



St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School
Worple Street, London SW14 8HE



Addendum to Supplementary Information and Priest's Reference Form

ADMISSIONS CLARIFICATION (COVID-19) ST MARY MAGDALEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL 2021-22

Parent and carers applying for places in the academic year 2021-22 are asked to note the following statement in relation to the Mass attendance oversubscription criterion set out in the school's admission arrangements:

On the advice of the Education Commission of the Archdiocese of Southwark the governing board of St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School has agreed the following statement in order to clarify how its faith-based oversubscription criteria will be interpreted whilst churches are closed or attendance at church is not possible due to COVID-19. This statement has been shared widely with parishes in order to ensure that determinations made by parish priests concerning regular practice of the faith are being made on a consistent basis.

"The suspension of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass was announced on 18th March 2020 by Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. If a parent/carer attended Mass at a certain frequency at a particular parish (or parishes) prior to 18th March 2020 then they will be considered to have attended Mass in that parish (or parishes) at the same frequency since that time. This will remain the case until the Sunday obligation is reintroduced by the Bishops."

**Anna Brown
Chair of Governors
November 2020**