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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.

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

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

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION SUNDAY 24th JANUARY

Standing Orders: £1400 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.

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 St Mary Magdalen 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 Point located in the Church by the Calvary Statue.

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION NEWS: RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Thank you for giving whatever you able to, it will be a great blessing for the continued support of the church. **This Sunday** please help our 'Maintenance and Mission' fund by [clicking on this link](#) in the online version of the newsletter.

Our 2nd collection this week is the annual appeal for **Racial Justice Sunday** under the theme 'A Time to Act.' You can donate to support the work of Catholic charities working for Racial Justice through [THIS LINK](#) in our online newsletter: all monies donated will be forwarded by the Parish.

31st January to 7th February 2021

Fr Adrian celebrates Mass each day for the needs of the Parish Family: see below for details of our Mass intentions.

It is important to note that the obligation for each of us to attend Sunday Mass continues to remain suspended.

The church remains temporarily closed for repairs and lockdown restrictions during the week. We are also temporarily closed at the weekend for Covid-safety reasons so our Sunday 11am Mass is livestreamed via Zoom.

Racial Justice Sunday - 'A Time to Act.'

This Sunday Catholic churches throughout the country support charities who work to promote Racial Justice. Over the course of last year racial issues and inequalities were identified nationally and internationally, generating awareness, emotion and outrage. In light of this, Racial Justice Sunday 2021 is particularly significant. In the Church we proclaim that everyone of whatever racial origin should be **Welcomed, Protected, Promoted and Integrated.**

We need to challenge ourselves to act now so that this may be achieved. **Action is needed to further the cause of racial justice but what can we do?** To help answer this question, the Bishops' Conference has produced a reflection which is available through this [link](#) in our online newsletter. Please also support the second collection in **THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION NEWS**, the link to this is in the bottom left of the first column.

A Prayer for Racial Justice

Lord Jesus Christ, in your ministry you were approached by people of many different nations and cultures. You listened to their cry for help, treated them with love and compassion, and brought them healing and wholeness.

In our own time may we provide to all those who are suffer the help that they need and the care that they require. May we respond to the invitation of the Holy Spirit to dream of a world made new where the poor are not forgotten but are given the opportunity to live and flourish with good health and equal prospects. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

Liturgical Year B	Mass Details and Intentions		31st January to 7th February 2021 (Ordinary Time before Lent)
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
31st Jan. Sunday	11 am	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family: live-streamed on Zoom
<i>Mass today will only be</i>	<i>by livestream</i>	Links to the Mass are sent to Parish members who have subscribed by email	
1 st Feb. Monday	9 am	Feria	Mary Mannion's intentions
2 nd Feb. Tuesday	9 am	Presentation of the Lord	Private intention
3 rd Feb. Wednesday	9 am	Feria	The welfare of the Hink Family
4 th Feb. Thursday	9 am	Feria	Pillippa Hoyland RIP & the welfare of the Hoyland family
5 th Feb. Friday	9 am	St Agatha	The welfare of the Aver Family
6 th Feb. Saturday	9 am	St Paul Miki & Companions	The Prior Family (Foundation Mass)
7th Feb. Sunday	11 am	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family: live-streamed on Zoom
<i>Mass today will only be</i>	<i>by livestream</i>	Links to the Mass are sent to Parish members who have subscribed by email	

In a week when we have celebrated the memory of the repose of the soul of **Canon Francis Moran**, we will also be **remembering the life of Michael Kelly in a Requiem Mass** this Friday, 5th February at 11am. Given the Covid restrictions, the funeral is limited to family members only, so it is not listed in our Mass schedule. Michael and his wife Maureen have been members of the Parish for many years and before having to stop attending through illness, Michael and Maureen were always a wonderful help with the Sunday evening collection. **In addition to praying for the repose of the soul of Michael, please keep Maureen and her sons Francis, Chris and John in your prayers, thank you.**

This week we introduce the series of scripture reflections to aid our journey towards and through Lent. The short reflections, which can be done by yourself or in a mix of family and friends, have been written by David McLoughlin, the Emeritus Fellow of Christian Theology at Newman University, Birmingham. Each weekend, the online version of the newsletter will have links to PDF sheets for the series **“Echoes of God: Journeying with the word of God”**.

For this week’s sheet, please click on this link below

[Introduction to Echoes of God](#)

The aim of this series is to help us get a sense of the Scriptures as a whole. To see the unfolding of God’s liberating and creative love in the history of Israel and in the Church. Each week we will take a fundamental core teaching of Scripture, for example, the revelation of the name of God in Exodus, and explore how God’s people began to look backward to understand their past, and forward to imagine their future life.

We will read of periods of loss and denial, of prophetic re-envisioning reminding the people of their unique call and their unique sense of God. **Each week we will take a significant passage of Scripture and explore its influence in the faith journey of God’s people.** We will consider the word of God in Scripture and its continuing power and influence in our own faith. Over the weeks, as we journey in scripture together towards Easter, **let us pray that we will grow** in our capacity **to respond** to God’s word, **to interpret** God’s word, and perhaps to have the courage **to be challenged** by God’s word in our lives.

Gone Phishing: Words of advice from a Parish Member who has experience in matters of internet security

During the pandemic, we are all relying more heavily than ever on the internet for work, entertainment, shopping, and general-life admin. Unfortunately, cyber criminals are taking advantage of this to scam people with phishing emails. These emails are designed to trick the recipient into sharing their personal details, sending money, or clicking on malware links. Phishing emails can look very convincing, so here are a few things you can do to help you identify if an email is legitimate.

Check the sender’s email address

This means checking not only the name of the sender, but the actual email address they have used. If the email address looks suspicious (e.g. it is full of random numbers and letters, or it contains a misspelling), then it probably is a scam. Equally, if the email claims to be from a reputable organisation but is from a public email domain (e.g. @gmail.com, @yahoo.co.uk, @hotmail.com) then it most likely comes from an individual, and not an organisation.

Check the tone and language

You can often tell that an email is a scam because it contains poor spelling and grammar. In a similar way, if an email purporting to be sent by someone you know does not sound like them at all, it is best to first ask your contact if they have sent you an email before clicking on any of the links in the email.

Be suspicious of any request for your personal details

Many scams are designed to steal people’s personal details or money. If an email asks for sensitive information from you, it is always safer to call the organisation first to ensure the email is legitimate.

Don’t be fooled by false urgency

Scammers will often try to create a sense of urgency to ensure the recipient engages with their email. For instance, the email might suggest an account you have will be closed, or an automatic payment will be made in your name unless you act immediately. This is a scare tactic. If you have any doubt, call the organisation first to check the email is legitimate.

If you receive an email you suspect to be a scam, you can forward it onto the government’s official Suspicious Email Reporting Service: report@phishing.gov.uk If you have any particular concerns, please email the Parish Office as your questions can be forwarded to our Parish ‘Web’ Volunteer.

At his General Audience on Wednesday, Pope Francis marked International Holocaust Remembrance Day and observed that:

“Remembering is an expression of humanity. Remembering is a sign of civilization. Remembering is a condition for a better future of peace and fraternity...Remembering also means being careful because these things could happen again, beginning with ideological proposals intended to save a people and ending by destroying a people and humanity.” Pope Francis warned that we must be attentive “to how this path of death, of extermination, and brutality begin.” [Click for more details online.](#)

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online you could be raising free donations for the Parish?

Please visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarymagdalenchurchmortlake/> and join for free.

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 consider scanning the QR code to request Mass for the Holy Souls. Please post other Mass intention requests to Fr Adrian. Thank you.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Michael Kelly and Renato Zammit who died recently; and for Canon Francis Moran, Isabella Coombe, William O’Connor, Michael O’Keefe, Dennis Dooley 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.