



September 13, 2020

# Saint Mary Magdalen

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TO THE  
RESURRECTION

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## OFFICE HOURS

Mon. Tues. Wed. Fri. 8:30 am–4:30 pm

Thurs. 1:00 pm–4:30 pm



## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

### Weekend Liturgy:

Saturday 4:30 pm • Sunday 9 & 11 am

**NEW Weekday Liturgy Schedule begins:**

**Mon., Tues., & Wed. 9am**

**NO MASS ON THURSDAY OR FRIDAY**

**Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation:** Saturdays 3-4pm

**Infant Baptism:** Contact Erin Wolfe.

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

## LOWERY'S LINES

**All Weekend Liturgies Indoor Beginning this Weekend**

The weekend after Labor Day weekend, September 12/13, we will begin celebrating the remaining two Liturgies – 9am and 11am - in our worship space. Since May 31 we began slowly reopening and reintroducing Liturgical celebrations both outside and inside. We have done a lot of difficult work as a community to come to the point where we are confident in celebrating the Liturgies along with so many other day-to-day activities in a safely distant, more limited, and healthy fashion. All of us has had to relearn how to be social, to stay connected, and to stay healthy.

Please remember to be vigilant about wearing a covering over both your nose and your mouth while you are inside any parish building. Disposable face coverings are available in the gathering space if you forget to wear one. While we are a worship space, we are also a work space, school/daycare space, and social venue. People are employed by the parish and people are volunteering their work out of service to each person who comes in our doors. They deserve to be able to come work or volunteer in an environment that reflects our love and appreciation for them, and our desire to keep them healthy so they may continue to serve us. I also personally ask you to help me stay physically healthy as I minister to you by covering both your nose and your mouth while inside our parish buildings.

**Virtual Options for Mass Continue**

Our Saturday 4:30pm Liturgy will continue to be available on LiveStream, and available for rebroadcast at approximately 6:30pm on Saturdays. People with any health complications, the elderly, and people who care for others in vulnerable populations should continue to avoid gatherings of people. The obligation to attend Sunday Liturgy continues to be lifted through at least November 28.

**New Option to Receive Holy Communion Outside of Mass**

People who do want to receive Communion over the weekend, but who do not feel comfortable being at indoor, sustained gatherings of people during Mass, may drive up to the main entrance under the portico on **Saturdays from 5:45-6:15pm or on Sundays from 12:15-12:45pm** and receive Holy Communion without leaving their vehicles. We encourage you to watch the Liturgy from home as part of your reception of Holy Communion outside of Mass. As your Pastor, I feel it is a just cause to offer this option during a global pandemic, and another way to keep people connected to Christ and our parish.

Through all of this, let us make it our goal to stay connected to Christ and safely to one another using all the means we have possible.  
Peace, Fr. Shaun

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND INTENTIONS**

**Monday, September 14,**

**The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

9:00 am +Tony & Wanda Sarna

**Tuesday, September 15, Our Lady of Sorrows**

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

9:00 am +Virginia Bacon

7:00 pm +Mass of the Little Angels

**Wednesday, September 16**

**Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs**

1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Lk 7:31-35

9:00 am +Girard Pfeil

**Thursday, September 17**

1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50

**Friday, September 18**

1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday, September 19**

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15

**Sunday, September 20, Twenty-Fifth Sunday**

Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

4:30 pm +Gene Osowski

9:00 am +Bob & Pat Gustitus

11:00 am The People of St. Mary Magdalen

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Isaiah 55:6 – 9** The prophetic words in today's reading were spoken during the Israelites' exile in Babylon. Earlier, the prophet had proclaimed that God was looking mercifully upon them and would soon free them. In today's reading, the prophet points out that they now have a window of opportunity and should take advantage of God's willingness to forgive.

**Philippians 1:20 – 24, 27** For four weeks our second reading will be taken from Paul's letter to the Philippians. When Paul wrote this letter, he was in prison for preaching the Gospel and he faced the possibility of execution. A person in those circumstances tends to think long thoughts about death, and death is what Paul is wrestling with in today's passage.

**Matthew 20:1 - 16** The parable of the laborers in the vineyard is a parable of the kingdom of heaven, describing both the means of entry into the kingdom and the equality its inhabitants enjoy there. God calls us as coworkers to prepare the earth for the kingdom, which has yet to bud, bloom, and bear fruit. Heaven is wage enough for anyone, no matter how long one has labored with Christ.

**Reflect:** Put into words "God's Generosity".

**REOPENING GUIDE**

Our parish reopening guide is a map – not an exact science or a rigid plan – to lead us toward gradually reopening at a pace following our State’s Safe Start plan, and takes into account the mood of our community. The purpose of this guide is to help us decide how and when to move forward, or (if necessary) how to move backward. No dates are assigned to movement between the guide steps.

Currently we are in step three. Highlights of our current reopening practices include:

- ◆ Indoor weekend Liturgy celebrated in the main worship space. Masks must be worn. No assisting liturgical ministers, socially distant seating, socially distant reception of Holy Communion.
- ◆ Indoor weekday Liturgy in the main worship space celebrated minimally (i.e., no singing, no assisting liturgical ministers, socially distant seating, socially distant reception of Holy Communion). Masks must be worn.
- ◆ Drive up reception of Holy Communion, at the main entrance under the portico, will be available Saturdays 5:45—6:15 pm and Sundays 12:15—12:45 pm.
- ◆ The parish staff has normal work schedules. The parish office remains closed to visitors.
- ◆ Gatherings/meetings held online, or no more than 10 people in larger meeting spaces.
- ◆ Outdoor gatherings of 10 and no more than 50 people permitted with strict social distancing.

**People in vulnerable populations should STAY HOME.**



**SAINT MARY MAGDALEN**

**Reopening Guide**

This is meant to be a conceptual guide. It is not an exact plan for our reopening. It is based on CDC/State Health Department recommendations.

We are in step three which now includes indoor Sunday Liturgies, LiveStreamed Liturgy, the option to receive Communion outside of weekend Mass, and smaller meetings/gatherings ≤10 people in larger meeting spaces. ≥10 & no more than 50 people: Outdoor meetings or on an online platform (e.g., Zoom).

	Step One	Step Two	Step Three	Step Four
Social Distancing, General	Stay Home	Strict (6' / Inside Car)	6' indoor/outdoor	Healthy
Vulnerable Populations*	Stay Home	Stay Home	Stay Home / Strict ≥6'	Healthy
Indoor Sq. Ft./Person Goal	Stay Home	≥65.5 face coverings	≥43 wearing face coverings	13 wearing face coverings
Parish Office	Remote / Essential only	Remote / Essential only	Normal staff schedule / Office closed to walk-in guests	Open to public
Liturgical Life	Online Only	Sunday - Outdoor Weekday – Indoor / Minimal & wearing face coverings	Indoor – limited seating; face coverings worn; outdoor Communion options offered.	Indoor / Gradual restoration of full celebrations TBD
Community Life	Online Only	Online Only	Small gatherings / Large spaces ≤10 people wearing masks / Outdoor gatherings 10-50 people	Small gatherings / Normal spaces - - Larger Gatherings TBD
Meetings	Online Only	Online Only	Small gatherings / Large spaces / number restrictions as in Comm. Room or online meetings	Small Gatherings / Normal Spaces
Preschool	Online Only	Online Only	Opening Sept. 14	TBD
Youth (Formation/Ministry)	Online Only	Online Only	Majority Online	TBD

\*Vulnerable Populations: 65 or older, pre-existing health conditions, compromised immunity, and care-takers of previously mentioned populations.  
 No dates are assigned to movement between steps. CDC/State Health Department guidelines will guide decisions.  
 Steps can move backward if necessitated by future outbreaks.  
 Preschool/Religious Formation/Youth related activities depend upon opening and practices of Brighton schools.

**If you are age 65 and older or if you have any condition that will compromise your immune system (or if you care for someone with such a condition) PLEASE STAY HOME! There is no obligation to attend Mass and there is no obligation to receive Holy Communion through November 28.**

**The 4:30 Liturgy on Saturdays will be livestreamed and available for viewing (after 6:30pm) on our parish website [www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org), our parish Facebook page and YouTube for those who are safely staying home!!**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Terrence Brown	Herb Langer	Bob Shepard
Keith Craffey	Declan Lowery	Cindy Sultana
Caleb Decker	Hannah Metcalf	Julie Taylor
Forest Densmore	Marlaine Micunek	Marylyn Trader
Karoline DeRosia	Amy Marie Nick-	Michelle Turner
Donald Felic	Montgomery	Dan Tuthill
Mary Lea Gehring	Stella Paweski	Elmer VanWagner
Norm Gregor	Carolyn Phillips	Dave Warden
Bob Hemmi	Kathy & Tony	Ruth White
Cathy Hobbs	Riccardi	Elaine Zawisa
Sr. Joyce Hoile	Lorrie Reno	Tom Zremski
Kathy Jagusch	Victor	Artie
Michael Karnes	Runstadtler	Darlene
Sue Karnes	Marino Sarti	Joan
Mary Keating	Karie Schifko	Marian

**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!

*Please remember in your prayers:*



Joshua Wildermuth and family in the death of his father, Randy.

Jeanine Smith, Cathy Brugnone, and family, in the death of their husband and father, Dick Smith.

**MINISTERS OF PRAYER**

**September 13 – September 19**

Sunday	Nancy Nychypor
Monday	Barb Dolkowski
Tuesday	Rachel Tuzinsky/ Jean Glowacki
Wednesday	Colleen Atwood
Thursday	Diane Davidson/ Lisa Klein
Friday	Clarence/Ginny Kroll
Saturday	Judy Brown

**MASS OF THE LITTLE ANGELS**

On **Tuesday, September 15** we celebrate a very special Liturgy. We pray for all mothers and fathers who have known the profound pain of losing a child; whether the loss is a result of a miscarriage or any other circumstance at any stage of their child's life.

The **MASS OF THE LITTLE ANGELS** will be at **7 pm** in the main worship space. **Face masks must be worn by all who attend.** If you cannot join us, please keep them in your prayers.

*Marriage Banns*

*I Sarah Allen & John Rembisz  
II Anna Wilinski & Dennis Barker*



**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.

**Our first inquiry session is Monday, September 21, 7 pm! 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.**

**St. Padre Pio Feast Day**

OPEN HOUSE

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

While we are awaiting building permits for the actual construction, a temporary Grotto will be in place along with a temporary altar and a near life-size canvass of the future Pilgrim Shrine. This Pilgrim Shrine and Grotto will be a site to offer prayers for the future construction of a replica of the hospital built by Padre Pio in San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy – a home for the relief of suffering (*Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza*).

Register for an hour visit anytime between 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm and wear your walking shoes to stroll the 40 acres along the prayer paths. We will have beer, wine, and appetizers to enjoy.

The land dedicated for this purpose was donated by the Diocese of Lansing and is located along Chilson Rd., just south of I-96 at 3280 Chilson Rd., Howell, MI.

**Please note the time you plan to attend so we can keep the number of people attending within the Covid guidelines. Register at [tinyurl.com/CHISept23](http://tinyurl.com/CHISept23)**

**Visit [CHI-USA.com](http://CHI-USA.com) for more information.**

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS



**Religious Formation is Here!**

This Sunday, September 13, is the beginning of the 2020-2021 Religious Formation program. Our 10th grade Confirmation Candidates will be making their Confirmation retreat this Sunday at Our Lady of the Fields Camp & Retreat Center. Please pray that they have a powerful experience of God’s love as they prepare to receive the Holy Spirit at their Confirmation.

The online, whole-family “Destined” program is now available! This is the culmination of months of effort on the part of our Formation team. I would like to thank Karen MacDonald and Stasia Eisenhut for all their hard work and assistance! Lessons will be released online every other Sunday, starting this Sunday, the 13th. Families are able to complete them on their own time.

Feel free to check out the Destined website! Please go to <https://destinedstmarymagdalen.org>

10th grade Confirmation classes begin next Sunday after the 11am Mass. They will go from 12-2pm and will be held in the West Wing in the Quad.

There will be a parent meeting for our first Reconciliation and Eucharist families on Wednesday, September 23, at 6:30pm. Please bring your students as we will be going over the first lesson. The lesson will be livestreamed for families unable to attend. **Second grade program materials can be picked up from the parish on Monday, September 21, between 9am and 7pm.**

9th Grade Confirmation prep will begin later this Fall/ early Winter, after 10th grade is finished. We are waiting to see how the situation with Covid-19 develops before we make a decision on in-person versus remote classes for 9th grade.

I am looking forward to my first Formation Year here at the parish. I will be praying for all our families and ask that you keep me in your prayers as well!

- Joshua Kenny

YOUTH NEWS

**Mark Your Calendars: High School Youth Group Kickoff October 4!**

Our 9-12th grade youth group year will kickoff with a bonfire on October 4th from 7-9pm, here at the parish. This is a social event designed for new participants to get to know the youth group. Attending the event does not require you to join Youth Group, though we would obviously love if you did! Feel free to bring friends from school or elsewhere; all are welcome!

If you are a parent planning on having your high schooler attend, please contact me at the parish office to RSVP. This helps us plan for food and activities.

At this time, there is not a regularly scheduled middle school youth group. If you are a parent of a middle school student and would be interested in something along these lines, please email me. I am happy to start putting together middle school programming.

I am excited to help start building up our youth programs here at the Parish, but I need your help. If you know anyone who would even be slightly interested in youth group events or meetings, please contact me and I will add you to our email list so you can stay up-to-date. With so much cancelled or altered right now, we need all the help we can get when it comes to getting the word out about youth group. Together we can help St. Mary Magdalen be a welcoming and supportive place for our youth!

-Joshua Kenny

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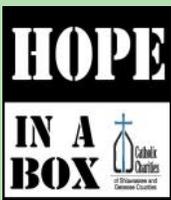


**HELP OUR MIGRANT WORKERS!**

Migrant farm workers are still working at Buurma Farms near Gregory.

Many times they travel with nearly all their possessions and don't have room to bring a lot of things we take for granted: laundry soap, shampoo, toothpaste, etc. St. Mary's in Pinckney has been accepting gift cards to local groceries and stores to pass on to these hard-working people, that they may purchase some basic necessities.

If you would like to help, feel free to drop off or send gift cards to our St. Mary Magdalen office and we'll be sure to get them to St. Mary's for them to distribute. Thank you!



**HOPE IN A BOX NEEDS:**

- MEN'S DEODORANT
- MEN'S RAZORS
- TOOTHPASTE/TOOTHBRUSHES
- LOTION
- TOILET PAPER

**Thank you** to everyone who has made a gift or pledge commitment to our **Diocesan Services Appeal**. Your gifts to the DSA enable our Lansing Diocese to provide services crucial to our parish. The programs and services funded by DSA offer direct assistance to individuals and families, and to parishes, schools, and Catholic Charities agencies.



**Thus far St. Mary Magdalen has reached 63% of our \$106,981 DSA goal, with just over 19% of our St. MM families contributing.** If you have not yet made a gift or a pledge, **please consider making a gift online at [www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa).** Thank you again for your generous support!

**Not everything that weighs you down is yours to carry.**

**New Weekday Liturgy Schedule Begins THIS WEEK**

Mon., Tues. & Wed. at 9 am  
No Liturgy on Thursday or Friday

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**Ignatian Spiritual Exercises**

If you would like to make the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises, please contact Linda Chevalier, Spiritual Director, 810-229-9734 or [chevalierlinda@att.net](mailto:chevalierlinda@att.net).

*More information about the Exercises will be provided in your first conversation.*

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

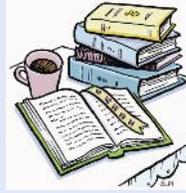
**Monday, September 14**  
 9:00 am Preschool Starts  
 5:30 pm St. Pat's Soccer & Volleyball  
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen-Carryout Only  
 7:00 pm Properties (outdoor portico)  
 6:30 pm Women's Faith Sharing (pavilion)

**Tuesday, September 15**  
 5:30 pm St. Pat's Soccer  
 6:00 pm Catholic Biblical School  
 6:00 pm St. Pat's Volleyball  
 7:00 pm Mass of the Little Angels

**Wednesday, September 16**  
 4:00 pm St. Pat's Volleyball  
 5:30 pm St. Pat's Soccer  
 7:30 pm Pastoral Council

**Thursday, September 17**  
 4:00 pm St. Pat's Volleyball  
 5:30 pm St. Pat's Soccer  
 6:30 pm Men's Faith Formation (pavilion)

**Sunday, September 20**  
 12:00 pm 10th Grade Religious Formation



**WOMEN'S FAITH SHARING GROUP**

**Beginning Monday, Sept. 14, 6:30 pm at the St. MM Pavilion/Shelter.**

Wherever you are in your faith, please join us, even if it is for one

time. We will be starting a 6-week study on Mark: Getting to Know Jesus by Kevin Perrotta.

Please email Bernie Tucker at [rodzina.first@gmail.com](mailto:rodzina.first@gmail.com) or call her at 734-740-0516 so she can keep you updated on the details as Covid19 may change meeting plans.

**WATCH ST. MARY MAGDALEN WEEKEND LITURGY ONLINE!**

**Livestream at 4:30 pm Saturdays on our Website:**  
[www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org)

**and available for viewing after 6:30pm on our website, Facebook and YouTube.**

***Short daily homilies from Fr. Shaun or Deacon Devon are always on our Facebook page and YouTube too. Check it out!***

**FOR THE MOST UPDATED INFORMATION AT ST. MARY MAGDALEN PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE:**  
[www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org)

**PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus,  
 I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
 I love You above all things,  
 and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
 Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
 come at least spiritually into my heart.  
 I embrace You as if You were already there  
 and unite myself wholly to You.  
 Never permit me to be separated from You.  
 Amen.