

Saint Mary Magdalen

Witnessing to the Resurrection

FEBRUARY 23, 2020

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon. Tues. Wed. Fri. 8:30am–4:30pm

Thurs. 1:00pm–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 – Noon

Infant Baptism: Contact Erin Wolfe.

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

Lent**LOWERY'S LINES**

Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday, February 26. Our Ash Wednesday Liturgies are at 7am (Morning Prayer), 9am (Mass), 5pm (Evening Prayer), and 7pm (Mass). Traditionally Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting (for those under the age of 60), and abstinence from meat; but what other things could we fast and abstain from on that day?

Maybe we shut off and fast from our phones for a portion of the day? Maybe we abstain from social media (or making comments to posts on social media)? Maybe we abstain from speeding or texting while driving? Be creative with Lent. Each day of this season is an opportunity to grow closer to the Lord and push aside distractions that keep us from connecting with one another. Let us also remember to pray for and encourage our RCIA elect and candidates as they make their way to the Easter sacraments!

Additional Reconciliation Times during Lent

Beginning on Wednesday, March 4, I will be available each Wednesday of Lent from 5:30-6:30pm for individual Reconciliation (in addition to the normal Saturday 11:30-12pm time) in the Reconciliation chapel near the baptismal font. Our parish's communal penance service with individual confessions will be on Wednesday, April 1 at 7pm.

Congratulations!

Congratulations this week to all of our young parishioners celebrating their solemn penance on Thursday and Saturday. Thanks to our catechists and parents for bringing our younger brothers and sisters to the sacrament of God's love and mercy!

FORMED: Forgiven

This Sunday evening our FORMED series "Forgiven," on the sacrament of Reconciliation begins at 6:30pm. This is a good opportunity for ongoing learning and faith sharing, as well as getting to know other parishioners better. All are welcome!

Disciple Maker Index Survey...Did you take it?

Don't forget to visit www.disciplemakerindex.com to take the survey! The website is mobile friendly. You can do it on your phone, tablet, or computer. Hard copies are also available in the gathering space.

Peace, Fr. Shaun

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES**Monday, February 24**

Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29
9:00 am + Edward P. Echlin

Tuesday, February 25

Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37

Ash Wednesday, February 26

Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

7:00 am Prayer Service

9:00 am +Yola and Arthur Rimbald

5:00 pm Prayer Service

7:00 pm + Pauline Grattan

Thursday, February 27

Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

9:00 am + Catherine Mary Francek

Friday, February 28

Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

9:00 am + Ursula Medlen

Saturday, February 29

Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, March 1**First Sunday of Lent**

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

4:30 pm + Loren Eagle

9:00 am + Geraldine White

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7**

The account of the sin of Adam and Eve was composed as a classic example of how everyone sins. The author recognized that there was a standard pattern: We toy with temptation - we fall - then we make excuses.

Romans 5:12-19

Paul's letter to the Romans is his most detailed and important theological work. His purpose in this passage is not to teach about original sin, but to contrast Adam and Christ. From Adam we inherited a strong pull toward sin. From Christ (the "new Adam") we received a gift that is incomparably stronger: Divine Grace.

Matthew 4:1-11

Each of the Synoptic Gospels sets a temptation story at the beginning of Jesus' ministry. The version in Matthew is unique because the Evangelist supports it with references and quotations from the Old Testament, as Matthew so often does. Here there is a volley of quotations between Jesus and the devil.

Reflect: Can I name for myself, my predominant sin?

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Victoria Berns	Kathy Jagusch	Marylyn Trader
Nancy Burelle	Herb Langer	Don Tremel
Larry Buslepp	Ron Linhart	Michelle Turner
Cathy Buel	Hannah Metcalf	Paul Wood
Keith Craffey	Marlane Micunek	Gerry Wszola
John Davidson	Stan Osdras	Jennifer Yanick
Karoline DeRosia	Stella Paweski	Elaine Zawisa
Judy Fekete	Carolyn Phillips	Tom Zremski
Dorothy Guidos	Kathy Riccardi	Andrea
Lauren Hahn	Karie Schifko	Artie
Julie Hargenrader	Dave Scharf	Heather H.
Kathy Hershberger	Peggy Schmid	Jeanette
April Hilton	Walter Secord	Margie
Sr. Joyce Hoile	Cindy Sultana	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:

The families of Beth Milatz, Ann Marie Holthus and Debby Feger, in the death of their father, Joseph Grzywacz.

Carlene Demers and family, in the death of her sister, Janine St. Pierre.

Dennis & Mary Kay Edoff and family, in the death of their son-in-law, Greg Abraham.

Rosemary McCuan and family, in the death of her husband, Hogan.

PASTORAL STAFF

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The Diocese of Lansing Finance Department is accepting applications for two open positions:

Accounting Specialist and Parish Auditor. To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit our website at www.dioceseoflansing/employment.

St. Mary Magdalen—Ash Wednesday February 26, 2020

7am – Morning Prayer with Ashes
9am – Mass with Ashes

5pm – Evening Prayer with Ashes
7pm – Mass with Ashes

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS



Ash Wednesday is February 26

We do not have classes scheduled for Ash Wednesday. We pray your family will make time to attend one of the following Ash Wednesday services at STMM:

7 am—Morning Prayer with Ashes
 9am—Mass with Ashes
 5 pm—Evening Prayer with Ashes
 7pm—Mass with Ashes

2020-2021

**Religious Formation Registration for
 Grades 1—10
 Begins March 22, 25, 26**

Although we have five weeks of religious formation classes left between now and the end of April, registration for next year will be here before you know it!



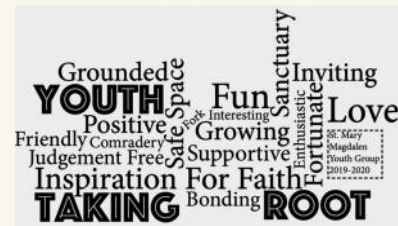
We look forward to welcoming into religious formation all children who will start first grade in the fall of 2020.

Our First Eucharist program prepares children in first and second grade to receive their First Eucharist in the spring of second grade.

A Thank You from Livingston Area Pet Pantry

"Your donation of 450 pounds of cat and dog food is much appreciated and sorely needed! Gleaner's shoppers continue to be able to put pet food in their shopping carts because of caring people like you. With your help, we provided 42,000 pounds of pet food last year and hope to do it again in 2020!"

YOUTH NEWS



There are still a few spots open for the Winter Weekend Getaway! You do not have to be a member of Youth Group to go! Please consider giving your child a MUCH needed relaxing weekend. Contact Ann Kehn (annkehn@gmail.com) if you have any questions or are interested in going!

Last week's "stump the chump" meeting was a smashing success! The Youth Group would like to thank Father Shaun for coming out and letting us ask him our toughest questions about our faith. It was a truly enlightening night for all of us.

Tonight's meeting will be at 6 pm in the Youth Room where we will be discussing Do-Overs. We hope to see you there!

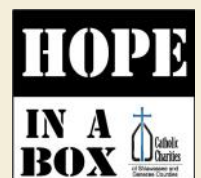
We hope to see you at tonight's meeting 6-8 pm in the Youth Room!



In January and February, we welcomed the following new parishioners: Timothy, Tyffany, Tristan and Tucker Baird of Howell; Pete and Teresa Beyer of Brighton; Mike, Kristina and Colton Cobb of Whitmore Lake; Dora Hagan of Brighton; Mike and Sandy Holper of Brighton; Eric, Lindsay, Henry, and Grady Kalberer of Brighton; Chuck and Connie Munden of South Lyon; and Will and Kay Schumacher of South Lyon.

Welcome to Saint Mary Magdalen!

**HOPE IN A BOX
 FEBRUARY NEEDS:
 SHAMPOO & CONDITIONER
 LOTION**



CHARITY & JUSTICE

The **Lenten Senior Giving Tree** will be in the Gathering Area starting the weekend of February 22. Please consider taking a tag to help our neighbors. Gifts **must be returned by March 29.**



The organizations that are helped by your generosity are Senior Centers of Brighton, Howell, and Hartland, Medilodge of Livingston and Howell and LCCC. Thank you for your generosity.



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!

If you have volunteered in the past, you may review our online training video at our website. Or if you have not yet been trained, please go to www.livingstonswn.org and select the Volunteer page for details. (Training is not required for meal providers). To volunteer for St. Mary Magdalen's week (March 22-28), go to our website, select Volunteer Sign Ups and scroll down to St. Mary Magdalen. **YOU MAY ALSO SIGN UP IN THE GATHERING AREA!** Questions can be directed to lisaklein44@gmail.com or 810-599-9708.

LIVINGSTON REGION 50+ CCA LENTEN RETREAT

WHEN: **Thursday, March 12, 2020**
WHERE: St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
TIME: Registration: 9:30 am
 Retreat: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
COST: \$9.00 (lunch provided)

RESERVATIONS: Required by March 2, 2020

PRESENTER: Fr. Mathias Thelen
 Pastor, St. Patrick Catholic Church

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE 50+ CCA PARISH REPRESENTATIVE-Cate Ross or in the office

All community members over 50 years of age are welcome to attend.

WELLNESS MINISTRY



**American Heart Association
 Friends & Family
 CPR Class**

The parish Health Ministry/Wellness Team is offering this course which teaches the lifesaving skills of adult, child and infant CPR, adult and child AED use, and first aid for choking for adults, children, and infants. **This class does not include certification.**

Thursday, March 12 from 5:30 to 8:00pm

Registration Deadline: March 5

Location: St. Mary Magdalen – North Room

Cost: \$2 for required book-to be paid at class

To Register: email jean.shebak@sbcglobal.net

The class is limited to 15 participants, so register soon!

Parents – drop your child off at Religious Formation and join us for this vital training.

FREE BABYSITTING is available for the entire class and also from 7-8pm for children in Religious Formation. Please specify if you will take advantage of the free babysitting and if so, for how many children.

The Bishop is coming!

Join us for the **Rite of Election** here at St. Mary Magdalen on **Saturday, February 29 at 2 pm.** RCIA Catechumens and Candidates from around the Diocese will be elected to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.



There will be a cookie reception following. If you are interested in **helping** with this reception, please email Erin at baptisms@saintmarymagdalen.org.

St. Pat's Athletics, welcomes students from St. Patrick's parish, Mary Magdalen parish and surrounding areas to participate in St. Pat's School athletic programs. We offer a large variety of programs in a learning/competitive level. **Spring Programs registration is now open.**

BCV-Rec/travel volleyball (boys and girls) 4th-8th grade

Futsal (indoor soccer) 4th-6th grade boys and girls

Baseball-4th-6th grade

Golf - league K-8 boys and girls

For more information go to: www.STPATSSCHOOL.ORG and click **ATHLETICS**

STEWARDSHIP REPORTWEEK OF 2/16/20

Approximately 1199 people participated

Env/Cash \$13,545

Debt Reduction \$ 340

EFT/Online \$ 4,945

TOTAL \$18,830

Children's Collection \$52.78*"Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us." 1 Chr 29:14***THE WEEK AHEAD****Monday, February 24**

9:00 am Preschool

9:45 am Yoga

6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen

Tuesday, February 25

9:00 am Preschool

12:15 pm Exercise and Balance

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

7:00 pm Formed Small Group

Wednesday, February 26 - ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00 am Morning Prayer Service with ashes

9:00 am Preschool

9:00 am Ash Wednesday Liturgy

9:15 am MOMS Group

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

No Religious Formation

5:00 pm Evening Prayer Service with ashes

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Liturgy

7:00 pm **RCIA** No Session**Thursday, February 27**

9:00 am Preschool

4:15 pm Rosary

No Religious Formation

7:00 pm Reconciliation grades 2,3,4

7:15 pm Adult Volleyball

7:00 pm Wellness Meeting

7:30 pm Music Ministry

Friday, February 28

9:00 am Preschool

9:45 am Yoga

6:00 pm Soup and Bread Supper

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 29

10:00 am Reconciliation grades 2,3,4

11:30 am Penance

2:00 pm Rite of Election Call
to Continuing Conversion

4:30 pm RCIA Liturgy

Sunday, March 1

9:00 am Family Program

6:30 pm FORMED

**Soup and Bread Suppers**

Again this year we will have a Lenten Soup Supper at 6 pm on Fridays during Lent, **beginning this Friday, February 28**, prior to the Stations of the Cross at 7 pm. The alms received from the meals will go to Magdalen's Kitchen. Families, couples, and singles, take the opportunity at least once for a break from cooking and to enjoy a simple meal together in the name of Christ's poor. Please sign up if you are coming and/or can bring meatless soup or breads. *Come join us on 2/28, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20 and 3/27!*

Magdalen's Kitchen Sign-up

Sign-up sheets are now in the Gathering Space under the Charity & Justice sign for volunteering as Assistant Cooks, Dining Room set-up/server/clean-up, Dishwashers and Dessert Bakers. Volunteers are needed for **Mondays in March and April**.

Please list your email address so you can receive a reminder email prior to your volunteer date.

Volunteers must be middle school age or older to fill a server or dish washer position and 18 yrs. old or older to fill an assistant cook position. It is necessary that you sign-up in advance to volunteer.

Panera Bread Pick-up

Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Space under the Charity & Justice sign for volunteering to pick up bread and baked goods for Magdalen's Kitchen at Panera (8365 Grand River) on Saturday evenings for **March and April**.

Please list your email address so you can receive a reminder email prior to your volunteer date.

Sunday well spent**brings a week of content.**



St. Mary Magdalen Business Directory

The St. Mary Magdalen Business Directory is available for the St. Mary Magdalen community. Parishioners can reference this directory to find parishioners who provide goods and services they may need. We will be updating this resource over the next few months.

If you are a parishioner and have your own business, we would like to include your information.

To be included in the next directory, email Gayle Zawisa at sect3@saintmarymagdalen.org to obtain the information form. If you were included in past directories and would like to be removed from the directory, please let Gayle know.

EXERCISE AND BALANCE HOUR

-With Chair

Tuesdays, 12:15 - 1:15 pm

The St. Mary Magdalen Pain Sake group sponsors an **Exercise and Balance Hour** with a professional therapist. Join them on Tuesdays at St. Mary Magdalen!

MINISTERS OF PRAYER

February 23—February 29

Sunday	Jerry Dolkowski
Monday	Bruce Dehanke
Tuesday	Michele Sixbery
Wednesday	Gale/Pat Harris
Thursday	Matt Kroll
Friday	Lynn Pfaff
Saturday	Ted Eisenhut

Send a photo greeting to Sister Joyce!

We are putting together a photo collage for Sister!

Please drop off a current snapshot at the Welcome Desk in the gathering area or in the office. Or, take a selfie and send directly to Denise Putnam at 810-599-4055.

Let's cheer her up with some familiar smiling faces!!

