



# 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).

## 8<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> February 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.

**8<sup>th</sup> February: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

**Mass Book p 133-135**

# Ambassadors for Christ

Become an Ambassador for Christ and be a joyful witness for the Lord Jesus and his Church!

The Archdiocese of Southwark has launched an exciting apologetics project called "Ambassadors for Christ", to provide evidence-based answers to questions such as "Is Jesus God?" or "does prayer work?".

Ambassadors for Christ is designed to equip you with a deeper understanding of your faith, so you can confidently answer questions and be a joyful witness for the Lord Jesus and his Church. Together, we will build witnesses for the Lord Jesus Christ and his Church. "Ambassadors for Christ" consists of 52 videos, posted every Monday on YouTube, with a new video each week posted along with a worksheet to enable parishes, schools, youth groups and families to use them as part of their faith formation. Fr Adrian will be holding a monthly meeting with refreshments to discuss the videos.

This project aims to not only help people find answers to questions, such as: "Is Jesus God?", "How do we know God is real?" or "Is Mary the Mother of God", but also to provide a reliable resource that can be used when teaching the Catholic faith. To watch the videos and take part in this exciting project, please visit: [Ambassadors for Christ | Apologetics for Catholics | Archdiocese of Southwark](#)

Together, we will build witnesses for the Lord Jesus Christ and his Church.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION**  
Our weekly income was £578 [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](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk/community)

You can also give online through our [JustGiving](#) page, through [www.stmarymags.org.uk](http://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**

Liturgical Year A	Mass Details and Intentions		8 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
8 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Sunday	9.30 am	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	For the Holy Souls
	11.00 am		The Needs of our Parish Family
9 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	Mary Barnett [Foundation Mass]
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Tuesday	<b>Closed</b>	<b>NB the church is closed</b>	<b>The Church and Office are closed today</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria	Gertrude Muldoon RIP
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	Peter and Elizabeth Sherston-Baker RIP
13 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Friday	9.00 am	<b>Rosary and Benediction</b>	<b>Prayers for Peace: The Luminous Mysteries</b>
<b>NB after Benediction</b>	9.30 am	Feria	Melissa Callaghan RIP {Anniversary}
14 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Saturday	9-10.30am	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	<b>The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Sunday	9.30 am	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	The Needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Thomas Kenny RIP

<p>Please join us today, after our Masses, for “Bacon Rolls, homemade cakes, tea, coffee and hot chocolate”. This event is to raise funds to help towards the annual costs of the Health and Safety work which the Parish has to meet.</p>	
<p><b>Thank you to everyone who supported and helped to make our Curry and Quiz Night (31<sup>st</sup> Jan.) such a success. To the small team of people who helped both to prepare beforehand, during and after the event, THANK YOU!</b></p>	
<p>On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February we will have the annual opportunity of making a financial contribution towards the Clergy Support Fund and contribute towards the care of our clergy in their retirement, old age, and those in ill health, after a lifetime of service and devotion to Christ, his Church and his people, thank you.</p>	<p><b>Lent begins this year on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. Our ‘Ash Wednesday’, Masses will be at 9.30am and 7pm, with the opportunity of receiving Ashes at both Masses thank you.</b></p>
<p>Fr Adrian has asked that our <b>Sanctuary Candle Prayer Intention</b> this week be in remembrance of <b>“The Holy Souls”</b>. Each sanctuary 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. If you would like to sponsor our 7-day candle please see Fr Adrian or complete one of the white Gift Aid envelopes with your contact details and stating the prayer intention you would like at each Mass for a particular week, thank you</p>	
<p>Pray the Romero Rosary at St George’s Cathedral. Join Archbishop John Wilson and the Cathedral clergy in praying the rosary every Friday at 5 pm throughout Lent. This is a beautiful opportunity to draw closer to the Lord Jesus in prayer. Archbishop John will personally lead the devotion at the National Shrine of St Oscar Romero at St George’s Cathedral on Ash Wednesday at 5 pm, and again on Fridays 6<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> March. On all other Fridays during Lent, the Cathedral clergy will lead the rosary, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6 pm. Let the rosary connect you to the Lord Jesus this Lenten season! To join with Archbishop John or to learn more, please go to <a href="http://www.rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary">www.rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary</a></p>	
<p>If you weren’t able to attend the ordination of Bishop Gerard Bradley as Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark and would like to see some pictures from the day with the opportunity of viewing the Mass please click <a href="#">HERE</a></p>	<p><b>On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February Archbishop-elect Moth will be installed as the new Archbishop of Westminster.</b> To read about Archbishop-elect Moth, who has served as Bishop of Arundel and Brighton since 2015, please use this <a href="#">LINK</a></p>
<p><b>Class Mass Our Faith Enquiry Group – RCIA/RCIC</b></p> <p>If you have already spoken with Fr Adrian concerning being baptised or Received/Confirmed, as an adult, Fr Adrian would like to invite you to follow the “Ambassadors for Christ” project (as detailed above). If anyone is interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about your faith, if you have not seen Fr Adrian already, please speak to him after Mass, thank you.</p>	
<p>Saint Mary Magdalen School are leading some of our Friday morning Masses with invitations to all Parishioners to join with them on the following dates before the Easter Holidays and led by: Year 3 on 13<sup>th</sup> February, Year 5 on 27<sup>th</sup> February, and Year 4 on 20<sup>th</sup> March. Please remember that our morning Mass is at 9.30 am if you are able to join us, thank you.</p>	
<p>If anyone would like to attend London’s Catholic Pro-Life Ball, ‘The Good Counsel Black Tie Ball’, to help raise money to help and change lives. The Ball is taking place on St Valentine’s Day at 6pm, (Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February) in Kensington. There will be a Live Band, with a Silent Auction.. Tickets cost £135 each, or if you go a group, a table of ten for £1,300. For more information and to book your ticket, please email <a href="mailto:GCNBall@gmail.com">GCNBall@gmail.com</a> or telephone 07795 205 117, thank you.</p>	
<p><b>Fr Adrian and the charity Habitats and Heritage are planning to hold an ‘Opening Ceremony’ for the Burton Mausoleum to celebrate the end of the refurbishment work to the Mausoleum on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March. With more details to follow ...</b></p>	
<p><b>A BIG THANK YOU for your support for the Parish ‘Share &amp; Care’ Foodbank.</b> 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 is washing powder, toothpaste, soap , shampoo, tea, coffee, jam and biscuits.</p>	
<p><b>We continue our Parish Prayers for Peace for the People of Ukraine, the Middle East and for all areas of conflict:</b> 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. 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.</p>	
<p><b>Please pray for Parish Family and friends who are unwell:</b> 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. <b>“Rejoice that your names are written in Heaven.”</b> <b>Luke 10:20</b> 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.</p>	<p><b>Please pray for the repose of the souls of</b> Evelyn Nugent who died recently and for Margery Oakley, Cornelius Collins, Mary Barrett, Virginia De Canda, Paddy Walsh, Melissa Callaghan Timothy O’Rorke, Jean Garner, Mark Allwright <b>May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen</b> 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</p>