



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: 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).

24th April to 1st May 2022

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 £671 [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
- 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
- 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.

Diving Mercy Sunday: Parish Mass Book p. 262-265

On the Sunday after Easter each year we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Saint Pope John Paul II instituted this Feast on May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of the Polish nun, Saint Faustina Kowalska, who came to spread the devotion after receiving spiritual visions on the theme of God's mercy. The message of Divine Mercy is threefold. It teaches Catholics to pray for Jesus' mercy, to be merciful, and to completely trust in Jesus. The chaplet of Divine Mercy is traditionally prayed on Fridays at 3 pm, the hour in which Jesus perished on the cross. The Divine Mercy prayers are easy to follow and the Chaplet can be prayed on an ordinary Rosary or on your fingers if you don't have one. They can be found on the website www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/pray-the-chaplet

A particular way to listen to or join in the prayers is through a sung version which can be found every day on EWTN.com or via <https://youtu.be/p5TGfisOKMM> On Divine Mercy Sunday, the Church calls us to celebrate God's Divine Mercy given to us through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, our need for trusting Faith, and our need for the forgiveness of our sins. In this continued time of unrest in Ukraine, let us pray for the Lord to bring his Mercy to all those who seek peace and for the Holy Spirit to call to account the unjust.

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.

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.

Liturgical Year C	Mass Details and Intentions		24 th April to 1 st May 2022
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	
24 th Apr. Sunday	9.30 am		Deceased Relatives and friends of the Haley family
	11.00 am	Divine Mercy Sunday	In thanksgiving to the Divine Mercy
	6.30 pm		The needs of our Parish Family & Prayers for Ukraine
25 th Apr. Monday	9.30 am	St Mark	The Good Estate of Minnie
26 th Apr. Tuesday	Closed today	NB the church is closed	The church and Office are closed today
27 th Apr. Wednesday	9.30 am	St George (from Tuesday)	The Welfare of the Bemrose Family
28 th Apr. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	The Welfare of Paula Tolhurst
29 th Apr. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Ukraine: the Joyful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	St Catherine of Sienna	The Welfare of the O'Kelly Family
30 th Apr. Saturday	9.30 am	Feria	The Welfare of the MacKenzie Family
1 st May Sunday	9.30 am		Prayers for Ukraine and the Holy Souls
	11.00 am	3rd Sunday of Easter	Sir James and Lady Marshall RIP & The Marshallan Family
	6.30 pm		The needs of our Parish Family

A message from Fr Adrian: next month we celebrate 170 years of the joy of the celebration of Mass in our Parish church, from humble beginnings in 1849 when Mass was first heard above a local stables through to the laying of our Foundation Stone in 1851 and the opening of the church in 1852. Our 170th Anniversary follows on from many months when we had to close for the Pandemic, but it is wonderful that we can safely gather for Mass. Although we still keep safe and take care, when we are able to be together, it is the reality of such communion together, in our own and wider families, that gives us strength to draw on and, most especially, the strength God gives us in our lives from our spiritual and physical reception of his Blessing and Holy Communion. Through 2020 and 2021 we have had to spend nearly £200,000 in urgent safety repairs in the Church, Hall and Cemetery and had a further £15,000 of repairs immediately in the new Year, with £500,000 of further planned repairs to come. Over the Pandemic we have not being able to undertake any major fundraising and we will need to do so during our Anniversary Year so we can continue to be Stewards of the wonderful buildings, projects and people of the Parish. **I would like to thank our Parish Finance and Building Committee members who have helped with this work and first Clare, then Anna and now Nicola who came to help in the Parish office over the course of Lockdown and beyond. We are indebted and give thanks to all those who support the Parish throughout the year by donating and volunteering in so many ways.**

In particular, over the prayerful Holy Week and the joy of Easter, it was a blessing to have the support of those who have been able to help as Readers, Extraordinary ministers, Welcomers, catechists, musicians and singers; those who've helped with the collection, our flower arrangers, church cleaners, linen cleaners and a small team of Altar Servers. Thank you to you all and for the blessing of the Easter collection, it is much appreciated – I pray that we may continue to know the Lord's Blessing throughout the rest of year ahead.

A message from the Parish Office: A number of families have emailed to say they were away for Easter and that they would still like to help with the Easter Collection. If you were away and are able to contribute, please follow this [LINK](#) to contribute to the Easter Gift. Please remember that Fr Adrian does not receive a salary from the Parish or the Diocese and that contributions at Easter and Christmas make up Fr Adrian's income for the entire year, thank you.

NB 170th Anniversary – save the date and please join in with the preparation and celebrations

Please keep the weekend of 14th and 15th May free for our special 170th Anniversary celebrations which are starting at the 9.30 am Mass on Saturday morning, continuing with our Spring Fair from 12 Noon. Our celebrations will then continue throughout all our Masses on Sunday. Please see Lucy Muentes and Jennie Unsworth or email Fr Adrian if you can help join the fundraising team to prepare for the Anniversary weekend and other events throughout the year.

We are looking for sponsorship from a member of the Parish Family who perhaps runs their own company and would help us by having their Sponsorship and company logo named on professionally-printed raffle tickets. If you could help sponsor the raffle prizes and costs (approximately £500), please email or see Fr Adrian in person, thank you.

This Sunday we have our Confirmation Mass of Welcome at 6.30pm. Please pray for our Candidates and their Families:

Alex, Alice, Cassie, Cesare, Chloe, Edward, Ethan, Jack, Kate, Lavinia, Leila, Lukas, Noel, Oscar, Rebecca, Sadhbh, Sam, Tadhg, TJ, Tonatiuh and Tyler

You are very welcome to join in the celebrations next Sunday, 1st May when we will welcome members of the Marshallan International community to celebrate the lives of Sir James and Lady Marshall in commemoration of their service to the Lord and especially to the people of Ghana. **The Mass will be held at 11am followed by prayers in the Hall and refreshments after.**

First Holy Communion Parent's Meeting

Our First Holy Communion families are reminded that at least one parent is needed for a Zoom meeting with Fr Adrian and the Catechists at 7.30pm on Wednesday 4th May 4, 2022. Please register in advance for this meeting by clicking on this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZyqcO-rrz8pGNFGFqksix1sxaxulXCjdVue>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

It is important that at least one parent attends as we will be discussing the planning and arrangements of the First Communion Masses. Thank you for your prayers for all our candidates.

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 and Michael Pomroy who died recently, and for Bridget Neville, Lucienne Ralph, Evelyn Dorsett, Mary Hughes, Brian Collins, Douglas Garner, Emma Haley 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