



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.

9th to 16th January 2022

Fr Adrian celebrates Mass each day for the needs of the Parish Family: see below for details of our Mass intentions. The church is open under Covid-safety restrictions and has 3 Masses on Sunday, with the weekday Mass schedule as listed below with the times and Mass intentions. We are running a trial period of 3 Sunday Masses until February 2022. For information on Honouring Sunday please see cbcew.org.uk/bishops-statement-honouring-sunday/

THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 2 January

Our weekly income was £936 [an average of the 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 Points located by the Calvary Statue & Sacristy.

The Baptism of the Lord: Parish Mass Book p. 118

A message from Fr Adrian: This coming year will see our 170th Anniversary and though during the three and a half years I have been with the Parish we have had many months when we had to close for the Pandemic, it is wonderful that we can safely open and gather for Mass. Although we still have to keep safe and take care, when we are able to be together, it is the reality of such communion together, in our own and wider families, that gives us strength to draw on and, most especially, the strength God gives us in our lives from our spiritual and physical reception of his Blessing and Holy Communion.

Through 2020 and 2021 we have had to spend nearly £200,000 in urgent safety repairs in the Church, Hall and Cemetery and have a further £15,000 of repairs immediately in the new Year, with £500,000 of further planned repairs to come. Over the Pandemic we have not being able to undertake any major fundraising and we will need to do so during our Anniversary Year so we can continue to be Stewards of the wonderful buildings, projects and people of the Parish. **I would like to thank our Parish Finance and Building Committee members who have helped with this work and first Clare and then Anna who came to help in the Parish office over the course of Lockdown and beyond. We are indebted and give thanks to all those who support the Parish throughout the year by donating and volunteering in so many ways.** Although we've had to work very differently together for many months, it is a blessing to have the support of those who have been able to help as Readers, Extraordinary ministers, Welcomers, catechists, musicians and singers; those who've helped with the collection, our flower arrangers, church cleaners, linen cleaners and lately our Altar Servers. Thank you to you all - may we know the Lord's Blessing throughout the year ahead.

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 C	Mass Details and Intentions		9 th to 16 th January 2022
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
9 th Jan. Sunday	9.30 am	1 st HC Enrolment Masses	The needs of our Parish Family 1 st HC Enrolment Mass
	11.00 am	Baptism of the Lord	Jackie Gibelli RIP 1 st HC Enrolment Mass
	6.30 pm	Christmastide ends this night	Private Intention 1 st HC Enrolment Mass
10 th Jan. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	Mary Fein [Foundation Mass]
11 th Jan. Tuesday	Closed today	NB the church is closed	Please note – the church is closed today
12 th Jan. Wednesday	9.30 am	St Aelred of Rievaulx	St Aelred and intercession for the Holy Souls
13 th Jan. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Holy Souls
14 th Jan. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	The Luminous Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria	Conal and Rosie Mannion
15 th Jan. Saturday	9.30 am	Our Blessed Mother	Anniversary Mass for James Farragher
16 th Jan. Sunday	9.30 am		For the promotion of justice and peace
	11.00 am	2nd Sunday, Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	6.30 pm		The wellbeing of Fr Adrian and Family

<p>Please note, next weekend there will be a retiring collection for the SPUC pro-life 'white flower' appeal. Please use the blue buckets for your optional donation, thank you.</p>	<p>From next weekend we will be issuing a formal 'thank you' in the form of certificates of recognition to all the volunteers who have helped or still help us since the start of the Pandemic.</p>	<p>Our 1st Communion classes begin this week. Parish families who attend other schools are asked to meet outside the Parish Hall at 5.25pm for a prompt start at 5.30pm on Sun 16/1.</p>
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Thank you to the families who have returned their **First Holy Communion and Confirmation Forms for 2022**. **All applications closed several weeks ago** and we are planning how best to prepare the classes during the continued restrictions. Under current Government and Diocesan guidelines we can safely meet for Catechism classes for both **First Holy Communion and Confirmation** as we will fulfil all the Covid-safety criteria. Fr Adrian will continue to monitor what is required from both the Government and Diocesan regulations but, as long as families ensure that children only attend after confirming they have no symptoms of a cold or flu and can confirm that the child has a clear LFT taken on the day of the class, there is currently nothing that should prevent the classes from occurring.

This weekend we celebrate the enrolment of our First Holy Communion children at each of our Masses.

Fr Adrian has emailed families who registered for **Confirmation**, so please check any online folders in case this has not automatically gone into the inbox. **If families cannot find the message please see Fr Adrian after Mass for details.**

Fr Adrian has obtained through MasterClass a grant for free Online Learning for over18s – see below for more details

St Mary Magdalen Parish and [MasterClass](#) are offering a free adult Annual Membership to 100 individuals who have been especially impacted as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic who would not otherwise be able to afford access to the classes. Each annual membership is worth £264 per year BUT all fees are waived as part of this initiative. Individuals with an Annual Membership have access to online classes taught by world-renowned instructors. Founded in 2015, [MasterClass](#) is the streaming platform that makes it possible for anyone to learn from the best. With [MasterClass](#) hundreds of video lessons are available from over 100 of today's most brilliant minds. They are available anytime, anywhere on iOS, Android, desktop computers, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android TV and Roku devices.

MasterClass's current roster of courses includes: Business, Food, Music, Arts & Entertainment, Home & Lifestyle, Writing, Design & Style, Sports & Gaming and Science & Technology from such renowned leaders as Gordon Ramsay (cooking), Christina Aguilera (singing), Usher (performance), Itzhak Perlman (violin), Shonda Rhimes (writing for television), Martin Scorsese (filmmaking), Ron Howard (directing), Spike Lee (filmmaking), Helen Mirren (acting), Samuel L. Jackson (acting), Judd Apatow (comedy), Aaron Sorkin (screenwriting), Natalie Portman (acting), David Lynch (creativity and filmmaking), Bob Woodward (investigative journalism), Danny Elfman (music for film), Penn & Teller (magic), Hans Zimmer (film scoring), Steve Martin (comedy), Jimmy Chin (adventure photography), Annie Leibovitz (photography), Ron Finley (gardening), Brandon McMillan (dog training), James Patterson (writing), David Mamet (dramatic writing), Neil Gaiman (storytelling), David Sedaris (storytelling and humour), Frank Gehry (architecture), Diane von Furstenberg (how to build a fashion brand), Marc Jacobs (fashion design), Kelly Wearstler (interior design), Bobbi Brown (makeup and beauty), Serena Williams (tennis), Garry Kasparov (chess), Daniel Negreanu (poker), Simone Biles (gymnastics), Misty Copeland (ballet), Will Wright (game design), Chris Hadfield (space exploration) and Neil deGrasse Tyson (scientific thinking and communication), to name just a few!

To take up the offer of a year's free online tuition without any implication of joining up or subscribing thereafter please email MortlakeAdmin@RCAOS.org.uk with MasterClass in the title, giving your name, address, telephone number and a brief description of how the free grant could help you. Applicants must be over-18 but the accounts can be used to help families in the Parish and local community. **Please apply before 31 January 2022** to be in with the chance of obtaining a free grant.

Primary School Applications for 2022: Please be aware that no further requests for references can be received as all forms should have been sent to Fr Adrian to ensure that he can return them by the application closure date of 15th January 2022.

Thank you to everyone for raising donations for the charitable work of the Parish with #easyfundraising

If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE. 6,100 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to do your everyday online shopping - at no extra cost to you!

Every donation you raise makes a difference to us so please sign up & share by clicking the link below today, thank you.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarymagdalenmortlake/>

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.”

Please use Mass Intention envelopes from the church entrance to request a Mass for a family member or friend, or for a particular need and give these to Fr Adrian.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Roland Foulon, Flora Felton, Eileen McLean, Henri Jaume, Julia Fernandes, Janine Leyder, Kathleen Flood, John Goggin, Ann Opie, Maurice Wade, Kathryn Strohe, Henry Healey 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