



# 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.

**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**

Our church is only able to open at set times when there are enough volunteers to clean the church before and after.

## 24<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021

Whilst Fr Adrian is away during the week he will continue to celebrate Mass for the needs of our Parish Family.

It is important to note that the obligation for each of us to attend Sunday Mass continues to remain suspended but the church is now open under Covid-safety restrictions.

As such, we are only able to hold one Mass on Sunday at 11am, with the weekday Mass schedule as listed below with times and Mass intentions.

### THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> October

Our total income was £659 per week [average of 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](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk/community)
- Online Banking using the Parish Bank details:  
**NatWest Richmond, Surrey (A) Branch**  
**NAME: RCAS St Mary Magdalen 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](http://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.

### 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Service Book Page 149

This week we have our second collection for Missio World Mission Sunday is celebrated in every Catholic community in the world. It's a moment of grace to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression. Every parish, school and community is invited to join this special event, and every penny, pound and prayer you give to Missio helps missionaries everywhere continue their work. Please click [HERE](#) to donate via our digital newsletter or scan the QR code with your phone. If you are able to be with us at Mass this Sunday then you can donate via the QR code from the newsletter or by using a Gift Aid envelope available from the back of the church. In the Holy Father's message for World Mission Sunday 2021, he says: 'Jesus needs hearts capable of experiencing vocation as a true love story that urges them to go forth to the peripheries of our world as messengers and agents of compassion'. On this day, through prayer, reflection and material help, we express our support of missionaries from all continents who are striving to bring the true love of Christ to all who have yet to receive it.



### 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.

### Please remember the countdown for School References

If you will be applying for a place for a child in Reception for admission in 2022 please see Fr Adrian to collect the 'Parish Request Form' which is necessary before a reference can be given. **All Year 7 and Year 12 applications should have already been given to Fr Adrian by now so that they can be collected on 24 October in time for their return to the school by 31 October.**

Please be aware that some schools are asking for forms to be returned before half-term so **please check the individual requirements of each school to meet their deadlines.**

| Liturgical Year B                  | Mass Details and Intentions |  | 24 <sup>th</sup> to 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2021 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Date                               | Time                        | Feria or Feast Day                             | Intention   |
| <b>24<sup>th</sup> Oct. Sunday</b> | <b>11 am</b>                | <b>29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> | The needs of our Parish Family                    |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct. Monday       | 9.30 am                     | Feria  | Lily Harrison RIP                                 |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct. Tuesday      | Closed today                | NB the church is closed                        | Please note – the church is closed today          |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct. Wednesday    | 9.30 am                     | Feria  | Fernie Parry RIP                                  |
| 28 <sup>st</sup> Oct. Thursday     | 9.30 am                     | St Saimon&Jude                                 | Americo Prazeres RIP                              |
| 29 <sup>nd</sup> Oct. Friday       | 9.00 am                     | Rosary and Benediction                         | The Sorrowful Mysteries                           |
| <b>NB after Benediction</b>        | 9.30 am                     | Feria  | Maribel Wilson RIP                                |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct. Saturday     | 9.30 am                     | Our Blessed Mother                             | Private Intention                                 |
| <b>31<sup>st</sup> Oct. Sunday</b> | <b>11 am</b>                | <b>30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> | The needs of our Parish Family                    |

For the last few months we have given notice of our return to three Masses on a Sunday from 7<sup>th</sup> November. We still do not have a rota for enough volunteers for these Masses yet but will run a trial from Nov. '21 to Feb.'22 to see if this is possible.

**Thank you for supporting the recent Climate Crisis Appeal for CAFOD's Family Fast Day.** Every donation helps us in their work and is gratefully received [www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis](http://www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis) Please pray for the success of the upcoming UN climate talks. There are prayer cards in the church porch and available online by clicking [HERE](#). COP26 is the 2021 United Nations climate change conference. It is the 26th annual summit – giving it the name COP26. With the UK as President, COP26 takes place in Glasgow from Sunday, 31 October to Friday, 12 November 2021. Governments and negotiators from 197 countries will meet to discuss how to keep temperature rise below dangerous levels and to prevent further climate change. Pope Francis states that “COP26 in Glasgow represents an urgent summons to provide effective responses to the unprecedented ecological crisis and the crisis of values that we are presently experiencing, and in this way to offer concrete hope to future generations.” CAFOD, the official aid agency for the Catholic Church in England and Wales, has produced a useful guide to COP26 and how you can get involved, available online by clicking [HERE](#).

**Each October is the 'Month of the Rosary. Please click [HERE](#) for a link to ways of praying the Rosary** individually and as a family, as mentioned in last week's Newsletter. Please remember that we pray the Rosary every week before Mass on Fridays at 9am, during this time a period of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction before the 9.30 Mass. Praying the Rosary has many, many benefits. It's a traditional prayer based on meditation. For Catholics looking for more contemplative modes of prayer, encourage the Rosary. The Rosary can bring families together, gathering for just a few minutes on Sunday evenings will change a family! The most beautiful thing about the Rosary, to borrow from Saint Augustine, is that it is “ever ancient, ever new.” We can pray it over and over again, always discovering something new in the course of our prayer. Turn to Our Lady this month, and her Holy Rosary!

**Church Synod 2021/22: Every person matters to the Lord and his Church, every voice matters and every story is important.**

Pope Francis has asked the Catholic Church worldwide to engage in a process of discernment under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. **In our Archdiocese, Archbishop John is inviting everyone to respond to the invitation of Pope Francis and take part in the initial diocesan listening phase of the Synod.** Therefore, our Parish **will be holding a reflection meeting on Sunday 14 November, starting with Mass at 6.30pm.** The Synod questions will be available to all several weeks in advance as we invite both online and written submissions beforehand so that as many people as possible can participate.

If you would like to take your part in the Synod process but cannot attend the meeting on 14 November, please email [MortlakeAdmin@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:MortlakeAdmin@RCAOS.org.uk) with **SYNOD 21/22** in the title so that the series of questions can be emailed to you. The Holy Father wants the Church to grow in three key areas: **Communion, Participation and Mission.** By growing together in **Communion**, the people of God deepen their **Participation** in the life of the Church and so become more effective disciples in **Mission to our families, to our community and to the world.**

**Online resources are available via these websites:** <https://www.synod.va/en.html>

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/bishops-conference-synodal-process/>

<https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/get-involved/synod/>

**Thank you to Children's Liturgy Helpers Past, Present and Future:**

it's been a great blessing over the years to have had many parents and children be a part of the 9.30 Mass children's liturgy. We aim to build another wonderful team together and have 11 families involved so far. To help plan for our children's work in Advent Fr Adrian will be inviting volunteers to a Zoom meeting at the end of Half Term on **Sunday 31 October at 6pm.** Our 9.30 Mass resumes on 7 Nov. but as all volunteers need to have CRB certificates as part of our Safeguarding please keep 21 Nov. free after the 9.30 Mass as Reps from the Diocese will help volunteers with the forms.

**Volunteers next week 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> October 2021:**

**Cleaners:** Rachele C, Oonagh R, Cara S, Deirdre G

**Reader:** Patricia O'Rourke Readings in Mass Book p.149

**Extraordinary Minister:** Sebastian Wood

**Welcomers:** Maria L, Gerry O, Anne G, Clare F

**Volunteers next week 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> October 2021:**

**Cleaners:** Lucy M, Carolina S, Charlotte C, Helena DLC

**Reader:** Katrina Murphy Readings in Mass Book p.149

**Extraordinary Minister:** Sofia Brough-Aparicio

**Welcomers:** Anna P, Sinead T, Meredith P, Clare F.

**Please help our Parish to return to our pre-Pandemic level of all three of our Sunday Masses** Although we had hoped to return to the full complement of Masses by now, it has not been possible through volunteer levels. However, from November 7<sup>th</sup> we will be restoring the 9.30am and 6.30pm Masses, in addition to the existing 11am Mass. In order to do this, we need your help please. If you would like to volunteer as a Welcomer, Cleaner, Reader or Extraordinary Minister we would hope to welcome you to our existing Teams. For information please email [MortlakeAdmin@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:MortlakeAdmin@RCAOS.org.uk)

**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 emailed to Fr Adrian for inclusion at Mass.

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.”**

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, or for a particular need

**Please pray for the repose of the souls of**

Ella Bridget Mole who died recently, and for Fidelina Barton, Ivy Brooks, Eamonn Connolly, Maria Willett, Sonya O'Sullivan, Nora Walsh 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