



# 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 callouts).

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION**  
Our weekly income was £553 [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](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk/community)**

You can also give online through our [JustGiving](#) page, through [www.stmarymags.org.uk](http://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**

## 23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025

**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 9.30 am to 10.30 am and by request.

### 23<sup>rd</sup> November: Solemnity of Christ the King: Mass Book p 167-169

Today we celebrate Youth Sunday and take the opportunity of raising funds to support youth ministry both in our Parish and in our Archdiocese.



Youth Sunday is a unique opportunity to support youth work in the Archdiocese and beyond, especially the work of the Southwark Catholic Youth Service, which provides a variety of activities for youth and young adults. Please give what you can to help either by scanning this QR code or clicking [HERE](#) online. For more information, visit [www.tinyurl.com/scys1](http://www.tinyurl.com/scys1) or join the Southwark Catholic Youth network for regular updates at [www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork](http://www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork)



**At our 9.30 am Mass today we welcome the children of our 2026 class with their parents to the special Mass of Enrolment. Please pray for our candidates and their families today and in the weeks to follow, 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. If you would like to sponsor our 7-day candle please see Fr Adrian or complete one of the white Gift Aid envelopes with your contact details and stating the prayer intention you would like at each Mass for a particular week, thank you.

| Liturgical Year C                  | Mass Details and Intentions |                                                                    | 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2025     |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Date                               | Time                        | Feria or Feast Day                                                 | Intention                                              |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. Sunday</b> | 9.30 am                     | <b>34<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time<br/>Christ the King</b>   | Rita Smith RIP                                         |
|                                    | 11.00 am                    |                                                                    | Michael, Catherine and Ann O'Sullivan RIP              |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov. Monday       | 9.30 am                     | St Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions                                    | Richard Edwin Jones [Foundation Mass]                  |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov. Tuesday      | <b>Closed</b>               | <b>NB the church is closed</b>                                     | <b>The Church and Office are closed today</b>          |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov. Wednesday    | 9.30 am                     | Feria                                                              | Intention of Jan Georges                               |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov. Thursday     | 9.30 am                     | Feria                                                              | For Anne Law RIP                                       |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov. Friday       | 9.00 am                     | <b>Rosary and Benediction</b>                                      | <b>Prayers for Peace: The Glorious Mysteries</b>       |
| <b>NB after Benediction</b>        | 9.30 am                     | Feria                                                              | Intention of the Best Family                           |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov. Saturday     | 9-10.30am                   | <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>                                 | <b>The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today</b> |
| <b>30<sup>th</sup> Nov. Sunday</b> | 9.30 am                     | <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent<br/>(New Liturgical year A)</b> | Andrzej Maciejewski RIP                                |
|                                    | 11.00 am                    |                                                                    | Mario Fernandes RIP                                    |



Please join us on Sunday, after both our Masses, for Bacon Rolls and for some Banana Bread.  
Something to help to keep us warm during the cold weather!



**THANK YOU to everyone who supported our Parish Jumble Sale last Sunday. Thanks to your generosity we raised the sum of £300 which will help contribute towards the ongoing Health and Safety costs that the Parish has to pay annually.**

As we continue the month of November the Church takes time to remember those who have died, especially praying for them and offering Mass for the repose of their souls. Following this tradition, as each year, we have the opportunity to request Masses for the Holy Souls and write lists of remembrance with the names of our dear departed friends and family. November Lists of Remembrance can be placed in the basket by the Altar at any time or emailed to Fr Adrian at the Parish Office: [Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk) To request a Mass for the Holy Souls please scan this QR code or drop a Mass intention envelope into the Parish Office. Please note "Holy Souls Masses" are offered for all the dead in remembrance all those who have gone before us. Individual names and families are remembered collectively by praying for the list of names at every Mass in November, thank you.



**Advance Notice - CHRISTMAS TREE and Wreath SALES with CHILDREN'S 'MYSTERY BAGS' Hot Food and Tombola ...**

All are welcome to come to join us for this **FREE** event, between 10 am and 2 pm, on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December to help raise funds for our Parish Charity "Building Together". Please let Fr Adrian know if you could help volunteer on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 8.30 am, as we'll be selling trees in the car park, outside the church, from 10 am to 2 pm. As you raise the Christmas Tree in your house you will be helping us to raise funds for the safety work on the church.

The trees cost: 4-5 ft £45, 5-6 ft £65, 6-7 ft £70, 7-8 ft £80 and 8-9 ft £95 ☺



**Children's Liturgy at our Sunday 9.30 am Mass - calling all past and present Leaders/Helpers.** Fr Adrian would like to



thank all those who have been involved in our Children's Liturgy at Mass. We cannot hold Children's Liturgy in the Hall without parent volunteers, so Fr Adrian would like to invite previous helpers and new Parish families to help with our Children's Liturgy this autumn. Fr Adrian encourages the parents of children wanting to receive First Holy Communion in 2026, to enrol your children for our Sunday 9.30 am Children's Liturgy and to volunteer to help with the liturgy sessions, as this would be a great blessing, thank you.

Ruth O'Callaghan, one of our Parishioners, is an author and poet, with several published works. For an example of her work, please visit the website [www.ruthocallaghan.wordpress.com/poems/](http://www.ruthocallaghan.wordpress.com/poems/) Ruth supports a homeless project supporting a range of day centres and night shelters in Camden. Ruth's sixteenth collection of poems is called "CELL", and she would like to offer the book, worth £14, free to parishioners who make a donation of £10 to the charity via this link: [www.paypal.com/fundraiser/charity/4047298](http://www.paypal.com/fundraiser/charity/4047298) You don't have to have a PayPal account to



donate, you can simply use a debit or credit card to donate, but Ruth asks please that you ask for a receipt so that you can email this to Fr Adrian to forward to Ruth so that she can provide you with a copy of her book "CELL", which can be collected from Fr Adrian on a Sunday.

For more information on the homeless project, please follow the link online [www.c4wshomelessproject.org/history](http://www.c4wshomelessproject.org/history)

**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, thank you.



**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 Rita Smith, Robin Simpson QC, Gerard Lively and Philomena Gallagher who died recently; for Jane Healy, Mary Gill, George Hiller, Eileen Hudson, Marie Powell-Blanche, Catherine Flynn, Ben Fernandes, Sylvia Marshall, Betty Smith, Timothy Healey, Geraldine Graham, Mary Murphy 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.