



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).

22nd February to 1st March 2026

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 £805 [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 February: 1st Sunday in Lent: Mass Book p 151-154

What are meant by "partial" or "plenary" indulgences?

Each week, by attending our Rosary and Benediction on Fridays, our Sacramental Confession on Saturdays and receiving Holy Communion on Sundays, those who earnestly take part may receive a plenary (full) indulgence for themselves or for the Holy Souls (faithful Christians who have died). **During Lent, an additional plenary indulgence can be obtained by praying the Stations of the Cross, which are held from 10.30 to 10.50 each Sunday, between the 9.30 and 11 am Masses.** To help explain this faithful practice and what the Church's Traditional Teaching on indulgences means, the following may be of help.

An indulgence is a special benefit granted by the Church where Jesus heals the leftover hurt from our sins. Even after God forgives us, there can still be some hurt left over – the "temporal" effects of our sins, and when we pray or engage in other faithful practices, God heals/removes these effects (see the [Code of Canon Law \(can. 992\)](#) and the [Catechism of the Catholic Church \(n. 1471\)](#)). For example, a person who committed a crime might ask for pardon from the person or people they had hurt. Whilst those hurt might express their forgiveness, the penalty for the crime (the "temporal punishment") would still apply. An indulgence adds to the forgiveness already received by removing the temporal punishment due to the sin. This help can be applied in full ("plenary") or in part ("partial"), depending on the type of prayer. **A plenary indulgence is a complete remission of the sin and its temporal punishment – as if the sin had never happened.**

To continue reading this please see overleaf ... thank you.

Liturgical Year A	Mass Details and Intentions		22 nd February to 1 st March 2026
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
22nd Feb. Sunday	9.30 am	1st Sunday of Lent	The Needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am	10.30 am Station of the Cross	Pauline Mooney RIP
23 rd Feb. Monday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	The Welfare of all people
24 th Feb. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
25 th Feb Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	For the Holy Souls
26 th Feb. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Michael Lomax RP
27 th Feb. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Peace: The Joyful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Reverend Thomas Nevill [Foundation Mass]
28 th Feb. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today
1st Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	2nd Sunday of Lent	The Needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am	10.30 am Station of the Cross	Eric Smith RIP

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A plenary indulgence can be gained once a day. In order to obtain it, the faithful must, in addition to being in a state of grace:

- have the interior disposition (the 'mindset') of complete detachment from sin
- have sacramentally confessed their sins (in our church the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is on Saturday at 9.30)
- receive the Holy Eucharist (we have Mass on Wednesday to Sunday and on Mondays, with the church shut on Tuesdays)
- pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff (usually an "Our Father" a "Hail Mary" and a "Glory be" prayer)

Whilst it's appropriate that the sacramental Confession, Holy Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the same day that the indulgence is applied, they need not be all on the same day, and these sacred rites and prayers can be carried out within several days (at most 20). The "Prayer for the Pope's intentions" is left to the choice of the faithful, but an "Our Father" a "Hail Mary" and the "Glory be" are best practice. One sacramental Confession suffices for several plenary indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and a separate prayer for the Holy Father's intentions are required for each plenary indulgence. Do please remember to pray for the Holy Souls as indeed one day you may be a Holy Soul yourself.

THANK YOU to everyone who donated to the Clergy Support Fund last weekend, raising a wonderful £255.08.

Fr Adrian asks if any Parish Members who are involved in the Building Trade can help with the sanding and painting of the metal front gates? Or perhaps, relaying some paving slabs in the cemetery. If you can offer your help, with either of these requests, or perhaps both, can you please send Fr Adrian an email to say how you can assist him, thank you ☺

The Lenten CAFOD Family Fast Day is on Friday 27th February with an opportunity of contributing to CAFOD on Sunday 1st March, if you can make your contribution using Gift Aid, please use one of the envelopes available. Because the Lenten CAFOD Family Fast collection is being taken on Sunday 1st March, we will hold our monthly 'Building Together' collection on 8th March instead, thank you.

Fr Adrian has asked that our **Sanctuary Candle Prayer Intention** this week be in **remembrance of "The Holy Souls"**.

Each sanctuary candle costs the Parish £5, but we are grateful to individuals and families who sponsor this, either by donating for any amount, or none if a donation isn't possible, thank you

"Ambassadors for Christ" is a video series aimed at helping us live our Christian faith or indeed become Christians. Each Monday a new video is posted on YouTube, and **on the 2nd Sunday of each month we will meet after the 11am Mass from 12 to 12.30 for a chat about the videos over a light lunch of bread, cheese and wine.** This project aims to help people find answers to questions, "Is Mary the Mother of God" but also to help us share our Catholic faith. **To watch the videos and take part in this new project, please visit:**



Together, we can be witnesses for the Lord Jesus Christ and his Church – please join us after Mass on Sunday 8th March.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MAV2vfSPuxc> and for the worksheets visit <https://rcaos.org.uk/worksheets>

If you cannot join us for the rosary on Fridays or the Stations of the Cross on Sundays, there is the opportunity to pray with Archbishop John Wilson and the Cathedral clergy every Friday at 5 and/or 6 pm throughout Lent. St George's Cathedral clergy will lead the rosary at 5 pm, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6 pm each Friday. To join in praying the rosary on Fridays or to learn more about the Devotions, please go to www.rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary

Fr Adrian would like to thank the person who posted a "Sharing my time & talents" form to the Parish Office, however, that person sadly forgot to add their own details onto the form. So that Fr Adrian can thank them will they please email the Parish Office to let Fr Adrian know their name and contact details, thank you.

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.



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 Nugent who died recently for Pamela Boveley, Harry Ott,

Margaret Scotting, Ray Weston, John Brennan

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