



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

20th to 27th March 2022

Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement
Please see Fr Adrian after Mass to make an appointment for a preparation course.
Parish 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
365 days a year (except for emergency call-outs).

Sunday Masses: 9:30am, 11.00am & 6:30pm
Weekday Mass: the church opens at 9am with Mass at 9.30 am, but please check below for details.
Please note the church is closed on Tuesdays.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 9am, ending with Benediction before 9.30 Mass.
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturdays from 10 am and by request.

THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 13 March
Our weekly income was £701 [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 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.

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.

3rd Sunday of Lent: Parish Mass Book p. 160-163

Prayers for Peace and Our Parish Commitments

'Each one should give as much as he has decided on his own initiative, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver' 2 Corinthians 9:7

Fr Adrian spoke to Councillor Roberts, Leader of Richmond Council at a meeting of civic and faith leaders this week to ask how the Council will be involved with helping refugees from Ukraine. The UK Government is giving funding direct to the Council to help with health and social issues, but much of the care will come directly from individuals, faith and community groups, which make themselves available. The Diocese is working with its insurers and Safeguarding authorities to see how we can be directly involved, but if you would like to host a refugee family, please consult the government's 'Homes for Ukraine' scheme, [here](#). We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine at all our Masses
A prayer for 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. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

Over the last couple of weeks at Mass we have learnt about our Stewardship and Planned Giving programme. Parishioners are prayerfully asked to reflect on how they can contribute to our Parish by taking into consideration their needs and the message of Christian Stewardship. Further details are given overleaf.

Please join us in church for the 'Shorter Stations of the Cross' from 10.15 to 10.45 am each Sunday – all are welcome.

Liturgical Year C	Mass Details and Intentions		20 th to 27 th March 2022
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
20 th Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	10.15 Stations of the Cross	Prayers for Peace
	11.00 am	3 rd Sunday	Peter & Elizabeth Sherston-Baker RIP
	6.30 pm	of Lent	The needs of our Parish Family
21 st Mar. Monday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Anne Doyle [Foundation Mass]
22 nd Mar. Tuesday	Closed today	NB the church is closed	Please note – the church is closed today
23 rd Mar. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	John Gordon Chambers RIP & the welfare of Colin Steele
24 th Mar. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	John Gordon Chambers RIP & the welfare of Colin Steele
25 th Mar. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	The Luminous Mysteries in Prayer for Ukraine
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feast of the Annunciation	The welfare of John Harwood-Stevenson
26 th Mar. Saturday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Lady Caroline Minto: In Thanksgiving
27 th Mar. Sunday Mother's Day	9.30 am	10.15 Stations of the Cross	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am	4 th Sunday	Anne & Nicholas Murphy [Foundation Mass]
	6.30 pm	of Lent	Prayers for an end to war in Ukraine

Please note: the clock's 'spring forward' an hour on 27 March, so sadly, Mother's Day means an hour less in bed!

Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has announced that he will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of our Blessed Lady on Friday, 25 March, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord ('Lady Day'). This will occur during a 'Celebration of Penance' over which he will preside at 5pm (Rome time) in the Vatican Basilica of St Peter. This act of consecration will be performed in communion with the Churches throughout the world, so at 4pm (London time) that same day, Archbishop John will lead the archdiocese in prayer, and himself preside at a service of consecration followed by a 'Rosary for Peace' in Southwark's Metropolitan Cathedral of St George. This can be viewed online via this [link](#).

Our Parish, Our Needs, Our Responsibility – Planned Giving Appeal: Building Together For the Future

Fr Adrian is grateful for the support of Parishioners and the members of the Finance Committee, including Steve Smith, who presented a review of our Parish Finances at all our Masses last week. If you missed his review, a copy is available [here](#). Our Stewardship and Planned Giving scheme asks all parishioners to prayerfully reflect on what they contribute to our parish, having taken into consideration their needs, the needs of the parish and the message of stewardship. This weekend there is the opportunity to complete a pledge form at the end of Mass, which is given out with this week's newsletter. These Volunteer Commitment and Pledge Forms will remain private and confidential to the Parish Office. Please provide your full contact details and select the method of offertory giving best suited to you. If you pay UK income tax, please sign the **Gift Aid** declaration (in one name only) so that the parish can claim 25p back from the government for every £1 that you donate, at no extra cost to yourself. When you have completed this form, please return it to the Parish by giving it to Fr Adrian at the end of next week's Mass, by post to St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church 61 North Worple Way, London SW14 8PR, or by email to Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk. Most importantly, we thank you for all that you already do for our Parish. Without your continued support, this wonderful, living church would not continue to be the spiritual and place of worship it is today. If you have any questions, please see Steve Smith or Fr Adrian after Mass. Please note: none of us are called to give the same particular 'time, talent or treasure' as we are all different and must be mindful of our personal circumstances. Thank you.

Please save this date: Saturday 26 March, 10.30 am to 12.30 pm

Now that Spring will soon be upon us, the Parish School PTA are arranging a 'Spring Clean' for a much-needed 'tidy-up' of the 'Early Years' play area which is contained behind the cemetery fence. It would be a great help if school parents and Parish Members, whether you have children or not, could help support this St Mary Magdalen 'Ground Force' meets 'Gardeners' Rescue' morning! **If you can help with some light gardening jobs from 10.30am - 12.30pm on Saturday 26 March 2022, please complete this short google form: <https://forms.gle/VsbLoLpMSQfRyBMr9>** to let the PTA know you can help. On the day please turn up suitably attired with some garden tools you can use and if you bring a packed lunch along it would be a joy to sit back and enjoy the fruits of your labours over lunchtime.

Confirmation Programme News: Please don't forget that the final Parental Application and Consent form must be returned **next Sunday 20 March**. **The introductory meeting for parents and candidates is in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 29 March**. This is followed by six class sessions on Tuesdays from 7.30-8.30pm in April and May before the rehearsal at 7pm on Friday 10 June and the **Confirmation Mass itself at 11am on Sunday 12 June**. The final Parental Application and Consent form was emailed to those who previously registered online, so please look out for it in case it landed in a 'spam' folder.

Our 1st Communion classes continue 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 this Sunday for Chapters 7 & 8. Please remember the changes to the timetable, as **there are no Parish classes on Sunday 27 March (Mother's Day) or 1 May (Bank Holiday weekend)**.

Churches in England call for an end to war in Ukraine: Presidents of Churches Together in England (CTE) have appealed for 'the immediate cessation of hostilities, the withdrawal of invading forces and the observance of the Geneva Conventions.' They have also called upon 'churches everywhere to campaign for an immediate end to the war in Ukraine, and to proclaim the dignity of every human life, whatever its nationality. Cardinal Vincent Nichols is one of the four Presidents of CTE, along with Archbishop Justin Welby, Bishop Tedroy Powell and Archbishop Nikitas.

The funeral of Colin John McCrae Harrisson, CVO, OBE, late of the Rifle Brigade and Royal Green Jackets, will take place in our Parish church at 2.30pm on Friday 8th April, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. We offer prayers of condolence for his wife Jane and their children Anthony and Camilla.

The funeral of the late Margaret Ann Rayner will take place in our Parish church on Friday 22nd April at 11am, followed by the Committal at Mortlake Crematorium at 12:40 pm. We offer prayers of condolence for Margaret's niece Marion Stevenson and to Marion's sister, father and other family members.

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 list at the altar.

**"Rejoice that your names
are written in Heaven."**

Luke 10:20

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 Margaret Rayner, Colin Harrisson and Michael McDonagh who died recently, and for Rita O'Sullivan, Peter Sherston-Baker, Rita Henna, Eileen Jarzabkowska, Janet Marney, Michael O'Brien, Winifred Brady, John Cavanagh

and for 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