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St. Mary Magdalene E-News October 5, 2018

A Note From Father Donald Staib

The total funds we have received from our parish for those affected by Hurricane Florence has now reached \$27,854. We all know it will be a long process to help people recover and resume their lives. Many thanks for this generosity. You can still participate - just mark your gift and we will forward these funds to Catholic Charities to help people.

This week there was also huge devastation and more than 1,000 lives lost in the earthquake and tsunami on the Indonesian island of Sulawesi. A few years back I visited this island for a few days. Catholic Relief Services is helping people there now, and contributions can be made through the CRS website. The images show enormous destruction.

This past week our founding Principal of St. Mary Magdalene School, Bob Cadran, announced that he will retire at the end of this school year. In 1999 Bob was selected to be Principal and he began the task of helping with the construction of the classroom building, assembling a staff of teachers, choosing curriculum, organizing a sports program, enrolling students, and all the other major and minor details of opening a brand new school.

I can still remember the wonderment of the first day of school when everybody and everything was brand new. We are most grateful to Bob for all these years of service to our school and parish and wish him well in all future endeavors. He will always be the only one to have the title 'Founding Principal.'

CONFESSIONS: There will be Confessions on Saturday October 6 at 10:30, after Baptisms. There will also be Confessions on Saturday October 13 at 10:30, but not on October 10.

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

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD
Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment

Lord Jesus, in journeying towards the Synod, your Church turns her attention to all the young people in the world. We pray that they might boldly take charge of their lives, aim for the most beautiful and profound things of life and always keep their hearts unencumbered.

Accompanied by wise and generous guides, help them respond to the call you make to each of them, to realize a proper plan of life and achieve happiness.

Keep their hearts open to dreaming great dreams and make them concerned for the good of others.

Like the Beloved Disciple, may they stand at the foot of the Cross, to receive your Mother as a gift from You. May they be witnesses to your Resurrection and be aware that you are at their side as they joyously proclaim you as Lord.

Amen.

Financial Matters

Stock Donations Before Year's End? If you are considering a tax deductible stock donation

before the end of 2018 the process is easy. Go to http://dioceseofraleigh.org/give and download the stock donation form. A contact person is listed on the form should you have questions. All stock donations are processed through the Diocese of Raleigh and proceeds are forwarded to the parish.

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)

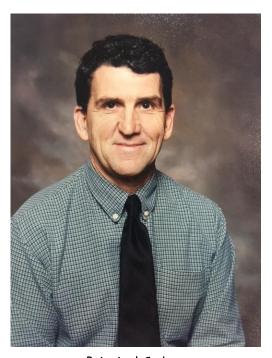
Pictures of the Week



The wedding of Kyle Fondaw and Nicole Olavarria on Friday, September 28th.



StMM School Children brought their pets this week for the Annual Blessing of the Animals. We will also have a Blessing of the Animals this Sunday, October 7th at 1:15pm in the Church Piazza near the Jonah statue.



Principal Cadran School's First Year



Principal Cadran
Present Day

Appalachia Service Project 2019



Applications for next summer's mission trip will be available after mass on Sunday, October 7! Visit The Way check in desk or chat with Taylor Wray! All youth and adults who are interested in going must go through this application process. Some basic requirements: Must be 14+ years old, active member at StMM, interested in service!

Have some questions beforehand? Contact Taylor Wray at stmmasp@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy of the Word



Children's Liturgy of the Word- Sign-ups begin soon and volunteers needed! Calling children ages 3 years to first grade to sign up for Children's Liturgy of the Word. This co-op ministry guides children through a portion of the Mass in a prayerful, kid-centered way. We are excited to begin offering CLOW starting October 21st at the Sunday Masses. **New this year, we will need children to officially register so that we can communicate with parents throughout the year and

to ensure we have the necessary parent volunteers and C Level Safe Environment Leaders for this ministry to flourish.** Children sign-ups will begin at the Ministry Fair on Oct 13/14, or contact Celeste Usischon <u>usischon@stmm.net</u> to volunteer now as a leader. Thank you!

Do You Love Music, Sound Systems And Technology?



StMM Music Ministry is looking for someone to assist with the sound system during all Masses including the Youth Mass! We would like to have someone start training as soon as possible. This opportunity is open to High School students and up! If you are interested in training for this, please contact stmmsoundministry@gmail.com.

Chrysalis - Marriage Enrichment

Calling all married couples to Chrysalis Marriage Enrichment! With a focus on faith and fellowship, monthly meetings are thoughtfully designed to help couples strengthen their relationships and families through Christ. To sign up or for more information, please email Ryan & Kelley Evenson at strmmchrysalis@gmail.com. Fall



meeting dates are Sun, Sept 30; Sat, Oct 20; and Sun, Nov 18. Onsite childcare is available at our regular Sunday meetings for children under 10 years. RSVPs are kindly requested. Looking for an opportunity to help serve our parish families? C-level certified adults and responsible, energetic youth volunteers (ages 11 years +) are needed on the Chrysalis Childcare Team. Volunteers lead organized activities and care for the children during regular monthly meetings. To volunteer, please contact stmmchrysalis@gmail.com. Thank you!

Welcome Dinner



A soup and salad welcome meal for new members of the parish will be held Saturday Oct 13th in the St Martha hall (the activities building cafeteria) immediately after the 5pm Mass. We encourage representatives of St Mary Magdalene ministries to attend and to introduce themselves. We also need volunteers to help with meal preparation and setup. If you would like to attend the dinner or volunteer to help,

please call Christine Agius at 919-303-5803.

Ministry and Stewardship



Ministry and Stewardship-You are invited to the 2018 Ministry Fair in the Narthex (lobby) of the church after each Mass on the weekend of October 13th and 14th. The Ministry Fair is a wonderful way for parishioners to

meet and gather information about the various ministries, committees, and organizations opportunities that are available within the parish community. Donuts and drinks will be provided.

Catholic Parish Outreach



CPO "Feed-A-Family" Food Drive collection at St. Mary Magdalene rescheduled for October - Due to Hurricane Florence, the collection for the CPO

"Feed-A-Family" food drive at St. Mary Magdalene has been rescheduled for the weekend of October 20th & 21st. Please help CPO serve the less fortunate in our community by dropping off your CPO grocery bag or monetary donation to the CPO truck parked in the StMM parking lot on October 20th & 21st. We are also in great need of books for preschoolers for our children's clothing ministry. If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please contact Kelly Rappl at krappl@nc.rr.com or Kathy Barnack at kbarnack@nc.rr.com

Rosary "Coast to Coast"



Join us for the Rosary "Coast to Coast" Oct. 7th @ 3pm in the StMM Chapel. Following the example of other nations, a Rosary prayed "Coast to Coast" in the United States is being organized on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Our Holy Mother Church has come under fire. Not from outside, but from within. For

many years the tragedy of perverse people have destroyed the lives and faith of it's seminarians, it's children, and the laity overall. We must not pretend it didn't happen, but must hold those guilty accountable for their actions, those harmed in protective and embracing arms and with prudence protect those wrongfully accused. Our Church will face many hard times in the near future. Join the thousands in our country as together we pray for those that have been victims, and for our Mother Church as we persevere. For additional information, please contact jeff hoffman@nc.rr.com

919-306-3931 http://rosarycoasttocoast.com.

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 session is Mon, Nov. 5th 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.

Catholic Senior Organization



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, Oct 15, 9:30 - 11am, in Church meeting room #1. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, <u>miriamdel79@yahoo.com</u>, 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, <u>gmomfran@gmail.com</u>.

'Knight's Corner'

Calling all Catholic Men to the Knights of Columbus

"A Catholic Fraternal Service Organization"

Our Knights at StMM Council 7186 have been delivering supplies for nearly two weeks to our brothers and sisters in the coastal areas of North Carolina that have been severely flooded and damaged by Hurricane Florence. We are now beginning to help with the clean-up. We could use some more helping hands. Are You Being Called? Please join us to help those in need.

For more information to becoming a Knight:

Visit our website: http://kofc7186.org Contact: Grand Knight (Tom Blum) at gkkofc7186@gmail.com or our Membership Committee at MembershipKofC7186@gmail.com

Calendar

Sunday Oct 14: 2nd Sunday Breakfast

Saturday Oct 13 - Sunday Oct 14: StMM Ministry Fair

Saturday Oct 20 - Sunday Oct 21: CPO "Feed A Family" Fall Food Drive

Saturday Oct 27: Apex Music Festival

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