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## St. Mary Magdalene E-News May 7, 2021

### A Note from Fr. Chris

The life of sacrifice is a product of love. With love the outpouring of sacrifice goes from possible to probable. Our First Communion celebrations are an outpouring of sacrifice and love. We are thankful to our teachers, parents and children for their preparation of joy of the Sacrament of Communion.

Many thanks for all your support of the parish that allow us to bring Jesus Christ to our young people.

Love,

Fr. Chris



# **Upcoming Events**

- May 7 First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am 7pm Church
- May 8 No Confessions
- May 8 5pm Mass
- May 9 9am & 11am Mass
- May 10 Daily Mass 9am
- May 10 Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
- May 11 GATHER 6:30pm
- May 12 Daily Mass 9am
- May 12 Confessions 6pm-7pm
- May 13 Daily Mass 9am
- May 13 EDGE Bible Study 6:30pm

- May 14 Daily Mass 9am
- May 15 No Confessions
- May 15 5pm Mass
- May 16 9am & 11am Mass
- May 17 Daily Mass 9am
- May 17 Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
- May 18 Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church
- May 19 Daily Mass 9am
- May 19 CSO (Catholic Senior Organization) 11am Church Parking Lot
- May 19 GATHER 6:30pm
- May 20 Daily Mass 9am
- May 21 Daily Mass 9am

### **Mass This Weekend**



Flowers donated by Monty and Janelle Buchanan in honor of Molly Hernandez, Happy Mother's Day.

And also by Monty and Janelle Buchanan in memory of Martha Loza.

Thank you to florist Lavender Lane of Apex, NC.

Click **HERE** to Live Stream our 9am Mass

Please remember to subscribe to our channel STMM Church Live to receive reminders when events are added and go live.

#### Music for this week's Mass

Gathering: Sing of the Lord's Goodness #562

Psalm 98: The Lord has revealed to the nations, saving power, saving power, saving power

Preparation: We Have Been Told #507
Communion: Spirit and Grace #345

Communion: We Come Today

Communion: As I Have Done for You #143
Sending Forth: We Are Called #616

#### Outdoor Communion Procedures after 9am Sunday Mass only

- 1. There will be three stations available outside for communion following the 9:00 am Mass; one on the piazza in front of the church and two in the drive thru at the portico for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.
- 2. Ushers will be available with hand sanitizer and face masks are required.

## **Sacraments**

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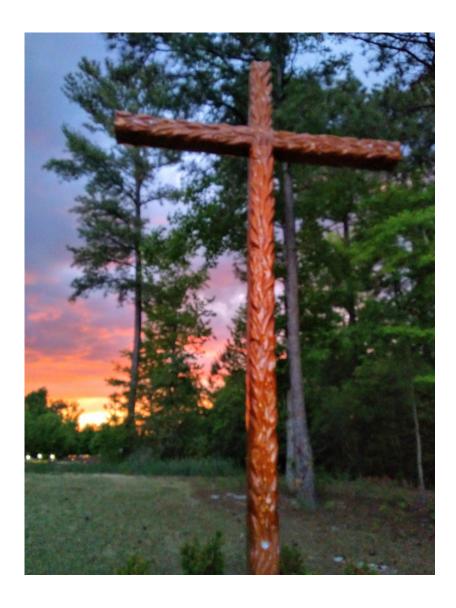
**BAPTISMS** - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, <u>info@stmm.net</u>. First time parents must attend a baptism class [a good time is during the 9 months prior to birth.] Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

**CONFESSIONS** - Confessions are usually, but not every week, at 10:30am on Saturdays in the Church. See "Upcoming Events" section for schedule.

WEDDINGS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email weddings@stmm.net

# Pictures of the Week





# First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday May 7th from 9:30am - 7pm. All are encouraged to pay a visit to the church throughout the day and spend some time in prayer. Can you help by committing to 1 hour a month to spend with our Lord? Please contact Anita Becker at <u>ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM</u> or 919-280-8931 if

interested.

Please wear a mask and socially distance.

# Eucharistic Holy Hour Third Tuesday of the Month

Please join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for Eucharistic Holy Hour **Tuesday May 18th** from 7-8 p.m. and continuing the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We will gather in the Church and begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by praying the Vespers together as a group.

For those of you unfamiliar, the Vespers are part of the Divine Office (Liturgy of the Hours) and

represent the official prayers of the Church. After evening prayer, we will continue with Adoration and Benediction. Handouts will be available so everyone can participate fully.

Look forward to seeing everyone on the 18th!!

## **Catholic Senior Organization**



The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for men and women 60+) will be having our first group meeting of 2021 on Wednesday, May 19, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM, in the back Church parking lot by the columbarium. Since the meeting will be held outdoors, please bring a chair. For more information, please contact Miriam

Moore, miriamdel79@yahoo.com, 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com

### **RCIA**



Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic but not confirmed? The next module of the RCIA process at STMM is starting on June 7, 2021. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Let's have a conversation. Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at <a href="mailto:rcia@stmm.me">rcia@stmm.me</a> and we can help you start the

process. Be assured by Christ's very own words: "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and the door will be opened to you".

## **Elementary Faith Formation**



<u>Gather May Dates -</u> Tuesday May 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup>. Meetings are 6:30 - 7:30 pm in the Church Sanctuary. Our topic this month is Our Blessed Mother Mary.



<u>Gather Virtual Families</u> - The May packets are available for pick up beneath the portico (drive thru side entrance of the church) anytime 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for your convenience. The teaching videos will be distributed in this <u>Gather Newsletter following May 5<sup>th</sup></u>.

#### First Eucharist

Congratulations to all the children who received the sacrament of First Eucharist yesterday. Special thanks to their families for the fine work they did preparing them this year. We look forward to celebrating next Saturday with the remaining First Communicants.

Questions: Please contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7820

# Youth Ministry News



#### **EDGE News**

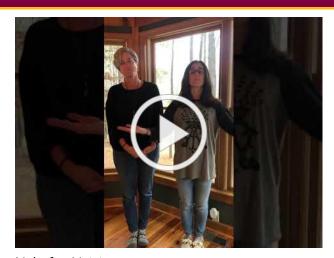
Please contact Janine McGann with any questions at <a href="mailto:ianine.mcgann@gmail.com">ianine.mcgann@gmail.com</a>

#### StMM High School Youth Ministry

Please consider donating to our fundraising effort to help Haiti Mission Inc in building houses in Haiti

Please contact Liz Sams at <u>liz.sams@gmail.com</u> with questions.

### Houses in Haiti



Help for Haiti

Please watch this video with a message from Janine and myself about how StMM is partnering again with Haiti Mission Inc. to assist the wonderful people of Jeremie, Haiti. If you'd like to donate online via the StMM website please click <u>HERE</u>. Click on the 'select a fund' arrow and select "House in Haiti". You may also donate by dropping a check in the Offertory Box located in the church lobby. Please write "House in Haiti" on the memo line. Thank you for your support & prayers for our sister parish in Haiti!

### StMM School News

#### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School is seeking a Liturgical Music Minister. The Liturgical Music Minister for the School Mass will demonstrate a love of Christ, knowledge and respect for worship, and exhibit outstanding leadership qualities. They will be an active worship leader and encourage and teach students how to become worship leaders. They will interface with the school staff to integrate liturgical music into other areas as needed for faith development. Please click here to view the

complete job posting. Please send resume and cover letter to John Mihalyo, principal@stmm.net.

#### No StMM Summer Camps Offered This Year

Please note that StMM School will not be able to offer summer camps this year. We hope to be able to offer these programs once again in the summer of 2022.

## Parishioner Assistance Ministry

#### Help, I need somebody! Song by The Beatles

"How are you doing today?" Such a simple question and yet how often do we answer "fine" "good" or "ok"...and if we were being honest we were neither fine or even ok.

Are you a member of our STMM family who is hurting physically, emotionally, spiritually or financially? Your parish family is here and WANTS TO HELP YOU. We have so many people in our parish willing to serve you and walk with you during this time of difficulty. The important part of this is the "asking". When looking at Jesus' life yes he gave it, for the benefit of others, but we must not get the idea that trying to be more like him demands that we always be the giver, and not the receiver, of service. There are many examples of Jesus accepting help from others. This was not in any way a display of weakness on Jesus' part. He understood that allowing others to serve him provided an opportunity for them both to express love and build a relationship, just as it did when he served them. Jonathan Decker, your family expert

We, your STMM family, want to lighten your burden but we need to know you're hurting and in need. How do you let us know? 1. Call the parish and leave a confidential message with Deb Prewitt she will put you in touch with the people that can help. 2. Contact Dan or Kathy from the Parishioner Assistance Ministry. Depending upon your need we will work to find the right assistance for you. You do not need to go this road alone. Let us help you get your feet back on the ground.

Dan Moskey (919) 986-8613 dmoskey12@gmail.com

Kathy Lynch (919) 210-2709 kcclynch@yahoo.com

## **Altar Flower Donations**



Take this opportunity to consider donating flowers to St. Mary Magdalene to beautify the altar and church for weekly Mass to honor our Lord. These flowers will be donated in honor of or in memory of your loved one.

<u>Click here</u> and take the easy steps to choose partial or full donation and send payment before your donation date. Your donation will be acknowledged in the bulletin. For questions, please contact <u>floralministry@stmm.net</u>.

## **Adult Faith Formation Opportunities**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPTIONS:** STMM offers a wide variety of adult faith formation options, and some are continuing to meet virtually during the pandemic. Prayerfully consider how you can grow deeper in your faith and download our brochure of options by <u>clicking here.</u>

For more information and for the point of contact for each ministry, please see the website:

# **Career Network Ministry**



You're invited!

Thursday, May 13, 2021

9:00 - 10:15 am

**RSVP** here

Learn the benefits of

Mind Mapping and why it can help you prepare differently. We'll explore a few different application examples which will help you be more creative and resourceful in your job search journey.

Guest Speaker: Sean Mitton, Business Development Manager, At Work Learning

## Helping Aging Parents, Partners & You

Aging Conversations: HAPPY Hour

Helping Aging Parents, Partners & You: SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, June 10, 6 - 7:30 p.m. on Zoom Learn about local programs to support independent living focused on maximizing older adults' safety, comfort, and well-being. Wake County has a network of public, non-profit, and private resources for seniors, but planning is key! Join us for personal stories and expert guidance to prepare your roadmap to local services that can most benefit you and your loved one. Contact Resources for Seniors at <a href="mailto:carysc@rfsnc.org">carysc@rfsnc.org</a> or <a href="mailto:amdisera@uncg.edu">amdisera@uncg.edu</a> for more information. Register in advance for this meeting: <a href="https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwkdeCpgj0gHNJpdhXaTi8MsmipQ">https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwkdeCpgj0gHNJpdhXaTi8MsmipQ</a> ZEwtGd

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