



# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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## 8<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> May 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 17 April

Our weekly income was £475 [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](http://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](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.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter: Parish Mass Book p. 268 to 271

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, and is also known as Vocations Sunday. The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese. After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have six men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese and another four who are to be ordained this year

#### A prayer for Vocations: Gracious and loving God,

we thank you for the gift of our priests;  
help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace.  
Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, deaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be.  
Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ Your Son, the Eternal High Priest. **Amen.**

### 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.

### Continuing our Prayers for Peace

**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.

Liturgical Year C	Mass Details and Intentions		8 <sup>th</sup> May to 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 ~ The month of Mary
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Please join us on a Friday for the Rosary
8 <sup>th</sup> May Sunday	9.30 am		The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Welfare of John and Brigitte Harwood-Stevenson
	6.30 pm		Prayers for Ukraine and the Holy Souls
9 <sup>th</sup> May Monday	9.30 am	Feria	The O'Brien and Manion Families [Foundation Mass]
10 <sup>th</sup> May Tuesday	Closed today	<b>NB the church is closed</b>	The church and Office are closed today
11 <sup>th</sup> May Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria	Tommaso Corradini RIP
12 <sup>th</sup> May Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Good Estate of Fleur Turkkheim
13 <sup>th</sup> May Friday	9.00 am	<b>Rosary and Benediction</b>	Prayers for Ukraine: the Glorious Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria	Dina Amiotii RIP
14 <sup>th</sup> May Saturday	9.30 am	St. Matthias	Mass of Thanksgiving: Fr Adrian
	9.30 am		Prayers for Ukraine and the Holy Souls
	11.00 am	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Bridie Barry RIP
15 <sup>th</sup> May Sunday	6.30 pm		The needs of our Parish Family

**Please note: This weekend we have a second collection for the Diocese to help the training of future priests. It costs approximately £30.000 per year to sponsor a seminarian, who will then study for six years before being ordained a Catholic priest. Please give a gift today to the Priests Training Fund. You can donate online at [www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF), scan the QR Code on the right hand side of the page, telephone 020 7960 2504 during the week between 9 am–5 pm, or, use one of the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church.**

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Missio have contacted the Parish to thank us for the donations totalling £343.39 collected from the Red Boxes for Missio during 2021. Please visit <https://missio.org.uk/> for more about the work of Missio and its founder Pauline Jaricot, who is to be beatified this month. Her life shows us how prayer, and every contribution is valued by God and can transform the world for better.

Last Sunday we welcomed members of the Knights and Ladies of Marshall in commemoration of the lives of Sir James and Lady Marshall in their service to the Lord and especially to the people of Ghana. **We were extremely blessed to receive a cheque for £1000 from the Ladies and the Knights so that a presentation of £2000 was made towards the Cemetery Scanning Project, where each grave is to be individually mapped and recorded. We are indebted to the Marshallan Family as, with their donation and thanks to the £1,420.42 raised by Giovanni in last years sponsored bike ride, we will soon have enough money for this project to begin.** We are grateful to the small group of volunteers who help to maintain the grounds of the Cemetery but the Cemetery Scanning Project is a much bigger mission for the Parish to undertake and needs a professional architectural review of every grave. If you would like to contribute specifically to the care and maintenance of the Cemetery then please click on this [LINK](#) in the digital edition of our newsletter, thank you.

**Please help celebrate our 170<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at our Parish Fair on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May from 12 Noon to 2 pm by signing-up to help with various activities on the board which is located by the West Door (near the Confessional).**

We need donations and volunteers to help with a Bottle tombola, BBQ, Home Produce/Cake stall, Prosecco, Prims & soft drinks bar and Bric-a-Brac. We already have enough donations for the Bric-a-Brac but **please bring any unopened bottles for the tombola and bar stall to any Mass this weekend, or between 10.30 am and 2.30 pm on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> May. For the home produce/cakes stall, please bring your donations along from 10.30 to 11.30 am on the day.** Health and Safety regulations do mean that any edible produce we sell ought to list any allergens, so please print a label to go with your delicious cake or jam etc. If you have photos of how the church used to look like, photos of Sacramental celebrations or Parish parties, please email these to the Parish Office at [Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk) so that we can produce a display for people to look at. **In addition to donations of bottles and produce, we do need Parish members to donate their time, so please sign-up on the sheet by the West Door or email the Parish Office with how you can help.**  
**The event will go ahead come rain or shine as we'll be outdoors in fine weather and in the hall if not, so please reserve the time and join us on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May from 12-2pm.**

**Please note: our First Communion classes continue this week.**

Parish families who attend other schools are asked to meet outside the Parish Hall at 5.25pm for a prompt start at 5.30pm on Sun 8<sup>th</sup> May where we will revisit the work so far and look at Chapters 8 & 9.

**Please note: our Confirmation Programme classes continue this week.** Parents are reminded of the letter that was sent to them in February (a copy of which can be downloaded by clicking [HERE](#)) which listed the dates for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **The next dates are this Saturday, 7 May from 10 to 10.30 am and the final opportunities are after the 11 am Mass (from 11.45 am to 12.30 pm on the next two Sundays, 15 and 22 May.** Each Candidate should prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Two thirds of the group have still to celebrate the Sacrament, but up to ten people can be seen at each time listed above, so there is more than enough space to accommodate everyone. **Parents are reminded that the Confirmation rehearsal is being held at 7 pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June.**

**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

Since March, our parish has begun a Planned Giving appeal. During this time, we ask all parishioners to take the opportunity to prayerfully reflect on the ways each one can help their parish, whether through a gift of volunteering your time, the use of your talents or sharing your financial blessings by a donation each week or month, according to need. **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.** You may remember seeing the ‘My Parish Commitment’ Form, but we haven’t had many back yet and **we would be grateful if you could take the time to click on this [LINK](#) to download, complete and return information on ways how you can help in the Parish.** Your response to this will enable our parish to plan ahead with confidence for the future. Please either post or email your forms to the Parish Office, thank you. NB: This link will expire on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022, so please download and complete the form before then to help with our Parish planning.

**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**

Sheila Findlay, Michael Pomroy, John McDonagh and Tess McCarthy who died recently, and Leonard Avis, John Cunningham, Maureen Saunders, Gerard Graham, 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