



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

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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: Mon. & Wed. to Fri. 10 am to 1 pm

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Parish & School News

Thank you for your contribution to the Parish collection: **next Sunday we hold a second collection for the annual contribution for Poor Parishes:** this collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer Parishes in the Diocese. Thank you for giving what you can.

Archbishop John Wilson is encouraging schools, parishes and youth organisations across Southwark Diocese to become involved with the Million Minutes siLent Campaign during Lent this Year. The basic understanding of this Campaign is that by taking time to give up the things that fill life with noise and restlessness, young people will not only allow time for healthy silence, but they can also raise sponsorship which can make a real difference to other young people without a voice, for whom silence isn't a choice. Instead of cutting out sugar or some other treat, we would like to challenge individuals and communities of young people to cut out the noise in their lives this Lent: for example, you might go without your smart phone and stay silent for a day, or you might give up using social media for the whole of Lent! Please help Southwark and Million Minutes to do something amazing for young people. All of the money raised from siLent goes directly into their Grants fund which gives money to youth led social action projects across the country, helping young people change their life and their world! For more information you can visit the website <https://millionminutes.org/silent>

Get started with silent

1. Sign up to siLent via www.millionminutes.org/stay-silent and let Million Minutes know how you plan to take part.
2. You'll then be invited to set up your online fundraising or you can...
3. raise money by down-loading the [siLent sponsor form](#) via this newsletter online.

Sunday Masses: 9:30am, 11.00am & 6:30pm

Weekday Mass: the church opens at 8:30am with Mass at 9.30 am, but please check the Mass Intention List for day to day details.

Please note the church is closed on Tuesdays.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from Mass to 10.30 am, ending with Benediction

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturdays from 10 am and by request.

23rd February – 1st March 2020

Collection details: Our sacrificial giving is part of our participation at Mass and a sharing of the blessings God gives us. **Thank you for your support: our collections last week raised: £445 for the charitable work of the Parish.** These sums include monies given in Gift Aid envelopes. **Our thanks also go to those who donate by Banker's Order** direct into the parish account which provides, on average, £400 to total **£845.** With continued thanks to those who give by Gift Aid as these sums include monies given through the Parish Gift Aid envelope scheme. If you are a UK tax-payer and would like information on Gift Aid please email the Parish.

Our Annual Gift Aid Appeal this year will take place on Sunday 1 March. For new parishioners who are taxpayers it will be an opportunity to sign up and support what is an important source of income for our parish. In addition, our existing Gift Aid parishioners will be able to collect their new box of envelopes ahead of the start of the new tax year. Steve Smith, our Gift Aid organiser, will be available at all three of our Sunday Masses to answer any questions you may have and take you through the signing process.

Our First Holy Communion Programme school and Parish groups continue with our next Parish class at **5pm on 1 March.** Please refer to our Parish Prayer Board as we keep all our First Holy Communion children in prayer. **All First Communion Parents are reminded that we meet after the Ash Wednesday Mass to discuss the Sacrament of Reconciliation for their child's First Confession.** The Parish Mass is held from 7-8pm and the Parents' Meeting is held in the church immediately afterwards from 8-9pm. All are welcome to the Mass but please note the Parents' Meeting is for First Communion parents, not the children, as the children have their own preparation in class.



Altar Servers rota	Parish Prayer for our First Communion Candidates
Sunday 23 rd Feb. Team 1 Sunday 01 st Mar. Team 2 Sunday 08 th Mar. Team 1 Sunday 15 th Mar. Team 2 Sunday 22 nd Mar. Team 1 Sunday 29 th Mar. Team 2 Volunteers are needed for Palm Sunday 5 April and Easter Sunday 5 April from both teams please. Servers are asked to practice before each Mass so please ensure that you turn up in BLACK SHOES at least twenty minutes before Mass begins, thank you.	Father of love and abundant mercy, it is your will to establish everything in Christ and to draw us into union with him. Guide our First Holy Communion candidates: Strengthen their bond to you, give them a special love for the Eucharist, and mould them into the living stones of your Church. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

MASS details and MASS INTENTIONS this week

23rd February – 1st March 2020

Sunday 23 rd	9.30am	Maria Gonzy RIP
7th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr A	11.00am	Private intention [Deacon]
(p. 139-142)	6.30pm	The needs of our Parish Family
Monday 24 th	9.30am	Nevil McBain RIP
(Feria)		
Tuesday 25 th	No Mass	NB the church and Office are closed today
(Feria)		
Wednesday 26 th	9.30am	Mr & Mrs Tim Smart
(Ash Wednesday)	7.00pm	Maria Gonzy RIP
(p. 147-151)	8.00pm	1 st Communion Parents' Meeting in church
Thursday 27 th	9.30am	Mary Mannion
(Feria of Lent)		
Friday 28 th	9.30am	Rev Thomas Nevill [Foundation Mass]
(Feria)		
Saturday 29 th	9.30am	Fleur Turkiem
(Feria)		
Sunday 1 st March	9.30am	Eileen RIP
1st Sunday of Lent Yr A	11.00am	Tish Deacon
(p. 151-154)	6.30pm	The needs of our Parish Family

<p>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 written on our Parish Prayer Board beside the Baptistery. These prayer petitions which will be offered by the Priest as a whole at every Mass.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Luke 10:20 "Rejoice that your names are written in Heaven."</p>	<p>Please pray for the repose of the souls of Pamela Boveley, Harry Ott, Margaret Scotting, John Brennan, Ethel Ivy Smith 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 on the Prayer Board and see Fr Adrian if you would like their name to be added to the Book of Remembrance and to our prayers of intercession at our Sunday Mass.</p>
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The Catholic Bishops' Conference has issued guidelines about the Coronavirus in order to enable Catholic churches and organisations to find relevant information. At the time of writing, the risk to the public from coronavirus remains low in England and Wales. Because this is a rapidly changing situation, these guidelines may evolve as the situation changes. Guidelines can be downloaded online www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/media/cbcew-coronavirus-guidelines-2020-v1.pdf The UK Government guidelines can be downloaded via: www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public

- As should be our ordinary practice, it is important that anyone with cold or flu symptoms (or cold sore etc.) should refrain from taking communion from the Chalice and receive the host on the hand only.
- Ministers of the Eucharist should sanitise their hands before and after distributing communion. This can be done by washing hands discreetly before proceeding to the sanctuary or using good quality hand gel. **At St Mary Magdalen's alcohol hand gel is used before giving Holy Communion.**
- There is no need as things stand, for the Chalice to be withdrawn or the sign of peace suspended, such as was advised during the 2009 'flu pandemic. This advice would only come if we had a very serious epidemic in the UK and at the time of writing this is unlikely.

