



# 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).

## 15<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March 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.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION**  
Our weekly income was £625 [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**

### 15<sup>th</sup> March: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent: Mass Book p 164-170

Prayers for Peace and Mother's Day

With the clocks springing back soon and, as we celebrate Mother's Day, we remember again that one day a year, is never enough to celebrate the love and memories our mothers bring us, but it's a good reminder to help us set some time aside to focus on the love and care they have given us over the years. Many will have the joy of making new memories on Mother's Day as they spend time together as a family, but sadly, for many, this is a day for memories only. Some families are apart through the separation of family life, the distance of travel, or the loss of grief, so to celebrate the memory of all mothers this year, instead of giving a daffodil flower, as has been the tradition over a number of years, we have made a donation to McMillan Cancer care to support

their work. This Sunday we will invite mothers in our Parish to stand to receive a blessing at the end of Mass, showing our love for our mothers and our care for others. Mother's Day, or Mothering Sunday as it is properly known, used to be the day when many servants would receive time off to go visit not just their mothers, but their

'Mother Church' as well. **To help our church, this Sunday we have the annual collection to go towards the costs of the blooms which enable our flower arrangers to make the church look so beautiful at Easter.**



**BRITISH SUMMER TIME begins on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.**

**Just a reminder to change your clocks as, the time will "Leap Forward" by one hour.**

Liturgical Year A	Mass Details and Intentions		15 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2026
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
15 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent	For the Holy Souls
	11.00 am	10.30 am Station of the Cross	The Needs of our Parish Family
16 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Monday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Thomas Mostyn [Foundation Mass]
17 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Tuesday	9.30 am	St Patrick, Bishop	For the Holy Souls
18 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Wednesday	No Mass	No Mass today	<b>Please note: There is NO Mass today</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Thursday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Lawrence Deacon RIP
20 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	<b>Prayers for Peace: The Glorious Mysteries</b>
<b>NB after Benediction</b>	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Peter and Elizabeth Sherston-Baker RIP
21 <sup>st</sup> Mar. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	<b>The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	John Gordon Chambers RIP
	11.00 am	10.30 am Station of the Cross	The Needs of our Parish Family

**Please note: In honour of St Patrick, Fr Adrian is holding Mass on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March, the church will be closed afterwards as usual. There will be NO Mass on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, thank you.**

If you can please join us for 'Stations of the Cross', on Sundays at 10.30 am, between the 9.30 and 11 am Masses during Lent

To see a larger version of these services on our Parish website please do so via:  
<https://www.stmarymags.org.uk/news-and-events>  
If you have offered to help during Holy Week, thank you! However, we still need more servers, readers, Extraordinary Ministers, welcomers, singers and musicians who can help with the liturgy and music at our Holy Week and Easter services. If you will be able to give your help please speak to Fr Adrian or email the Parish Office on [mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk](mailto:mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk) to say how you can help us during this very important time  
thank you for your help ☺



### St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, Mortlake Palm Sunday and Holy Week Services 2026

Please note the changes to our usual service times.

- Palm Sunday** - if you cannot join us for the Walk of Witness please wait at the church  
09.10 Gather at St Mary Mags to walk to East Sheen War Memorial  
09.30 Walk of Witness with Donkey Procession back to Mortlake  
10.00 The 9.30 Mass has shifted to 10am for the Donkey procession  
11.00 Our usual 11am Mass with blessed Palms for distribution
- Monday** 09.30 Mass followed by the opportunity for Reconciliation until 10.30am  
**Tuesday** The church and office are closed as usual today  
**Wednesday** The church is closed for the Diocesan Chrism Mass at St George's  
**Holy Thursday** 19.30 The Mass of the Lord's Supper, then 'Watch' service until 22.00  
**Good Friday** 15.00 The Solemn Liturgy: with Veneration  
**Holy Saturday** 19.30 Parish Easter Vigil NB starts outside the church  
**Easter Sunday** 09.30 Family Mass  
**Easter Sunday** 11.00 Parish Mass NB the church is closed after Mass



**We're fundraising to restore our beautiful Gray & Davison pipe organ that dates from the 1750s and is badly in need of repair. Thanks to an anonymous donor we have raised £15,000 already but need to raise a total of £65,000 to complete all the repairs necessary.** Once repaired, it will allow us to support a Parish choir and allow us to host concerts and recitals that can strengthen community through the shared joy of music. Please consider supporting this important project by taking one of the Pipe Organ Pledge Forms from the back of church which will provide more information. Whether you can make a sizeable donation or a small one, please sign up to Gift Aid your donation if you can. Thank you for your support which will make such a difference to the musical life of our Parish.



**A special message for all mother's, grandmother's, aunts, godmother's on this "Mother's Day" ...** If you can please join us for our "Mothers Prayer Group" and meet every Friday to pray at 11 am. If you would like more information, or to meet with others to pray on a Friday morning, please contact Tish Deacon on 020 876 5602 or 07712 184 185 ☺

**Fr Adrian has asked that our Sanctuary Candle Prayer Intention this week be in remembrance of "The Holy Souls".** 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.

**Habitats and Heritage our partner charity, who have been helping with the preservation of the Burton Mausoleum in our cemetery, have finished their work both outside and inside the building and are holding a special day for members of our Parish to see inside before their Grand Opening. If you would like to have the opportunity of entering this Bedouin tent-style Mausoleum before the it is open to everyone else, you can do so on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April. As only six people can be accommodated at each tour (from 10.15 am with the last opportunity at 12.30 pm) please see Fr Adrian, after Mass today, who will let you know how you can book your place on a tour, thank you.**

Thank you to everyone who joined with Fr Adrian last week for the first in our monthly "Ambassadors for Christ" discussions. "Ambassadors for Christ" is a video series aimed at helping us live our Christian faith or indeed become Christians. Each Monday a new video is posted on YouTube, and to view the videos and take part in this new project, please visit:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MAV2vfSPuxc> and for the worksheets visit <https://rcaos.org.uk/worksheets>  
Our next meeting will be on Sunday 12th April, from 12 to 12.30 pm, 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 is 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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**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**  
Irena Milkowska who died recently,  
for Dorothy Cumber, Elizabeth O'Keefe, Mary O'Sullivan  
**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