider community is in great need help at this time so thank you for the continued support of our local FoodBank and the Spear charity for the homeless. One way to help both is to donate via various local supermarket collection schemes. Spear and FoodBank collection-point details can be found on the internet via <https://richmond.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> and <https://www.spearlondon.org/combating-covid-19/>

Teresa Chance would like to thank parishioners for remembering her parents, Liam and Joan O'Connor, whose anniversaries occurred recently. She would also like to pass on congratulations to Ted Kawa, a longstanding member of the parish, who celebrates his 100th birthday this week. Congratulations to Ted and to all parishioners who have had birthdays or will have to celebrate them during this 'lockdown' period. **Please see the message in the next column to help keep in touch.**

Fr Adrian celebrates Mass each day for the needs of the Parish Family: see overleaf for details

From The Archbishop of Southwark, Most Rev John Wilson:
With immediate effect, without any exceptions, all our churches and chapels across the Archdiocese must remain closed to the public until further notice. This is to suppress the spread of the COVID-19 virus among gatherings of people, and, in particular, to protect the most vulnerable

The cemetery is open daily from 9am to 3pm.

10th – 17th May 2020

Archbishop John Wilson will celebrate a Live-Streamed Mass from St George's Cathedral this Sunday. The Mass will be available from 10am on 10th May and can be watched by entering this YouTube link: <https://youtu.be/ge5gjstgP-E> or by clicking the above link on our digital newsletter.

If you are a Senior and would like support at home such as food deliveries, please call the FiSH Neighbourhood Care Helpline on 020 8876 3414.

Staying at home: a new resource for young people

Southwark Catholic Youth Service has worked with some 6th form students on a mini-series 'Christ is Alive'. This is an invitation for young people to focus on staying spiritually healthy and to ponder some of the big questions about life, through journaling and prayer. This may be particularly relevant to our families during this difficult time of lockdown. Please encourage any young people to take a look online at: www.youtube.com/southwarkcatholicyouthservice

Masses for front line workers and their families

Our front-line workers in hospitals and in care homes all over the country, including **members of our own Parish Family who are keyworkers, and especially to all family members who provide care at home, are giving exceptional service to those who are vulnerable and in need of treatment at this time.** In order to show a spiritual solidarity with carers and front-line workers, each week a Catholic Bishop will celebrate a live-streamed Mass in their Cathedral. This Thursday, 14th May, Bishop Robert Byrne CO, will celebrate Mass at 7pm via the website www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0Eqq-cFTh5i2y_EQw

Please keep in touch ... sadly, our Parish Database is quite limited and the majority of it is made up of old index cards that are not in order and out in date. We are trying to establish a digital database which will be confidential to the Parish and not shared with any external parties. Not everyone is able to access online, so a paper version can be requested via the Parish Office, but it would be a great help if a member of each Parish family could email Fr Adrian for the link and password to our digital database so that we can stay in touch, as we need an email for each household.

Pope Francis offers this prayer for Catholics wishing to make a spiritual communion:

At your feet, O my Lord Jesus, I prostrate myself and offer you repentance of my contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness and in your holy presence. I adore you in the sacrament of your love. I desire to receive you into the poor dwelling that my heart offers you. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I wish to possess you in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I for my part, am coming to you. May your love embrace my whole being in life and death. I believe in you, I hope in you, I love you. Amen.

During this time when it is not possible to physically receive Holy Communion, Catholics are encouraged to make a spiritual communion. An excellent prayer sheet has been produced by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, including a prayer for spiritual communion. This can be found online via: <http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/media/No-Mass-A4.pdf>

MASS details and MASS INTENTIONS this week

10th – 17th May 2020

Sunday 10 th May 5 th Sunday of Easter Yr A	9am	The needs of our Parish Family
Monday 11 th (Feria)	9am	Mrs J. Hiller
Tuesday 12 th (Feria)	9am	Ruston, Ranier and Myrna
Wednesday 13 th (Feria)	9am	Pamela and Peter Raggett RIP
Thursday 14 th (St Matthias)	9am	The Brown Family
Friday 15 th (Feria)	9am	Private Intention
Saturday 16 th (St Simon Stock)	9am	Lawrence Deacon [Foundation Mass]
Sunday 17 th May 6 th Sunday of Easter Yr A	9am	The needs of our Parish Family

Parishioners and Friends who are sick:

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 written on our Parish Prayer Board beside the Baptistry.**

These prayer petitions which will be offered by the Priest as a whole at every Mass.

Luke 10:20

“Rejoice that your names are written in Heaven.”

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Michael Goldschmit who died recently
Leonard Avis, John Cunnigham, Maureen Saunders
Gerard Graham, Ronald Bennett

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 on the Prayer Board and see Fr Adrian if you would like their name to be added to the Book of Remembrance and to our prayers of intercession at our Sunday Mass.

Whilst currently it is not possible to attend Mass, there are several Parishes who broadcast online, including:

<https://www.churchservices.tv/wimbledon>, the Shrine at Walsingham <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/> and from the US <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

NB: Mass times may change according to circumstances.

Prayers and texts can also be found online via the website <https://us.magnificat.net/free>: please click on the UK/Eire tab.

Online Resources for Individuals, Families and Children

Our Centre for Catholic Formation is offering online learning from the Franciscan University, featuring **training for catechists and workshops for parents**. To register your interest please email learnonline@rcaos.org.uk.

Aid to the Church in Need have launched their Children's Bible stories' project featuring crafts, games and mini-plays via the link <https://acnuk.org/resource/childs-bible-project/>

Fr Adrian would like to have an email address for every individual adult member and family within the Parish, so as to send out a link and password to register on our digital database. Although we have about 1500 families, we currently only have 220 emails. For security reasons the database is 'entry only' but is accessed by a link and password that can be sent out to you on emailing Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk with "digital database" in the subject line. Please email, even if you think you have already registered, so we can stay in touch.

If you are self-isolating at home or in isolation through the NHS letter scheme and need food delivered the **Barnes Community Association (BCA) Shop home delivery service can help**. The website is open for orders from people of all ages who need help with food deliveries: www.barnescommunityshop.com

The BCA Shop is open to people of all ages, but if you are a pensioner and would like support at home such as food deliveries, please call our local FISH Neighbourhood Care Helpline on 020 8876 3414.