



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.

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

Our church is only able to open at set times when there are enough volunteers to clean the church before and after.

27th June to 4th July 2021

Fr Adrian celebrates Mass each day for the needs of the Parish Family: see below for details of our Mass intentions.

It is important to note that the obligation for each of us to attend Sunday Mass continues to remain suspended but the church is now open under Covid-safety restrictions.

As such, we are only able to hold one Mass on Sunday at 11am, with the weekday Mass schedule as listed below with times and Mass intentions.

THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 13th June

Our total income was £787 per week [average of 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 St Mary Magdalen 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 Point located in the Church by the Calvary Statue.

Our Second Collection this week is the annual collection for "Peter's Pence", the Holy Father's charity which donates to worldwide charities helping those in need and taking action against poverty.

If donating via the online version of the Parish newsletter please click this [LINK](#). Alternatively, donations can be put into the 'collection buckets' at Mass or made via the contactless points in the church and by scanning the QR code with your mobile phone. The details given here are taken from the Vatican's 'Peter's Pence' website: "During times of crisis, there is an even greater need to make a concrete sign of belonging to the church and of love for the pope, as a symbol of unity. Even the smallest donations will help to support Pope Francis in his activities of teaching, guiding the universal church and charity. Thanks to all the donations, it is possible to accomplish projects that allow Pope Francis's presence to be felt by those who are suffering from the pandemic. In this crisis, change is needed. The Church is at the forefront in the world, dealing with the consequences of the coronavirus, by providing humanitarian aid and health assistance, and, through the local Churches, finding new ways to bring the comfort of the Word of God everywhere." **Thank you for whatever you can give, it will help to make a difference.**



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.

Thank you to Year 5 who are singing at Mass today

Children from our Parish School have been singing once a month over the last few months from different choir groups and they will be with us this Sunday. Thank you for the contribution they have provided to the Parish Mass with their wonderful voices and music. We are looking forward to welcoming them back in the Autumn.

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		27 th July to 27 th June 2021: 13 th to 14 th Sunday OT
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
27 th June Sunday	11 am	13 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
28 th June Monday	9.30 am	St Irenaeus	Lucy Mason [Foundation Mass]
29 th June Tuesday	9.30 am	St Peter & St Paul	In Thanksgiving (Deacon)
30 th June Wednesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	Please note: the church is closed for a family funeral
1 st July Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Ivo Parente Rodrigues RIP
2 nd July Friday	9.00 am	Rosary & Benediction	The Sorrowful Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria	Private Intention (Deacon)
3 rd July Saturday	9.30 am	St Thomas the Apostle	The good estate of Joanna Abbott
4 th July Sunday	11 am	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family

Please note: our church is open for services with a congregation without booking online. Mass can be seen online from our Cathedral – please see this link for details of Mass times <https://www.youtube.com/c/RCSouthwark1/featured>

As the newsletter is received and read by many parishioners on either a Friday or a Saturday, please remember that our Primary School's Summer Fair is being held on Saturday 26 June, from 12pm at Stag Brewery Playing Fields, Lower Richmond Road, Mortlake.

If you're reading this on the Saturday evening or on Sunday, then a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who was able to go along and support St Mary Magdalen Primary School and their pupil, staff and PTA ☺

A message about our Cemetery Project and care: Thank you to the small group of volunteers who, for many years, have tended to the 'flora and fauna' in the cemetery and helped to ensure that the cemetery is not overgrown. We have just had to spend nearly £2,000 on removing trees that were in danger of falling down which is on top of the £1,200 raised recently towards the £3K minimum needed for the care and management of a 'working cemetery'. In addition to the Cemetery gardening volunteers we have another team who help to save costs by giving up their evenings to continue the initial mapping and plotting of memorials. We have discovered the original faded plot numbers on the walls of the Cemetery and have made a start at chalking the numbers so that we can record each plot along with each row of burials. We have five sources of information to collate, so this is a substantial project to complete. The records we have are the physical remains of the graves, the Parish Plot Book, the Death Register, Mr Oliver's Record (written in the late 1980's with detailed information on each memorial) and a 1940's map of the graveyard. We are deciphering each piece of information in order to record our graveyard for posterity but also to identify vacant plots for future burials and interments. The project is rewarding and fascinating, so if you would like to volunteer to help, you will be warmly welcomed to the team! Please email Clare at mortlakeadmin@rcaos.ork.uk

A message from the Friends of St Richard Reynold's Catholic College (FoSRR)

Summer is on the way and with it comes this year's FoSRR Summer Auction – accessed by the link at the close of this message. Choose from a range of fantastic items at competitive reserve prices. Place your 1st bid and keep checking as to whether you have secured your lot. The school has a goal of reaching £6,000 to transform a muddy, disused part of the school site into a recreation facility for our children to exercise, play sports and run around. FoSRR are grateful to parents, students, teachers, local businesses and sponsors who have donated prizes, time and talents to make our auction possible for a great cause. Winners will be informed by email after the auction closes at 9pm on Sunday 27th June 2021. If you don't want to bid on an item but would like to make a donation towards our fundraising efforts then you can do so here www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/srrcc-sports-space-renovation-race. Thank you.

An online 'Building a Better Marriage' event will be held on Saturday 10th July 2021 between 9 am -1 pm.

The course offered means that participants can attend from the comfort of their own home and there is no group sharing. A recent Building a Better Marriage course received the following comments from married couples who logged on: 'The topics were chosen well and we could really relate to them. The personal stories you shared were very insightful and helped us to reflect on our own relationships more deeply... It was relaxed and you put us at ease, being friendly and personable...' 'We thoroughly enjoyed attending the course and have certainly been practicing a few of the things we learned already. It puts a smile on our faces when we do because we know that we are certainly richer from participating in the course.' For further information contact Carole: Tel: 07983 524 727 or email: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk
To register for the course, please complete and return an application via this [LINK](#) online.

The assisted Dying Bill. Bishop John Sherrington, Lead Bishop for Life Issues, has issued a statement outlining the Catholic Church's opposition to a Bill that could make assisted dying legal in England and Wales. The Assisted Dying Bill, a Private Member's Bill was introduced by Baroness Meacher; for more information click this [LINK](#)

Would you benefit from a rational guide to the assisted suicide debate? That's what's on offer to attendees of an online event called 'Death by Appointment'. On Monday 12 July at 7:30pm, Baroness Ilora Finlay and Robert Preston will look behind the slogans of the debate to help inform your view. For more information click this [LINK](#)

The Diocesan Department for Marriage and Family Life, Bereavement Care, offer an invitation to:

"Grief and Loss, Hope in Christ" a retreat weekend at Aylesford Priory 8 - 10th October 2021.

This is an opportunity for those who have lost a loved one through death. It is a time to mourn and share with others. For more information, please contact the Retreat House: 01622 717272 or email enquiry@thefriars.org.uk

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 emailed to Fr Adrian for inclusion at Mass.

These prayer petitions which will be offered by the Priest as a whole at every Mass.

Luke 10:20

"Rejoice that your names are written in Heaven."

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, or for a particular need.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Pat Wilson, Gerard Tolan, Mary Shepherd, Gerry Johnson and Ann Bilson who died recently and for Marion Pomroy, Ernest Brown, Phillip Brennan, Jean Wood, John Ryan and Hetty Downs 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.