

Saint Mary Magdalen

Witnessing to the Resurrection

FEBRUARY 2, 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

Disciple Maker's Index Is Coming...

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Full Time Ministry Position for Youth Religious Formation & Ministry

The advertisement for a position at the parish as pastoral associate for Youth Religious Formation and Ministry is posted on our website and on various other websites. We are hoping to attract candidates who meet the qualifications listed on the job description, and who especially will be a good fit for our parish. So far we have received several resumes so I will be meeting with the search committee again to review the resumes and conduct interviews. If you know of someone who you feel might serve the parish well in this capacity, please ask that person to apply.

St. Blaise - February 3

Monday is the memorial of St. Blaise. I will offer the blessing of throats after the Monday 9:00 a.m. Liturgy. We really know more about devotions to and folklore about St. Blaise's life than his actual biography. What we do know with certainty about St. Blaise is that he followed Jesus until the end; not a bad Saint to look to for intercessory prayer in the middle of the dreary days of February and winter.

Peace, Fr. Shaun

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday, February 3

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20 9:00 am + Jean Schultz

Tuesday, February 4

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 5

Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6

7:00 pm + Melissa Loniewski

Thursday, February 6

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13

9:00 am + Patrick Kelly

Friday, February 7 Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29

9:00 am + Keith Dunn and Jan Jandasek

Saturday, February 8

1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 9
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

4:30 pm + Denice Duncan

9:00 am + John McBride 11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 58:7-10

The Jewish people had just returned from exile. They were poor. The prophet in today's reading reminds them of the religious practice that pleases God most of all, and he encourages them to share the little they have with one another.

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

In this reading, Paul continues to address the problem of factions in Corinth. One group followed Apollos, an eloquent preacher who came there after Paul had left. Some criticized Paul because his oratory didn't compare to that of Apollos. In today's passage, Paul defends his way of preaching.

Matthew 5:13-16

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus speaks in the form of extended discourses. This passage is part of the first extended discourse. The emphasis is on Jesus as teacher, following in the footsteps of the Israelite leaders who were wise as they were strong.

Reflect: What obstacles do you face in being salt or light to others?

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Victoria Berns Kathy Karie Schifko Hershberger Nancy Burelle Walter Secord Larry Buslepp Victor Hibbeln Cindy Sultana Cathy Buel Marylyn Trader Sr. Joyce Hoile Olive Burbridge Kathy Jagusch Don Tremel Paul Burbridge Michelle Turner Frances Krula Hugh Conahan Herb Langer Paul Wood Keith Craffey Ron Linhart Jennifer Yanick John Davidson Hannah Metcalf Elaine Zawisa Karoline DeRosia Marlaine Micunek Tom Zremski Judy Fekete Stan Osdras Andrea Dorothy Guidos Stella Paweski Artie Lauren Hahn Carolyn Phillips Margie Kathy Riccardi Tom

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:

Larry Maes and family in the death of his wife, Gwen.

Debbie Hucal and family in the death of her father,
Harry Vernon.

Patty Mitchell and family in the death of her father,

William Campbell.

Ken Krupansky and family in the death of his brother, Robert.

A JOURNEY TO GERMANY with Fr. Dave Howell

You are invited to join Fr. Dave Howell on a Journey to Germany this fall for 13 days/12 nights, *October 4-17.* The cost is \$4799.00 per person/double occupancy which includes: round trip airfare from Detroit, all accommodations with private bathroom, all admission fees, all daily meals, all gratuities and more. Cologne, Berlin, Neushwanstein Castle, a Rhine river day cruise and much more are included.

If you have questions or would like more information contact Fr. Dave (<u>dfrhowell@gmail.com</u>).

For travel questions or a brochure, please email or call Tammy Scheer: <u>tscheuer@travelleaders.com</u> 517.481.2070.

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BLUE MASS NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 11 AM LITURGY



Honoring and blessing those who serve in public safety. You are invited to wear your uniforms! All participants will receive a free pancake breakfast!

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Reconciliation Lessons-Grades 2, 3, & 4

There are a good number of families who have not turned in all of their required Reconciliation Lessons in preparation for Reconciliation later this month.

Any missing lessons need to be completed and turned in no later than February 13. If you are not sure which lessons you are missing, please contact Karen or Stasia.

Have you noticed the Good Samaritan calendars hanging in the West Wing? Stop and take a look at all the thoughtful and kind deeds our children in grades 2, 3 and 4 participated in recently!



Volunteers are needed for our Reconciliation Retreat on Saturday, February 15 from 8:30 am until Noon. Adults and youth grades 8 and older are needed. We have a large number of participants this year and could use some extra hands. This is a great service hour opportunity for our 9th grade Confirmation candidates! Please contact Karen MacDonald in the church office or by email at sect2@saintmarymagdalen.org if you are interested volunteering.

First Eucharist Take-Home Lessons

Lessons 2 and 3 are DUE in class February 5, 6, 9.

Lessons 4 & 5 will be sent home February 5, 6, 9. They are DUE March 4, 5, 8.

Catholic School families: Please drop off and pick up your lessons in the marked container in the gathering area on the formation table.



9th Grade Confirmation Reminder Jesus Paper due February 9.

YOUTH NEWS

We had a great meeting last week on sharing our faith and courage! We watched a movie and had a discussion about evangelization in big and small ways.

This week we will be getting out the soup pots and collecting loose change after masses for **Souper Bowl Sunday**. All money collected will go to help the food-challenged population. But there will be **NO YOUTH GROUP MEETING TONIGHT, FEBRUARY 2**, due to the Super Bowl!

We are still collecting money and permission slips for the **Winter Weekend Getaway**, Feb. 28-March 1.

Please email <u>annkehn@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.

The next meeting will be 6 pm Sunday, February 9.

We can't wait to see you there for food, fellowship, friends, and fun!



CHARITY & JUSTICE



What is the Severe Weather Network of Livingston County?

The Severe Weather Network (SWN) partners with community organizations, agencies, and faith

communities to provide emergency, overnight refuge during the winter months for people experiencing homelessness in Livingston County. SWN also connects individuals to community action agencies committed to providing the services necessary to assist homeless individuals with the transition into affordable housing.

Please consider helping SWN shelter the homeless during the cold winter months! We need volunteers to help provide meals and staffing for the Severe Weather Center located at Chilson Hills Church. During the **week of March 22-28, 2020**, our parish will provide meals, check-in staff and evening chaperones!

To find out more about the Severe Weather Network go to www.livingstonswn.org

HOPE IN A BOX FEBRUARY NEEDS:

SHAMPOO & CONDITIONER LOTION





Back by Popular Demand

Young Couples Game Night will be a chance to have fun playing cards and board games with your spouse and fellow parishioners - Friday, February 14, from 6-9 pm! Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages provided. BYOB

FREE Childcare *may* be available. Contact <u>baptisms@saintmarymagdalen.org</u> to inquire about availability.

Sponsored by the Marriage Ministry

Parish-Wide Survey

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January Pastoral Council Commendations

Last month St. Mary Magdalen Pastoral Council nominated and commended parishioners Bernie and Mick Tucker; Bernie for her efforts in the success of the Charity & Justice Giving Tree program for Advent, and Mick for assuming the administrative role for the bi-monthly Saturday Men's Breakfasts. Many thanks to both.

"Let everything you do be done in Love."

- 1 Corinthians 16:14

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEK OF 1/26/20

Approximately 1390 people participated

\$ 12,729 Env/Cash **Debt Reduction** \$ 895 EFT/Online 5.821 TOTAL \$ 19.445

Children's Collection \$31.11

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, February 3

9:00 am Preschool 9:45 am Yoga

4:15/7:00 pm St. Patrick's Basketball Magdalen's Kitchen 6:00 pm 7:30 pm **KofC Business Meeting**

Tuesday, February 4

9:00 am Preschool

Exercise and Balance 12:15 pm 4:15 pm St. Patrick's Basketball

7:00 pm **Boy Scouts**

7:30 pm **Boy Scout Committee Meeting** 7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School of Michigan

7:00 pm Community Life

7:30 pm **FORMED Small Group**

Wednesday, February 5

9:00 am Preschool 9:15 am MOMS Group 9:30 am Hardy Bible Study **Prayer Shawl Ministry** 1:00 pm Religious Formation 5:00 pm

Religious Formation Team Mtg 6:45 pm

7:30 pm Worship

Thursday, February 6 9:00 am Preschool

4:15 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Religious Formation 7:00 pm **Baptism Class** 7:15 pm Adult Volleyball 7:30 pm Music Ministry

Friday, February 7

9:00 am Preschool 9:45 am Yoga 1:00 pm Pain Sake

4:30 pm St. Patrick's Basketball

Saturday, February 8

7:30 am Men's Breakfast 11:00 am K of C Triathlon 11:30 am Penance

5:30 pm Chili Cook-off & Bingo Night

Sunday, February 9

K of C Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am

9:00 am **RCIA**

9:00 am Family Program 11:00 am Blue Mass

9th Grade Confirmation Session 12:00 pm

6:00 pm Youth Group 6:30 pm Formed

Year-to-Date Financial Report as of 12/31/19 For Fiscal Year July 2019 - June 2020

INCOME Church Witness to Hope Religious Ed/Preschool Total Income	Actual Fiscal <u>Year-to-Date</u> \$ 836,713 \$ 66,184 <u>\$ 121,787</u> \$1,024,684	Annual Fiscal <u>Budget</u> \$ 1,499,650 \$ 187,000 \$ 1,686,650
Expenses Church Mortgage Religious Ed/Preschool Total Expenses INCOME/LOSS	\$ 442,396 \$ 332,592 \$ 190,528 \$ 965,516 \$ 59,168	\$ 884,373 \$ 504,000 \$ 350,870 \$ 1,739,243

Mortgage Remaining Balance as of 12/31/2019 - \$1,619,966

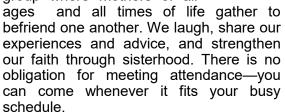
Missing Your Meds?

Do you take any medications or supplements while at church?

If so, we ask that you take precautions when doing so. Occasionally, we find pills lying on the floor in the worship space and are concerned that children may discover them and mistake them for candy. Remember, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!"

ALL MOMS ARE WELCOME!

St Mary Magdalen's MOMS Group is a fun, welcoming, non-judgmental, supportive group where mothers of all



Please join us! We meet on Wednesday mornings from 9:15am to noon in the North Room, right next to the Nursery. Child care is provided. We hope to see you soon!

MEDITATION FOR BEGINNERS

God is speaking to you, but are you listening? Here is a class that will teach you how. Our parishioner, Darlene March, will offer a class for those who wish to learn centering meditation in



silence and emptiness. Please join her in the Rectory Basement on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 @ 10:00 am -12:30 pm. or that same evening at 7:00 pm - 9:30 p.m. You don't need to bring anything; just wear comfortable clothes. No sign up necessary-- just come. If you have any questions, contact Darlene March at: ddmarch56@gmail.com.

Roaring 20's Young Adult Swing Dance

February 8 7-10pm St. Mary, Pinckney \$5 admission

Doors open at 6:30pm. Swing Dance Lesson at 7:00pm. Snacks & Beverages will be provided.

Child care will be offered with reservations.

Visit Livingston YAM on Facebook or email livingstonyam@gmail.com for more details.

MINISTERS OF PRAYER February 2—February 8

Sunday Nancy Nychypor Monday Barb Dolkowski Tuesday Rachel Tuzinsky Jean Glowacki Wednesday Colleen Atwood

Thursday Diane Davidson Lisa Klein

Friday Clarence and Ginny Kroll Saturday Judy Brown

50+ Potluck Lunch February 14, 11am

At this time of cold weather, have some warm friends to meet up with! Our 50+ Potluck Lunch group invites you to join them for their monthly potluck lunch this week. We will be discussing the possibility of a Parish mission of finding mattresses, bedding and pillows for the homeless and people sleeping on floors in Flint.

The main dish will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert.

Questions? Please call Cate at 810.772.3236