

THE FEAST OF  
**Saint Mary Magdalen**  
THE APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES

JULY 21, 2019

## LOWERY'S LINES

Happy Feast Day! It's great to be able to celebrate our patron saint together this weekend in the Liturgy. Saint Mary Magdalen is a living reminder of the impact a relationship with Christ can have on someone. Scripture says that Jesus helped heal many hurts in Mary Magdalen's life. He embraced her as someone of worth even though she had so much brokenness in her life. Through Mary Magdalen Jesus shows us that each of us is of great worth in God's eyes. Each of us has the potential to be bold witnesses to the Resurrection. In a special way this weekend, let us ask Saint Mary Magdalen for her prayers and friendship as we continue to strive to imitate her in witnessing to the Good News of Jesus' resurrection.

I am continuing to meet with members of the parish staff and parishioners. I want to again invite you to take an opportunity to come and meet with me so I can learn more about our parish and meet you. I welcome all individuals and/or couples who would like to schedule some time with me to do so. Please keep in mind and heart these questions to guide our time together:

What makes you happy about our parish? What makes you unhappy about our parish? What would you like to keep about our parish? What would you like to change about our parish? Where do you think our parish should go over the next few years?

I do personally schedule my appointments, so please call the office or E-mail me at [pastor@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:pastor@saintmarymagdalen.org). Many folks have asked if I would be able to come to dinner in their homes to meet. I am very grateful for the invitations! Meeting together at the parish office enables me to give more people more opportunities to sit down and chat with me. So, while I am grateful for the invitations to dinner, I will initially decline so I can be as available as possible during my first weeks and months here at the parish.

I did make a recent change that directly affects me, and how you can reach me. If you do call the parish in a critical situation or emergency when the office is closed, you can reach me easily by dialing an office extension listed on our voicemail message. I cannot always be available, but I hope this simplifies how to reach me if anyone finds themselves in a difficult and timely situation. I asked to have the phone set up this way so we could disconnect the land line at the rectory. Now, if an emergency call comes in after-hours, I will receive it directly on my cell phone. This is particularly for the purpose of reaching me to report a funeral, or to request an urgent hospital or hospice patient visit. For any visits to the sick that are not emergencies, please contact me at the parish office during regular hours or speak to me after Mass. I'm glad to visit the sick both in their homes and at the hospital.

*God bless, Fr. Shaun*

## THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

**July 22, Monday**

Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12: 38-42

9:00 am + Patricia Stevenson

**July 23, Tuesday**

Ex 14:21—15:1/Mt 12:46-50

9:00 am Communion Service

**July 24, Wednesday**

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9

7:00 pm + Richard Tuzinsky

**July 25, Thursday, Saint James, Apostle**

2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

9:00 am + Richard Lester

**July 26, Friday, Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

9:00 am + St. Mary Magdalen Confirmandi

**July 27, Saturday**

Ex 24:3-8/Mt 13:24-30

**July 28, Sunday, Seventeenth Sunday**

Gn 18:20-32/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

4:30 pm Vigil + Corey Reina

9:00 am + Erlinda Lauren Gestopa

11:00 am + Andrew Sutter

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY

**Genesis 18:20-32** Today's passage from Genesis is another episode from the life of Abraham, our father in faith. He lived near Sodom, a city notorious for its wickedness. In this passage, Abraham employs the Middle-Eastern technique of bartering to negotiate with God over the future of that city.

**Colossians 2:12-14** This week we continue our series of readings from the letter to the Colossians. We have seen how this letter emphasizes Christ as the sole mediator between God and all creation. Today's passage speaks of how we become one in Christ.

**Luke 11:1-13** Jesus has been sent in order to proclaim the Kingdom of God. To petition God for the kingdom is one of the things Jesus teaches his disciples in today's gospel selection. Petition is centered on the desire and search for the kingdom to come, in keeping with the teaching of Christ.

**Reflect:** What good gift do you want to ask God for and for whom?

**THE WEEK AHEAD****Monday, July 22**

9:45 am Yoga  
6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen

**Tuesday, July 23****Wednesday, July 24**

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Thursday, July 25**

7:30 pm Music Ministry

**Friday, July 26**

9:45 am Yoga

**Saturday, July 27**

4:30 pm Baptism

**Sunday, July 28**

12:00 pm JWJ Setup



*III Kelsey Brown & Bradley Gardner*



*Please remember in your prayers:*

Rose Simpson and family, in the death of her grandfather, Robert Sarkisian.

Herb Langer and family, in the death of his mother, Donna Lee Langer.

**CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP**

*Ever wondered about your vocation as a lay person, and what God wants for your life?*

The Diocese of Lansing and St. Andrew Parish invites you to attend a one-day workshop to begin to discern the charisms and gifts the Holy Spirit has given to you for the building up of the kingdom!

**Where:** St. Andrews Church, Saline

**When:** Saturday August 24, 2019

**Ticket Cost:** \$40 if purchased by August 1, \$45 after  
Includes material and lunch.

**Time:** 8 AM to 4:30 PM (registration at 8)

**For more Info:** Call Nancy Carter at St. Andrew Parish 734-429-6114

**WELCOME FR. SHAUN LOWERY!**

**Please join us in welcoming Fr. Shaun to St. Mary Magdalen with a VIRTUAL HOUSEWARMING**

Fr. Shaun moved into the rectory June 25. Many of the items in the rectory belonged to Fr. Dave and left with him. For the most part, Fr. Shaun will be starting fresh and could probably use some basic items! If you would like to welcome Father with a gift card to Bed, Bath & Beyond, Target, Amazon or a monetary gift (made out to Fr. Shaun Lowery), it would be most appreciated. There will be a special basket in the gathering area or you may drop it off in the office.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Larry Buslepp	Michael Harrah	Jeff Miller	Ron Sams	Jennifer Yanick
Dora Campbell	Carol Hausman	Joyce Muchler	Lisa Shibley	Tom Zremski
Ruth Ann Campbell	Jill Hibbeln	John Nychypor	Dan Scott	Alma
Mary Cieslak	Kathy Jagusch	Stan Osdras	Mary Stephens	Dian
Hank Cornille	Michael Jay	Marilyn Paielli	Bonnie Thompson	Diane
Carole Conklin	Alan Laginess	Judy Bradley-Parsons	Roger Touchette	Jeanette
Sam Cosentino	Linda Lambert	Stella Paweski	Michelle Turner	Margie
John Davidson	Herb Langer	Dick Price	Marylyn Trader	Marianne
Karoline DeRosia	Aimee List	Jennifer Robinson	Geraldine White	
Richard Gillis	Gwen Maes	Kathy Runstadler	Paul Wood	
Tom Hargrave	Kathy Marshall		Doug Wozniak	

**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.

**Contest Instructions:**

Take your photo somewhere away from home, either while on vacation or a day trip, holding a church bulletin from a Catholic Church you attended or take a copy of the St. Mary Magdalen bulletin on trips with you for photo opts. E-mail the picture, with names of all in the photo (first & last), and where you are in the photo to [dre1@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:dre1@saintmarymagdalen.org). I will put these photos on the Formation bulletin board in the church gathering area. You will also be entered in a contest to win one of four St. Mary Press "Catholic Family Bibles."

**The Church Dedicates the Month of July to  
"The Precious Blood of Jesus"**

*"Eternal Father, I offer to thee the Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ in atonement for my sins, and in supplication for the holy souls in purgatory and for the needs of the holy Church."*

## YOUTH NEWS

Margaret Callaghan



**NCYC** is a conference that gathers over 20,000 high school teens and chaperones from across the country including Alaska and Hawaii all in one stadium all at one time in November for 3 days. We pray together, worship together and play together. It. Is. AMAZING!! We travel by bus with the diocese so we start the trip off with fun!!

If you are interested in participating in this year's **National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC)** let me know asap. I have heard from a few of you, so thank you! Following is a link you can visit if you'd like to find out more about the trip. It is the weekend of Thursday, Nov. 21, 2019 – Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019 at **Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, IN**

<http://www.ncyc.info/>



***If you are learning or already speak Spanish, consider joining us next Wednesday evening as we spend the evening in Gregory at a local migrant camp.***

Most of the workers speak only Spanish. It would be great to have others join us for the evening. Many of the people there will be participating in sacramental prep. We all could use help with interpretation. I tried myself and failed miserably but somehow we understood each other. It was actually really fun. Let me know if you'd like to join us....Spanish speaking or not.

*If you'd like to get reach me during these summer months of more relaxed routines, the best way to do that is via email at [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com)*



## PASTORAL STAFF

**PLEASE NOTE THAT FR. SHAUN'S EMAIL ADDRESS IS: [pastor@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:pastor@saintmarymagdalen.org). It is NOT the same email address Fr. Dave used.**

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## WELLNESS QUOTE

Ego says, "Once everything falls into place, I'll feel peace." Spirit says, "Find your peace, and then everything will fall into place."

-Marianne Williamson

## CHARITY &amp; JUSTICE



**All items for "BACKPACKS FOR KIDS" must be turned in on or before July 28.** Thank you for your support of this wonderful project, sponsored by the Livingston Educational Service Agency (LESA). The goal is to provide Livingston County students with basic school supplies at no cost. This helps children have a positive experience during their first few days of school.

### Laudato Si' On Care For Our Common Home



In 2015, Pope Francis issued his encyclical "Laudato Si', On Care For Our Common Home". The main message of Laudato Si' is that we, as Catholics, are encouraged to care for our common home and all the creatures that inhabit it. From time to time, we will publish short excerpts from this encyclical to remind us of the Pope's message. We hope you will find this helpful.

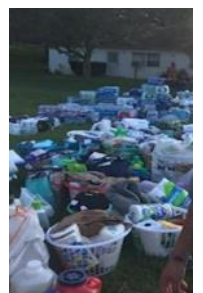


**Thank you to all for supporting the Migrant Camp Collection this year.**

I would especially like to thank the Youth Group and the adults that sorted, packaged, loaded and delivered the items to the Camp.

From all of the Catholic parishes and Catholic Services in Livingston County, we collected 125 baskets and approximately 80 cases of water and miscellaneous items, such as laundry soap and towels.

**AGAIN, THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!**





**STEWARDSHIP REPORT****WEEK OF 7/14/19**

Approximately 1278 people participated

Env/Cash \$13,942

Debt Reduction \$ 1,010

EFT/Online \$ 7,149

**TOTAL \$22,101**

*Children's Collection \$31.82*

"Based on the gift each one has received, use it to serve others, as good managers of the varied grace of God." - 1 Peter 4:10

**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.

We will be having a summer Inquiry session on **August 12**, from 7-8 pm in the Library.

*May the favor of the Lord be ours,  
Prosper the work of our hands.  
Psalm 90:17*



**Many THANKS to the Kitchen Angels who toiled for many hours last Saturday cleaning our kitchen from top to bottom, collectively spending 100 hours on the project:**

Harold Allen, Danielle Flynn, Ed & Theresa Weber, Marilyn Myszkier, Doug Daniels, Gary Kinneer, Jack & Dianne Hardy, Marsha McBride, Jim Yanok, Jim Kronk, Carolyn Jandasek, Gordon Sproull, Tom Chouinard, Joan Gerhardt, Don Powell, Joe Martinez, Bil & Jeri Gawlowski



**50+ Livingston Vicariate  
Catholic Council on Aging**

**SUMMER CELEBRATION & PICNIC**

*A time to pray, eat and share*

**WHEN:** Thursday, August 22, 2019

**WHERE:** Holy Spirit Parish, 9565 Musch Rd., Brighton

**TIME:** Mass at 11 am - Noon: Picnic Lunch & Music

**Please RSVP by Thursday, August 15, 2019**

There is no cost for this activity, though all attendees are asked to bring a dish to share! Sloppy Joes, beverages and paper products will be provided.

To assure sufficient food, please RSVP by calling the office at 810-229-8624 no later than August 15.

Mass will be celebrated by Fr. John Rocus, Pastor of Holy Spirit, at 11 am. We will be indoors if the weather is rainy or too hot.



**Experience Catholic Tradition  
through the Sacred Scriptures**

**How will God speak to you?**

Start your journey through the Bible this September 18 with the **Catholic Biblical School of Michigan** (CBSM)'s new class at Holy Family in Novi, on Wednesdays, 7-9 pm.

CBSM brings the Scriptures to life with an in-depth study of the entire Bible led by seminary-level professors, so that we can Unleash the Gospel with confidence and joy! Through donations, CBSM is accessible to all with 100% of requests for financial aid granted.

**Join us for an Information Session** at Holy Family in Novi on **Tuesday, July 30, at 7 pm**. For information, contact [info@cbsmich.org](mailto:info@cbsmich.org) or 586-438-3085 or visit [cbsmich.org](http://cbsmich.org).

**BLOOD DRIVE - St. Mary Magdalen**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 11**

**9:30 am - 3:15 pm**



## MINISTERS OF PRAYER

Sun. July 21 Jerry Dolkowski  
 Mon. July 22 Bob & Pat Metz, Larry & Gwen Maes  
 Tues. July 23 Rachel Tuzinsky, Diane Whiton  
 Wed. July 24 Joe Lubig, Jan Altermatt  
 Thurs. July 25 Diane Davidson, Anna DeMonaco  
 Fri. July 26 Clarence & Ginny Kroll  
 Sat. July 27 Volunteer



## ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Mon. July 22	9:45 am	Yoga
Tue. July 23	_____	_____
Wed. July 24	_____	_____
Thu. July 25	_____	_____
Fri. July 26	9:45 am	Yoga
Sat. July 27	_____	_____
Sun. July 28	_____	_____

## LIVINGSTON YAM: YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS & HAPPENINGS FOR THOSE 18-35

[www.livingstonyam.com](http://www.livingstonyam.com)

### Young Adult Lakeside Mass & Dinner Sunday, July 28

Please RSVP via text 810-588-7665 or on Facebook Livingston YAM for address details  
 7 pm Sunday Outdoor Mass with Fr. Joe Campbell  
 Dinner to follow--please BYO Chair and Beverage

This event is open to all young adults, 18-35 years old. Children of couples are welcome. Come early, stay late and enjoy food, faith and fellowship!

For info on all Livingston Young Adult events, contact Shannon at 810-588-7665 or by email at [livingstonyam@gmail.com](mailto:livingstonyam@gmail.com). You can also find us on Facebook.

## EXERCISE AND BALANCE HOUR

**Thursdays, 9:45 - 10:45 am**  
**AUGUST 8, 15, 22 & 29 at STMM**