



# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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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: 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.

## 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Fr Adrian celebrates Mass each day for the needs of the Parish Family: see below for details of our Mass intentions.

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 19<sup>th</sup> September

Our total income was £841 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.

### Details of this Sunday's Second Collection

Education Sunday is marked this year on 12 September – just after the new academic year starts. The theme for 2021 is 'A word in season', taken from Isaiah 50:4. Churches Together in England (CTE) rightly describes teaching and studying as "demanding and privileged callings" and Education Sunday gives us the opportunity to give thanks to God for all who teach and all who study, for all who continually have to find the right words and deliver them with enthusiasm and graciousness. This is all the more poignant as we attempt to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Teachers, pupils and leaders in our schools have suffered 18 months of disruption and uncertainty. For the second year in a row, GCSE and A Level students have been Centre Assessed or Teacher Assessed – a challenging situation for both teachers and pupils. On 12 September, we pray that God will fortify those working to make our schools places of learning and sanctuary – not just teachers and leaders but all the support staff whose tireless work sometimes goes unnoticed. We pray for all our primary and secondary pupils – particularly school-leavers who have had such a difficult journey in recent times – not to mention students in higher education and vocational training.

### 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.

### It will soon be time for applications for School References.

Many schools are operating 'open evenings' for prospective parents to have an actual and/or 'virtual' look around. Please look out for information from individual schools as we cannot publish all these details in the newsletter. If you will be applying for a place for a child in Reception, Year 7 or 'Sixth Form' (Year 12) for admission in 2022 please see the information overleaf and ask Fr Adrian for the Parish form.

**Please don't forget to reserve Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September, from 11am to 2pm for our Parish Party. Parish members are asked to bring a picnic to share, with hopefully donations of food we can be outside in fine weather, with volunteers needed to help.**

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		19 <sup>th</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup> September
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
<b>12<sup>th</sup> Sep. Sunday</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	The needs of our Parish Family
13 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Monday	9.30 am	St John Chrysostom	The Voller Family [Foundation Mass]
14 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	Holy Souls
15 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Wednesday	9.30 am	Our Lady of Sorrows	Mass of Thanksgiving
16 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Thursday	9.30 am	St Cornelius	Carlos Garafolin –in thanksgiving
17 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	The Glorious Mysteries
<b>NB after Benediction</b>	9.30 am	Feria	The Welfare of Jose Bemrose
18 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Saturday	9.30 am	Our Blessed Mother	The Welfare of John-Henry Nemeth
<b>19<sup>th</sup> Sep. Sunday</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	The needs of our Parish Family

**We offer our prayers for the repose of the soul of Edward Barnes who died earlier this week and our condolences to his family and friends.** In his retired life Edward was a tremendous volunteer in the Parish following a wonderful career in the BBC, helping to create Blue Peter, Newsround and many other projects when he became Head of Children's Television.

**Please note: the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is planned to return on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

The suspension of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass was announced on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020 by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. If a person attended Mass at a particular parish (or parishes) prior to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020 then they are considered to have attended Mass in that parish (or parishes) regularly since that time. This will remain the case until the Sunday obligation has been reintroduced by the Bishops which has been announced as **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021 – the First Sunday of Advent, thereafter weekly attendance at Mass would be expected as part of our ordinary life of faith and service as a Christian.**

**Important information for Parents/Carers seeking application for a school place in 2022**

Parents/Carers seeking a reference from Fr Adrian must see him to collect the form '**Information for the Parish Priest Regarding a School Application**'. This form has to be completed by a parent, and given back to Fr Adrian together with a family photo/print and a copy of the child's baptism certificate (not an original) in an A4+ size envelope clearly marked SCHOOL APPLICATION with the NAME OF THE CHILD and the NAME OF THE PARENTS/CARERS.

This form, together with any school forms (SIF) for Fr Adrian to complete (if you already have them) **must be given in person to Fr Adrian after Mass on Sunday.** Depending on the number of forms received each week Fr Adrian may then contact the parents for a discussion either in person or via a video link on Zoom or Microsoft Teams.

Once completed, school references handed in the weekend before are to be collected at 12pm (Noon) the following Sunday. This process allows for papers to be quarantined before and after completion in readiness for collection.

Please note: application and SIF papers cannot be dropped off or collected outside these times.

A two-year 'synodal' process is taking place in the Catholic Church from October 2021 that culminates in the final Synod Gathering of Bishops in Rome in October 2023. The overall theme is "**For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission**". It's an invitation for us ...

... **as Catholics, to 'walk together'** and every member of the Church has the right to speak, and the obligation to allow those charged with the work of discernment the freedom to do so. You can read more on the [Bishops' Conference Synodal Process](#) page by clicking the underlined link online.

**South-West London Catholic Social Group**

London SW Catholic Social Group is a group for Catholic adults to meet for regular social and networking events in a friendly and relaxed setting with the aim of making new friends, enjoy new experiences or just to socialise. Upcoming events include walks, a karaoke evening and a Christmas meal; our monthly socials will restart in October. We can be found on Facebook – 'London SW Catholic Social Group' or on email - [londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com](mailto:londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com)  
All are welcome so please join us if you can.

**Volunteers this week 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> September 2021:**

**Cleaners:** To be arranged

**Reader:** Graham Brough

**Extraordinary Minister:** Sofia Brough-Aparicio

**Welcomers:** Steve S, Maureen T, Clare F

**Volunteers next week 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> September 2021:**

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

**Reader:** Mark Desouza

**Extraordinary Minister:** Seb Wood

**Welcomers:** Kim F, Pietro C, Gilly B

**The following courses are available at the London Jesuit Centre.**

**You can follow the links for more information about each course.**

**[Introduction to the Old Testament](#)** (begins 23 September 2021) The Old Testament is essential to understanding the history of salvation and the course will map out the main arc of the Old Testament narrative by exploring four central themes: creation, covenant, prophecy and kingship.

**[Prayer from Scratch](#)** (begins 29 September 2021) Prayer is at the very heart of the Christian life and this course, over five Wednesdays, will help participants see prayer in a new way. There will be time for discussion and reflection, as well as periods of guided prayer.

**[God and Suffering I - Philosophical Questions](#)** (begins 23 September 2021) It has been a centuries old cry of atheists – how can there be a perfect, loving God given that the world is so full of suffering? The course will explore some of the key philosophical arguments and help participants understand the issues more deeply.

You will find a full list of LJC events, courses and retreats here: [www.londonjesuitcentre.org](http://www.londonjesuitcentre.org).

**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**

Edward Barnes who died recently and for James Brown, Luigi Previdi. Patricia Young, James O'Donoghue, Christine MacDonald, Mary Goss, Hannah O'Gorman, Julia Flattery 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.