

# St. Mary Magdalene

CATHOLIC CHURCH



**33rd Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
November 17, 2019**



## **REFLECTION**

The Disciples want to know when the end of the world is coming. What signs will they be able to read to discern this important time? Jesus responds with a number of various elements that each generation since has interpreted to be fulfilled in their own time and place.

But perhaps we might reflect on the events in our own lives to see a bigger picture. Perhaps there is more meaning and more of God's activity in our daily coming and going than we imagine. While it could be more exciting to be on the hunt for clues to Jesus' return, in actuality nobody knows when that will be!

But God is present with us here and now, not only in the apocalyptic future. Let us discern his presence in the mystery of daily activity, the ebb and flow of our emotions, our existence, and our dying and rising to newness of life.

**Mass Today—131**

**Offertory Helpers— Children Volunteers**

**Weekend Masses—**Saturday—5pm & Sunday—9am & 10:45am

**Weekday Masses—**Daily Mass Monday—Friday at 8:15am in Chapel

**Sunday Youth Mass 6pm—**Youth Mass November 17th, and 24th, No Youth Mass December 1st

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### **Gathering:**

In the Day of the Lord 575

### **Psalm: 98**

All the ends of the earth have seen the power of God. All the ends of the earth have seen the power of God.

### **Preparation:**

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## PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH



My Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generosity to the collection last week for the Archdiocese of Military Services. This is a collection we take every 3 years near to Veterans Day. We received \$5,594 which is very generous for a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.

Because of the unique collection for Military Services we have another collection again this week. We have the Campaign for Human Development each year near Thanksgiving. These funds are used for self-help projects in our country to serve in needy communities.

When you join with the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, you are helping community development projects led by low income groups to make a difference in their communities. The CCHD works with community groups to find solutions to local problems, to create businesses, and to find ways to improve their lives.

During October – November each year for the weekend Masses I often use different Eucharistic Prayers at Mass. I am not sure they are in the Missals people use. There are 4 of them and I rotate them from week to week. I did find them online under the words 'Eucharistic Prayers for Various Needs.'

Please keep in your prayers Eamon McCormack, a member of our parish who died this past week.

If you are looking ahead to Thanksgiving – we will have Mass at 10 am that day.

**CONFESSIONS:** There will not be Confessions on this Saturday November 16 because of a wedding. There will be Confessions on Saturday November 23 at 10:30 am.

Father Donald Staib

### IMPORTANT

### PARISH DATES

#### November

17—2nd Collection—Campaign for Human Development  
17—Chrysalis—11:45am—Church meeting rooms  
17—Youth Mass—6pm  
18—Catholic Senior Org—9:30am—Church Room 1  
18—First Sacrament Parent Meetings—10:30am or 7pm—  
Church Room 3  
18—RCIA—7:30pm—Church Room 4  
19—First Sacrament Parent Meetings—10:30am or 7pm—  
Church Room 3  
20—Financial Peace Live! - 6:45pm—Church Room 3  
21—Family Rosary—7pm—Chapel  
24—Youth Mass—6pm  
25—RCIA—7:30pm—Church Room 4  
27—No Elementary Religious Education Classes  
28—Thanksgiving Mass—10am

#### December

1—No Youth Mass, No Religious Education Classes  
2—RCIA—7:30pm—Church Room 4  
4—Family Rosary—7pm—Chapel  
8—Photos with Santa after 9 & 10:45 Mass—Church Room 1  
8—Youth Mass—6pm

**Deadline for Bulletin submission is the Wednesday Morning prior to the weekend of publication (Send bulletin requests to [info@stmm.net](mailto:info@stmm.net))**

**Parish Offices will be closed November 27—29 for the Thanksgiving holiday**

### Mass Intentions

Nov 16—5pm—Parishioners of StMM  
Nov 17—9am—John Santori—Richard & Theresa Kuzel & Family  
Nov 17—10:45am—Marietta Bosciano DeRey—Athan Family  
Nov 18—8:15am—Bau X Ho—Denise Ho & Family  
Nov 19—8:15am—Richard Duley—Fran Duley  
Nov 20—8:15am—Pamela A. White—Bob & Ann Cadran  
Nov 21—8:15am—Betty Anne Hooker—Amanda Becker & Family  
Nov 22—8:15am—Betty Bedotto—Jim Bedotto

### For Mass Intentions/Mass Cards—Call the Parish Office

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### SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISMS** – See the Guidelines on the Website – then email the Pastor. First time parents must attend a baptism class [a good time is during the 9 months prior to birth.] Baptisms are usually, not always, at 10am on Saturdays or at weekend Masses.

**CONFESSIONS** – Always check the Pastor's Paragraph in the weekly Bulletin or our E-News mailed on Fridays. Confessions are usually, but not every week, at 10:30am on Saturdays in the Church.

**WEDDINGS** – See the Guidelines on the Website – then email the Pastor.

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### FINANCIAL MATTERS

**OUR NEW CHURCH** – We have the obligation to make large monthly payments for 14 years for the construction of the church. In addition we are challenged to respond to new parish endeavors in all our parish programs. We are grateful to those who help us in the weekly Offertory for regular expenses and in the monthly white envelope for debt payments for the church.

## Elementary Religious Ed

**Attention First Sacrament Families** of children in Grade 2 PREP/ Wednesday Intermediate Sacrament Students/StMM School Grade 2 Families/Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Students-2nd year of Level II

**First Reconciliation Parent Meetings** are set. Please attend one of the following:

- Monday, November 18th in Church Room 3 - 10:30-11:30 am
- Monday, November 18th in Church Room 3 - 7:00-8:00 pm
- Tuesday, November 19th in Church Room 3 - 10:30 - 11:30 am
- Tuesday, November 19th in Church Room 3 - 7:00 - 8:00 pm

One parent is required to attend one of these meetings. If you attended in 2018 -2019 or 2017-2018 you do not have to attend the meeting. You are, however, responsible for picking up meeting materials in the Parish Office the week of 11/18/19.

Contact Suzanne - [will@stmm.net](mailto:will@stmm.net) with your questions.

**CPO Donations:** Thank you Grade 1 Program Families for your toilet tissue donations.

### **PREP & Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Calendar Reminders:**

Thanksgiving Holiday – No Class Sessions Sunday, November 24, 2019, Wednesday, November 27, 2019 and Sunday, December 1, 2019. Classes resume Wednesday, Dec. 4th.

### **First Reconciliation Dates** are

PREP: Tuesday, February 4th at 6:30pm & Wednesday, February 5th at 6:30pm. Parents do not attend. Sunday PREP Students will need to sign up for a Tuesday or Wednesday time. Sign Up will take place at the November Parent Meetings.

First Reconciliation Date for StMM School Students is Thursday, February 6th from 10a-11am.

**Looking Ahead** - Advent Begins December 1st. Our Annual Lobby Gathering Prayer will begin in December on days we have class sessions. Upon arrival to the lobby the students are to gather around our displayed Advent wreath & not proceed down to the classrooms. When our prayer is complete, catechists will walk their students to class. Dismissal procedures remain the same. Parents are welcome to stay & should stand around the perimeter of the lobby.

**Christmas Holidays** - All elementary programs are closed from Sunday, December 15th through Friday, January 3rd. All programs resume the week of January 6th.

**First Reconciliation Retreat** is Saturday, February 1st for all students in Grade 2 & the Wednesday Evening Intermediate Sacrament Program from 8:30a-12noon.

**2020 First Eucharist Dates** May 9th/10th and May 16th/17th. First Eucharist is received at the 5pm/9am/10:45am on either weekend. Families pick their own date. They are not assigned. Parents will give us date at the March parent meetings.



**Rock Calendar:** Thanksgiving Holiday – No Class on Sunday, December 1st.

**Helpful Information to Stay Informed:** [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church)



## Youth Ministry

STMM YM schedule for Sunday 11/17 is as follows:

EDGE 4:30pm-5:45pm in the gym

Apostello 4:30pm-5:45pm in the media center

Youth Mass at 6pm in the church (open to all ages!!!)

The Way 7:15pm-8:30pm starting in the church

**All teens in The Way must sign in every Sunday at the table in the lobby of the church**

The STMM YM Calendar for the 2019-2020 school year can be found at this link on the right side of the page:

<http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/highschool.cfm>

**Haiti House Building:** We have begun our fund raising for another house to be built in Haiti! If you'd like to see a picture of the house that St. Mary Magdalene built through the generous donations of our parish community, please go to this link to see the house and learn about the family who now calls it their home:

<https://www.haitimissioninc.com/hmi-houses-147-current>  
(our home is #151)

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this cause last year. We will begin collecting again this Sunday at our different programs to build more houses this year. If you'd like to help us with this effort, please go to this link to donate online via the STMM payment online system:

<https://secure.accesssacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=102397&f>

- Use the drop down button "Select a fund" and select "House in Haiti" so we can make sure it goes to the right account.
- For every \$3,750.00 we fund raise, Haiti Mission Inc will match it and a house gets built for a family in Jeremie, Haiti!!!
- If you do not want to donate online, please mail in a check to the parish office with "House in Haiti" in the Memo Line to STMM, 625 Magdala Place, Apex, NC 27502

### **If you have a teen who:**

- \* attends Catholic HS
- \* currently in 10th/11th/12th grade
- \* does not participate in The Way youth group at STMM
- \* would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in May 2020 at STMM

Please go to this link to register your teen for Confirmation 2020 preparation at STMM. They must have attended Catholic HS for their previous school year to enroll & your family must be a STMM registered parishioner. There will be 5 sessions held during the 2nd semester of this school year on Sundays, dates TBA The instructions and link to use the online registration are on the right side of this page:

<http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/highschool.cfm>

Apostello, The Way and The Edge

Please remember to bring your food item in this Sunday!!

Every year our entire parish participates in helping to collect for Thanksgiving Basket meals for Western Wake Crisis Ministry. Our youth ministry programs have been participating for years. Each small group at The Edge, The Way and Apostello is assigned 1 item to bring in, this year on Sunday, November 17th.

## Money Matters

The Pharisee in the Gospel of October 27 gave to the Temple 10% of his income. The Tax collector in the November 3 Gospel gave ½ of his possessions to the poor. How are we doing at St Mary Magdalene?

Our annual Financial Report [July 2018 thru June 2019] is published on our website. You can find it at under 'Welcome' and 'Parish Council'

[http://www.stmm.church/Text\\_of\\_annual\\_report\\_2019\\_to\\_parish.pdf](http://www.stmm.church/Text_of_annual_report_2019_to_parish.pdf)

Since July 1 2019 our Offertory is about \$10,000 per month short of our budget for 2019-2020. We know some folks choose to give once a year, toward the end of the year. We also hope the 212 new households we have since last January will help us reach our parish needs.

Here is a snapshot of giving patterns since January 2019:

20 families have given between \$6,000 and \$20,000

95 families have given between \$3,000 and \$5,999

459 families have given between \$1,000 and \$2,999

349 families have given between \$500 and \$999

474 families have given between \$100 and \$499

207 families have given less than \$100

433 families have no record of giving

[We have written to most of these 433 families to ask if they are still here and wish to continue to be members of StMM.]

We also have come to realize that some members who made a pledge to the new church will not be completing their pledge. This amounts to \$73,000.

We are so grateful to all who use the White Envelopes; we use these funds to pay our debt for the construction. Blessings to all who help our parish like the Pharisee and the Tax Collector in the Gospels.

If you would like to increase your electronic debit, complete the form at <http://www.stmm.church/giving/electronicoffertory.cfm> Choose the last option to change the amount.



## Today's Announcements

**Dynamic Catholic's mission is to re-energize the Catholic Church in America by developing world-class resources that inspire people to rediscover the genius of Catholicism.** Are you ready to get ready? If so, sign up for **BEST ADVENT EVER** from Dynamic Catholic. It's a totally free and totally awesome daily video program (sent straight to your email) that will help you prepare for Christmas like never before! See the flyers in the Narthex or click the link for information how to sign up. If you already are a Dynamic Catholic Ambassador or are interested to learn more send an email to [stmm.dynamic.catholic@gmail.com](mailto:stmm.dynamic.catholic@gmail.com). **Be Bold. Be Catholic.**

**The CSO** (Catholic Senior Organization for men and women 60+) meets every third Monday of the month, September through May. Our next meeting will take place Monday, November 18, 9:30 - 11:00 AM, in Church meeting room #1. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, [miriamdel79@yahoo.com](mailto:miriamdel79@yahoo.com), 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, [gmomfran@gmail.com](mailto:gmomfran@gmail.com).

"Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit" – Are you interested in experiencing more fully, the power of the Holy Spirit? Did you miss the one day workshop offered a couple of weeks ago? The Friday Morning Men's Fellowship and Faith Formation group will be offering similar content over a four week period. Men in the parish are welcome to join us from 6:15-7:30AM starting on November 15<sup>th</sup> in the church building. These sessions are about renewing our Christian faith through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is about seeking a new intimacy with Jesus and the fullness of the Holy Spirit, so that we can be and bring God's presence to the people and circumstances of our lives. If you have never said yes to Jesus' offer to have a relationship with you, this is an opportunity to do so, as well as seek to experience the fullness of his Holy Spirit. If you have said yes to Jesus' offer to have a relationship with him, but that relationship has grown distant, this is an opportunity to renew that relationship and also seek to experience the fullness of the Holy Spirit. Please contact Art Klaum (at [artklaum61@gmail.com](mailto:artklaum61@gmail.com)) or Paul Mastropolo (at [pmastropolo@gmail.com](mailto:pmastropolo@gmail.com)) if you would like more details or have any questions.

Introducing a new convenient, small-group, opportunity for STMM adult parishioners - **Discipleship Quads!!** Quads are based on a model that has over thirty years of success. It is gender-specific and free. Start any time. Your journey with the **Discipleship Quad** will deepen your faith and equip you with the tools you need to help rebuild our Church at a time when we desperately need disciples. **To inquire, contact Laura Werner at [steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com](mailto:steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com) or go to <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/discipleship-quads/>.**



In partnership with **Western Wake Crisis Ministry (WWCM)**, St. Mary Magdalene is sponsoring Thanksgiving Baskets again this year. On November 16/17, the **Helping Hands Ministry** will have tables in the church narthex with information on out what WWCM needs to collect to provide Thanksgiving meals to over 235 local families. Provide part of a meal, money for a turkey or all of the items - anything will help us help others have a meaningful Thanksgiving. Items should be dropped off after Masses on the weekends of November 16/17 and November 23/24. All contributions will be due to later than 11:15 on Sunday, November 24.



**STMM's Appalachia Service Project (ASP) is starting up and accepting applications** for the 2020 mission trip being held on July 12-18! All applications are due by November 17. If you are new to the process and want to know more before signing up your high schooler (or yourself), visit us at our **information meeting** coming up on Tuesday, November 5, 7pm-8:30pm in the Media Center. We will go through what the mission trip looks like, what we do, and all of your other burning questions! If you have any questions right now, please contact Taylor Wray at [stmmasp@gmail.com](mailto:stmmasp@gmail.com)

**POWER AND PURPOSE/HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE JUNE 5-7, 2020.** Will you join us next June? Travel to beautiful Franciscan University in Steubenville, OH with fellow StMM parishioners to learn more about the Holy Spirit and what He can do in your life. Discover a purpose for your life and experience the true freedom and healing He wants to offer you. **Contact Joe or Laura Werner** [wernejoe@aol.com](mailto:wernejoe@aol.com) [steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com](mailto:steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com). Bus travel optional. Please use this link to register:

<http://bit.ly/LauraWernerPPC20>

**Prayer Line—**[miriambeck24@gmail.com](mailto:miriambeck24@gmail.com), 919-924-1413





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Thank you for your generosity!



**Chrysalis Announcement**—Want to enrich your marriage and join in fellowship with other married couples? Come and join the Chrysalis Ministry for our next meeting on November 17th, 2019 11:45 am-1:15 pm! Open to all married couples, Chrysalis provides its members with the opportunity to celebrate their marriage with other couples spiritually and socially. Check out our website for more information, meeting schedule, a sneak peek at our video series, and RSVP to attend! [sites.google.com/view/stmmchrysalis](https://sites.google.com/view/stmmchrysalis)

### Volunteer Request

Volunteers needed for childcare during once-monthly Chrysalis Ministry meetings. Open to C-Level Certified Adults and responsible high school and middle school students (11 years old+). Time commitment is two hours (11:30 am-1:30 pm) one Sunday per month. Responsibilities include:

- Maintaining a safe environment for children 1-4 years old and 5-10 years old
- Supervising play and engaging with children during meetings
- Facilitating a group activity with children

The next Chrysalis meeting is scheduled for November 17th, 2019, and we are in need of childcare volunteers. Please RSVP to volunteer by visiting our website [sites.google.com/view/stmmchrysalis](https://sites.google.com/view/stmmchrysalis). Service hours are available for high school and middle school students!

**Free Financial Peace Live!** All parishioners are invited to attend a free live screening of Financial Peace Live! on Wednesday, November 20th in Room 3 of the Church from 6:45 pm to 9:15 pm. Financial Peace Live will cover the 7 Baby Steps to living a christian centered financial lifestyle which will bring you, your family, and your marriage PEACE. Dave Ramsey has been helping people follow God's financial plan for them for more than 30 years. Snacks and refreshments will be provided by the Chrysalis marriage enrichment ministry. Please register to attend here: [www.fpu.com/1104560](http://www.fpu.com/1104560) and view a brief promotional video for the event here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tUOlcMYnEO4>



**Refresh**—Christmas is richer and more meaningful when preceded by an intentionally spent Advent. Maybe you light candles on an Advent wreath. Maybe you're not sure what an Advent wreath is. Maybe you've got Advent down pat. No matter which sounds like you, if you're looking for ideas to prepare yourself and your family for Advent, we've got you covered. Join us Wednesday, Nov. 20 from 6:30 to 7:45 in the StMM Media Center.



**Get your Picture taken with Santa!**  
**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> 10 AM – 1PM**  
**STMM Church Lobby**  
**Minimum \$5 Donation**

Help support our Youth Ministry at STMM. We are working with Haiti Mission to help build homes in Haiti. Stop by anytime between 10 and 1 to get your picture with Santa! Candy Canes and Cookies will be provided.



## Respect Life News



Pray the **Rosary for Life** at 10:10am on the 2nd Sunday of the month in the Chapel. Our next Rosary for Life is Sunday, December 8th. It is a beautiful way to start the day whether you come before Mass or stay after. Prayer sheets are provided and families with children are welcome.



## Diocesan News

Dr. Scott Hahn Talk Friday, February 28th, 7:30 PM Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pinehurst <https://stpaulcenter.com/pinehurst/>  
Dr. Scott Hahn, founder and President of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, is one of the world's leading biblical scholars, Catholic apologist, and a leader of the New Evangelization called for by Saint Pope John Paul II. DO NOT MISS this opportunity to hear a great motivational speaker and defender of the Catholic faith. Dr. Hahn has written 40+ books, speaks to thousands of persons each year, is frequently on EWTN, and has motivated hundreds to conversion in the Catholic Faith. Dr. Hahn will speak about Christ's Divine Mercy, Reconciliation, the Eucharist, and covenant relationship with God.



Change in Date for Ignited By Truth! The 17th annual Catholic conference will be held on April 18, 2020, at Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh "bringing to light the truth of the teachings of the Catholic Church and igniting in all hearts a love for the Faith." Join our mailing list to receive the latest updates! [IgnitedByTruth.org](http://IgnitedByTruth.org)



"Our marriage had gone cold. We were living as roommates." Sound familiar? The **Retrouvaille Program** offers tools to rediscover a loving marriage. Tens of thousands of struggling marriages have successfully overcome their marital problems by attending the program. It begins with a weekend experience that is followed by a series of follow-up sessions to help keep you on track. For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with the weekend of February 14, 2020 call 800-470-2230 or email: [retrouvaille@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaille@msn.com) or visit the web site at [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

**Advent Retreat: Blessed, Broken and Scared.** The Catholic Conference Center in Hickory NC is teaming up with Broken Door Ministries to host the popular retreat: **Blessed, Broken, and Scared.** Jesus was the Father's gift to our broken world. Pride and fear prevent us from unwrapping the Father's gift. In the retreat, participants will discover the keys that unlock the chains that bind them to recurring sin and brokenness. They will also learn how to model Jesus and become a 'gift' to others. The retreat is two nights, December 6-8. Speaker and author Brian Pusateri of Broken Door Ministries will be the retreat master. Find more information at [www.catholicconference.org/signs/](http://www.catholicconference.org/signs/) or contact [info@catholicconference.org](mailto:info@catholicconference.org), 828.327.7441.

**70th Annual Harvest Day** - Saturday, November 23 from 11am – 6pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Newton Grove. Chicken and pork plates available for eat-in or take-out for \$10 each. Bazaar during the day and auction beginning at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcomed!

## StMM School Admissions Assistant

Admissions Assistant, Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic School  
Part-Time, 20-25 hours/week

### Key responsibilities / day-to-day job functions

Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic School is a K-8 Catholic school located in Apex. We are currently accepting resumes for a part-time Admissions Assistant. Candidates should present a passionate disposition towards Catholic formation. The person should:

- Accept the mission of the school as articulated at the Diocesan and school level;
- Responsible for school communications including but not limited to the management of the school newsletter, calendar, and other communications sent on behalf of the school;
- Manage website content for accuracy and promotion of school mission;
- Assist Marketing and Recruitment Officer with obtaining and entering information regarding new student applications, as well as re-enrollment of current families
- Assist Marketing and Recruitment Officer on marketing materials, data entry, and other tasks designated by the principal;

### Minimum Requirements

- Practicing Catholics who have an understanding of the Catholic faith and beliefs preferred;
- Position requires a task oriented and organized individual who can manage several tasks at once;
- Employment is contingent upon the applicant passing a full background check.

Send resume and letter of interest to: [principal@stmm.net](mailto:principal@stmm.net) Single /

## News From Other Organizations



**Single Again** If you are a single, separated, divorced or widowed person, you are invited to join us at our monthly Mass held at Cardinal Gibbon HS chapel at 5:30 pm. A pot-luck social follows Mass. Upcoming Mass schedule: November 17 and December 15. For more information, contact Celia at [ckeator@nc.rr.com](mailto:ckeator@nc.rr.com), or visit [www.singlesingleagain.com](http://www.singlesingleagain.com) or on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/singleagainraleigh](http://www.facebook.com/singleagainraleigh)

**Tax Preparation Assistance Needed** The St. Andrew Tax Preparation Assistance Ministry is in need of additional volunteers for the upcoming tax season. This ministry prepares federal and state tax returns at St. Andrew on Saturday morning at no charge. Training will be provided during information sessions on December 14 and January 12. New volunteers will be teamed with an experienced tax preparer as part of the training. No previous experience is necessary. Anyone with questions and those interested in joining can call Gerry Smith at (919)379-3922. Your call will be returned promptly.

**The Legion of Mary** at St Michael the Archangel Church in Cary. All are invited to pray the Rosary with us every Monday night 7pm rm3 Conference Center

**Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunity - New Dates Scheduled!**  
Join NC Catholics Volunteer on November 23rd. Help as we repair homes damaged by Hurricane Matthew and Hurricane Florence. Volunteers from all areas and of all experience levels are encouraged to participate! If you have any questions, please contact Jo-El Sidbury Smith by email at [Jo-El.SidburySmith@raldioc.org](mailto:Jo-El.SidburySmith@raldioc.org) or at (910) 251-8130. Spots are limited so sign up now! [www.CatholicCharitiesRaleigh.org/NCCV](http://www.CatholicCharitiesRaleigh.org/NCCV)

**For the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community** there is a sign language interpreted Mass usually at the 8:30am Sunday Mass at St. Michaels in Cary.



**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SHOPPE CRAFT SHOW** St. Thomas More Catholic School presents its 16th annual Christmas Holiday Shoppe Craft Show on **Saturday, December 7 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** in the elegant Friends and Family Hall of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 940 Carmichael Street, Chapel Hill. Enjoy one-stop shopping with 65 talented artisans from across the state and find the perfect gift for everyone on your holiday shopping list! Holiday music, a raffle, bake sale and the Reindeer Cafe add festive flair. Free admission. All proceeds from Christmas Holiday Shoppe benefit St. Thomas More Catholic School and the enrichment of its educational programs. For more information, please visit <http://www.stmcsnc.org> or <https://www.facebook.com/events/1487159788101493/>



## Parish Athletics

### Winter Basketball (Apex)

**Grades:** Coed, Pre-K (4 year-olds) to 6th.

**Dates:** November - February.

**Location:** StMM Gym in Apex.

**Cost:** Pre-K & K, \$60; 1st & 2nd Grade, \$65; 3rd - 6th Grades, \$70; (includes medal, shirt, and picnic).

**Format:** Pre-K & K have practices/games on Saturdays; 1st - 6th Grades have week night practices and weekend games.

Register at [www.parishathleticsnc.org](http://www.parishathleticsnc.org)

## Pastor Al™



"Locked out of my car, no spare tire, cell phone dead, and in between the thunder I can hear Job laughing."

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