



SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

Saint Mary Magdalen

WITNESSING TO THE RESURRECTION

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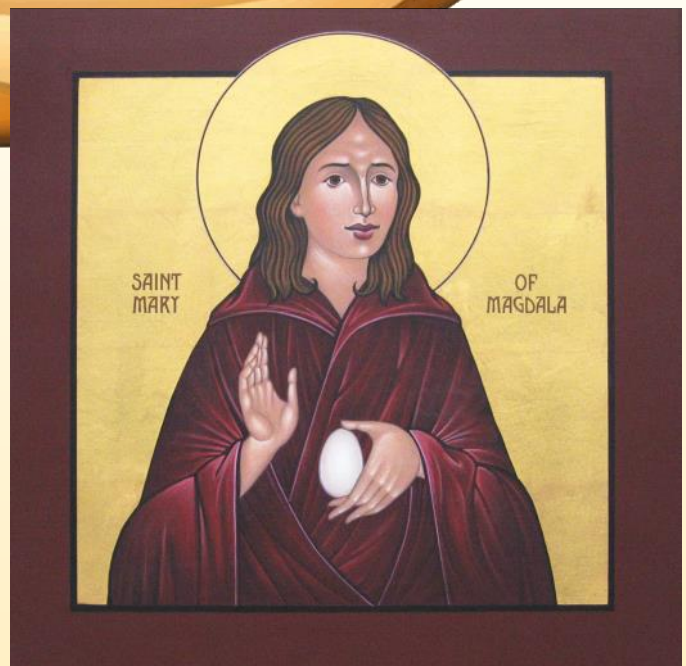
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 8:30am–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–12noon

Infant Baptism: Contact Erin Wolfe.

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

LOWERY'S LINES

Lines of Thanks!

I want to acknowledge and thank Karen MacDonald for agreeing to oversee, and Stasia Eisenhut for agreeing to assist with the coordination of our religious formation program in the interim. It's a huge commitment. I look forward to supporting them in this. Please contact them with any questions about Religious Formation.

I also want to offer my thanks to Gayle Zawisa and Sandi Phillips for their generosity in taking on extra duties – including among other things our calendar and event scheduling. At our staff meeting on Thursday, Sept. 12, the pastoral staff and I will talk about how no longer having evening hours will impact evening ministries and events. This is so that we can have a plan in place, and all be on the same page. Please think about any challenges you might see arising from a volunteer perspective and bring them to our attention. Since there is usually a member of the staff present at most evening events, it seems like things will run fairly smoothly going forward.

While balancing her work and graduate studies, Hannah Riesser has agreed for a time to continue to assist our youth leadership council. Our youth leadership council members are a gift to our community and have stepped up to continue planning youth activities for their peers. I'm grateful to Hannah and to "Cheese," and all our youth adult volunteers for supporting our youth; and especially to our youth leaders for taking ownership of ministering to their peers.

As I mentioned at the end of last weekend's Liturgies: Even if we do not agree on every detail, when we pull together, stay positive and optimistic, communicate honestly, and strive to love the Lord and one another, God will work through us. God will continue the wonderful things at our parish that we do to serve the Lord and all those who the Lord brings to us. I see that happening. I'm grateful to God for the foundation that has been laid here to make that healthy and holy behavior a reality.

Have a beautiful Labor Day holiday and week ahead. Hope to see you at the parish picnic next Sunday, September 8, after the 11:00 a.m. outdoor Liturgy.

Peace, Fr. Shaun

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

September 2, Monday

1 Thes 4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30

9:00 am Communion Service

September 3, Tuesday, St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Lk 4:31-37

9:00 am Communion Service

September 4, Wednesday

Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44

7:00 pm + Richard Parent

September 5, Thursday

Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11

9:00 am + Mary & Carl Wojewodzki

September 6, Friday

Col 1:15-20/Lk 5:33-39

9:00 am + David Schlueter

September 7, Saturday

Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5

September 8, Sunday, Twenty-third Sunday

Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

4:30 pm Vigil + Keith Dunn & Jan Jandasek

9:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

11:00 am + Dave & Chris Schlueter

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY

Wisdom 9: 13-18 The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center for Greek philosophy in the ancient world. Fearful that the Jewish people might be captivated by this secular wisdom, the author contrasts it with the rich wisdom of God found in Jewish religious traditions. The ninth chapter presents a prayer of Solomon for wisdom and today's reading is an excerpt of this prayer.

Philemon 9-10, 12-17 Philemon was a rich man with many servants, one of whom – Onesimus – escaped. He reached Paul in prison and converted to Christianity. In sending Onesimus back to Philemon, Paul gave him a letter to take with him, a portion of which we hear today.

Luke 14: 25-33 The consequences of following Jesus are real – and perhaps nowhere more dramatically outlined than in the gospel passage. Note two things. It is a special kind of leader who gives fair warnings of the price involved in following him. And second, note that it is the relationships that Jesus holds in the highest regard that he holds up as possible losses for his disciples.

Reflect: How do I view the crosses I bear?

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, September 2 OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen

Tuesday, September 3

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

7:00 pm Boy Scout Committee Meeting

7:30 pm K of C Business Meeting

Wednesday, September 4

9:15 am MOMS Group

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:30 pm Worship Meeting

Thursday, September 5

7:00 pm Baptism Class

7:00 pm Basic Catholic Teaching

7:15 pm Adult Coed Volleyball

7:30 pm Music Ministry

Friday, September 6

9:45 am Yoga

1:00 pm Pain Sake

Saturday, September 7

10:00 am K of C Parish Picnic Set up

Sunday, September 8

10:10 am New Parishioner Welcome Meeting

11:00 am Outdoor Liturgy & Picnic

Service Ministry Fair 9/1 through 9/22

Parish Picnic Sunday, Sept. 8th

**11:00AM OUTDOOR LITURGY
PICNIC IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING**



**PLEASE!!
SIGN UP TO HELP AND BRING A DISH
TO PASS! YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**



Please remember in your prayers:

*Barb Clift and family, in the death of her
sister-in-law, Lesa Colson.*

*Mary Day and family, in the death of
her father, Don Batten.*



**Sunday, September 11, is
National Grandparents Day**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Diane Agius
Sally Bixler
Judy Bradley-
Parsons
Marylyn Brink
Larry Buslepp
Duane Clover
Hank Cornille

John Davidson
Karoline DeRosia
Donald Felic
Richard Gillis
Kristopher Golbiw
Pearl Golbiw
Karen Hammang
Tom Hargrave

Sr. Joyce Hoile
Bill Hussey
Kathy Jagusch
Bonnie Kussmaul
Herb Langer
Aimee List
Jean Lizak
Gwen Maes

Roy Mantay
Kathy Marshall
Jeri Neiman
John Nychypor
Stan Osdras
Stella Paweski
Dick Price
Kathy Runstadler

Ray Ruszczynski
Janine St. Pierre
Bonnie Thompson
Roger Touchette
Marylyn Trader
Donald Tremel
Michelle Turner
Geraldine White

Jake Willet
Doug Wozniak
Jennifer Yanick
Tom Zremski
Ellen
Jeanette
Margie
Sara

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!

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Volunteers Needed

Our Religious Formation classes will be starting in just a few weeks, and we are still in need of volunteers for our Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday classes. Please consider sharing some of your time and talent with our youth!

How can you help? We are looking for:

Adult Aides

Teen Aides

1 or 2 Adult Leaders for 9th Grade ALPHA

4-5 Adult Table Leaders for 9th Grade ALPHA

Substitute Catechists

(For Wednesday, Thursday & Sunday Classes)

Please contact Karen MacDonald in the church office or email sect2@saintmarymagdalen.org if you are interested or have questions.

Have you registered your children for fall Religious Formation classes yet?

We are only a few weeks away from beginning our fall Religious Formation classes. We are now registering for Fall 2019-2020 in the parish office. Please come in Monday—Friday from 9 am—4 pm to register. Our Family Program is at capacity. We do not have our registration forms online. We ask you to please register regardless of your ability to pay for tuition at the time of registration.

Parents with Children in First Grade this Fall

If you have a child who will be in first grade in the fall, please make sure you register them for Religious Formation. Preparation for First Eucharist takes place in first and second grade with children making their First Eucharist in the spring of second grade.

Summer Contest

Please email your photos by Sunday, September 8, to sect2@saintmarymagdalen.org.

Parishioner Jeannie Pfister in Danville, CA, with her sister Marie Krohan and nieces Katie, Christy, Kit, Megan, Ellie, and Moka.



ALPHA WINE & CHEESE REUNION

All Hosts, Helpers and Participants
are welcome!!

Join us for refreshments and
Conversation.

Tuesday, September 17, 2019
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm



Please RSVP to Jo at
alpha@saintmarymagdalen.org
by September 12, 2019

St. Mary Magdalen MOMS Group



MOMS is getting ready to have
a potluck kickoff gathering on
September 4th!

We are a place where moms come together for faith formation and friendship in a fun, Christian environment. We celebrate and appreciate moms with children of all ages, from newborns to adult children to grandkids and beyond.

We meet Wednesday mornings from 9:15 am - 11:30 am in the North Room (childcare is provided). We understand that moms have incredibly busy schedules, so please join us when you can!

Please direct any questions to Becky McLaughlin
312-731-2244 rebsmclaughlin@gmail.com

Protecting God's Children Awareness Sessions

If you are working or ministering with children, you are required to attend a **Protecting God's Children Awareness Session**. This program is a nationwide opportunity to raise our level of awareness and ways to protect children and vulnerable adults from abuse. **Another session is being offered at St. Mary Magdalen on September 19.** There are also other sessions offered across the diocese. Please register online at www.virtus.org.

Livingston County Transit Master Plan

Parishioners living within Livingston County are encouraged to review the Livingston County Master Transportation Plan at <https://www.livgov.com/lets/Pages/plan.aspx> and contact your County Commissioner to voice your opinion regarding the plan. Contact information for the Commissioners is available at <https://www.livgov.com/boc/Pages/commissioners.aspx>.



Senior Appreciation Day Tuesday, September 24

Persons age 50 plus are invited to 11 am Liturgy with Bishop Boyea and lunch following at St. Augustine, 6481 Faussett Road, Howell. Please consider coming to this **free** annual event offered by the Livingston Region Council on Aging. The hosts need to know if you are coming, so please call the Parish Office at (810) 229-8624 by Friday, September 11!

Make the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises

The Ignatian Spiritual Exercises is a pilgrimage of a spiritual search for the fulfillment of a desire for holiness. The exercise experience is about praying, searching, exploring and discovering; it is a journey with God. Christ Jesus is your companion as you learn to walk the life journey path as Jesus. Jesus asks: **"What are you looking for?"** (Jn1:38) and **"Come and see."** (Jn 1:39). Those who engage in the Spiritual Exercises discover a response to **"What is God asking of me?"** The Exercise experience is good for increasing openness to the movement of the Holy Spirit strengthening and supporting you in the effort **to respond ever more faithfully to the love of God.**

The full Spiritual Exercises may be done in the midst of ordinary daily life at home. It involves a daily commitment of 45-60 minutes in prayer and reflection centered on the themes of the Exercises and a weekly meeting with Linda Chevalier, Spiritual Director for approximately eight or nine months. Linda will meet with you on a weekly basis at her home which allows for reflective conversation and confidentiality. The cost for the Spiritual Exercises is to offer a stipend, payable over the course of the retreat; precise details being discussed during your first conversation.

If you feel drawn to make the Ignatian Exercises in Daily Life first pray about it and if you still feel drawn toward making the Exercises **call Linda Chevalier (810.229.9734) or chevalierlinda@att.net**

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MINISTERS OF PRAYER

September 1- September 7

Sunday Jean Glowacki

Monday Bruce Dehanke, Alexis Wilhelm

Tuesday Lisa Klein, Barb & Joe Kowal

Wednesday Gale & Pat Harris

Thursday Joe Martinez

Friday Lynn Pfaff

Saturday Volunteer

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEK OF 8/25/19

Approximately 1469 people participated

Env/Cash \$ 20,165

Debt Reduction \$ 2,835

EFT/Online \$ 11,008

TOTAL \$ 34,008

Children's Collection \$77.35

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.

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.

Inquiry sessions will be on **Mondays, starting September 9**, from 7-8 pm in the Library.



50+ POTLUCK LUNCH WITH FATHER SHAUN

Friday, September 13
11:30 am - 1:30 pm

St. Mary Magdalen Community Room

Sloppy Joes and beverages provided.
Please bring a dish to pass!

Please RSVP by calling the office
810-229-8624 by September 11

**Need a ride? Please call 810-772-3236
for arrangements.**

WELLNESS QUOTE

Never be a prisoner of your past;
it was just a lesson, not a life sentence.

St. Mary Magdalen SERVICE MINISTRY FAIR

Sept. 1—Sept. 22

SIGN UP for one of these ministries in
the Gathering Area or online:
www.saintmarymagdalen.org

REMEMBER if you *have* served on the ministry
and would like to continue, you need to sign up again
to renew your service for another year!

MINISTRY AND STAFF REP

Welcoming Team - Gayle Zawisa

Health Professionals - Fr. Shaun

(also Blood Pressure and Blood Drive helpers)

Samaritans - Funeral Lunches - Fr. Shaun

R.C.I.A. Hospitality - Erin Wolfe

Kitchen Keepers - Jeri Gawlowski

Art and Environment - Diane Kubus

Marthas—Mary Walker

Ministers of Prayer- Sr. Maryetta

Prayer Shawl Ministry- Sr. Maryetta

Properties—Fr. Shaun

Coffee and Donuts- Diane Kubus

Special Skills— Fr. Shaun

— DIOCESE OF LANSING —
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

**HOPE
Restores**



OCTOBER 12, 2019
LANSING CENTER | 9AM-5PM

www.LansingDioceseCWC.org



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Beginning Monday, September 9, 7 pm
At St. Mary Magdalen

Grief can be loss of a family member, loss of a job, new beginnings and letting go of the past. In the group we will deal with the stages of grief, sharing our stories, prayer and community bonding.

We will meet Monday evenings, Sept. 9 - Nov. 2, from 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

If you would like to be a part of this group or have questions, please call Sister Maryetta at 810-229-8624.

ADULT COED VOLLEYBALL @St. Mary Magdalen

Thursday evenings 7:15 - 9:15 pm
Beginning September 5, 2019
All adult men and women welcome!



Please contact Jerry Sams at billlearjet@gmail.com or 248-882-2065 for more information.

LIVINGSTON YAM: YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS & HAPPENINGS FOR THOSE 18-35 www.livingstonyam.com

Sunday, September 15

Evening Prayer with the Dominican Sisters of Mary

Join us as we travel to Ann Arbor for Vespers at the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist. Evening prayer is at 5pm and we'll share a meal at Applebee's afterward at 6pm. RSVP so we can make reservations and let us know if you are interested in a carpool from Brighton.

Contact Shannon by email livingstonyam@gmail.com or phone 810-588-7665

