

St. Mary Magdalene E-News January 13, 2023

A Note from Father Chris

"Now I have seen and testified that he is the son of God." (John 1:34)

We are invited this weekend to check on our loved ones. Following our hearts to be closer and more loving with each other. The Gospel proclaims that if we have the good news of Jesus Christ, then we naturally share that with others. Especially the people we love. Life with Faith is always a more complete life.

Catholic life, is abundant life. Let us always generously share the Faith.

With much love.

Fr. Chris

Giving Portal

Upcoming Events

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January 14 - 5pm Mass

January 15 - 9am & 11am Mass

January 16 - Parish Office Closed

January 16 - No Daily Mass

January 16 - Catholic Senior Org Meeting 10:30am Room 3

January 16 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

January 17 - Forward in Hope 10am Church Room 1

January 17 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church

January 18 - Daily Mass 9am

January 18 - Frassati Young Adult Group 7pm Narthex

January 19 - Daily Mass 9am

January 19 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel

January 20 - Daily Mass 9am

January 21 - No Confessions

January 21 - Blood Drive 9am - 2pm

January 21 - 5pm Mass

January 22 - 9am & 11am Mass

January 22 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way

January 22 - 6pm Youth Mass

January 22 - Confirmation Class for Catholic High School Students 7pm Media Center

January 23 - Daily Mass 9am

January 23 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

January 23 - Forward in Hope 7pm Church

January 24 - 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: Baptized in Water 651

Psalm: 40 Here I am O Lord, I've come to do your will. I've come to do your will.

Preparation: You are the Light 602 Communion 1: Wade in the Water 656 Communion 2: The Servant Song 391 Communion 3: Be Thou My Vision 400 Sending Forth: All the Ends of the Earth 564

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass only

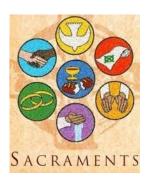
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

Sacraments

BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, <u>info@stmm.net</u>. 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.

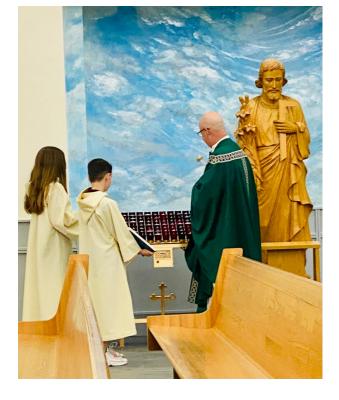
WEDDINGS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email weddings@stmm.net



Pictures of the Week



Father Chris at Cardinal Gibbons for Mass



Blessing of the votive candles by Mary and Joseph



Emilia Ann Turbertini was baptized on January 7th

Catholic Senior Organization 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, January 16, 2023, 10:30 AM until Noon, in Church meeting room #3.

For more information, please contact Joanne Martin, 919-244 5616, <u>imartin@kw.com</u>

Eucharistic Holy Hour First and Third Tuesdays

The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Rick for Eucharistic Holy Hour and Evening Prayer. This sacred time is an opportunity for a deep, personal encounter with Christ: Pope Francis recommends Eucharistic Adoration as a foundational spiritual practice. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by evening prayer (Vespers) in the



Liturgy of The Hours which represents the official prayers of the Church. We give thanks for the day and praise God. Adoration continues followed by Benediction.

Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, January 17th, from 7-8pm

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.

Forward in Hope - Grief Support Group to Begin

If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. We recommend participants join us approximately six months after the loss of a loved one. Classes are forming and are being offered on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm, beginning January 23rd in the Church or Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am, beginning January 10th in the Church Room 1. Sessions will consist of prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship.

For more information, please feel free to email stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net call 919-657-4800 ext. 7280

Appalachia Service Project Mission Trip

It is finally that time! The interest form for ASP is officially open to be a part of the 2023 team!

- 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.
- Interested in getting some more information about the trip and filling out an application? Please see the following link: https://forms.gle/nQkaugGNvc31C1xR9
- Have a few questions? Please reach out to Taylor Wray atstmmasp@gmail.com



Annual March for Life events:

14 January, 2023 Raleigh -Mass for Life at Holy Name Cathedral 11:00am with Bishop Luis. Downtown at Bicentennial Plaza 12:30 Band Rally and Speakers 2:30 pm March for Life https://dioceseofraleigh.org/calendar/day/20230114

20 January, **2023** is the NC Mass for Life in DC (joint Mass with Charlotte and Raleigh) which will begin, as always at 11:30. The Rally begins at the National Mall at 11:00 am, the March begins at 1-4pm, so if you attend the NC Mass you can go straight to the March and fully participate. Info here, https://marchforlife.org/national-march-for-life/

These parishes are sending busses and have space available:

Departing from St. Michael parish-The Cost is \$100 with registration fee due by Jan 13 If anyone has any questions the can contact JT Klimek at johntklimek@gmail.com. Here is a registration

link https://onrealm.org/StMichaelArchangel/PublicRegistrations/Event?

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Departing from St Raphael in Raleigh* For details contacts

are: blk4jmj@gmail.com, john.allen661@gmail.com or tichat@email.msn.com (this bus will be a combination of St. Raphael, St. Luke, St. Joseph and Our Lady of Lourdes parish)

Living out Christmas in the New Year

Like Our Blessed Mother who welcomed the Infant Jesus, we are called to cherish and protect the gift of human life, at every stage and in every circumstance. One way to live out the message of Christmas is to join 9 Days for Life, a novena for the protection of human life, taking place Thursday, January 19 – Friday, January 27. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Sign up today at https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup

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.

Help Cloth Kids in Need

Note in the Pocket is a non- profit organization that works with social workers across Wake County to provide clothing packages to children and families in need.

Note in the Pocket is hosting a clothing drive at StMM this year! From January 20th to January 30th bring in any used/ new clothing, shoes, or toys. All size clothes are accepted: from infant clothing to Men's 2XL. Note in the pocket accepts everything- even old, ripped clothes that 2nd hand stores don't accept. Of course these items aren't given out, but they can be exchanged for newer products that can be distributed!

There will be bins in the main lobby of the church as well as in the lobby of the school building. There are so many families in need, and we really appreciate your support. Drive being coordinated by Mollie Nadile, a Apex Friendship HS student and past StMM student.

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

Please pray for our candidates Nik, Paul, Stone, Alan, and Ryan. They will be receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion on Sunday, January 15 during the 9 am Mass.

Please pray for Becky who is scheduled to receive the Sacraments of Initiation on January 21 at the 5 pm.

Please also pray for Zach, Julie, Karen, and Kaitlyn, who continue their journey.

RCIA

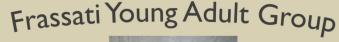
Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic? Are you wanting to participate fully in the sacraments instituted by Christ? Are you a baptized Christian and desiring to receive the Eucharist and Confirmation? The next module of the RCIA process at StMM is starting on January 16, 2023. Now is a great 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".



Frassati Young Adult Group January 18th

Our Frassati Young Adult group will start out 2023 with a special visit from our Bishop, Luis R. Zarama. Please join us Wednesday, January 18th at 7pm in the Narthex of the church of St. Mary Magdalene. Dinner will be provided by the parish and we'll also be joined by Fr. Chris and Deacon Dev during dinner time. After dinner, we'll head to the Chapel, where Bishop Zarama will speak very briefly and then open up for Q&A from all of us. We suggest you fill out the google form below ahead of time with your questions you would like to ask. Your questions will be kept anonymous unless you choose to share your name. We'll aim to go through each question if time allows. The form is here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfeBA5BBwPsEDQ4K3si87broK4GycaNfifTagQ7S8Klswrpgg/viewform?usp=pp_url





Q&A with Bishop Zarama

Wednesday 18 January 7 PM | Dinner Provided Narthex of STMM Church

Fill out Google Form sent via email. Questions: Text Andrew at 314-322-0867

Blood Drive - January 21st

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive Saturday January 21st in the school parking lot from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. All donors will receive a \$50.00 gift card. Please reserve your time by using the sign up link.

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive schedule/202811

The purpose of life is to share life with others. The blood you donate may save a life.

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 lcmmrriso707@gmail.com

Faith Formation











Questions:

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

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

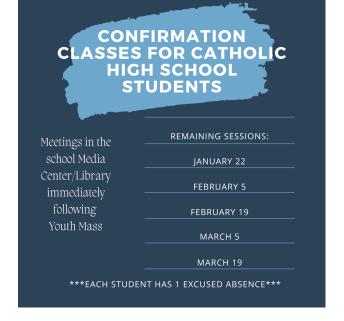


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Have a musical talent and want to join the Youth Music Ministry Team to be involved with Youth Mass? Reach out to Ryan Kemper at strmmouthmusicministry@gmail.com for more information! All 8th graders and above with any instrumental, vocal, or audio/visual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



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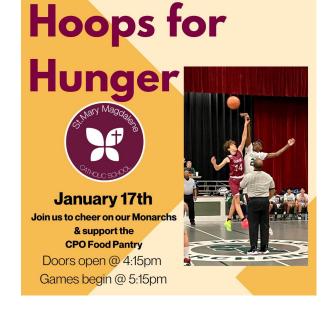
Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at <u>liz.sams@gmail.com</u> 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 <u>StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com</u>

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

Adult Softball Team

We are seeking parishioners age 17+ to join us for the StMM softball team. Games start in late March/early April and are played on Fridays and Sundays.

If interested, please contact Bobby Rowe (<u>stmmapexsoftball@gmail.com</u>). Sign-up is available through the Apex Parks and Recreation website. COVID regulations will be in place. Cost to play will be based on the number of teammates but should be approximately \$50.

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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