



# 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).

## 24<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023

**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.

### THE PARISH COLLECTION UP TO SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> September.

Our weekly income was £605 [an average of the 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](http://www.stmarymags.org.uk/community)

- Online Banking using the Parish Bank details:

**NatWest Richmond, Surrey (A) Branch**

**NAME: RCAS 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](http://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 Points located by the Calvary Statue & Sacristy.

### 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME FOR 2023/2024

Thank you to all the families who have completed the online link. You should have received an automated acknowledgment of your application. If you haven't see yours please check your email 'spam' folder.

**Please note: the notice below has been in the newsletter for the last three months so, if you haven't done so already, please see below for instructions of how to enrol your child onto this initial part of the application.**

**Please click this link in the online version of the newsletter <https://forms.office.com/e/Yx88JTKgPa> (Posters are available with QR codes for this link).** If your child will be in Year 3 from September 2023, whether they are in our Parish School, another Catholic School or in a Non-Catholic School please the details above ... Each year we have some children who have not yet been baptised or are from different faith traditions, so if that applies to you, an extra application is needed for your child to become Catholic.


***Please note today is the last opportunity you have to enrol your child onto the programme, thank you.***

#### ON-GOING SUPPORT OF THE PARISH


Thank you for your continued support of the Parish, especially whilst we are unable to take basket collections in church as we used to. If you haven't yet signed up to contribute by Standing Order or online, then please help our 'Maintenance and Mission' fund by [clicking on this link](#) in the online version of the newsletter. **Thank you for giving what you can**, it will be a great blessing for the continued support of the church.

Liturgical Year A	Mass Details and Intentions		24 <sup>th</sup> September to 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2023
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Intention
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept. Sunday	9.30 am	25 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	Mrs Judith Hiller
	11.00 am		The needs of our Parish Family
25 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Monday	9.30 am	Feria	Juliet O'Shea [Foundation Mass]
26 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Tuesday	9.30 am	Feria	<b>The Church and Office are closed today</b>
27 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Wednesday	9.30 am	St Vincent de Paul	Peter Elliott RIP
28 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Thursday	9.30 am	Feria	For the Wellbeing of Rosalind Stevenson
29 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Friday	9.00 am	<b>Rosary and Benediction</b>	<b>Prayers for Ukraine: the Luminous Mysteries</b>
<b>NB after Benediction</b>	9.30 am	St Michael, Gabriel and Raphael	Philip, Count of Paris [Foundation Mass]
30 <sup>th</sup> Sep. Saturday	9-10.30am	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	<b>The church is open for prayer until 12pm today</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Oct. Sunday	9.30 am	26 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	The needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		For the Rodrigues Family RIP

Thank you to everyone who contributed towards the special collection for the Catholic Agency for the Support of Evangelization last Sunday. Today we are taking the monthly Building Together collection for the care and maintenance of our Parish at all Masses. For anyone who would like to, you can make your donation by clicking [HERE](#) in the online electronic newsletter via your electronic device, thank you.

 Liturgy at our Sunday 9.30 am Mass – calling all past and present Leaders/Helpers ... Fr Adrian invited, last Sunday, all families who have been involved, either as a Leader or a Helper, to stay behind for approximately 15 minutes after the 9.30am Mass today. Father is holding an open meeting amongst Parish families in the hope of running Children’s Liturgy this autumn, thank you.

We have been invited to: Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion in our Schools and Communities. On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October from 9.30am to 4pm in the Amigo Hall at St George’s Cathedral. On the day there will be contributions from a range of speakers. Registration is FREE. To book your place, please use this [LINK](#) scan this QR Code on your smart device, or send an email to [racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk)




**Altar Serving at St Mary Magdalen.** Would parents of any of our children who made their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion in 2023 who would like to become an Altar Server, please let Fr Adrian know if they would like to join the ministry by downloading an application from via this [LINK](#) in our digital newsletter. Please then return the completed form to Fr Adrian after Mass.

**HARVEST CAFOD FAMILY FAST 2023.** Please take one of the envelopes available to make your contribution to the annual Harvest CAFOD Family Fast collection which, this year, will be taken on 1<sup>st</sup> October at all our Masses. St Mary Magdalen, our Parish School, are as also making a special ‘Harvest’ contribution of non-perishable items to our local Foodbank. If you have any non-perishable, for example; Breakfast cereals, Soup, Pasta, Rice, Pasta sauce, Tinned beans, Tinned meat, Tinned vegetables, Tinned fruit, Tea or coffee, Sugar, Biscuits, Snacks, UHT milk or Bread which you can bring to donate. If you can give anything please bring them to either one of the 9.30am weekday Masses or to any of our Sunday Masses on 1<sup>st</sup> October which can then be given onto the local Foodbank. If you prefer you can, as you may already, make a donation at your local supermarket. Please note: on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October the children from St Mary Magdalen School will be joining the Parish to celebrate their Harvest Mass at 9.30 am, all are welcome, thank you.

**Catholic Nursery/Reception, Secondary School Transfers and 6<sup>th</sup> Form Applications for 2024.** If you’re applying to a Catholic School for next year, please see Fr Adrian after Mass to obtain a form called the “**Parish Reference Request**”. This form, with a family photo and a COPY of the child’s baptism certificate, together with any school forms for Fr Adrian to complete (the school SIF if you already have them) are to be handed back to Fr Adrian at the end of the usual Sunday Mass you attend. Please do not delay returning the Parish form until you have all the school forms, as Fr Adrian needs time to collate the information. Please make sure you are aware of each School’s cut-off date, e.g., Secondary Schools will need their completed forms over the next few weeks. Please remember that at least a week is needed to give time to process the forms so that forms handed in one Sunday are usually returned the next week. Please see Fr Adrian if you have any questions.

**Would you like your child to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2024?**



All Parish Youth in Year 9 and above are invited to learn more about faith in a new Parish Youth Group from Autumn 2023. Those who attend Mass from the Youth Group will then have the opportunity to apply for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please scan the Youth Group QR code in the church or follow this link <https://forms.office.com/e/9Eacad6yzp> to sign up to join the Parish Youth Group to express interest in the Confirmation Programme. **Parents, please note, for the Youth Group and Confirmation Programme to go ahead we need your help this year. Each family wanting to join the Youth Group is asked for at least one parent to volunteer to be on a rota of three to four parents each week who will act as helpers as per Safeguarding regulations. You won’t be expected to teach Catechism but will be needed to help with the planned refreshments and basic team activities/games on a Friday at an agreed time and with dates to follow. Full information will be given at a parents meeting once the closing date for applications to the Youth Group ends on 15 October 2023, thank you**

**GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST** - If you are mourning the death of a loved one, this may be for you!

This weekend is being held at Aylesford Priory from October 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> at a cost £230 for a single person or at £210 if shared accomodation. For more details phone 01622 717 272 or please email [reception@thefriars.org.uk](mailto:reception@thefriars.org.uk)  
Or, for those who have suffered a divorce or separation or the death of their spouse, the Beginning Experience residential weekend will help provide healing. On October 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex.  
For more details please call Maura on 07795 498 445 or email [besouthofengland@gmail.com](mailto:besouthofengland@gmail.com) thank you.

**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**  
Please use Mass Intention envelopes from the church entrance to request a Mass for a family member or friend, or for a particular need and give these to Fr Adrian

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of;**

We pray for Marjory Read and Patricia Adams who died recently and for Monica Angell 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. 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