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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday: 4:30pm † Sunday: 9 & 11am

Weekday Liturgies:

Mon., Thurs., Fri. 9am, Wed. 7pm

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday: 11:30am-12noon

Infant Baptism: Contact Erin Wolfe.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Please contact the office

at least nine months prior to wedding date.

LOWERY'S LINES

Welcome to Fr. Thomson Thomas from the Diocese of Kottapuram in India. Father Thomas will speak to us about the life of the Church in Kotapuram, and ask for our financial support to assist our brothers and sisters in their on-going recovery from an extraordinary flood that took place in 2018. Supporting the Church in Kottapuram is both a sign of our solidarity with them as our brothers and sisters in Christ and also one way we can acknowledge radical environmental disasters and the effects they have on the poorest of the poor in our world. As Pope Francis has written, "It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day. Its worst impact will probably be felt by developing countries in coming decades" (*Laudato Si*, 25).

Parish Picnic: Sept. 8 - Sign Ups Galore!

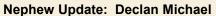
Remember that the Sunday after Labor Day, September 8, is our annual parish picnic. To make this event a smooth success, we need about 75 volunteers to assist with various tasks. Please also sign up to bring a dish to pass. Signups are in the gathering space. We will celebrate the 11am Liturgy outside that day (bring a lawn chair), and then have food, fun, and fellowship for all ages. Invite neighbors or relatives to join you — maybe even one who doesn't come to our parish or to any church at all — to this event. All are welcome!

Lines from Last Week's Homily

A couple people asked if I could put what I called, "The Lord's To-Do List," in my homily last weekend in writing because they wanted to remember all five things, so here you have them:

- 1. Participate regularly, actively, consciously in the celebration of the Eucharist on Sunday
- 2. Pray daily in a form that fits your state, stage, and circumstances in life
- 3. Share your money to support the work of the church
- 4. Serve in the parish or in the greater community as a volunteer of some sort
- 5. Invite new members to join share in our faith journey at our parish

(As I said, this is not my original list. It comes from author Albert L. Winseman and the folks at Gallup.)



Last Sunday I was able to sneak away after our Liturgies to meet my new nephew, Declan, who was born August 8. He and Mom are doing very well; and dad and big brother, Sullivan, are good as well. Here's a picture of Sullivan making sure I hold his new little brother correctly.

Peace, Fr. Shaun



THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

August 19, Monday

Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22

9:00 am + Lee McDaniels

August 20, Tuesday, St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30

9:00 am Communion Service

August 21, Wednesday, Saint Pius X, Pope

Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16

7:00 pm + Mass of Remembering

August 22, Thursday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Jgs 11:29-39/Mt 22:1-14

9:00 am + Dave Schlueter

August 23, Friday

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40 9:00 am + Jean Shultz

August 24, Saturday, Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

August 25, Sunday, Twenty-first Sunday

Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

4:30 pm Vigil + Robert Sixbery 9:00 am + Mary Claire Brown

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY

Isaiah 66:18-21

When the Jews returned from exile in Babylon, they found their beloved Jerusalem in shambles. In today's passage, the prophet looks ahead to better days when people from foreign lands will flock to Jerusalem as the city God built.

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 This letter to the Hebrews was written to people who had become dispirited and were losing faith. The author quotes a text from the Old Testament book of Proverbs, and finds encouraging words.

Luke 13:22-30 This passage from Luke's gospel may well be a loose collection of sayings of Jesus, uttered in different contexts but brought together here under the general heading of "who will be saved". The salvation he offers is offered to all, and must be accepted whole and entire.

Reflect: What does Jesus say about who will be sayed?

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, August 19

9:45 am Yoga

4:00 pm Knight of Columbus Car Show

6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen 7:00 pm Community Life

Tuesday, August 20

4:30 pm Youth Group Leadership Meeting

6:30 pm Protecting God's Children

Wednesday, August 21

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:00 pm Mass of Remembering

7:30 pm Pastoral Council

Thursday, August 22

9:45 am Exercise & Balance

11:00 am 50+ Vicariate Summer Celebration

Holy Spirit Parish, 9565 Musch Rd, Brighton

7:30 pm Music Ministry

Friday, August 23 Saturday, August 24 Sunday, August 25

9:00 am Baptism

3:30 pm Holy Land Trip Meeting (Fr. Dave)

7:00 pm Youth Group

MASS OF REMEMBERING

The monthly Mass of Remembering will take place this Wednesday, August 21, at 7 pm. Liturgy is offered for deceased parishioners

and relatives, especially: Joseph Pace, Leigh Anne Lancour, Ben Schmidt, Robert Sarkisian, Donna Lee Langer, and Michael Cron.



Lane Lois Detter, parents are Jessica & Justin.



Please remember in your prayers:

Jerry Sams and family, in the death of his brother, Ron Sams.

Renee Aurand and family, in the death of her former husband, Todd.

Diane Sweeter and family, in the death of her father, Gene Osowski.



LCUI is now at a combined total of 1,424 Babies Saved within the now EIGHTEEN Pro Life Pregnancy Centers we have assisted in placing Ultrasound Machines throughout the State of Michigan over the last SEVEN years. We are currently engaged with THREE additional Pregnancy Resource Centers: Beacon of Hope Pregnancy Center in Saginaw; Life Resources of Northern Michigan (Cadillac), and Pregnancy Help Clinic in Brighton. None of this would be possible without your generous donations. Thank you for your continued support.

LCUI is a 501 C3 Non-Profit Organization. Please follow our progress for a complete list of these Pregnancy Centers at: www.lcultrasound.org or at www.facebook.com/lcultrasound

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Diane Agius Hank Cornille Carol Hausman Gwen Maes Kathy Runstadtler Jennifer Yanick Tom Zremski Sally Bixler Sr. Joyce Hoile Janine St. Pierre Carole Conklin Roy Mantay Judy Bradley-Bill Hussey Kathy Marshall Bonnie Thompson Jeanette John Davidson **Parsons** Karoline DeRosia Kathy Jagusch Jeri Neiman Roger Touchette Margie Bonnie Kussmaul John Nychypor Marylyn Trader Larry Buslepp Richard Gillis Marianne Stan Osdras Donald Tremel Dora Campbell Kristopher Golbiw Alan Laginess Sara Ruth Ann Campbell Pearl Golbiw Linda Lambert Stella Paweski Michelle Turner Mary Cieslak Karen Hammang Herb Langer Dick Price Geraldine White Duane Clover Tom Hargrave Aimee List Jennifer Robinson Jake Willet

Important Note About our Prayer List

The names of the sick will run in this column for 6 weeks, at which time they will be removed. To add a name, re-list a name, or remove a name, please call the parish office at 810-229-8624. Many people have recuperated so we appreciate updates, in order to be current. Thank You!

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS Roxanne Hundsrucker

Have you registered your children for fall Religious Formation classes yet?

We are now registering for Fall 2019-2020 in the parish office. Please come in Monday—Friday 9 am—4 pm to register or contact me by e-mail to meet with you in the evening or on Sunday after Liturgy. Our class schedule is as follows:

Wednesday 5:00 pm—6:30 pm and Thursday 5:30 pm—7:00 pm. Our Family Program is at capacity. We do not have our registration forms online. We ask that you please register regardless of your ability to pay for tuition at the time of registration.

Summer Contest is underway

Pick up an information flyer in the church Gathering Area on the Formation counter. See the parish website for more details

Check out parishioner Nicholas Kafkakis at Hoffmaster State Park



We Need More Adults for Liturgy of the Word for Children

The role we need for Liturgy of the Word for Children is to be a second adult for our leaders. Every time we gather children, we must have two adults present. This is a ministry program for children that takes place during the 9 am and 11 am Liturgies. It is for all our younger youth grades K-4. (These are the children we bless at the beginning of Liturgy). We are in need of more adults to assist. Please pray about helping and sign-up at the Faith Formation counter in the Gathering Area.

YOUTH NEWS Margaret Callaghan

Our high school leadership team is made up of enthusiastic leaders eager to share their faith and passionate about planning fun, meaningful Sunday evenings for you! They are excited about this coming year and the many new ideas they have! Check it out!!



I am accepting donations for the annual Tin Can Raffle that will be held during our parish potluck picnic Sunday, September 8, following the outdoor mass at 11am. You can bring your donations, certificates and gift cards to my office Monday through Thursday, 8:30am to 8:30pm. Friday the office closes at 4:30pm.

Are you interested in sharing your knowledge with teens who might need some tutoring this school year? If so, I would love to hear from you. If you are not already Virtus certified, please contact me and we can get you signed up for a one-time, short session. There are two Virtus classes (Protecting God's Children) being held here at St. MM, August 20 at 6:30pm and September 19, 9:30am-12:30pm.



If you are interested in joining us this year for the National Catholic Youth Conference this year contact me via email. I have registered eight available youth spots and three are already taken. Visit the official website http://www.ncyc.info/ to check out this event. We will travel by bus as arranged by the diocese and all will stay together at the same hotel in Indianapolis.

WELLNESS QUOTE

Too many people miss the silver lining because they're expecting gold.

- Maurice Setter

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MINISTERS OF PRAYER

Sun. Aug. 18 Jerry Dolkowski

Mon. Aug. 19 Bob & Pat Metz, Larry & Gwen Maes

Tues. Aug. 20 Rachel Tuzinsky, Diane Whiton

Wed. Aug. 21 Joe Lubig, Jan Altermatt

Thurs. Aug. 22 Diane Davidson, Anna DeMonaco

Fri. Aug. 23 Clarence & Ginny Kroll

Sat. Aug. 24 Volunteer

CHARITY & JUSTICE

Magdalen's Kitchen Sign-Up

There are many unfilled slots for dish washers. Dish washer volunteers rinse items, load items into a commercial dishwasher, allow items to air dry and put the items away. Dish washers must be middle school age or older. Time commitment is 6-7:15 pm. Sign-up sheets are organized by date and are on the Charity & Justice table in the Gathering Space. Reminder slips are available to remind you of your commitment. Please list the email address or phone number you can be contacted at. A reminder will be sent prior to the date you are volunteering.

Master Transportation Plan

Parishioners living within Livingston County are encouraged to review the Livingston County Master Transportation Plan at https://www.livgov.com/lets/Pages/plan.aspx and contact your County Commissioner to voice your opinion regarding the plan. Contact information for the Commissioners is available at https://www.livgov.com/boc/Pages/commissioners.aspx.



Protecting God's Children Awareness Sessions

If you are working or ministering with children, you are required to attend a *Protecting God's Children Awareness Session*. This program is a nation-wide opportunity to raise our level of awareness and ways to protect children and vulnerable adults from abuse. There are two sessions being offered at our parish, *August 20 and September 19*, and several across the diocese. Please register online at www.virtus.org. Contact Roxanne Hundsrucker dreamarymagdalen.org with questions.

Knights of Columbus/Memories Car Show

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

@ St. Mary Magdalen

4 PM - DUSK



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEK OF 8/11/19

Approximately 1326 people participated

Env/Cash \$18.635 Debt Reduction \$ 2,330 EFT/Online \$11,679 TOTAL \$32,644 Children's Collection \$19.00

Make the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises

The Ignatian Spiritual Exercises is a pilgrimage of a spiritual search for the fulfillment of a desire for holiness. The exercise experience is about praying, searching, exploring and discovering; it is a journey with God. Christ Jesus is your companion as you learn to walk the life journey path as Jesus. Jesus asks: 'What are you looking for?" (Jn1:38) and "Come and see." (Jn 1:39). Those who engage in the Spiritual Exercises discover a response to 'What is God asking of me?" The Exercise experience is good for increasing openness to the movement of the Holy Spirit strengthening and supporting you in the effort to respond ever more faithfully to the love of God.

The full Spiritual Exercises may be done in the midst of ordinary daily life at home. It involves a daily commitment of 45-60 minutes in prayer and reflection centered on the themes of the Exercises and a weekly meeting with Linda Chevalier, Spiritual Director for approximately eight or nine months. Linda will meet with you on a weekly basis at her home which allows for reflective conversation and confidentiality. The cost for the Spiritual Exercises is to offer a stipend, payable over the course of the retreat. You will have a discussion about the precise details during your first conversation.

If you feel drawn to make the Ignatian Exercises in Daily Life first pray about it and if you still feel drawn toward making the Exercises call Linda Chevalier (810.229.9734) or chevalierlinda@att.net



Upcoming Calendar Events:

August 19 Memories Car Show at SMM.

August 22 District Meeting at St. Pats. 6 PM Dinner,

7 PM Meeting

Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser at Brighton August 27 Coffee House (Steve Schulte)

If you are interested in joining the St. Mary Magdalen Council 12295 we invite men 18 years and older to come meet us on the 3rd Monday of the month, 7:30 PM, Rectory basement. (This month we will be at the Car Show and not in the rectory basement. Bring your family and enjoy the event.)

For information contact Ken Anderer, (810) 333-2130 kanderer65@gmail.com

How Do I Become Catholic? Do I Want To Become Catholic?



- ** If you have never been baptized.
- ** If you were baptized in another Christian faith.
- ** If you were baptized Catholic but did not receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation.
- ** If you are interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith.

Call Erin Wolfe in the parish office (810)229-8624 ext. 176. There are no commitments or obligations to become Catholic, just the opportunity to find out more.

Inquiry sessions will be on Mondays, starting September 9, from 7-8 pm in the Library.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Beginning Monday, September 9, 7 pm At St. Mary Magdalen

Grief can be loss of a family member, loss of a job, new beginnings and letting go of the past. In the group we will deal with the stages of grief, sharing our stories, prayer and community bondina.

We will meet Monday evenings, Sept. 9 - Nov. 2, from 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

If you would like to be a part of this group or have questions, please call Sister Maryetta at 810-229-8624.



SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 11 AM

St. Mary Magdalen Parish Potluck Picnic

Beginning with 11 am outdoor Liturgy Bring your lawn chairs and a dish to pass Invite your friends, family and neighbors For fun, fellowship and food!

Parishioner and Boy Scout, Daniel Van Gieson, completed a portable Ga-Ga ball pit for Saint Mary Magdalen as his Boy Scout Eagle Project.

The pit was used for the first time last weekend with the Confirmation Retreat and will be set up this weekend for the 'Youth Group Welcome overnight'. The Ga-Ga pit is designed for easy assembly, disassembly and portability. It is stored in the barn with several balls, some extra fasteners and rubber mats to protect the gym floor when the pit is brought inside.



Catholic BIBLICAL SCHOOL of Michigan

Experience Catholic Tradition through the Sacred Scriptures

How is God speaking to you through the Sacred Scripture?

Start your journey through the Bible with the Catholic Biblical School of Michigan (CBSM). Classes begin the week of Sept. 15 at:

- -Holy Family in Novi, Wed 7-9 pm
- -St. Martha in Okemos, Mon 7-9 pm
- -Online, from any time/any location

CBSM brings the Scriptures to life with an in-depth study of the entire Bible led by seminary professors. Through donations, CBSM is open to all, regardless of ability to contribute financially.

Join us for an Information Session: at Holy Family in Novi on Wed., Aug. 21, or at St. Martha in Okemos on Mon., Aug. 26, both at 7 pm. You may also register by Sept. 4th at cbsmich.org/register.

For more information contact: <u>info@cbsmich.org</u> | 586-438-3085 | cbsmich.org