

St. Mary Magdalene E-News August 5, 2022

A Note from Father Chris

Jesus proclaims for us to be on guard. On guard for what takes away our peace, our grace, and our trust. There can be many obstacles to us in life; from outside and from within. Because of love we are in a position to triumph, because of God we are endowed with a spirit and soul of resilience. Through the blessings available we can help one another to live in peace, grace and trust. We can help each other rebound when we feel lost.

The inner strength that comes from faith is so important to share, especially with our young people. Please volunteer this week to help this year's Youth Faith Programs, and also register the young people in your life in our programs. A life of victorious peace, grace, and trust is available through the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. The sacramental promises are promises of love.

Many blessings,

Fr. Chris

Giving Portal

Upcoming Events

August 5 - First Friday Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church

August 6 - No Confessions

August 6 - 5pm Mass

August 7 - 9am & 11am Mass

August 8 - Daily Mass 9am

August 8 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

August 10 - Daily Mass 9am

August 10 - Forward in Hope 7pm Church Room 1

August 11 - Daily Mass 9am

August 11 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel

August 12 - Daily Mass 9am

August 13 - Confessions 10:30am

August 13 - 5pm Mass

August 14 - 9am & 11am Mass

August 14 - 4pm Back to School Mass

August 15 - Daily Mass 9am

August 15 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

August 16 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm

The Chapel is open from 7am - 3:30pm during the week. Please enter through the single metal door to the left.

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. Click here 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 floralministry@stmm.net

Mass This Weekend



Flowers donated by Allie Brewer in loving memory of Arturo & Teresita Urgelles and Baron Brewer

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

Music for this weekend's Mass

Gathering: Enter the Journey 646

Psalm: 33 Happy are the people the Lord has chosen, chosen to be his own

Preparation: The Servant Song 389 Communion 1: You Are Near 436

Communion 2: I Am the Bread of Life 326

Communion 3: How Can I Keep From Singing 443

Sending Forth: Rain Down 614

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass only

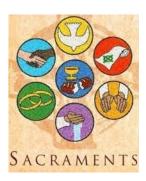
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

Sacraments

BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, info@stmm.net. First time parents must attend a baptism class. 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



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 Wed, 8/31 at 1PM. The session will last approx 2 hours and is for adults only as the presentation is not appropriate for children. Must register to attend as seating is limited. Email Bertha Smith (bsmith@stmm.net) to register and to get meeting location.



First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday August 5th 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? We are in need of some volunteers for 5-6pm hour.

Please contact Anita Becker at <u>ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM</u> or 919-280-8931 if interested.

Eucharistic Holy Hours First and Third Tuesdays

The 1st Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Dev from 7-8pm as we spend an hour with our Lord devoted to meditation in a spirit of Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, and Supplication (ACTS). We will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and close with Benediction. Handouts will be available so everyone can participate fully.



The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for an Eucharistic Holy Hour from 7-8 pm. 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.

Next Holy Hour August 16 7-8pm

Adult Confirmation and Catholic Faith Refresher

Have you been baptized and received first Holy Communion but have yet to be confirmed? Is it something you've always wanted to get around to but haven't found the time or didn't know how to go about it? Are you an inquiring Catholic who feels like you've missed out on some key doctrines of the Church? Or maybe feel the need to be refreshed and reinvigorated? Then these sessions would be perfect for you as well. The next group session will begin on Wednesday, September 28 and continue for the next five or six consecutive Wednesdays 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. If interested, please contact Deacon Rick by phone at 908-910-0309 or by e-mail at Stevens@stmm.net.

RCIA



Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic? Are you wanting to participate fully in the sacraments instituted by Christ? Are you a baptized Christian and desiring to receive the Eucharist and Confirmation? The next module of the RCIA process at StMM is starting on August 22, 2022. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at rcia@stmm.me and let's have a conversation. 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".

The StMM Prayer Team



Summer is here, and so is the Prayer Team! May we all enjoy this season of relaxation and take the opportunity to slow down, pray more, and simply bask in the Son;)

If we can help lift your prayers through the joys and trials of life, please connect with us. stmm.net experience.

Request Prayers

All are welcome to join our team in lifting the prayers of our parish family, in whatever ways you like to pray best. Parish intentions are shared weekly, drop us a note if you would like to learn more about this ministry.

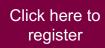
StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net

Prayers and Squares Prayer Quilt Ministry

Do you know anyone who is in need of prayers? We make personalized lap sized prayer quilts for each recipient. To request a quilt for someone, please contact Lorraine Morris at lcmmris0707@gmail.com

Faith Formation

Registration for Faith Formation is open from July 1st - August 15th.







Register for Faith Formation without late fees by 8/15

Registration fees before August 15th are: \$80 for Gather contributing parishioners \$100 for Rock contributing parishioners (currently using envelopes or auto draft)

\$160 Gather for non-contributing parishioners \$200 Rock for non-contributing parishioners

Scholarships available based on need

Registrations received after August 15th incur a \$50 late fee







Questions:

For **GATHER**, contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7280

For **Rock**, contact Theresa Bova at **bova@stmm.net** or 919-657-4800 x7288

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry



What?: StMM EDGE Retreat

Where?: Caraway Conference Center & Camps in Sophia, NC

When?: Friday, October 14th, 2022 (departure time TBS) to Sunday, October 16th, 2022 (pick up between 3-3:30pm)

How?: Chartered Bus Service

How much?: \$175.00 The retreat full payment or a 50% deposit must be submitted with the form to secure a spot on the retreat. You may pay in payments as long as the balance is paid by October 1st but the spot isn't secure until you have paid at least a 50% deposit.

You must cancel by October 1st in order to receive a refund.

Please contact Theresa (bova@stmm.net) to inquire about scholarship opportunities.

Link to Register: https://secure.accessacs.com/access/eventlogin.aspx?id=tv4olRMtUhOclfX3/LDADA==&site=102397&ReturnUrl=events%2fwz_people.aspx&ChurchID=1554&EventID=221290&sn=102397





Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Theresa Bova at **bova@stmm.net** or 919-657-4800 x7288

For Apostello and the Way, contact Niki Bordelon at bordelon@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7309

Triangle Refugee Student Project

The Triangle Refugee Student Project is an Eagle Scout Service Project by Troop 316 life scout Andrew Lynch which is collecting school supplies for local refugee students. They are looking for physical donations of supplies, which can be donated and placed in collection bins that will be located in the Church narthex.

Supplies wanted include: backpacks, lunchboxes, water bottles, binders, lined and gridded paper, pencils, colored pencils, glue sticks, and crayons. A full list of locations can be found online at trianglerefugee.org/Donate. Alternatively, you can help by purchasing items from their Amazon wish list and sending supplies to the project's front door. The link for this wishlist can be found at trianglerefugee.org/Donate.

Any help will be greatly appreciated and will benefit local refugee students.

Catholic Parish Outreach - Thank You

Thank you to all of the parishioners who supported the CPO Baby Item Drive July 23rd weekend. StMM donated 1,375 lbs. of baby items and \$2,500. Thank you for your continued generosity to our neighbors in need.

Please feel free to leave baby clothes (sizes 0 – 6T only) in the CPO collection bags under the covered drivethru (yes, we are still collecting grocery bags each week). Please tell your friends too! We are in great need of children's clothing and bags. Thank you again!

Knights of Columbus - Blood Drive

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive: Saturday August 27th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the school parking lot. Schedule your time on the Blood Connection link.

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/182721

Help satisfy the critical shortage of blood.

Knights of Columbus

Congratulations to our Knights of Columbus Council 7186 for receiving the distinguished Star Council award for Fraternal Year 2021/2022 led by Art Klaum! The award recognizes our excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities. Among our accomplishments this past year:

Donation to STMM for capital needs
Donations to local organizations that serve individuals with special needs
Supported Feed Thy Neighbor Program
Supported Coats for Kids program
Organized pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Supported Catholic Parish Outreach
Supported other church ministries

Our Council cannot be successful without a Church community that supports our fundraising activities. Thank you for your support!

If you are interested in joining our Council, please reach out to our Membership Director Matt Maiers at matt.maiers@hotmail.com. We look forward to another excellent year of service to the parish and the community in 2022/23!

God bless you!

Vic Agusta Grand Knight

School Employment Opportunities

Saint Mary Magdalene is looking to add to our amazing Monarch team. We are currently accepting applications for substitute teachers as well as after care workers. Please email Kate Lawson at lawson@stmm.net to inquire.

Parishioner Assistance Ministry

Parishioner Assistance Ministry continues to grow, welcoming new volunteers and supporting fellow parishioners who are experiencing difficult times. The team is currently providing rides to Mass for a senior member of our parish and meals to two families who are experiencing medical challenges. We invite any parishioners in need and those interested in supporting this growing ministry to contact us!

God Bless!

Dan Moskey 919-986-8613 Dmoskey12@gmail.com

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