

Saint Mary Magdalen

Witnessing to the Resurrection

JANUARY 19, 2020

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Mon. Tues. Wed. Fri. 8:30 am–4:30 pm

Thurs. 1:00 pm–4:30 pm

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 4:30 pm • Sunday 9 & 11 am

Weekday Liturgies: Mon., Thurs., Fri. 9am Wed. 7pm

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 11:30 am– Noon

Infant Baptism: Contact Erin Wolfe.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact the office
at least nine months prior to wedding date.

LOWERY'S LINES

Thanks to Bishop Boyea for his presence last weekend to formally install me as your Pastor, and to each of you for your support and enthusiasm!

Catholic Schools' Week: Jan. 26 - Feb. 1

Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed. This theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Catholic schools at every level help students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples, and enriched citizens in our communities. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed. Please offer a prayer of thanksgiving for our teachers at our own Magdalen's Preschool, and for all faculty and staff in Catholic education at every level.

9 Days for Life: Jan 21-29

With so many recent examples in the news of offenses against both the dignity of the human person, and the resources that help human beings grow into their full potential as children of God, consider taking an opportunity to spend time in a novena (9 days) praying for the respect and recognition of the dignity of every human person. See the 9 Days for Life resource website or consider another personal way of praying during these days.

Presentation of the Lord: Feb 1/2

The weekend of Feb. 1 and 2, we will celebrate the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. This feast falls forty days after Christmas and remembers when Joseph and Mary brought the child Jesus to the Temple. The Prophets Simeon and Anna gave thanks to God, calling Jesus the Light who would reveal God's presence to the world. The Liturgy for this feast calls for the blessing of candles. You are welcome to bring candles from home to be blessed during all of the Liturgies for this coming feast day.

Peace, Fr. Shaun



JANUARY 21-29, 2020

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life.

Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!



4 WAYS TO JOIN



9DaysforLife.com

Image: A mosaic of Our Lady of Guadalupe decorates a side altar in the Church of Santa Maria della Famiglia at the Vatican. Dec. 15. (CNS photo/Paul Haring)

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES**Monday, January 20**

1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
9:00 am + Fr. James Lothamer

Tuesday, January 21**Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**

1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday, January 22

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6
7:00 pm + Melissa Loniewski

Thursday, January 23

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
9:00 am + Wayne and Lori Martin

Friday, January 24**Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
9:00 am + Frank Wojcik

Saturday, January 25**Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle**

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18

Sunday, January 26**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Is 8:23—9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23

4:30 pm + Nathaniel Diamond

9:00 am + Donald Batten

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Larry Buslepp	Herb Langer	Michelle Turner
Cathy Buel	Ron Linhart	Jennifer Yanick
Olive Burbridge	Gwen Maes	Tom Zremski
Paul Burbridge	Hannah Metcalf	Andrea
Hugh Conahan	Martine Micunek	Artie
Keith Craffey	Stan Osdras	Bill
John Davidson	Stella Paweski	Carrie
Karoline DeRosa	Kathy Riccardi	Charlie
Lauren Hahn	Karie Schifko	Jeanette
Tom Hargrave	Peggy Schmid	Margie
Victor Hibbeln	Walter Secord	Mary
Sr. Joyce Hoile	Cindy Sultana	Stella
Kathy Jagusch	Paul Sultana	Tom
Elaine Kay	Marylyn Trader	
Frances Krula	Don Tremel	

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!

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 8:23-9:3

Zebulun and Naphtali were two Jewish tribes who had settled in the northern area of the Holy Land. Eight centuries before Christ, this area experienced a bitter defeat at the hands of Assyria. The prophet Isaiah offers these northern people hope by looking ahead to a day when they would be especially blessed. This northern area of Israel was later known as Galilee, and Christians have seen Jesus as fulfilling this Prophecy.

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul deals with issues the Church faces in every age. After Paul founded this community and moved on, he heard of polarizations in the Corinthian Church. In today's passage, he speaks bluntly to them about these divisions.

Matthew 4:12-23

This reading from Matthew has three parts; first, Jesus is in Israel, quoting from Isaiah who names these same places, second, Jesus is calling his disciples, and third, is a summary of Jesus' mission in Galilee.

Reflect: How do you follow Jesus today?

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Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast is held the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month at 7:30 am. Are you hungering for a deeper relationship with God? Come to the Men's Breakfast, in the rectory lower level.



PLEASE JOIN US JANUARY 25!



Please remember in your prayers

Carlene Demers and family in the death of her father, Carl Cordonnier.

Terry Didyk and family in the death of her mother, Eleanor.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Annual Pet Food Drive

January 8 thru January 26. Our 3rd grade classes are heading up our annual pet food drive to collect pet food for families/seniors in our area who struggle to feed their beloved dogs and cats. Please place your donations in the marked bins (posters made by our 5th grade classes) in the gathering area. Thank you for your support!

**9th Grade Confirmation—Jesus Paper**

The 9th grade Jesus Paper assignment was emailed out to all 9th grade families last week. If you did not receive the email, please contact Karen MacDonald in the church office. **The Jesus Paper is due on February 9, 2020.**

Reconciliation Retreat for Grades 2, 3 & 4

The Reconciliation retreat for Religious Formation students in grades 2, 3 and 4 will take place on **Saturday, February 15 from 8:45 am until Noon.** Because of the large size of this group, we ask only one parent to attend with their child. **Sign-up sheets for Reconciliation on February 27 and 29 will be available at the retreat.**

Religious Formation Class Absences & Make-Up Work

Parents, please remember to call or email your child's catechist or Karen MacDonald in the church office if your child will miss class due to illness or other circumstances. **Children in grades 1-5 will be asked to make up the lessons they missed** in their absence and turn them in the following class. The make-up lessons will have a **red homework label** on the front page.

Show Policy
Cancellation of
Religious Formation Classes



Just a reminder of our **Wednesday/Thursday** class cancellation policy. **When Brighton Area Schools are closed due to a weather emergency, religious formation classes are cancelled.** **When Sunday classes are cancelled due to a weather emergency, we will do our best to contact you via email as early as possible.**

YOUTH NEWS



"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."
John 13:34

Thank you again to Colleen Schulte for guest speaking at Youth Group last Sunday! It was a pleasure to have you join us and teach us about the gifts that God gives us and how we can do the best with them. It is a wonderful opportunity when the youth can hear from adults in our faith community with talented gifts that they make into a career. With a few aspiring writers at the meeting last Sunday, it was perfect to have a New York Times bestselling author showcased at the gathering.

Speaking of guest speakers, we are looking for any adults with special skills or teachable faith skills to guest speak at one of our Youth Group meetings! If you are interested, please contact Ann Kehn at annkehrn@gmail.com.

The Winter Weekend Getaway is coming up fast! It is the weekend of February 28, 29, and March 1. Money and permission slips are due no later than tonight, January 19, at Youth Group. We would love to have you!

Youth Group is every Sunday evening from 7-9 pm. Tonight's meeting will be about Bravery and Courage in our faith! We hope to see you tonight for faith, fellowship, and fun!



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, 7:00pm

(after K of C Spaghetti Dinner)

\$5.00 entry fee Must be over 21

Please sign-up in the Gathering Area.

CHARITY & JUSTICE

**Food Delivery Help Needed**

Sign-ups for food delivery to **Gleaners** and **Bountiful Harvest** are in the Gathering Area, on the Charity & Justice table.

Currently we need deliveries January 5 through March 29. Gleaners deliveries can be Monday-Friday and Bountiful Harvest on Thursdays and Fridays. If you can help, please sign up!



Welcome Newly Baptized: Cora Jean Glowacki, parents are Jean & Tom; Billie Moss Hawley DuBay, parents are Julia & Jim; Brigitta Maelynn Gutjahr, parents are Kayla & Tobi; Caden Anthony Knuth, parents are Jill & Dale; Brooks Joseph Westover, parents are Kelly & JJ; and Thomas Michael Francisco Szegda, parents are Rebecca & Tim.



June 27, 2020

DeWitt, MI

St. Francis Retreat Center

Part-time Office Volunteer needed!

HELP

WANTED

We need your time and your expertise! Ideally, we would like to have one or two volunteers to help create our weekly bulletin using our Microsoft Office Publisher bulletin template.

You can choose the day and time that works best for you to come in to the office to work on the bulletin. The time commitment would likely be 6-8 hours per week. We are looking for someone who is comfortable using or learning Publisher and is detail oriented; creativity is a plus!

Please contact Sandi Phillips or Gayle Zawisa in the office, **810-229-8624**, if you are interested or let Fr. Shaun know!

MARRIAGE MINISTRY

Couples' Enrichment Series

January 25 – February 29

St. Patrick Church

at the PLC Activities Room

Join us on Saturday afternoons from 2-4pm for six weeks. Cost is \$20 per couple. We will be covering the Beatitudes.

Explore the path to holiness within your Christian marriage by living the Beatitudes in your daily life. Your marriage is: A Call to Holiness, A Dance, A Three-Legged Race, Your Treasure, Your Home, and a Celebration of Life.

Register online at:

<https://www.stpatrickcatholicparish.org/marriage>

Payment is collected at the St. Patrick parish office after registering online or on the first day of the series.

Childcare is provided: \$5 for 1-2 children, \$10 for 3+ children, per session.

For more information please contact Sue at thorn.susank@gmail.com.

**CANDLEMAS DAY**

Sunday, February 2 is the Feast of the Presentation, also called Candlemas, because traditionally all the candles used both at church and in our homes are blessed at the start of the Liturgy: Candle-Mass.

If you would like to have candles blessed, bring them with you on the weekend to the Liturgy you attend and place them on the Baptismal Font. The Liturgy will begin with the blessing of candles at the font and continue with a procession to the altar.

St. Mary Magdalen will be participating in a parish-wide survey!

St. Mary Magdalen will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute. To get the best possible results, we need your participation. Watch for more information next week!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, January 20 Martin Luther King Day

9:00 am No Preschool

9:45 am Yoga

No St. Patrick's Basketball

6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen

Tuesday, January 21

9:00 am Preschool

12:15 pm Exercise and Balance

4:15 pm St. Patrick's Basketball

7:00 pm KofC Planning Meeting

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School of Michigan

7:30 pm FORMED Small Group

Wednesday, January 22

9:00 am Preschool

9:15 am MOMS Group

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

5:00 pm Religious Formation

7:30 pm Time and Talent

Thursday, January 23

9:00 am Preschool

4:15 pm Rosary Prayer Group

5:30 pm Religious Formation

7:15 pm Adult Volleyball

7:30 pm Music Ministry

Friday, January 24

9:00 am Preschool

9:45 am Yoga

4:30 pm St. Patrick's Basketball

7:00 pm TAIZE

Saturday, January 25

7:30 am Men's Breakfast

Sunday, January 26

9:00 am Family Program

9:00 am Baptism

11:00 am RCIA

12:00 pm 9th Grade Confirmation Session

6:30 pm FORMED Groups-Presence

7:00 pm Youth Group

**St. Patrick School Open House**

Saint Patrick School will be hosting an Open House on **Sunday, January 26, 1-3pm**. We will be hosting tours of the school, providing admission and registration information, and highlighting our various programs and extracurricular activities. Tours are led by current parents and students.

Saint Patrick School has been providing faith-based education and academic excellence for over 60 years. We are a JK-8 grade fully accredited school that offers weekly Masses, service projects, CYO sports, music/band programs, debate team, Lego/robotics league and much more.

The Open House will be a great opportunity to check out the beautiful north campus (1001 Charles Orndorf Drive, Brighton, MI) of our parish school.

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Thank you for your generosity in 2019!

If you would like a contribution statement, please contact the office at
810-229-8624

or sign the sheet at the Welcome Desk.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT**WEEK OF 1/12/20**

Approximately 1167 people participated

Env/Cash \$ 13,623

Debt Reduction \$ 530

EFT/Online \$ 7,279

TOTAL \$ 21,432


Children's Collection \$54.10

SATURDAY, FEB 8 at 5:30pm
Taco Bar and Chili
Tasting/Judging
and Bingo! Get out of the cold and have some fun!

Sign up in the Gathering Space

WE NEED YOUR CHILI!!
 We are in search of the best chili at
 SMM...please sign up in advance to enter.

One free bingo card; additional cards \$1 each
Free will donation for dinner.
Proceeds to Magdalen's Kitchen



**YOUNG ADULT
DINNER & TALK**
**SPEAKERS: JOE & CORINNE
MACDONALD**

Sunday January 26th, 6:30 - 8:30 PM
5:00PM: Mass at St. Patrick Brighton
6:30PM: Dinner in the AFFC Lower Level
"John Paul II, Vocation, and Discernment"

Please RSVP: Shannon Scherba
LivingstonYAM@gmail.com, or 1.810.588.7665

MINISTERS OF PRAYER**January 19– January 25**

Sunday	Volunteer
Monday	Lee O'Connell Gwen and Larry Maes
Tuesday	Mary Ann Hargrave Cass and Ros Wodarski
Wednesday	Renee Shinska
Thursday	Jim Hynes Kathy Riccardi
Friday	Julie Wendell Mary Bidinger
Saturday	Volunteer

***"Troubles are often the tools
by which God fashions us
for better things."***

Henry Ward Beecher

**The Vision
of St. Mary Magdalen Parish**

As children of God and disciples of Christ Jesus, we have been assembled by the bishop of the Diocese of Lansing to form a new Catholic Community in Brighton. Our vision is to build a community in which we experience God's presence in all people, a community of simplicity, peace, joy, inspiration and renewal; a haven where we share our hopes and our hurts.

God nurtures this vision through individual and communal prayer. In prayer we abide in God, freely opening ourselves to listen and respond to our Lord's gracious will. The Eucharist is our fullest prayer in which Christ's faithful love makes us one. By the Eucharist the power of Christ's sacrificial love transforms us into His real presence in the world. We celebrate this joyous belief with uplifting liturgies that transform our daily lives.

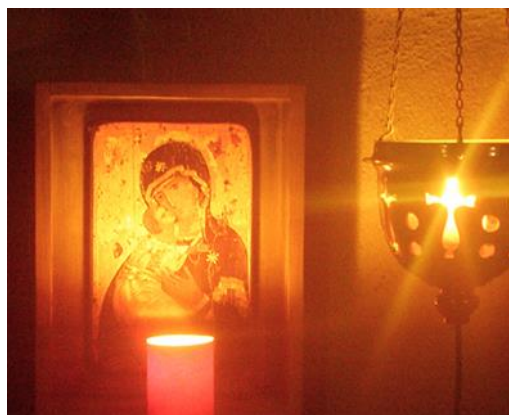
The conviction of Scripture and Church teaching is the foundation of our ongoing faith enrichment, all throughout the unfolding of our lives. We embrace our children as our younger brothers and sisters in Christ. We envision a strong religious education program that will excite our youth into learning and sharing with us fully.

Our community supports the importance and integrity of families. For those who have no one, we are family. We are truly woven together, supporting our pastor and each other. On our journey of faith we warmly embrace the seeker; we are supportive to those struggling in faith and compassionate towards those who have wandered.

Our faith is living and vigorous. As the Body of Christ, we reach out to invite and welcome strangers, and offer support and encouragement to those burdened by need, hurt, and sin. Believing that the Kingdom of God is to be in our midst, we work for a more just society.

Because the union of all Christians is one of our great hopes, we focus on what unites us rather than on that which divides us. We also extend ourselves to other faiths, cultures, and traditions. Through shared friendship and service we hope to foster understanding and peace.

We commit ourselves to this vision, dedicating to it our energies, individual talents and expertise, time and our financial support. We pray that God who began this good work in us will bring it to its fulfillment.



TAIZÉ

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 AT 7PM

The Christian Community is invited.

Taizé prayer is approximately 40 minutes long and consists of songs, psalms, Scripture, the Lord's Prayer, intercessions, and periods of silence.

Come to the quiet where God abides.