



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

24th to 31st March 2024

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).

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.

THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 17th March.
Our weekly income was £644 an average of the last 4 weeks]
*We are all in different 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

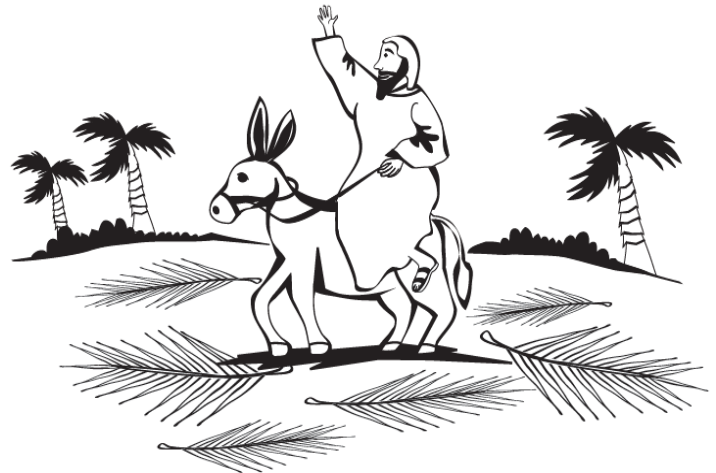
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- The Donation Button on our website's Homepage:
www.stmarymags.org.uk
- Gift Aid Envelopes or Cash can be given in the collections taken during Mass.
- Contactless Cards can be used at the Donation Points located by the Calvary Statue & Sacristy

Palm Sunday: Mass Book p. 180-194

Walk of Witness and Prayers for Peace

We have quite a few changes this Sunday, as our Ecumenical Procession replaces our usual Children's Mass **for Palm Sunday**. We will have set off from the church at 9.15 to the East Sheen War Memorial for a Gospel service and return, carrying palms and walking alongside the Easter donkey, before our later Mass at 9.45 am. We know that a number of families are away for the Easter holidays but thank you to those members of our Parish Family who have been able to volunteer with the various ministries and 'behind-the-scenes-work' which are vital in helping with our celebrations for Holy Week and Easter. Details of all our services are listed overleaf and in the Easter Card that is available by the hymn books near the West Door at the back of the church.



Hosanna to the Son of David! (Matthew 21:9)

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 A	Mass Details and Intentions		24 th to 31 st March 2024
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Date
24 th Mar. Sunday	9.45 am	NB change of time to 9.45 am Walk of Witness before Mass	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Joy Ann Williamson RIP
25 th Mar. Monday	9.30 am	Monday of Holy Week	Anne and Nicholas Murphy [Foundation Mass]
26 th Mar. Tuesday	9.30 am	NB the church is closed	The church is closed today
27 th Mar. Wednesday	No Mass	NB the church is closed	<i>NB: Chrism Mass today so the church is closed</i>
28 th Mar. Thursday	7.45 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Intention of the O'Kelly Family
29 th Mar. Friday	3.00 pm	The Solemn Liturgy	Good Friday service with Prayers for Ukraine
30 th Mar. Saturday	7.45 pm	The Easter Vigil	Sir Edward Mostyn [Foundation Mass]
31 st Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	Easter Sunday	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Teresa McCarthy RIP [Anniversary]

Overview of Holy Week

On Holy Thursday, we will gather as a community of believers to celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper and start the Triduum – three days of services in commemoration of Christ's Passion, which form one liturgy as a whole. Whereas we normally have

the one day, Tuesday, where there is no Mass in the church, this week we will close the church on Wednesday to allow Fr Adrian to attend the Chrism Mass. During that service, Archbishop John will bless and consecrate oils that will be used for anointing during the administration of sacraments - outward signs of inward grace - throughout the Diocese and Parish during the coming year. At the start of our Mass of the Lord's Supper the sacred oils blessed at the Chrism Mass will be placed on the altar. These oils (of Catechumens, of the Sick and of Chrism) will be used throughout the coming year, in baptism, anointing the infirm and in confirmation. After the close of Mass, the Altar is stripped bare to symbolise the starkness of the garden of Gethsemane and the Lord's imprisonment. We will "Watch with the Lord" before the Altar of Repose in the Holy Family chapel (to the left of the Sanctuary).



St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Mortlake Palm Sunday and Holy Week Services 2024


Please note the changes to our usual service times. On Palm Sunday the Walk of Witness with donkey procession means that our first Mass begins at the War Memorial in East Sheen at 09.30 (see below for details).

Palm Sunday	09.15	Walk from outside church to East Sheen War Memorial and back in time for
	09.45	Parish Mass with distribution of Palm crosses
	11.00	Parish Mass with distribution of Palm crosses
Monday	09.30-10.30	Mass followed by the opportunity for Reconciliation
Tuesday	09.30-10.30	Mass followed by the opportunity for Reconciliation
Wednesday		The church is closed for the Diocesan Chrism Mass at St George's
Holy Thursday	19.45	The Mass of the Lord's Supper, then 'Watch' service until 22.00
Good Friday	15.00	The Solemn Liturgy: with general (not personal) Veneration
Holy Saturday	19.45	Parish Easter Vigil NB starts outside the church
Easter Sunday	09.30	Family Mass
Easter Sunday	11.00	Parish Mass NB the church is closed after Mass.




The church will be closed at 10 pm and will reopen at 2.30 pm on Good Friday in readiness for the Solemn Liturgy at 3 pm. This Mass begins in silence and our kneeling before the empty tabernacle as today is not a celebration of Mass but a communion service to represent how the Lord is taken from us and rests in the tomb until we celebrate the joy of the resurrection at our Easter Vigil with the celebration of the Mass. The Easter Vigil begins at 7.45 pm with the symbolism of the evening's twilight showing how the light of the Lord will overcome the darkness of night. Please note on Easter Sunday, we have two Masses at 9.30 and 11 am and the church will be closed afterwards. Please join us for our Holy Week and Easter services. God bless,

Collection for the Holy Places on Good Friday 2022. Each year on Good Friday, the Church holds a collection to help care for the people and places of the Holy Land. The Church asks us to help the Christian community of the Holy Land and Palestine in a very practical way by donating to support charitable causes and the maintenance of the Holy Places administered on behalf of Pope Francis by the Franciscan community. To donate to the Holy Places collection please bring your contribution to the service on Good Friday or donate via the online newsletter through this [LINK](#).



Please remember that the **clocks 'go forward' on Easter Sunday morning (31st March) at 2am to mark the beginning of British Summer Time.** Our cemetery garden has already 'sprung forward' so don't forget to take a walk to see the beautiful bluebells and spring flowers ...

Can you spare some time to help to make the church look beautiful for Easter? We need volunteers to help on Good Friday and/or on Holy Saturday to help to prepare our floral decorations. On Good Friday, from 10am, our flower arranger will be meeting in the hall to prepare and on Holy Saturday, you will gather in the church for the final preparations. 'Many hands make light work' so all are welcome 😊.



The new **Gift Aid envelopes, April 2024 to March 2025**, are **available for to collect from the table at the back of church** for all parishioners who are currently using envelopes to make their weekly donations. Please take the current envelope number that you have been using since 2022. For any other parishioners who would like a box of envelopes, please contact Steve Smith on mortlakema1@rcaos.org.uk who will arrange to have some printed for you to use, 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.

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 Henna, Janet Marney, Michael O'Brien, Winifred Brady, John Cavanagh, Elizabeth Rosier, Mignonette Hayes, Katherine Barbona, Monique Bennett, Mary Kendrell, Barbara Porter, 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