



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

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Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement

Please see Fr Adrian after Mass to make an appointment for a preparation course.

Office Open: Mon. & Wed. to Fri. 10 am to 1 pm

Archdiocese of Southwark CIO Registered

Incorporated Charity Number 1173050

The cemetery is open daily from 9am to 3pm.

Parish & School News

Collection details for last Sunday, 4 October

Standing Orders: £715 weekly average of 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.

No one is asked to give a specific amount as it all depends on individual income. This can be done in a couple of ways: by downloading a Standing Order form to return to your bank from our Parish website <https://www.stmarymags.org.uk/community> or by using your bank's phone App or website, quoting your name (and Gift Aid number if you have one) as a reference.

Our Parish bank details are: **NatWest Richmond (A)**

Name of Account: **RCAS ST MARY MAGDALEN**

Sort Code: **60-07-20** Account no. **20224311**

This week's newsletter deliberately repeats some important information needed for school transfers

If you are applying for a Reception, Secondary School or 6th Form place at a Catholic School for September 2021 please read this information very carefully as some forms can be sent and completed digitally via email as Fr Adrian can complete either digital or paper copies according to the preference of the parent or school. ALL FAMILIES requesting a reference are asked to email Fr Adrian to obtain a form called the "Parish Reference Request**".**

PLEASE NOTE: If applying for Secondary Schools, paper or digital copies have to be sent to Fr Adrian by this coming Saturday, 17 October to be able to be sent by email or collected on Sunday 25 October. This is to ensure, with Covid restrictions, that you will have references to send in by the school deadline. If unsure of what to do, please refer back to previous newsletters. **There has been some confusion over two schools: Wimbledon College do request that the forms are sent in by parents as the Priest's Reference is sent by them to Fr Adrian. The Ursuline School want Fr Adrian to print off the forms so if you have printed one at home please email Fr Adrian to print one for you.**

Fr Adrian celebrates Mass each day for the needs of the Parish Family: see overleaf for details

It is important to note that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues to remain suspended.

Our church is only able to open at set times when there are enough volunteers to clean the church before and after.

The church remains closed for repairs Monday to Friday but is open by appointment only on a Saturday for baptisms or the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The church is open from 10.30am to 12pm on Sundays, with an 11am Mass although seats must be pre-booked.

11th – 18th October 2020

Each year at this time the Church remembers Prisons Week. Such a focus aims to encourage prayer and awareness of the needs of prisoners and their families, victims of offenders, prisons staff and all those who care www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/prisons-week-2020/

Fratelli tutti' In English, it can be read as 'All Brothers', 'Brethren all' or 'Brothers and sisters all'. The first words of the new 'circular letter', or encyclical as we know it, come from St Francis of Assisi – whose name Pope Francis chose when he was elected in 2013. It takes its inspiration from St Francis' Admonitions 6 – Of the Imitation of the Lord. "Let us all, brothers, consider the Good Shepherd who to save His sheep bore the suffering of the Cross." What are the great ideals but also the tangible ways to advance for those who wish to build a more just and fraternal world in their ordinary relationships, in social life, politics and institutions? This is mainly the question that Fratelli tutti is intended to answer: the Pope describes it as a "Social Encyclical" (6) which borrows the title of the "Admonitions" of Saint Francis of Assisi, who used these words to "address his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel" (Par 1). The Encyclical aims to promote a universal aspiration toward fraternity and social friendship. In the background of the Encyclical is the Covid-19 pandemic which, Francis reveals, "unexpectedly erupted" as he "was writing this letter". But the global health emergency has helped demonstrate that "no one can face life in isolation" and that the time has truly come to "dream, then, as a single human family" in which we are "brothers and sisters all" (Par 8). [See our newsletter online to download.](#)

Help protect babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot Sadly, abortion is currently available in the UK, right up to birth, for babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot. All of these conditions can be corrected. A cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament have come together to bring forward the Abortion (Cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate, cleft lip, and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK. **Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill?** Please visit www.standupandsmile.org.uk to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. It only takes 30 seconds.

Congratulations to all of this year's **First Holy Communion Candidates** who were able to celebrate with their family members at our Masses this weekend. Some of our families were in quarantine so unable to make it and remain in our prayers. If this applied to you, please email Fr Adrian so that your child's First Holy Communion can be celebrated at one of our future 11am Sunday Masses. Thank you.

Please note: Baptisms are being arranged when possible on Saturdays and there will be announcements soon about whether classes can start this winter for the celebration of next year's Sacraments of First Holy Communion. Sadly it seems as though the Bishop has postponed Confirmation but we await definite news.

Each year October is a month of prayer and Mission, with particular encouragement on individual or family prayer time with the prayers of the Rosary. Details on how to pray the Rosary can be found online via a variety of sites, including ... www.ewtn.com/legacy/devotionals/prayers/rosary/how_to.htm or www.rosarycenter.org/homepage-2/rosary/how-to-pray-the-rosary/ or <https://stvincentschurch.org/documents/2016/6/HowToPrayTheRosary.jpg>

MASS details and MASS INTENTIONS this week

11th -18th October 2020 Please note: the church is only open for Mass on Sundays

Sunday 11 th October 28th Sunday Yr A	11am The needs of our Parish Family: live-streamed on Zoom Links to the Mass are sent to Parish members who have subscribed by email
Monday 12 th (Feria)	9am Anne Doyle [Foundation Mass]
Tuesday 13 th (St Edward the Confessor)	9am Alison Roberts
Wednesday 14 th (Feria)	9am Maria Kennet [Foundation Mass]
Thursday 15 th (St Teresa of Avila)	9am Louis RIP & his grieving parents
Friday 16 th (Feria)	9am Frank Turley RIP
Saturday 17 th (St Ignatius of Antioch)	9am John Colin Parry RIP
Sunday 18 th October 29th Sunday Yr A	11am The needs of our Parish Family: live-streamed on Zoom Links to the Mass are sent to Parish members who have subscribed by email

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 pray for the repose of the souls of

George Hill and Frank Turley who died recently and for Cecil Twigge, James Kelly, David Dickinson, Evelyn Sams, Sally MacGregor, Peggy Zaborski, Lucy Bailey, Joseph Hudson, Catherine Lyons 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 and please state if you would like their name to be added to the Book of Remembrance and to our prayers of intercession at our Sunday Mass.

Thanks for your support: it is now possible to donate on our webpage or by a 'contactless' card in the church.

Please note: we cannot accept late applications for seats at Mass. Although we ask for requests within 7 to 10 days, most places are taken with 7 days. We try to ensure that if a person cannot attend one week, that they may be able to attend the week following, but that cannot be guaranteed. **We are in great need of Cleaners on a Saturday from 10-11am and Stewards on a Sunday to ensure that we can open.**

SCHOOL GOVERNOR Currently we have a vacancy for a school governor at St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School. The position involves being able to give some of your time in the service of the school community. All governors are required to have a DBS check as part of our commitment to safeguarding. For more information, please contact Anna Brown, Chair of Governors, on 07950 021042 or annasbrown@hotmail.com

If you think you could volunteer as a Steward, *perhaps even suggesting your own team of four people to work together*, please email MortlakeAdmin@RCAOS.org.uk if you can help. **Thank you, as without such help we wouldn't be able to open the church from 10.30am to 12pm on Sundays, with Mass from 11 to 11.30am. The doors open at 10.30am** for people who have registered to attend. Please register to attend online as, although Fr Adrian has made plans for those who have no internet capability, please do not turn up without registering as there can be no guarantee of a seat since numbers are limited