



St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Archdiocese of Southwark

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INCORPORATED CHARITY NUMBER 1173050

4th to 11th May 2025

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 callouts).

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 9.30 am to 10.30 am and by request.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THE PARISH COLLECTION

Our weekly income was £605 [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.

27th April 2025: 3rd Sunday of Easter

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Today we especially remember the life of Sir James Marshall and his wife Lady Alice Marshall. The son of James Marshall (1796-1855) an Anglican Vicar, James Marshall Junior was educated at Exeter College, Oxford and went on to join the military. He lost his right arm through a gun accident and entered the Church of England as a cleric. At 28 he was moved to become a Catholic and began teaching. He was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1866 and in 1873 he was appointed chief magistrate of the Gold Coast (now Ghana) and assessor to the native chiefs. The chiefs took his amputation as an indication that Sir James was a War Hero and soon took confidence in him. Through the witness he was able to give to his faith, Sir James established the first Catholic Church in Ghana after the Portuguese had left many years before. Sir James was involved in the 2nd Ashanti war (1873) and received the Ashanti medal. In 1876, he was promoted to senior puisne judge of the supreme court of the Gold Coast. James became a chief justice in 1879 and was knighted in 1882. He was Executive commissioner for the West African colonies at the Indian and Colonial Exhibition 1886 and afterwards created CMG. Sir James and his wife Lady Alice Marshall are buried in our Cemetery and their grave is to be found to the right of the Burton Mausoleum as you face the tomb entrance. *All are welcome, after the 11 am Mass, to join us for prayers at their graveside, thank you.*

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

Sadly this week our Sanctuary Candle has not been

sponsored. Each candle costs the Parish £5 but can be sponsored for this, for any amount, or none if a donation isn't possible. If you would like to sponsor our 7-day candle, please email Fr Adrian with your name and the intention you would like, such as the example above, thank you

Liturgical Year C	Mass Details and Intentions		4 th to 11 th May 2025
Date	Time	Feria or Feast Day	Date
4th May. Sunday	9.30 am	3rd Sunday of Easter	The Needs of our Parish Family
	11.00 am		Sir James and Lady Marshall RIP & The Marshallan Family
5 th May. Monday	9.30 am	Feria of Eastertide	Peter Jones Antram RIP
6 th May. Tuesday	Closed	NB the church is closed	The Church and Office are closed today
7 th May. Wednesday	9.30 am	Feria of Eastertide	For the Holy Souls
8 th May Thursday	9.30 am	Feria of Eastertide	Intention of John Henry Nemeth
9 th May Friday	9.00 am	Rosary and Benediction	Prayers for Peace: the Luminous Mysteries
NB after Benediction	9.30 am	Feria of Eastertide	The O'Brien and Mannion Families living & deceased
10 th May Saturday	9-10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	The church is open for prayer until 12pm today
11th May Sunday	9.30 am	4th Sunday of Easter	Patsy Dillon, Anthony O'Boyle & Colman Murtagh RIP
	11.00 am		The Needs of our Parish Family

As we are welcoming the Knights and Ladies of Marshall today at the 11 am Mass on Sunday 4th May, the monthly collection for the care and maintenance of our Parish has been moved to 18th May, the week after our Spring Fair.

On Sunday **11th May** we will have the annual opportunity of making a contribution to the **Priest Training Fund** (Ecclestial Education) at all our Masses. This Fund helps to meet the cost of training students for the priesthood and the permanent diaconate. It also helps to support ongoing formation of the clergy, thank you.

On Thursday we remember and give thanks, on this 80th Anniversary, for the end of World War II in Europe, also known as "VE Day". Sadly, the war continued in the Far East until August 8th when we will then commemorate "VJ Day". These special days are not designed to glorify War but a time to remember everyone who gave their lives for others, for all those who stayed "at home", trying to keep their own and the lives of their families as normal as possible. There will be many commemorations of "VE Day" during this Bank Holiday week, but a **special invitation goes out to all who can come along to the Parish School celebrations from 4.30-6.30pm on 8th May, tickets are £5 per adult and £3 per child.**



Can you help on Sunday May 11th at our Spring Fair?

Thank you if you have already signed-up to help, if not, please see the sign-up sheets at the back of the church.



In advance of our Spring Fair, please help by **donating any unused and unopened items that can be sold** (such as, extra Christmas or Easter gifts) which can be left in the church by the Sacristy door.

We are also in need of donations for our Bottle Tombola such as unopened wine, spirits and soft drinks and are in need of plants for our Plant Stall. These can be potted cuttings or seedlings or any pot plants that have outgrown your home.

Help is needed on the day so please sign up on the noticeboard by the church porch.

Names alone are needed on the sign-up sheet but please fill-in the contact sheets and give these to Fr Adrian.



Join us on Saturday 17th May from 7-9.30pm

for an evening of live Jazz.

Tickets cost £10 each and are available after Mass.



Would you like to learn more about the Bible, the Eucharist and How to Pray with a group of others? We have a small group that will meet from 12 to 1pm, including a light lunch in the Parish Hall on Sunday 11th and 15th May and 1st and 8th June. If you would like to join this discussion please email Mortlake@RCAOS.org.uk with "Bible Study" in the subject line Fr Adrian can know the numbers to cater for, thank you.

Archbishop John is inviting us all to join him at Aylesford Priory on Saturday 7th June, between 10 am to 5 pm, for our Archdiocese of Southwark Jubilee Celebration Day.

It promises to be a great event! For more information, click [HERE](#). That's also where you go to register for 90-minute ministry sessions for children and young people. These sessions can be pre-booked from Monday 5th May from 11 am.

The places will be limited so, please only book for your own children or grandchildren. However, there will be other activities for children, notably a novel 'Saints Treasure Trail' which has been developed especially for this celebration 😊

Annual Cathedral Mass in Celebration of Marriage: If anyone is celebrating their 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or over, wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a special Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at 3pm on Saturday 12th July. To receive your personal invitation from Archbishop John, please send an email to mflsw@rcaos.org.uk with your full names, address, your telephone number, as well as which anniversary you will be celebrating, by the beginning of May. Please be sure to include the name of your parish in the email, thank you.

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

Pope Francis, Fr Sunith Nonis and Christine Harrison who died recently,

and for Edward Wilding, Victor Scotting, Jeannie Batty, Michael Broadley, Leonard Avis, and for Sir James and Lady Alice Marshall 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