



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.

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).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION

Our weekly income was £551 [an average of the last 4 weeks]
Thank you for your continued support of the Parish it is much appreciated. If you prefer to give online please help our 'Maintenance and Mission' fund by [clicking on this link](#) in the online version of the newsletter. **To set up a regular donation for the Sunday collection or for our Building Together Fund please follow this link to the Parish forms on our website: www.stmarymags.org.uk/community**

You can also give online through our [JustGiving](#) page, through www.stmarymags.org.uk or by using the QR codes in the church. Thank you for giving whatever you can, as it will be used as a great blessing for the continued support of the Church.

OUR PARISH IS PART OF MORTLAKE DEANERY, a partnership of nine churches working together locally.

The Mass times of our nearest sister churches:

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, East Sheen has Mass on
Saturday (Vigil): 6.00pm; Sunday: 8.30 and 10.30am and
St Osmund, Barnes has Mass on

Sunday: 8.30 and 10.30am and at 6.30pm.

As part of Mortlake Deanery St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church is a community brought together by God's love.

Our baptism calls us to respond to that love by following Christ and serving our neighbours. We strengthen our union with Christ and with the Catholic Church through the celebration of the Eucharist.

In service to God and our neighbours, we foster works that promote the spirit of the Gospel, especially focussing on issues of racial and social justice.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

13th to 20th September 2026

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 9.00 am to 10.30 am and by request.

13th September:

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

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Everyone is welcome to our Parish BBQ this Sunday, between 10 & 2 pm. Please

stay after Mass and join us for something to eat and a drink, with bacon rolls

available after the 9.30 am Mass and BBQ'd sausages plus soft and alcoholic drinks available after the 11 am Mass.

This is in addition to cakes, teas and coffees, which are provided by our Foodbank partner, Share and Care, as a "thank you" to the Parish for the support of their work.



Today is also the "Open House Festival". Optional tours of the inside of the Burton Mausoleum are available between **12 & 4 pm**, with **last entry at 3.30 pm**. You may not want to view inside the Mausoleum, but there is the opportunity in the Hall to see a documentary, including interviews with Fr Adrian, the historians and the team who worked on the project. Volunteers from Habitats and Heritage and Share and Care will be available in the Hall to talk about their work.

Please **join with Fr Adrian this Sunday from 10.15 to 10.45 am, for a short overview meeting** where we will be able to learn more about the **Synod process which was begun in 2024 by Pope Francis** and how we are now in an 'Implementation Phase'. Please see overleaf for more details, including how to read about the Synod and the dates and times of the meetings.

The Sanctuary Candle sponsor this week is for the Intention of the "Albert Isalan". Each candle costs the Parish £5, but we are grateful to individuals and families who sponsor this, either by donating for any amount, or none if a donation isn't possible, thank you.

Liturgical Year A	Mass Details and Intentions		13 th to 20 th September 2026
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
13th Sep. Sunday	9.30 am	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		For the Hallel Family
14th Sep. Monday	9.30 am	Exaltation of The Holy Cross,	Alexander Hanratty
15th Sep. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
16th Sep. Wednesday	9.30 am	St Cornelius, Pope & St Cyprian, Bishop	For the Deacon Family
17th Sep. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria of Ordinary Time	For the welfare of Andija
18th Sep. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Peace: the Luminous Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria of Ordinary Time	José Bemrose
19th Sep. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today
20th Sep. Sunday	9.30 am	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		José Elliott RIP

Thank you for your contributions to our Building Together Fund. **Today is Education Sunday** with our **annual opportunity of donating to the work of the Catholic Education Service**. Please note: next Sunday, it is Home Mission Sunday, us the ability to financially support the work of the Catholic Agency for the Support of Evangelization, thank you.

Archbishop John Wilson has charged each Parish to reflect on the Church's Synod's reflection so far, since each of us is called to contribute in prayer and reflection to help to discern a way forward for the Church. Fr Adrian has arranged six short meetings on a Sunday morning, after the 9.30 and before the 11 am Masses, to talk about the Synod's Final Document and identify ways in which our Parish can continue to grow as part of a synodal Church. **You may not know what the Synod is about, so we begin with an overview of the Synod, before reflecting on different sections of the Final Document.** Fr Adrian understands that not everyone can meet at 10.15 so reflection can occur at home if you prefer.

Week One	Sunday 20 Sep.	10.15-10.45
Week Two	Sunday 27 Sep.	10.15-10.45
Week Three	Sunday 11 Oct.	10.15-10.45
Week Four	Sunday 18 Oct.	10.15-10.45
Week Five	Sunday 8 Nov.	10.15-10.45

For more information, please take a look online at <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/synod-implementation> You are welcome to email the Parish for any contributions you would like to include in our Parish Reflection via Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk, thank you.

Fr Adrian invites every young adult from School Year 9 or above from September 2026 who would like to be Confirmed in 2027 as Bishop Gerard Bradley will be coming to St Mary Magdalen's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on **13th May 2027**. Parents are asked to express an interest in their child joining the Confirmation programme for **2026 to 2027 by following this online link or by scanning a QR code in church: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/RqPSP6QKdf>**
Please note, **the online form must be completed by 11th October for the 2026/2027 Programme.**
Please note **there will be a special Mass at 5.30 pm on Sunday 20th September to give an overview of the programme with the initial sign-up to be completed by Sunday 18th October, thank you.**

Would you like your child to receive First Holy Communion next year? If your child will be in Year 3 from September 2026, whether they are in our Parish School, another Catholic School or in a Non-Catholic School, please see below. In addition, each year we have some children who have not yet been baptised or are from different faith traditions but would like to be welcomed into the Church, so if that applies to you, please let Fr Adrian know so that he can help. **Please follow this link <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/E3CUQUsNLm> to express an interest in the First Communion Programme.** Posters with the QR code for this link are also available in church.
Please note this is ONLY the first part of the application, but to enrol your child into our First Communion Programme, this initial online form must be completed between now and 11th October to sign-up for the 2026 to 27 Programme.



Please join us on Saturday 26th September at 7:30 pm in St Mary the Virgin church, for a recital by the pianist Michael Evans. Including well-known pieces by Rachmaninoff and Beethoven. The recital will last about 90 minutes. This concert, together with the previous concerts in June, has been arranged by the team helping us to raise funds for our organ, thank you.

A BIG THANK YOU for your support for the Parish 'Share & Care' Foodbank

With thanks as well to the Parish families who donate to local Foodbanks via their supermarket. All your support is appreciated and helps local families in need. It would be a great blessing if families could please include one extra item in their shopping to bring on Sunday or during the week as a donation to help feed Parish and local families. Our Foodbank is urgently in need of dried pasta, rice, tinned tuna, tinned tomatoes, tinned soup, or tinned vegetables. Also needed are washing powder, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, tea, coffee, jam and biscuits.

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.
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Fr Adrian has been advised of the funeral Mass for Sarah Howell, which will be held at Our Lady Queen of Peace, East Sheen, on Tuesday 22nd September at 12 pm. Sarah had a long-standing connection with St Mary Magdalen school, firstly as a parent and finally as a great grandparent. Please pray for Sarah and her family as she returns to the care of 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:

We pray for John Coleman, Sarah Howell and Jose Elliott who died recently, for Patricia Young, James O'Donoghue, Christine MacDonald, Mary Goss, Hannah O'Gorman, Julia Flattery, Bernard Patching, Amos Willett, Thomas Grey, Felipe Rodrigues, Albert Isalan, Patrick Coffey 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