



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

1st to 8th March 2026

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).

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 £812 [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

1st March: 2nd Sunday in Lent: Mass Book p 155-157

A message from Brother Reuben ...

My name is Brother Reuben Bakaba Doeyou, and I am a Salesian of Don Bosco from Monrovia, Liberia. The Salesians form a lively community within the Catholic Church, dedicated to serving young people, especially those who are poor and marginalised. Living together as brothers and priests, we are actively committed to supporting youth through the four main pillars of our work—SCHOOL, ORATORY, PARISH, and COMMUNITY. Currently, I reside in Battersea, one of six communities in the UK, with twenty other members, both priests and brothers. I study at Allen Hall Seminary and St Mary's University in Twickenham. As part of my formation, I have been assigned to St. Mary Magdalen Parish, a place with a rich history connected to my community, where the first Salesian Superior from England is buried. In my role as a student preparing for the priesthood, I assist on Fridays and Sundays at the parish and the primary school, serving at the altar, visiting the sick, and helping with catechetical instruction (First Holy Communion Programme). At the end of each day, I return to my community. It brings me great joy to share my faith and serve the community here. I am genuinely grateful for the warm welcome, friendship, and support I have received so far. A special thanks to Fr. Adrian for his openness and fatherly guidance, which helps me learn and grow in my ministry. I look forward to further meaningful and enriching experiences in the months ahead. May the Lord, through the intercession of our Lady Help of Christians, continue to guide us on this journey of faith and service. With filial love and prayer, Br Reuben. *Doeyou Reuben Bakaba, Salesian of Don Bosco, GBR Province*


Liturgical Year A	Mass Details and Intentions		1 st to 8 th March 2026
Date	Time	Intention	Intention
1 st Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	2 nd Sunday of Lent	The Needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am	10.30 am Station of the Cross	Eric Smith RIP
2 nd Mar. Monday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Barbara Muldoon RIP
3 rd Mar. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
4 th Mar Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Rose Dewar [Foundation Mass]
5 th Mar. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Constance Smith RIP
6 th Mar. Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Peace: The Luminous Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria of Lent	Brigadier Colin John McCrae Harrison RIP
7 th Mar. Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12 pm today
8 th Mar. Sunday	9.30 am	3 rd Sunday of Lent	The Needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am	10.30 am Station of the Cross	Peter Muldoon RIP

Please join us today, after our Masses, for "Bacon Rolls and cakes", with tea and coffee. This event is to help raise funds helping with the annual costs of the Health and Safety work which the Parish has to meet.

Today we have the annual Lenten Appeal by CAFOD with your donations going to help those suffering extreme hunger caught up by the consequences of war and droughts. With your help, CAFOD can be ready to support the families who are in desperate need. Your donations will help local experts to provide food, water, healthcare, shelter and clothing. At Mass, please consider using one of the CAFOD Gift Aid envelopes so that HMRC can boost your collection, but currently, for every £1 you give, whether a taxpayer or not, the UK Government will match the donation from its Foreign Aid budget. You can contribute to CAFOD today via today's 2nd collection, by clicking [HERE](#) in the online newsletter via CAFOD's website to donate, or you can use this QR code if you prefer, thank you. Please note, our monthly 'Building Together' will be taken next Sunday this month.



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. Although having fish on a Friday is still held as a practice by many people, the origins of this custom come from Catholic practice of Fridays being special days of fasting. Since 2011, Catholics in this country have been called to live-out Fridays as days of fasting as a practice of penance, whereby penance is what we do, not as a punishment, but as a positive witness of recognising our shortcomings. For more information, please see the website www.cbcew.org.uk/catholic-witness-friday-penance/ If you cannot join us for the rosary on Fridays or the Stations of the Cross on Sundays, there is the opportunity to pray with Archbishop John Wilson and the Cathedral clergy every Friday at 5 and/or 6 pm throughout Lent. St George's Cathedral clergy will lead the rosary at 5 pm, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6 pm each Friday. To join in praying the rosary on Fridays or to learn more about the Devotions, please go to www.rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary

 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.

"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 on the 2nd Sunday of each month we will meet after the 11am Mass from 12 to 12.30 for a chat about the videos over a light lunch of bread, cheese and wine, so please join us next Sunday. This project aims to help people find answers to questions such as, "Is Mary the Mother of God" but also to help us share our Catholic faith.



To watch 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> Next Sunday is the 2nd Sunday of the month, so please let Fr Adrian know if you are able to join him in the Hall after Mass on Sunday 8th March.

Join with the Salesian community to discuss Pope Leo XIV's Leadership in the context of world events and the importance of faith in turbulent times. At Sacred Heart Church, Trott Street, Battersea, on Thur. 5th March from 7 to 8.30 pm. Please note: doors open from 6.30 pm. If you would like to join-in the discussion you will need to register beforehand at Eventbrite, thank you.

World Day of Prayer: please join Fr Adrian at the Ecumenical Service at St Mary the Virgin, Mortlake High Street, on Friday 6th March at 2.30 pm, followed by refreshments.

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. 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.

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

Sheila Daniel who died recently and for Brigadier Colin John McCrae Harrison, CVO, OBE, Ethel Smith, Barbara Kawa, Clare Milne, Anita Osgood, Vencentia Stafford, Joan Thomas, Edith O'Brien, Margaret Rayner
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