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St. Mary Magdalene E-News September 28, 2018

A Note From Father Donald Staib

Last week in the 2nd collection for those affected by Hurricane Florence we received \$22,099. A wonderful generosity! We will forward these funds to Catholic Charities to use to help people.

Last Tuesday I visited some friends on the coast and on the drive back and forth saw some of the effects of the Hurricane in Jacksonville, Morehead City, Havelock, New Bern, and Kinston. Most of the destruction I saw was a result of flooding. It is so sad to see people's belongings: beds, sofas, chairs on the highway awaiting pickup for trash. I also saw trucks of clean-up equipment, many with license tags from far-away places such as Michigan and Kansas.

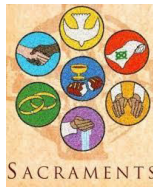
CONFESSIONS: There will be Confessions on Saturday September 29 at 10:30, after Baptisms, and also on Saturday October 6 at 10:30, after Baptisms.

Father Donald Staib
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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

Interview of Archbishop of Riga, Latvia, Zbigņevs Stankevičs
[before visit by Pope Francis]

In this historic moment for Europe, nationalist feelings are resurrecting in many of the continent's countries. Is this true for Latvia? But nationalism, in your opinion, is always to be condemned?

It depends on what the contents of this concept of "nationalism" are. From my point of view, I would distinguish "patriotism" and "nationalism"; the former is good, the second is not, although some experts argue that there are various levels of nationalism, and the "softer" ones can be accepted. I say this: love for one's own homeland is something necessary, it is part of the fourth commandment, "Honor thy father and mother": but with nationalism we already get to feel a sense of superiority towards others, and this it is not acceptable.

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 Kenneth Oliva and Dana Feldner on Saturday, September 22nd.
Kenneth was an Altar Server in our gym Mass days.



This picture is a small example of the Recognition Wall we will place in the north corridor for those who so generously helped to build our church. Adeline Burge and Jonathan Barta came to help me show this for the e-news. The actual placement will be much larger than this sample.

Appalachia Service Project 2019


Are you new to ASP? Have questions about the trip?
Want more details before applying? Apps open to ages 14+



STMM ASP 2018

INFORMATION MEETING

Thursday, October 4, 7pm, STMM Media Center



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

STMM ASP 2019 APPLICATIONS

GO LIVE ON SUN, OCT 7!

Questions? Email Taylor at stmmaspp@gmail.com

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!

Not sure what ASP is, what it has in store for you, or maybe you have always wanted to go on ASP, but have not yet had the opportunity? Join us at our information meeting on Thursday, October 4, 7pm in the StMM Media Center! This meeting is for adults, parents, and youth who are interested in going on ASP 2019 and have not gone before!

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

The 177 Project Coming to StMM



This fall, the 177 Project is partnering with 22 different artists to bring an evening of Eucharistic Adoration and music to every single diocese in the US! On **9/30/18**, we'll be at **St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church** in **Apex** and we want you to join us. The evening is free and open to all ages so bring your whole family! We will be hosting 2 events at different times but similar content. First one is from 4:30pm - 5:45pm. Our youth mass(which any age can attend) will be celebrated at 6pm, and a second 177 Project event will follow from 7:15pm until 8:30pm. All events & the mass are in the church. You can learn more about 177 Project by visiting their website at <https://www.the177project.com/> Please contact liz.sams@gmail.com with any questions regarding this event. Can't wait to see you there!

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 stmmchrysalis@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!

Extraordinary Ministers Training



Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist in the Sacred Liturgy Training is set for Sunday, September 30th at 1p-3p in the Church. Questions please contact Lisa Westberg at lisa.westberg@duke-energy.com. Come if you need a brush up or new to the ministry.

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.

Family Promise



Family Promise - STMM Supporting Homeless Families StMM will support Family Promise by volunteering time and donating items to homeless families that will be housed at St. Andrew October 14-21. Please stop by tables in the lobby the weekend of Sept 29-30 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.

Ministry and Stewardship



Mark your calendars for the **StMM Ministry Fair** in the Narthex after all Masses on the weekend of October 13th-14th. Come find out about the wonderful work that our ministries carry out and the opportunities that are out there for you to get involved!

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, 9:30-11:00 AM, in Church meeting room #1. Our speaker will be an officer from Apex Community Policing. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, miriamdel79@yahoo.com, 919-387-8676, or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com.

'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

STMME-News, 625 Magdala Place, Apex, NC 27502

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