



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 call outs).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION
Our weekly income was £547 [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**

You can also give online through our [JustGiving](#) page, through 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

6th to 13th September 2026

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 9.00 am to 10.30 am and by request.

6th September: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time:

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In 2024, Pope Francis called a Synod for the whole Church, which continues, stage by stage in a process, which offers a chance to 'walk together'. **Archbishop John Wilson has charged each Parish to reflect on the Synod's reflection so far.** Every member of the Church is called to contribute in prayer and reflection to help to discern a way forward for the Church. Parishes across the Archdiocese are being invited to reflect on "the spirit of synodality" through listening and participation to consider how a sense of mission is present in parish life and how it can be strengthened for the future.

Fr Adrian has arranged six short meetings on a Sunday morning, after the 9.30 and before the 11 am Masses to talk about the Synod's Final Document and identify ways in which our Parish can continue to grow as part of a synodal Church. **You may not know what the Synod is about, so we begin with an overview of the Synod, before reflecting on different sections of the Final Document.** Fr Adrian hopes that as many Parishioners as possible can contribute to this important reflection on the Life and Ministry of the Church, both in our Parish and as a whole. The details of the six-week schedule are as follows:

Overview Sunday 13 Sep. 10.15-10.45

Week One Sunday 20 Sep. 10.15-10.45

Week Two Sunday 27 Sep. 10.15-10.45

Week Three Sunday 11 Oct. 10.15-10.45

Week Four Sunday 18 Oct. 10.15-10.45

Week Five Sunday 8 Nov. 10.15-10.45

For more information please take a look online

(<https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/synod-implementation>) and you are welcome to use the online links to reflect at home if you can't join us on a Sunday and you could email the Parish for any contributions you would like to include in our Parish Reflection.

Liturgical Year A	Mass Details and Intentions		6 th to 13 th September 2026
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
6 th Sep. Sunday	9.30 am	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		For the Hallel Family
7 th Sep. Monday	9.30 am	Feria of Ordinary Time	Peter and Elizabeth Sherston-Baker RIP
8 th Sep. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
9 th Sep. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria of Ordinary Time	A Private Intention
10 th Sep. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria of Ordinary Time	Philip, Count of Parish [Foundation Mass]
11 th Sep. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Ukraine: the Joyful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria of Ordinary Time	For the Holy Souls
12 th Sep. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today
13 th Sep. Sunday	9.30 am	24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		For the Hallel Family

Today we have our monthly **'Building Together'** collection helping with the ongoing Health and Safety costs. If you will be away on holiday still but would still like to contribute to this collection, you can do so by clicking [HERE](#) in the online newsletter. **A BIG THANK YOU to them and to all our Parishioners who can support the work that goes on in the cemetery to ensure it can be a place of safety and beauty for all. If you could offer help on a Saturday morning to help with the gardening needs, or could contribute the cost of the tree work, please email Fr Adrian via the Parish Office.** Next Sunday is Education Sunday with our annual opportunity of donating to the work of the Catholic Education Service.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the special collection after the devastating floods in Nepal. Many have given already, but thanks to your help, we raised £146.36, which CAFOD will use directly to help in this devastation.



Everyone is welcome to our Parish BBQ next Sunday, 13th September, between 12 to 4 pm. Please join us for something to eat and a drink, available from our licenced bar.

13th September is also "Open House Festival". If you would like a tour of the Burton Mausoleum you will have the opportunity of doing so, as the **opening times are 12 to 4 pm.**

With the last tour at 3.30 pm. Even if you don't want see inside the Mausoleum, there is an opportunity of viewing a new documentary, in the hall, which includes an interview with Fr Adrian, the historians and archivists who worked on the project.



Please help to stop assisted suicide being legalised. Campaigners have bought back the Leadbeater Bill. This can be stopped if MPs vote against the Bill on 11th September. Right To Life UK has launched an EasyAction tool to help us to email our MP to ask them to vote NO to assisted Suicide via <https://righttolife.org.uk/sept11vote>

Would you like your child to receive First Holy Communion next year? If your child will be in Year 3 from September 2026, whether they are in our Parish School, another Catholic School or in a Non-Catholic School, please see below.

In addition, each year we have some children who have not yet been baptised or are from different faith traditions but would like to be welcomed into the Church, so if that applies to you, please let Fr Adrian know so that he can help.

Please follow this link <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/E3CUQUsNLm> to express an interest in the First Communion Programme. Posters with the QR code for this link are also available in church.

Please note this is ONLY the first part of the application, but to enrol your child into our First Communion Programme, this initial online form must be completed between now and 11th October to sign-up for the 2026 to 27 Programme.

Fr Adrian invites every young adult from School Year 9 or above from September 2026 who would like to be Confirmed in 2027 as Bishop Gerard Bradley will be coming to St Mary Magdalen's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on 13th May 2027. Parents are asked to express an interest in their child joining the Confirmation programme for 2026 to 2027 by following this online link or by scanning a QR code in church: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/RqPSP6KQdf>

Please note, the online form must be completed by 11th October for the 2026/2027 Programme.

Please note there will be a special Mass at 5.30 pm on Sunday 20th September to give an overview of the programme with the initial sign-up to be completed by Sunday 18th October, thank you.

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 are washing powder, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, tea, coffee, jam and biscuits.



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: We pray for John Coleman, Sarah Howell and Sabrina Russo who died recently, for John O'Sullivan, Ann Waters, Roberto Gorini, John Turner, Demetrius Mannouris, Alexander Dobbie, Lawrence Jago, Herbert Campbell Barnes, Yvonne Eastman, Herbert Channel, Arnold Ferrari, Patrick Coffey, James Brown, Luigi Previdi

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