



# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

**Baptisms and Weddings** by arrangement

Please see Fr Peter 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 9am to 3pm except for emergencies when the Cemetery is closed**

**26<sup>th</sup> February to 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

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

**Weekday Mass: the church opens at 9.25 am with Mass at 9.30 am, but please check below for details.**

**Please note the church is closed on Tue. & Sat.**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays**

*Temporarily suspended.*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

*After any Mass by request.*

### THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> February.

Our weekly income was £1091 [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](http://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**

(Please quote your Gift Aid Number if you have one.)

- The Donation Button on our website's Homepage:  
[www.stmarymags.org.uk](http://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

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent Mass Book p 151-154



Ash Wednesday is the doorway into our Lenten season of renewal – a day rich in associations and symbolism. It marked the beginning of Lent – a time for turning again to the practice of our faith, in prayer, self-denial (fasting) and practical generosity (almsgiving). It was the doorway into our Lenten season of renewal.

**Support for our Clergy.** Today we are remembering especially all our Priests both sick and retired and how we can help provide care for priests in their old age and retirement, and in their time of ill health. A gift to this worthy fund will ensure a dignified retirement for our priests, after they have dedicated a lifetime of service to Christ, His Church and His People. In 2022, the Clergy Support Fund provided care to 73 retired priests, at a cost of £1.33 million.



With the number of priests over the age of 65 steadily increasing, so too will the financial obligation to the Archdiocese. Today we have the opportunity of keeping our priests in your prayers and making a gift to the Clergy Support Fund in our 2<sup>nd</sup> collection, by using one of the envelopes provided, by calling 020 7960 2504, by using the QR code or, by clicking [HERE](#) on your digital device.

**Fr Adrian would like to thank everyone for the cards and gifts which, he really appreciates! It is possible to visit Father during his convalescence. However, visits must be booked through the parish office first, so that Nicola can liaise with Father first and confirm the visit, thank you ☺**

### 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		26 <sup>th</sup> February – 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Sunday	9.30 am		For our Parish Family
	11.00 am	1 <sup>st</sup> week in Lent	For the People of Ukraine and the Holy Souls
	6.30 pm		Holy Souls
27 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	Reverend Thomas Nevill [Foundation Mass]
28 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Tuesday	<b>Closed</b>	<b>NB the church is closed</b>	<b>The Church and Office are closed today</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Mar. Wednesday	9.30 am	St David	For the Holy Souls
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Rose Dewar [Foundation Mass]
3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar. Friday	9.30 am	Feria	For the Holy Souls
4 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Saturday	<b>Closed</b>	<b>NB the church is closed</b>	<b>The Church and Office are closed today</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Sunday	9.30 am		For the Welfare of Fr Adrian
	11.00 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> week in Lent	For our Parish Family
	6.30 pm		For the People of Ukraine and the Holy Souls



**First Holy Communion News**, our class resumes again, after the Half-Term holiday, for the Parish Group, in our Hall today at 5.30pm with: chapter 4, God helps Me Get it Right  
Can all parents of children from our Parish Group and those from our Parish School making their First Reconciliation, please check their emails 'in boxes' or 'junk mail' as you all should have received an email with details of how to join-in to a Zoom meeting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March concerning the Reconciliation on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March.

**Music for Sunday Mass.** Fr Peter sends his thanks to Kate Martin for providing some music on Sundays! If anyone can play an instrument, or would like to join our singers, please contact the Parish Office on [mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk) with your details, many thanks.



**"Is our Lady calling you to Lourdes in 2023?"** There are plans for a pilgrimage to Lourdes this year with HCPT, staying in Hosanna House, a peaceful haven with its own chapel, offering stunning views of the Pyrenees. The group of pilgrims would fly from Stansted Airport and have a nurse with them available to help with any of the assisted pilgrims. The estimated cost for this week would be £819 and would include, the flights, insurance, meals, as well as regular visits to the grotto. If you would like to go to Lourdes as a pilgrim, assisted pilgrim, be a carer, helper, or would like to learn more, please contact Maggie Barker on 07725 561 923 or email [thebarkers72@hotmail.com](mailto:thebarkers72@hotmail.com)

**Calling all Parents ...Would you have an hour spare on a Saturday morning to help clean our beautiful Church?** The cleaning teams need new members to join in and to lighten the workload. If we boost our numbers your slot should only come around every six weeks or so. Also, we do have a Monday Team who help after School drop off. If anyone would like to volunteer, please email [clare@magneticcc.co.uk](mailto:clare@magneticcc.co.uk) or, the Parish Office on [mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk) to offer your help, 😊

**Church Hall development with a message from the Parish Finance Committee:** Dear fellow parishioners, as Fr Adrian has noted in recent newsletters, we are starting the process to consider our options with respect to the future development of the Church Hall. To support this we are looking to set up a small working group and would be grateful to hear from any parishioners who would be keen to help especially if you have any previous experience around property design/development, architecture, planning and fund raising. This is not expected to be a significant time commitment. Over the coming weeks we will also be reaching out to the whole Parish to seek wider views and feedback on the hall development. If you are interested and able to spare time over the coming months then please email Steve Smith on [mortlakema1@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mortlakema1@rcaos.org.uk) or, the Parish Office on [mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk), thank you.

**Caritas Inauguration Mass**

We are all invited to this special Mass of Inauguration on 18<sup>th</sup> March at 12.30pm in St George's Cathedral, SE1. 'Caritas means love'. At the heart of the gospel message, is our calling to love one another, as Christ loves us. The Church has always been at the service of the poorest and the weakest. This is true today through our parishes, schools and social and charitable projects and organisations. In such challenging times, it is important that we strengthen and enhance our approach to charitable outreach rooted in our faith in Christ, one which builds on the excellent work already taking place and provides encouragement and support for new initiatives. This is about facilitation and collaboration, building up the 'communion of charity' through a more considered identity whereby our Archdiocese can both further and recognise putting faith into action.

**Please see the Caritas Social Action poster 'SJOG Homes for Ukraine' in the Church porch** We have had a number of families volunteer to help open their homes to Ukrainian refugees. If you would like to help, please see the poster!

**We continue our Parish Prayers for Peace for the People of Ukraine:**

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, 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**

John Brennan, Ethel Smith, Margaret Scotting, Ray Weston, Barbara Kawa, Clare Milne, Anita Osgood, Vincentia Stafford, Joan Thomas 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 the Parish Office. 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