

# Saint Mary Magdalen



## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

#### Weekend Liturgy:

LIVESTREAM ON SATURDAY AT 4PM

[www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org)

**Infant Baptism:** Call Erin Wolfe.

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



**APRIL 19, 2020**

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### OFFICE HOURS

**THE OFFICE IS CURRENTLY  
CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday**

**8:30am–4:30pm**

**Thursday**

**1pm–4:30pm**

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## LOWERY'S LINES

Happy Easter! He is Risen! ALLELUIA!

This bulletin will be out just in time for the Octave of Easter. The Octave (or eighth day) of Easter is also known as "low Sunday," and, "Divine Mercy Sunday." The celebration of Easter continues through Pentecost Sunday on May 31. What an Easter it has been. In fact, it may still feel like Lent for many of us. Easter, though, is often referred to as the "eternal day." If we stay in the present moment, and stop worrying about what will happen or what won't happen in the future, we will be able to truly celebrate Christ's risen and living presence among us. Check out Matthew 6: 25-34 for a pep talk from the Lord; and perhaps begin each day reading it. Stay home! Stay safe! We will get through this together.

Even with everything going on, I am so grateful this Easter. Many of you have sent notes, E-mails, Facebook posts, etc., offering your thanks and encouragement to me and the entire parish staff. I am also grateful that so many of you have been able to and continue to make your contribution to the parish. This enables us to continue to pay our bills, and our staff during this uncertain time. I have applied for a Payroll Protection Loan (PPP) from the Small Business Administration. If we receive it, it will be of further help; but the most certain way for us to stay adrift during this time is to contribute what we can while we can.

I am grateful to pastoral council members as well for making outreach phone calls to parishioners. It has become so important for us to hear voices and know that while we stay at home, we are not alone. I am also grateful for so many parishioners who have offered to be of help if needed to run errands, etc. Special thanks go to our entire parish staff. Each one of them are an inspiration to me. We are blessed to have each one of them serving us. I am also inspired by the various small faith sharing groups that have found creative ways using technology to stay together and support one another.

Please keep in your prayers those who are preparing to be baptized and received into the Church. Tentatively we will celebrate the sacraments of Initiation for them on the Vigil of Pentecost which is Saturday, May 30. Let us "offer up" our abstaining from gathering to celebrate and receive the Sacraments for the perseverance and strength of those who desire to be one with Jesus and our Church.

God bless each of you.

Peace,  
Fr. Shaun

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND INTENTIONS

**April 20, Monday**

Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8  
+Marguerite Konkel

**April 21, Tuesday**

Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15

**April 22, Wednesday**

Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

**+Mass of Remembering**

**April 23, Thursday**

Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36  
+Jason Raguso

**April 24, Friday**

Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15  
+Frank & Ann Maes

**April 25, Saturday, St. Mark, Evangelist**

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

**April 26, THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

The People of St. Mary Magdalen

+Peggy Ondre

+Patrick Kelly

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Acts 2:14, 22-33** None of the Scripture readings during the seven-week Easter season are from the Old Testament. But the book of Acts, which is read every Sunday during Easter, frequently quotes Old Testament passages which the early Christians saw as fulfilled in Jesus. Today's reading gives part of Peter's sermon at the first Pentecost. Peter quotes from Psalm 16 which, like most of the Psalms, was popularly thought to be written by David.

**1 Peter 1:17-21** The Christians for whom the first letter of Peter was written were recent converts from paganism. They found themselves a small minority in pagan surroundings. Their neighbors and local authorities made life miserable for them. Today's passage offers encouragement by reminding them that Jesus died and rose for them.

**Luke 24:13-35** This reading from the end of the Gospel of Luke has made an immeasurable contribution to our sacramental theology and to the celebration of the Eucharist. Like the two disciples in the reading, the Church comes together on the first day of the week. The stranger explained the scriptures to them as does the priest or deacon today. The risen Christ is with the two just as in the Church today. Finally, the sign in which the risen Christ is recognized is in the bread, broken and shared.

**Reflect:** When do you feel closest to Jesus?

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pat Bessesen	Declan Lowery	Theresa & Bob
Sue Binder	Bridget Marshall	Smith
Tom Bixler	Hannah Metcalf	Cindy Sultana
Larry Buslepp	Marlaine Micunek	Michelle Turner
Cathy Buel	Joe Nashar	Mike Wolfe
Scott Corey	Clarence O'Leary	Jennifer Yanick
Keith Craffey	Stan Osdras	Elaine Zawisa
Karoline DeRosa	Stella Paweski	Tom Zremski
Gene Golbiw	Taylor Pellerito	Artie
Dorothy Guidos	Carolyn Phillips	Bob
Lauren Hahn	David Proctor	Diane
April Hilton	Kathy & Tony	Jeanette
Sr. Joyce Hoile	Riccardi	Laurie
Kathy Jagusch	Andrew Ruf	Margie
Alan Laginess	Dave Scharf	Peggy
Herb Langer	Karie Schiffko	
Ron Linhart	Peggy Schmid	

**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*

Mary Tremel and family in the death of her husband, Donald.

Harold Allen and family in the death of his mother, Marie.

Mark Luebbe and family in the death of his father, John.

Donna Price and family in the death of her brother-in-law, Tim Brewer.

Maureen Crowell and family in the death of her brother-in-law, Kevin Smith.

Larry Marschall and family in the death of his aunt, Margaret Marschall.

**Patience is not simply the ability to wait-  
it's how we behave while we're waiting.**

~Joyce Meyer

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**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS®**

Dedicated to four principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. St. Mary Magdalen Council 12295 invites men 18 years and older to join. Come meet us on the 3rd Monday of the month, 7:30 PM, in the Rectory basement.

**For information contact Ken Anderer  
(810) 333-2130, [kanderer65@gmail.com](mailto:kanderer65@gmail.com)**



## RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

**Wrapping Up The Religious Formation Year**

It is hard to believe we only have one religious formation class left. What is more difficult to believe is that we will not be able to wrap up our formation year in the classroom. Our wonderful catechists and co-catechists put considerable time and effort into their lesson plans. They work hard each week to share our Catholic faith with your children in many different ways. We are sad our classrooms will be empty as our formation year comes to an end this week.

As an alternative this year, we would like to provide families with a special opportunity to finish religious formation online. We encourage families to end the formation year on a positive note by taking advantage of this opportunity with their child(ren).

The lesson links for grades 1-8 can be found on the Religious Formation page of the St. Mary Magdalen website. An email was also sent to all families with this information last week.

**9th Grade Confirmation:** Please watch for an email with assignment information and program updates.

We hope your child(ren) had a positive, faith-filled experience in the classroom this year and perhaps even made a new friend or two along the way.

Thank you for all your support this year. We enjoyed the journey!



We cannot end the formation year without a heartfelt **THANK YOU** to all our wonderful catechists, co-catechists and aides. Thank you for your patience, kindness and inspiration. Without your willingness to

share your faith, we would not have a religious formation program. God bless you all.

Karen MacDonald & Stasia Eisenhut

## YOUTH NEWS



While Youth Group is unable to meet, there are still plenty of opportunities to connect faithfully with other youth in our community! Through

our Band app and Zoom meetings we have managed to see friendly faces and talk about our experiences during this tenuous time. If you are interested in joining the Band app, please contact Ann Kehn ([annkehn@gmail.com](mailto:annkehn@gmail.com)).

**Project YM - Sundays @ 8pm**

Also, collaborating Diocese across Michigan have created a weekly program called **ProjectYM Live!** Every Sunday at 8pm Eastern, Youth can join the broadcast, have fun, listen to inspirational speakers, and worship together. You can log on and watch live at [PROJECTYM.COM/WATCH](http://PROJECTYM.COM/WATCH)  
Stay Safe!

**CHANGE!  
DEARBORN MEAT  
ORDERS  
FOR MOTHER'S DAY!**



If you are interested in ordering, **please contact Lori Sproull at 517-304 - 6379 by APRIL 26.** You may pay by credit card using the "Donate" link on the Saint Mary Magdalen website tagging it as Dearborn Meat Order or send a check to St. Mary Magdalen, attention Dearborn Meat Order.

**Deadline to order is APRIL 26.** Proceeds earned from this fundraiser will help to lower the cost for our summer service trip. **Delivery will be Wednesday, MAY 6.** Pick-up at church for your order will be between noon and 7pm.

**Thank you for supporting our youth!**

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

## CHARITY &amp; JUSTICE

Our Lenten **Senior Giving Tree** helps many different senior organizations in Livingston County: Senior Centers of Brighton, Howell and Hartland, Medilodge of Livingston and Howell and Livingston County Catholic Charities.



Before the lockdown we received about 1/3 of the donations for our charities and all were distributed except for Brighton Senior Center because they were already closed. We distributed about 130 gift cards of our targeted 390 cards, which we hope to get after our stay at home order is lifted. Any gift cards you still have, you may mail to the office with the gift tag taped to it and we will hold in our office, or keep and return when our Liturgies resume. Thank you again!!

Most of our Charity & Justice activities have been cancelled for now. This includes our **St. Vincent de Paul clothing drive** and **On the Rise Bakery Sale**. We will reschedule when we are able.

Meanwhile, we continue to get calls for help with rent and utilities. If you can, please consider a monetary donation to Alms. You may use our website online giving option or mail a check to our St. Mary Magdalen office, designating it as Alms.



To directly help Bountiful Harvest Pantry in Brighton, please visit <https://www.bountifulharvest-mi.org/> and click on Donate.

To reach Gleaners you can visit <https://www.qcfb.org/> or call 866-GLEANER, ext. 335.

*Please watch the bulletin for more ways you can help.*

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER

April 19—April 25

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

## WELLNESS MINISTRY

## Anxiety



We all know someone.... an adolescent or young adult who experiences anxiety. Approximately 1 in 8 youth experience anxiety. Worry and fear can take a toll on our lives. We may see symptoms like heart palpitations, shaking, shortness of breath, withdrawing from friends, striving for perfection and a feeling of impending doom.

There are healthy steps you can take to reduce anxiety. Some stress management can be as easy as relaxed breathing, meditation, regular exercise, guided imagery, massage, listening to music or playing an instrument.

When anxiety disrupts our daily activities and relationships, it's time to seek help. Professionals can help minimize these feelings of anxiety and help you develop a treatment plan specific to your needs.

This time of increased stress due to COVID-19 and the uncertainty we all feel can cause increased anxiety. Check online sites such as <https://www.google.com/search?q=anxiety%20symptoms> for more information.

**For immediate help, call Catholic Charities at 517-545-5944 or Community Mental Health Services of Livingston County at 517-546-4126.**

## Assistance for Seniors

Livingston County Catholic Charities Senior Community Liaisons are still providing services to all Seniors **over the phone** (in person only if necessary ---to obtain signatures/proofs for applications for essential services i.e. health care coverage, food support, delivery of essential items).

LCCC Senior Community Liasons can assist with much over the phone: Health Care Coverage issues, low income applications, Medicare info and enrollments, connect to resources, info on Long term Care options, census reporting assistance, how to report Fraud and Abuse, Prescription assistance etc.

Seniors or their caregivers can connect by phone or email: 517-545-5944 x136 or ask for Melodie  
[Melodie@LivingstonCatholicCharities.org](mailto:Melodie@LivingstonCatholicCharities.org)

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEK OF 3/22/20

Env/Cash	\$ 4,239
Debt Reduction	\$ 2,730
EFT/Online	\$19,836
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$26,805</b>

WEEK OF 3/29/20

Env/Cash	\$10,659
Debt Reduction	\$ 425
EFT/Online	\$ 8,529
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,613</b>

WEEK OF 4/5/20

Env/Cash	\$11,568
Debt Reduction	\$ 115
EFT/Online	\$23,162
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,845</b>

Your parish contributions are very important, especially during this time. Sunday contributions may be mailed to the parish office. Now might be a good time to consider setting up online giving. Please visit our website, [www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org), click on Online Giving, Donation-Payment to safely set up contributions made directly to our parish. You may also contribute directly by texting the amount you would like to donate to 844-928-0075. Thank you for your support.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**ALL LITURGIES AND NON-ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED THROUGH WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30.**

**Monday, April 20**

6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen-Carryout only

Adult Confirmation Classes

***Are you an adult or high school student who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?***

If so, you are invited to contact Erin Wolfe, R.C.I.A. Coordinator at Saint Mary Magdalen.

**Call 810-229-8624 Ext. 176  
or email**

**[baptisms@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:baptisms@saintmarymagdalen.org)**

## WATCH ST. MARY MAGDALEN WEEKEND LITURGIES ONLINE!

**Livestream Saturdays at 4 pm or  
available after 6:30pm Saturdays at  
[www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org)  
Look for the Video Link.**



**Thank you** to everyone who has made a gift or pledge commitment to our **Diocesan Services Appeal!** Our gifts to DSA enable our 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.

If you have not yet made a gift or a pledge, **you may submit your gift online at [www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa).**

**After 5 weeks we have reached almost 30% of our DSA goal. Thus far, 146 families have contributed to this year's appeal. Thank you for your generous support!**



Please remember Magdalen's Kitchen and Alms during this health crisis. You can donate online under "online giving" on our website. [www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org)





*9<sup>th</sup> Grade Reflections*  
*Jesus's question to Peter,*  
*"Who do you say I am?"*



*How a relationship with Jesus*  
*can and will impact your future.*

Psalm 57:2 says: "I cry out to God most high, to God who provides for me." "This shows me this is the key to my understanding of God in my life."

***"He will be there when you need him most. He can turn your life around, as long as you let him, as long as you allow him to guide your life and open yourself up to his love."***

"I know there will always be obstacles and temptations along the way in my Christian walk, but knowing that Jesus is there constantly around me, cheering me on is the best feeling ever."

### AWAITING the RESURRECTION

St. Mary Magdalen has two places for the interment of cremains: the Resurrection Tower (Columbarium) and the Shrine of the Cross. The policies governing the Resurrection Tower and the Shrine of the Cross can be viewed on our parish website.



The interior of the Tower has 1,500 niches; each holds one or two special urns. The names of each person interred there will be engraved on their urn and niche. The parishioner fee for a space in the Tower is \$2,600. There is an additional fee for engraving the names on the urns and the niche.

The names of one or two people whose ashes are buried at a space at the Shrine of the Cross will be engraved on the stone marking their resting place. The parishioner cost for a space at the Shrine of the Cross is \$500, plus the added cost of engraving the stone.



If you would like to make arrangements for a space, either in the Resurrection Tower or at the Shrine of the Cross, please contact Gayle Zawisa in our parish office (810.229.8624) or [sect3@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:sect3@saintmarymagdalen.org).