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St. Mary Magdalene E-News July 27, 2018

A Note From Father Donald Staib

In our church cycle of Bible readings for the weekend - every third year we read for six weeks about Jesus' miracle of the loaves and fish from St Mark. Six weeks on one topic is something of a challenge.

Food is a necessity for us all; some people do not have enough; some people do not receive the best kind of food. Another need people have is a place to live.

In the Reflection this week are some startling numbers I saw recently from a newsletter of our own Western Wake Crisis Ministry. Take a look.

CONFESSIONS: On Saturday 28 there will be Confessions at 10:30. Also on Saturday August 4 at 10:30, after Baptisms.

Father Donald Staib donfs22@aol.com St. Mary Magdalene E-News

Our 10:45am Mass is Live Streamed!

Click HERE to Live Stream our 10:45am Mass

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.

Reflection

INFO FROM A NEWSLETTER OF WESTERN WAKE CRISIS MINISTRY

- *Here in Wake County 44% of renters (56,066 households), have difficulty affording their homes;
- *49,000 low-income households spend between 30% and 50% of their income on housing, and are considered housing cost-burdened;
- *A two-bedroom apartment in Apex averages \$1,158 a month, but the average renter can only afford \$817 a month;
- *In 2015, Wake County had an unmet housing need of ~56,000 affordable units;
- *In 2016, 15,668 Wake County families faced eviction.

The issue of affordable housing (also known as workforce housing) hits close to home at Western Wake Crisis Ministry as we see more and more people walk through our doors seeking financial help, or needing food. These include working families and elderly citizens of Apex having difficulty affording increasing expenses.

As we work toward developing more sustainable solutions for those we serve, access to housing that is affordable needs to be - and will be - an important part of our conversation. This month, we're starting with a call to those in our community who have property they would like to rent at an affordable rate. We invite landlords (especially private landlords) to partner with us in establishing the HOME Project. Please contact Annika Spivey (annika@wwcm.org) if you would like to be part of this sustainability program.

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.

DONATE NOW TO OUR NEW CHURCH

(Click on the above link to Donate)

Pictures of the Week



Wedding of Christina Fendrick and Bruce Lester, Jr.



Man Fully Alive Conference

Homes of Hope India

Thanks for July 21-22 collection for Homes of Hope orphanage Such generosity and love for the orphan girls of India.

There will be many St. Mary Magdalene Stepping Stones at our newest orphanage in Assam, India.

Well, folks....you certainly outdid yourself! When all the donations are totaled, you have given almost \$10,000 for the construction of Alphonsa Home, the Homes of Hope orphanage that will lovingly care for girls who were orphaned or abandoned, others who are handicapped, autistic, or otherwise

marginalized. (And the donations are still coming in.)

That means the girls will be saying their prayers for you each night, walking the Stepping Stones. <u>Three of those stones will be your</u>s. All of you gave generously and a few of you went beyond even that, individually contributing a Stepping Stone.

The girls like Bornita in this photo, were once society's castoffs. But the brave Franciscan Clarist sisters went village to village to gather them in. The sisters really didn't have a proper building for them, so the girls are now crammed into classrooms, as there is no other place for them. But construction has already started, because of you, and in not too many months our 70 girls will have real beds to sleep in, a real dining room, computers to prepare them for life, a dispensary to keep them healthy.

I cannot thank you enough. The best way to keep up with all the happenings at Homes of Hope is to sign up for our E-Newsletter at www.homesofhopeindia.org. And, if you haven't already donated, you can do so on our website

My profound thanks and love go out to you, fellow North Carolinians.

Paul Wilkes paulwilkes@homeofhopeindia.org



Youth Ministry Registration

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year/Confirmation 2019 went LIVE on July 1st at http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/highschool.cfm

EDGE is for rising 6th-8th graders & meets from 4:30pm-5:45pm on Sundays

The Way is for rising 9th-12th graders not yet confirmed & meets from 7:15pm-8:30pm on Sundays

Apostello is for rising 11th & 12th graders already confirmed & meets from 4:30pm-5:45pm on

Sundays

DAWG's

<u>DAWG's: OPEN TO RISING 9th GRADERS OVER THE SUMMER!</u> Led by Danny Fitzpatrick & a team of college guys, <u>DAWG's</u> is for guys in HS who desire healthy brotherhood in their lives. You don't have to be a member of StMM YM to attend. Here you can be yourself, talk about the tough topics, share the ups and downs of your HS lives and of course just have some fun! <u>DAWG's</u> is scheduled to meet: 6pm-8:30pm.(come for all or some) For more info please contact Danny Fitzpatrick at: dpfitzpa@gmail.com with questions. Summer Dates: 8/8 & 8/22 in the Youth Room at StMM

Follow DAWG's on instagram: dawgs.stmm

E-Circle

E Circle IS OPEN TO RISING 9TH GRADERS OVER THE SUMMER!! E CIRCLE is a ministry open to all HS girls who desire healthy sisterhood in their lives. You don't have to be a member of StMM YM to attend. E Circle is a place for HS women where you can be yourself and talk about tough topics, share joys & concerns, & have some fun during these crazy busy HS years. E Circle is meeting at Leah Beavers house on 7/31 & 8/15.

Follow **E Circle** on social media for more updates! Insta: stmm_ecircle Twitter: STMM E-Circle. Snap: e-circle **E Circle** is led by Leah Beavers & Claire Fitzpatrick.

Safe Environment Training



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 Sun, 8/26 at 12noon; Mon, 9/10 at 6:30pm; Thurs, 9/13 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) to register and for meeting room.

Singles Group



On Saturday August 4th at 6pm please join the Southwest Wake Catholic Singles / Singles Again Ministry for an evening dinner at Wasabi Sushi-Bar-Thai at McGregor Village in Cary. Bring a friend to introduce to the group. All are welcome. Please contact Mike Burger at 919-349-2500 via text phone call or email to michaelwburger@gmail.com. Hope to see you there! http://wasabicarync.com/

Family Promise



Family Promise - StMM Supporting Homeless FamiliesStMM will support Family Promise by volunteering time and donating items to homeless families that will be housed at St. Andrew August 19-26. Please stop by tables in the lobby the weekend of August 4-5 to select your volunteer activity or

item for donation. We could not do this without you, and need many volunteers for each day and night. Family Promise is a county-wide program that provides support to pre-screened homeless families as they transition into permanent housing

http://www.familypromisewake.org/. Reminder: All donations are dropped off at St. Andrew. Please contact Mary Wire at mbwire@gmail.com or 919-749-8932 with questions

Parish Athletics

Fall Apex-Cary Soccer *Grades:* Coed, Pre-K (3 year-olds) to 8th; Dates: August-October; Practice Locations: Apex or Cary, you pick; Game Locations: Apex & Cary; Cost: Pre-K - \$65; K-8th Grade - \$70; includes medal, shirt, and picnic; Note: Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. K-8th graders have one weekday practice per week and weekend games.

Fall T-ball & Machine-pitch (Apex-Cary Grades: Coed. Pre-K (4 year-olds) to 4th; Dates: September - October.Cost: \$65 (includes medal, shirt, hat, and picnic); Practice Locations: Apex & Cary.Game Locations: Most games in Apex, but some could be in Cary; Note: Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays.K-4th grade have one weekday practice per weekand games on Saturdays; Format: Pre-k & Kindergarteners play T-ball and 1st to 4th graders play Machine-pitch.

Fall Flag Football (Apex-Cary) Grades: Coed; Pre-K (4 year-olds) to 5th; Dates: September - November. Practice Location: Cary & Apex; Game Location: Apex; Cost: Pre-k, \$55; K-5th Grade, \$60 (includes medal, shirt, and picnic); Format: Pre-K will have practices/games on Saturdays; K-5th grades will have one weekday practice and games on Friday nights.

Parish Athletics Day at Dick's Sporting Goodson August 11th (Saturday) Parish Athletics is having a Parents Appreciation Day at Dick's Sporting Goods (Location: <u>1531 Beaver Creek Commons, Apex</u>). Our guests will receive a 20% Off Dick's Sporting Goods Coupon for the day of the event.Coupons available at store from 9am - 1pm or can be printed at ParishAthleticsNC.org.

Register at https://parishathleticsnc.org

'Knight's Corner'



Become a Knight! Faith, Family and Fraternity...These words make up the foundation upon which the Knights of Columbus stands. The efforts of our local Council 7186 support the St. Mary Magdalene community as well as communities around the world. Males who are 18 years of age or older and who are practicing Catholics are eligible to

join. For information about this sponsored organization, please visit <u>www.kofc7186.org</u> or contact Michael Erpenbach at <u>mike@erpenbach.com</u>.

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