

# St. Mary Magdalene

CATHOLIC CHURCH



**2nd Sunday of Lent**  
**February 25, 2018**



## *Reflection*

### FOR THE DREAMERS

From the National Conference of Catholic Bishops:

We are announcing a National Catholic Call-In Day to Protect Dreamers. This coming weekend, we ask the faithful across the nation to call their Members of Congress next Monday, February 26 to protect Dreamers from deportation, to provide them a path to citizenship, and to avoid any damage to existing protections for families and unaccompanied minors in the process.

Our faith compels us to stand with the vulnerable, including our immigrant brothers and sisters. We have done so continually, but we must show our support and solidarity now in a special way. Now is the time for action.

[Among the Dreamers is one of our Diocese of Raleigh seminarians]

**Mass Today—39**

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

**Sunday Youth Mass—Youth Mass Feb 25**

**Weekday Masses— Monday through Friday—8:15AM**

**Reconciliation—**After Daily Mass or check the Pastor's Letter in bulletin and the E-News to see if Confessions are on the schedule for this Saturday at 10:30am.

**Baptisms—**See Guidelines on Website—Email the Pastor

**Weddings—**See Guidelines on Website—Email the Pastor

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### **Gathering:**

Be Thou My Vision—397

### **Psalm: 116**

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

### **Preparation:**

Transfigure Us, O Lord—501

### **Communion:**

Transfiguration—130

Miracle of Grace—359

How Lovely is Your Dwelling Place—686

### **Sending Forth:**

Rain Down—601

## PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

My Dear Friends,

I express great gratitude to all who helped us reach our parish Bishop's Annual Appeal goal. We have received pledges/gifts of \$199,980 which is 105% of our goal. All gifts now come back to our parish.

38% of the parish has responded – so we still have the opportunity to increase our participation. Pledge forms are still in the baskets in various places in the church.

During Lent our Deacons will lead Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7 pm in the Church.

**ABOUT BAPTISMS:** We do not have baptisms during Lent, so the next opportunities will be after Easter. I do have baptisms at the Easter Sunday Masses. **CONFESSIONS:** There will be Confessions on Saturday February 24 and Saturday March 3 at 10:30 – in the Reconciliation Room on the south side of the church.

During this season of flu and colds – use good judgment about using the Communion cup and giving the handshake of peace.

Last weekend we received \$2,918 for the Black and Indian 2<sup>nd</sup> collection; thank you for giving to the special work in our country.

Father Donald Staib



### IMPORTANT

### PARISH DATES

#### March

- 1—Penance Service—7pm—Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral
- 2—Adoration—8:30am—7pm—Chapel
- 2—Stations of the Cross—7pm—Church
- 4—Youth Mass—6pm—Church
- 7—Penance Service—7pm—St. Bernadette, Fuquay
- 8—Penance Service—7pm—St. Mary Magdalene
- 8—Safe Environment Training—7pm
- 9—Stations of the Cross—7pm—Church
- 9—KofC Fish Fry—5:30—7:45pm—Dining Hall
- 10/11—CPO Food Drive
- 11—2nd Collection—Catholic Relief Services
- 11—Youth Mass—6pm—Church
- 14—Penance Service—7pm—St. Michael, Cary
- 16—Stations of the Cross—7pm—Church
- 18—Youth Mass—6pm—Church
- 20—Penance Service—11am—St. Bernadette, Fuquay
- 20—EM Training—10:30am OR 7pm—Church
- 21—Penance Service—11am—St. Michael, Cary
- 23—Stations of the Cross—7pm—Church
- 25—No Youth Mass
- 29—Holy Thursday Mass—7pm—Church
- 30—Stations of the Cross—12pm—Church
- 30—Good Friday Service—3pm—Church

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

#### Mass Intentions

- Feb. 24—5pm—Helen Portfolio—Aurelia Cochrane
- Feb. 25—9am—Special Intention
- Feb. 25—10:45am—Alice Buckley—The Donovan Family
- Feb. 25—6pm—Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene
- Feb. 26—8:15am—Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene
- March 1—8:15am—Theresa Kolodzieski—Maria Madsen

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

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#### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all who participated. Let's try to reach the other goal: 100% parish participation. The forms are still in the church.

And any funds over our goal come back to our parish – we always have a good use for funds not in our regular budget.

Again many, many thanks! Our Bishop, for his first BAA, noted that he considers the 2 most significant items in the BAA are support for Catholic Charities and for support for our seminarians.

#### NOW THAT THE NEW CHURCH IS COMPLETED

We have the obligation to make large monthly payments for 15 years – and we are challenged to respond to new parish endeavors brought about by our new building. We are grateful for those who are completing their pledges and for new gifts that are given in the monthly 'white' envelope.

#### Parish Contacts

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## Catechetical Corner

**2018 Sacrament Families** – Thank you for attending one of the First Communion meetings last week. If the sudden cancellation of the 10:30am Tues. meeting changed your plans or if you were away, a make-up meeting has been set for Tues, March 13th at 7pm in the Media Center. Please RSVP to Celeste if attending.

**Lenten Reconciliation for Program Students in Grades 3-5** is being offered on Tuesday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:15-6:15pm & Wed, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:45-7:45pm in the Education Building. Sunday students are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Celeste by Mon, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Lenten Almsgiving** – The Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls distributed to all families before Ash Wednesday are due back the week of March 18<sup>th</sup>. Please convert all collected coins to paper money. Checks can also be made out to StMM with Rice Bowl on the memo line for your convenience. Be as generous as your means will allow.

**All Program Families** – The Traditional Elementary Program & Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will be closed for Holy Week – March 25<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> & Easter Week – April 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>. All programs resume the week of April 8<sup>th</sup>/ 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>. As a family make an effort to participate in all Holy Week services.

**Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program** is a Montessori based catechetical program offered in levels of mixed grade groups. Each session is capped at 10 students/class. Students must be age appropriate by Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>. Level I for 3's/ PK/K is offered on Sun. from 8:45-10am OR 10:30-11:45am. Level II for grades 1/2/3 is offered on Sun. from 12-1:15pm as well as Tues. from 5-6:15pm. Level III for grades 4/5 is offered on Wed. from 5-6:15pm. Level II is required for Level III. Sessions take place in the Atrium (old chapel) in the Activities Building. Program runs from late Sept. through late April/early May depending on the Feast of Pentecost each liturgical year. Registration opens in June & runs through Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> each year. For more info about this second religious education program please visit [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church). Select Religious Education.

**Parish First Communion Dates for 2018** are April 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> & April 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> at all weekend liturgies.

**Parish Families with 1<sup>st</sup> Graders in 2018-2019!!** – First Reconciliation & First Eucharist are typically received in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. It is a two-year preparation. Kindergarten is optional & does not meet sacrament requirements. Grade 1 is required for Grade 2. If your child is starting 1<sup>st</sup> Grade in 2018-2019 then you need to register for class instruction with the parish in our Traditional Religious Education Elementary Program. A Catholic baptism is required. Updated information will be posted in May, 2018 for the new year. You can still access [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church). Select Religious Education. Select Elementary, Click on informational links to get a feel for the days & times class sessions are offered. You pick only one session & attend the same session each week.

Direct all questions to Celeste Usischon at [Usischon@stmm.net](mailto:Usischon@stmm.net)



## Youth Ministry

**StMM YM Schedule for Sun, Feb. 25th:**  
**EDGE & Apostello—4:30pm-5:45pm**  
**Youth Mass 6pm**  
**The Way—7:15pm-8:30pm**

**STMM YM Calendar for 2017-2018** can be found at this link: [http://www.stmm.church/2017-2018\\_Youth\\_Ministry\\_Calendar\(1\)\\_2.pdf](http://www.stmm.church/2017-2018_Youth_Ministry_Calendar(1)_2.pdf)

If you have a teen who is currently in 8th/9th/10th/11th grade who will be entering either year 1 or year 2 of Confirmation preparation at STMM in the 2018-2019 school year, please be aware that it is required by our parish that you attend a Parent Confirmation Workshop. We offer 3 of them every year and it is required that 1 parent attend 1 of the 3 sessions offered. To see the complete list of Diocesan Guidelines for receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, please go to this link: <http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/way.cfm> The dates for the 2018 Parent Confirmation Workshops are: **March 12th, April 24th, & May 9th at 7:30pm in the Media Center.**

**St. Mary Magdalene's 2018 Confirmation liturgy will be held on Wednesday, April 25th in the church at 6:30pm.**

**2nd Semester Youth Masses** will held: Feb. 25, March 4, 11 & 18, April 15 & 22 (Senior Recognition Mass) **No Youth Masses—March 25th & April 1st** due to Palm Sunday & Easter and April 8th.

**Next session FOR THE PARENTS is 2/25/18: It's not too late, come check it out!** - For many years Janine and I have felt called to find ways for us to partner with the parents of the teens in our programs. Most of us have been raised that we go to church to receive our sacraments, get married, have kids and while our kids attend faith formation, we fit in as many errands as we can until pick up time. Jesus speaks in scripture of a very different kind of church where people join together to walk this journey as a community, where people prayed and learned about the faith together. We realize these are busy times, but we feel like these times it is more important than ever to stay connected to the 'vine'. It is with that desire that we are so excited to offer our parents an opportunity to come together while their teens are at our youth programs for some time to gather, pray, and grow in their own faith. Don't drop and run, drop and stay! *We will be offering these sessions on the following dates: 2/25, 3/4, 3/18.* On each date the same session will be offered twice: During Apostello & Edge from 4:30—5:45pm & During The Way from 7:15—8:30pm in Room #3 in the church & all are welcome!

Questions regarding the **EDGE & ASP**—Janine McGann  
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Questions regarding **Apostello, The Way, & Confirmation**—  
 Liz Sams at [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com), 919-349-5030  
 919-349-5030.



## RCIA

Our next session is February 26th and our topic is **'Meal Presence and Sacrifice.'** If you are interested in RCIA, please contact Celeste at [usischon@stmm.net](mailto:usischon@stmm.net) with your questions.



## Today's Announcements



**Job Opening - Parish Office Assistant - St. Mary Magdalene** is accepting applications for a full time/year-round Parish Office Assistant. Responsibilities include but not limited to-Facilitate communication via phone, email and face to face. Prepare and produce the weekly bulletin (using Microsoft publisher); prepare and distribute weekly Electronic Newsletter. Enter and maintain accurate parish member records using software which includes but not limited to entering parish registrations and weekly contributions. Maintain parish website. Schedule events & maintain parish calendar. Assist Pastor and other parish staff and volunteers. For a more detailed job description and how to apply visit <http://www.stmm.church/welcome/bulletins.cfm>



**Safe Environment Training** - Adults who wish to volunteer with youth at StMM are required to fill out a volunteer application and attend Safe Environment Training. Our next sessions are Thurs, March 8th at 6:30pm & Mon April 9th at 6:30pm. The session will last approx. 2 hours and is for adults only as the presentation is not appropriate for children. **Must register to attend.** Email Bertha Smith [bsmith@stmm.net](mailto:bsmith@stmm.net) to register and for the meeting room.



**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in the Sacred Liturgy Training Session** is set for Tues, March 20th in Church Room #4 from 10:30am-12pm or 7-9pm. Please RSVP to Celeste by Sun, March 18th at [usischon@stmm.net](mailto:usischon@stmm.net) if interested in attending. If you are already a trained EM 7 would like a brush up, please arrive at 11am or 8pm on the training days.



**StMM Girl Scout Troop 1383 Book Drive Feb. 26th-March 4th**-We need your new & gently used children's books! The books collected will be donated to *Book Harvest*, a Durham-based non-profit that believes in the power of books to change children's lives. We need books of all ages, especially board books and picture books for the youngest readers, as well as books in Spanish and bilingual books. Clear your cluttered shelves of books your children have outgrown so they can find new a home with a child who needs them. Look for the Book Collection Bins in the school lobby Feb. 26th to March 2nd and in the Church Narthex the weekend of March 3rd & 4th.



**Feed-A-Family Food Drive come to StMM**-Did you know that Catholic Parish Outreach food pantry gave a week's worth of groceries to an average of 8,700 people a month in 2017? Next week volunteers will be handing out grocery bags with an attached shopping list or a donation of \$30 feeds a family for one week. Please help CPO serve the less fortunate in our community by taking a bag and returning it on the weekend of March 10/11. We are also in great need of books for preschoolers for our clothing ministry. If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, contact Kelly Rappl at [krappl@nc.rr.com](mailto:krappl@nc.rr.com) or Kathy Barnack at [kbarnack@nc.rr.com](mailto:kbarnack@nc.rr.com).



**Souper Bowl of Caring**-StMM collected 300lbs of soup and \$1,696. The soup and \$500 was delivered to Western Wake Crisis Ministry and CPO received \$1,196 to help serve the poor in our community. Thank you for your generosity!

**Attention Parents!** Isn't it convenient to have 75 minutes every Sunday to run errands while your kids are tucked away in Religious Education? You bet it is! We did too, but then we had a better idea. Instead of hitting Costco, running to Target or Harris Teeter, let's get to know folks in our parish, learn something new and interesting about our faith and relax with a cup of coffee. Last Fall, a small group of parents gathered to do just those things. Our group meets during Sunday Religious Education classes from 12-1:15pm in the school's Media Center. When the kids are there, so are we! Join us! During lent we will watch and discuss Bishop Barron's renowned *CATHOLICISM* series. Journey with us around the world and deep into the Catholic faith. (<http://catholicism.wordonfire.org>) Questions contact Nicole at [nicolesebik@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolesebik@yahoo.com) or Joe at [jsebik@icloud.com](mailto:jsebik@icloud.com).



**Stations of the Cross** will take place in the Church every Friday during Lent at 7pm starting on Friday, Feb. 16th. On Good Friday, March 30th, they will take place at 12noon. Please join us!

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



## Parish Athletics

**Parish Athletics-Spring Soccer (Apex-Cary) - Grades:** Coed, PreK (3 year olds) to 8<sup>th</sup> - **Dates:** March to May; **Practice Locations:** Apex & Cary. **Game Locations:** Apex & Cary. **Cost:** PreK \$60; K thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade - \$65; **Note:** PreK has a combined practice/game on Sat. Kdg thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade have one weekday practice and a game on Sat. **Spring T-Ball & Machine Pitch Baseball - Grades:** Coed, PreK (4 year olds) thru 4<sup>th</sup> **Dates:** April to June; **Practice Locations:** Apex & Cary; **Game Locations:** Apex only; **Cost:** \$65;; **Note:** PreK has a combined practice/game on Sat; K-8<sup>th</sup> grade have one weekday practice and a game on Sat. **Lacrosse (Softcrosse) - Grades:** Coed; K-5<sup>th</sup> **Dates:** March thru May; **Practice/Game locations:** Apex only; **Cost:** \$65; **Note:** All will be on Sun. afternoons and will combine a practice with a game or scrimmage. We will need volunteer coaches for all age groups! **Required Equipment:** Stick, mouth guard, cleats or sneakers. Register at <http://www.parishathleticsnc.org>.





## Lent Penance Services

March 1—7pm—Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral, Raleigh  
 March 7—7pm—St. Bernadette's, Fuquay—Varina  
 March 8—7pm—St. Mary Magdalene (at S. Andrew in Advent)  
 March 14—11am—St. Raphael, Raleigh  
 March 14—7pm—St. Michael, Cary  
 March 20—11am—St. Bernadette, Fuquay-Varina  
 March 21—11am—St. Michael, Cary

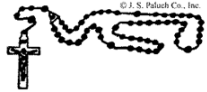


## TAX TIME

**2017 Tax Statements** were emailed to registered parishioners who have a valid email address with the parish. If you receive the E—News you should have received your tax statement. If you did not receive a statement, contact [lynch@stmm.net](mailto:lynch@stmm.net), 919-657-4800 ext. 7281 and one will be sent to you. Be sure to check your junk mail if you receive the E-News



## 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, March 11th. 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.

**It's Official, the 40 Days of Life Spring Campaign begins Ash Wednesday** in Chapel Hill. Feb. 14—March 25 (7am—7pm daily.) You are invited to join other Christians for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion; to stand and peacefully pray in the public right-of-way outside of Planned Parenthood, 1765 Dobbins Drive; and to help spread the word about this important community outreach. For more information and to volunteer to help, go to [40daysforlife.com/chapelhill](http://40daysforlife.com/chapelhill) or email [40dayschapelhill@gmail.com](mailto:40dayschapelhill@gmail.com). Be a witness for life!

**COURAGE** is a prayer and fellowship group that assists individuals with same-sex attractions (or SSA) to live chaste lives in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Meetings are for men and women and strict confidentiality is maintained. For more information email: [courage.sacred.heart@gmail.com](mailto:courage.sacred.heart@gmail.com). Or call: (919) 289-9489.

**EnCourage** is the affiliate support group for parents, friends and family members of loved ones with SSA. EnCourage helps members to focus on their own spiritual development and offers a supportive environment to share information and guidance for maintaining healthy relationships with our loved ones. For more information, email [encourage.sacred.heart@gmail.com](mailto:encourage.sacred.heart@gmail.com). Or call: (984) 221-0730. Strict confidentiality is maintained.



## Diocesan News

**Special Needs Mass** All are invited to a celebration Mass, on Sat, March 3rd at 11am, with Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama at St. Andrew's in Apex. Join us for worship and fellowship as we pray for and celebrate the lives of the members of our community with special needs. A lunch reception provided by the Diocese of Raleigh will follow Mass in the Fellowship Hall, please register to reserve your spot: [raldioc.configio.com/go/special-needs-mass](http://raldioc.configio.com/go/special-needs-mass). For more information or to volunteer to serve in the Mass, please contact Mary Beth Phillips at 919-719-8267 or [Marybeth.phillips@raldioc.org](mailto:Marybeth.phillips@raldioc.org)

**Ignatian Retreat for Men- Discerning God's Plan for Me** The St. Luke's and St. Raphael's Knights of Columbus and St. Raphael's Office of Life Long Formation jointly sponsor this silent men's weekend for Catholic men of the Diocese at Avila Retreat Center, 711 Mason Rd., Durham. It starts Fri, May 18th about 5pm and closes Sun. May 20th around noon. For information contact Jim Haag at 919-841-5817(H) 919-995-1057(C) or e-mail: [jjmthaag@bellsouth.net](mailto:jjmthaag@bellsouth.net). Or simply make your reservation by sending a \$95 deposit to KofC Council #12455: note Men's Retreat to: Ignatian Men's Retreat, C/O Jim Haag, 500 Emerywood Dr., Raleigh, NC 27515.



**Join Catholic Charities for their Inaugural "Drive Out Hunger" Golf Outing** at North Ridge Country Club in Raleigh on Mon, June 11th. Proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities food pantries across the diocese and provide groceries to the 16.5% of North Carolina families who lack reliable access to healthy meals. For more information and to register, please visit [www.CatholicCharitiesRaleigh.org/golf-2018](http://www.CatholicCharitiesRaleigh.org/golf-2018) or call 919-821-8142.

**The Opportunity Scholarship Program** expands school choice in North Carolina through financial grants for eligible children in kindergarten through 12th grade. This program provides funding of up to \$4,200 per year for eligible children who choose to attend a participating nonpublic school. For information, go to <http://www.ncseaa.edu/OSG.htm>



**Save the Date! 15th Ignited By Truth Catholic Conference April 28, 2018** Reynolds Coliseum, Raleigh "Bringing to light the truth of the teachings of the Catholic Church and igniting in all hearts a love for the Faith" Speakers: **Dr. Scott Hahn, Deacon Harold Burkes, Mark Hart, Fr. Donald Calloway, and Fr. Robert Spitzer!** For more details, visit [www.IgnitedByTruth.org](http://www.IgnitedByTruth.org)



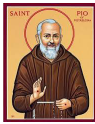
**World Youth Day in Panama:** January 28-21, 2019 Interested in going? Visit <https://raldioc.configio.com/go/wyd2019> For more information contact Ricardo Veloz at (919) 600-8750 or [Ricardo.Veloz@raldioc.org](mailto:Ricardo.Veloz@raldioc.org) right away.

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## News From Other Organizations



"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Let us learn to listen better to each other and God by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next weekends are: Aug 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC and Nov 9-11, 2018 in ATLANTIC BEACH, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144.



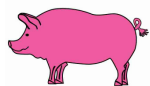
**"Padre Pio Prayer Group"**—Join us the first Saturday of every month for 8am Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio. Exposition, prayers, and confession, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Raleigh. Our next meeting is March 3rd. All are welcome!



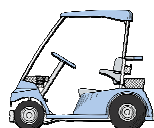
**Catholic Charities offers counseling in Raleigh & Cary.** Each location has licensed clinical social workers who treat adults, children, couples and families. The Raleigh office has a bilingual therapist. Catholic Charities uses a subsidized fee scale based on income and number in the household. If you have insurance, Catholic Charities will file it for you. To make an appointment, call 919-790-8533 (Raleigh) and 919-388-3065 (Cary). Office hours are Monday to Thursday.



**Single/Single Again Ministry** – 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 follow Mass. 2018 Masses are: March 18, April 22, May 20, and June 17. 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)



**CPO Food Pantry's 5th Annual Pig Pickin' & Open House**—Let's pig out to help feed more families! Sat, April 21st from 4-7:30pm (or until the pig runs out) 2013 Raleigh Blvd, Raleigh. Home-cooked Pork BBQ cooked on-site with beef hot dogs and a variety of side dishes & cold drinks, \$10/plate. Our chefs are the Cathedral KofC. There will be live Bluegrass music, Indoor seating, Bake Sale and so much family fun! Cash, credit & checks accepted. Sponsorship opportunities are available \$250—\$2,500. For more information visit [CPOraleigh.org](http://CPOraleigh.org) or contact Terry Foley at 919-873-0245 ext. 230, [foleyt@raldioc.org](mailto:foleyt@raldioc.org).



**Save the Date for KofC 13th Annual Children's Charity Golf Classic** on Sat, May 12th at Lochmere Golf Club in Cary. For more information on the golf classic or sponsorship opportunities, contact Tournament Director, Rick Nelson at 919-614-2532. Any gift or gift certificate is never too small. Hole Sponsor—\$100, Golf Car Sponsor—\$250, Corporate Sponsor—\$500, Tournament Sponsor—\$1,000



**Search Retreat for 10-12 Graders**—Don't miss this opportunity to interact and share your faith with other Catholic teenagers from across the Diocese of Raleigh on March 9-11, 2018, at Camp Rockfish, Parkton, NC (near Fayetteville). "Search" is a peer-led retreat sponsored by the Diocese of Raleigh, which has touched the lives of teenagers for more than 40 years. Participants are led through a series of witness talks and activities prepared by a team of high school students who encourage participants to seek and find Christ in their own lives and in one another on their journey toward Christian maturity. To register follow the link, <https://raldioc.configio.com/go/search-189> and click on the appropriate registration type, youth or adult. The final day to register is March 4. Cost is \$120; however, no one is denied participation because of inability to pay. Financial assistance is available, please work with your parish. Adult chaperones must be 25 years old and Safe Environment trained. The cost for adults is covered. For more information, please contact the diocesan directors of Search, Monique and Joe Wertis at 919-426-6608 at 919- 520-7059.

The **2018 North Carolina Bread for the World Convention**, scheduled for Sat, April 7th, is rapidly approaching. This year's theme is "Spiritual Politics: Resisting the Impending Hunger Crisis." Again this year, the convention will be held at St. Philip's Episcopal Church in downtown Durham. Registration is now open at <https://spiritualpolitics.eventbrite.com>. Individual pre-registration is just \$25/pp. A discounted rate of \$15 is available for students. Scholarships also are available upon request. Simultaneous translation into Spanish will be available throughout the day. This year's keynote speaker will be Michael Becketts, former director of the Durham County Department of Social Services and now Assistant Secretary for Human Services at the NC Dept. of Health and Human Services. .

**For the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community**, a sign language interpreted Mass is celebrated every 8:30am Mass at St. Michael's in Cary.



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