

St. Mary Magdalene February 3, 2023

A Note from Father Chris

Jesus Christ invites us to follow him into life. What we do with our life and how we live our life is important. The challenge and effort is worthy of a great life. This grabbing of the gusto is necessarily mixed with giving ourselves away. Putting God and others ahead of us. This practice of putting God and others ahead of us is: LOVE.

We ask that all our parish and school families make a Bishop's Appeal donation during this time of year.
givetoBAA.org

Fr. Walter Keymont from the Archdiocese of Boston is with us this weekend for the Masses. Please welcome Fr. Wally back to St. Mary Magdalene.

With much love,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

Upcoming Events

February 3 - First Friday Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church
February 4 - First Reconciliation Retreat 8:30am - 12pm
February 4 - Confessions 10:30am
February 4 - 5pm Mass
February 5 - 9am & 11am Mass
February 5 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way
February 5 - 6pm Youth Mass
February 5 - Confirmation Class for Catholic High School Students 7pm Media Center
February 6 - Daily Mass 9am
February 6 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
February 6 - Forward in Hope 7pm Room 1
February 6 - Renew Praise and Worship Night 7:30pm Chapel
February 7 - Forward in Hope 10am Room 1
February 7 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church
February 8 - Daily Mass 9am
February 9 - Daily Mass 9am
February 9 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
February 10 - Daily Mass 9am
February 11 - Confessions 10:30am
February 11 - 5pm Mass
February 12 - 9am & 11am Mass

February 13 - Daily Mass 9am
February 13 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
February 14 - GATHER and the Rock 6:15pm Church

**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

Click [HERE](#) to Stream our 9am Sunday Mass

Music for this weekend's Mass

Gathering: Come Now is the Time to Worship 553

Psalm: 112 The just man is a light in darkness to the upright

Preparation: All That is Hidden 501

Communion 1: Taste and See 335

Communion 2: Christ Be Our Light 601

Communion 3: Here I Am, Lord 395

Sending Forth: We Are the Light of the World 603

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass only

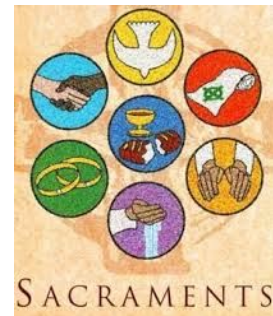
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

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



Pictures of the Week



Mason Clark was baptized on January 29th



Father Chris with the PreK 3's - Happy Catholic Schools Week



Adelaide Corinne Gianni was baptized on January 28th



Oliver Pereira was baptized on January 28th



Julia Smith was baptized on January 28th

Tax Statements for 2022 are Ready

Tax statements are available online. Please follow the directions for printing your statement on our website. For questions, email prewitt@stmm.net, or 919-657-4800 x7281.

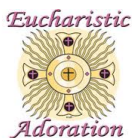
http://www.stmm.church/Tax_statement_instructions_2022_2.pdf

Are you now donating online and do not want to receive church envelopes? If so, please email the parish office at info@stmm.net to stop the envelopes.

Baptismal Font Maintenance

The baptismal font in the church will be undergoing maintenance and re-painting of the bottom of the font next week, starting after Mondays' Mass. In the meantime, a smaller basin will be available in close proximity to the font for use. Thank you for understanding.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, February 3rd 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 ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM or 919-280-8931 if interested.

Eucharistic Holy Hour First and Third Tuesdays

Pope Francis encourages us to spend time in Eucharistic Adoration and allow our encounter with Jesus to transform us. If you are willing to spend an hour communing with our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament, please join Deacon Dev and your fellow parishioners the 1st Tuesday of each month in a spirit of Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, and Supplication followed by Benediction. Handouts will be available to help you participate in prayer and song.



Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, February 7th, from 7- 8pm

Save the Date - Lenten Fish Fry

Fish Fry Alert!



Save the Date: KofC Annual Lent Fish Fry- we're back and in person! -- Friday, February 24th, March 10th , and March 24th at the St. Mary Magdalene Activity Building. Enjoy a great meal while supporting many worthy community causes championed by the Knights of Columbus. We are also sponsoring a free throw contest for boys and girls aged 9 to 14 in the gym during the March 10th Fish Fry.

Columbiettes Corner



Our brand new Columbiettes Auxiliary has gotten off to a great start! With proceeds from our Advent Bake Sale, we have donated \$2000 to worthy causes including Birthchoice, Doorway to Hope, and to SMM for refurbishing our Chapel. We are grateful for your support.

We are a band of sisters dedicated to good works, our faith, and fellowship. We welcome you to join us! For information, contact cathy.h.stevens@gmail.com or call 908-910-0308.

Appalachia Service Project Mission Trip

Join St. Mary Magdalene for our Appalachia Service Project Mission Trip July 23-29! The application deadline is due by February 5th!

- *What is ASP?* ASP is an immersion mission trip in the Appalachia mountains that focuses on building relationships, fostering community, and a little side of construction.
- The planning and meetings for this trip begin in February 2023 all leading up to our week long trip in July.
- You do not need any experience or expertise!
- *Who can go?* We are looking for people who are 14 years old and older. Youth are 14-18 years old & Adults are 19+ years old.
- *Want to apply? Fill out our application here:*

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScbgk1ZUrzXTdcF2XX25uFhsEe84D9Y_JbINpUVyMtpUQgyMg/viewform

• *Have a few questions?* Please reach out to Taylor Wray at stmmaspp@gmail.com



Respect Life Ministry

Calling all crafty kids! The Respect Life Ministry strives to brighten the day of senior citizens in area assisted living centers by sharing custom-made cards with them on important holidays. **Valentine's Day** is fast approaching and we need **kid-made cards** celebrating the holiday. Cards may be left in the labeled box in the church narthex **through February 5th**. Thank you!

Gabriel Project

Keep the Christmas Spirit of Giving into January- STMM Gabriel Project is collaborating with Catholic Parish Outreach to help them keep up their inventory for infant and children's clothing. Currently the bins are empty for boys pants or shirts in sizes 3T, 4T and 5T. CPO accepts new and gently used items. If you or anyone you know has preschool age children who have outgrown clothes, you can drop them off at church in bins marked for CPO or Gabriel Project. Baby blankets and pajamas are also needed. If you have any questions, please let us know by email at gabrielproject@stmm.net or phone Paula 919-441-6500.

Saturday Morning Women's Group

Please join a wonderful group of women on **Saturday mornings. 8am – 9:30am** in Church Building Room 4.

- We keep it simple. No homework, no prep work. Come as you are. Come when you can.
- We read and reflect on the upcoming Sunday gospel or watch short videos or listen to podcasts and discuss.
- Most importantly, we come together in fellowship – to learn, laugh, pray, and grow with each other as we navigate the circumstances of our individual lives, searching for God's will in the ups and downs of family, jobs, and life.
- Yes, it's early so our group is minimal or NO MAKEUP zone. Wear your sweats, throw your hair up, whatever!! We all pledge to be judgment-free. God loves us just the way we are!
- New faces show up each week so please join us!
- *Have a few questions?* Please reach out to Wendy Sechler at wsechler@gmail.com

Discipleship Quads



Being a Disciple is both following Jesus and sharing Jesus. Franciscan University of Steubenville has created a free resource to help you accomplish both. Discipleship Quads is a group of four men or women who journey together in a weekly small group learning about their Catholic faith, studying Scripture, and growing in friendship. The curriculum starts with the love of God and builds on itself every week. Participants also develop confidence to go forth and make other disciples. You can be anywhere on your faith journey. You can meet anytime of the week and anywhere that your group decides is convenient. *This is great for new members!* If you would like to review the curriculum or learn more about Quads, please contact Joe or Laura Werner at wernerLhome@gmail.com.

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday is coming! St. Mary Magdalene Church has participated in this Tackle Hunger project on Super Bowl weekend since 2012.

This year we want to collect canned soup, crackers, dish soap, paper towels and gas cards (Exxon, Mobil, Sheetz, BP). All contributions will be collected at the Masses on February 11 and 12 and benefit the clients at Western Wake Crisis Ministry and Catholic Parish Outreach. As we've done every year, the soup pots will be available for cash donations.

Help us serve our neighbors with Souper Bowl 2023!

Catholic Senior Org Meeting

The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for women and men (60+) meets every third Monday of the month, September through May. Our next meeting will take place Monday, February 20, 2023, 10:30 AM until Noon, in Church meeting room #3.

For more information, please contact Joanne Martin, 919-244-5616, jmartin@kw.com

Confirm, Refresh & Renew Your Catholic Faith!

Has your faith life felt somewhat dry and routine lately?
Do you hunger for a spiritual renewal?
Do you wish you had a better understanding of Catholic social teachings?
Would you like to connect more deeply to the Mass and scripture?
Do you have questions about salvation history and how it applies to your life today?
If any of this applies to you, Deacon Rick invites you to join fellow parishioners in a dynamic series that can transform the way you practice and live out your faith. Past participants have called it 'life changing'.

For adults who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, this series also serves as Confirmation prep. Keep an eye on the E-News for dates for upcoming series!

For more details or to sign up, contact Deacon Rick at 908-910-0309 or by e-mail at Stevens@stmm.net. Come and put your faith into action!!

RCIA Prayer Corner

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 February 27, 2023. 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



For companionship in your trials and joys of life, our team of prayer warriors are here to walk with you. It is a sincere privilege to help lift our parish family through intercessory prayer. As we pray for one another's needs, it helps us all to hear how loved ones are continuing on their journeys.

Please feel encouraged to share updates of your prayer intentions via email to StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net.

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.
* [Share Prayer Updates via email](#) *

Join the Prayer
Team

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 lc Morris0707@gmail.com

Faith Formation





Questions:

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

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

RENEW PRAISE AND WORSHIP NIGHT: Come join us for our first ever Renew Praise & Worship night in the Chapel on Monday, February 6th from 7:30-8:30pm! The night will consist of a short talk followed by Holy Spirit-led charismatic worship through song, led by Courtney & Nick Blaskovich. People of all ages and backgrounds are welcome, and all are free to come-and-go throughout the hour. Bring a friend!



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Have a musical talent and want to join the Youth Music Ministry Team to be involved with Youth Mass? Reach out to Ryan Kemper at stmmyoungmusicministry@gmail.com for more information! All 8th graders and above with any instrumental, vocal, or audio/visual interests are welcome to join the program. Come and join us in creating a joyful noise!



Registration Link: https://secure.accessacs.com/access/eventlogin.aspx?id=63CEt2IIWeW74qzewP+MwQ==&site=102397&ReturnUrl=events%2fwz_people.aspx&ChurchID=1554&EventID=224165&sn=102397

CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Meetings in the school Media Center/Library immediately following Youth Mass

REMAINING SESSIONS:

- JANUARY 22
- FEBRUARY 5
- FEBRUARY 19
- MARCH 5
- MARCH 19

EACH STUDENT HAS 1 EXCUSED ABSENCE

FOLLOW US!

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Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com or 919-657-4800 x7305

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

For **Confirmation**, contact StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com

StMM School News



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.

Are you interested in working with our students at St. Mary Magdalene? Come work with us at aftercare either full-time or part-time! Applicants need to be over the age of 18 and hours will be from 2:30-6pm Mondays-Fridays. For more information or if you are interested in applying, please email Ms. Jordan at jordan@stmm.net.

For job descriptions::

<https://dioceseofraleigh.org/employment/st-mary-magdalene/aftercare-preschool-staff>

<https://dioceseofraleigh.org/employment/st-mary-magdalene/aftercare-staff>

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

Career Network Ministry Meeting



The image shows a LinkedIn event card for a Career Network Ministry (CNM) presentation. On the left is the CNM logo, which consists of a blue cross with yellow dotted circles around it. To the right is a portrait of Norm Wood, a middle-aged man with short grey hair, wearing a dark suit jacket over a light blue shirt. The event title is "CNM Presents: Elevate Your Personal Brand with Norm Wood". Below the title, it says "Event by Career Network Ministry". The date and time are "Thu, Feb 9, 2023, 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM (your local time)". The location is "3008 Old Raleigh Rd, Apex, North Carolina, US, 27502" at "St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church (Room 8, near Parish Office)". It also shows a small group of people and the text "Peter Agiovlassitis and 6 other attendees". At the bottom are buttons for "Share", "Boost", "Manage", and a three-dot menu icon.

Date: Thursday February 9th
Room 8 - St. Andrews The apostle in Apex
Time 8:00am - 9:30am

RSVP at: <https://www.linkedin.com/events/7025495783739138048/about/>

Family Honors

Family Honor, Inc., will be hosting a truly unique chastity program for families on Friday, February 17 from 6:30 to 9 pm and Saturday, February 18, from 9:30 am to noon in the St. Catherine of Siena multi-purpose room, Wake Forest, NC. **Changes & Challenges** is designed for parents and preteens to connect and communicate about God's gift of sexuality, chastity, fertility appreciation, true worth and lots more. A recent participating parent shared, "It's a straightforward approach to sexuality, involving the whole person." Cost is \$15 for one parent and one child or \$20 per family. Space is limited so register early online at this link:

<https://scswf.org/family-honor>. For more information, visit www.familyhonor.org or contact Mary Beth Phillips at 919-274-9362 or FHraleigh@gmail.com.

Introducing Family Honor's New Real Love & Real Life Program



Parents, if you are looking for hope, encouragement, and resources to help you raise happy, healthy, holy teens in this current culture, then we invite you to sign up for Family Honor's new program: *Real Love & Real Life: Living the Faith*.

Real Love & Real Life is a 3-session program for parents to attend *with* your 7th or 8th grade son or daughter.

Dates: Friday evening, March 3* 6:30 - 8:30 pm
and Saturday, March 4 9:00 am- 2:00 pm
(includes lunch).

Location: The Conference Center at
St. Michael's Catholic Church in Cary.



The program is fun and informative. It will help you and your young teen be better prepared to speak with each other calmly about purity, sex, real love, future dating, and some of the 'hot button' issues in our culture.



*Friday evening session is for parents only.
Saturday session is for parents with their teen.

Program details and registration information can be found by opening this QR Code or visiting <https://familyhonor.org/chastity-programs-near-me/>

Don't delay – register today!

Space is limited.



*Providing a Catholic framework on the truth
and meaning of sexuality, love, and family*

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