

## St. Mary Magdalene E-News January 6, 2023

### A Note from Father Chris

We celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord this weekend! The Christmas celebrations have led us to acknowledge the gifts in our lives, and now we are invited to give our very selves back to God. The wise men give the gifts of their lives to Jesus Christ, and through our own giving we will experience a fuller life.

Special thanks for all our ministries for a great Christmas and the start of fantastic New Year!

With much love,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

### Upcoming Events

January 6 - First Friday Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church  
January 7 - 10:30am Confessions  
January 7 - 5pm Mass  
January 8 - 9am & 11am Mass  
January 8 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way  
January 8 - 6pm Youth Mass  
January 8 - Confirmation Class for Catholic High School Students 7pm Media Center  
January 8 - XLT - Adoration, Praise and Worship, Confession 7:15pm Church  
January 9 - Communion Service 9am  
January 9 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel  
January 10 - Forward in Hope 10am Room 1  
January 10 - GATHER and the ROCK 6:15pm Church  
January 11 - Daily Mass 9am  
January 12 - Daily Mass 9am  
January 12 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel  
January 13 - Daily Mass 9am  
January 14 - No Confessions  
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 17 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church  
January 18 - Daily Mass 9am  
January 18 - Frassati Young Adult Group 7pm Narthex

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](mailto:floralministry@stmm.net)

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## Mass This Weekend

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

### Music for this weekend's Mass

**Gathering:** O Come All Ye Faithful 93

**Psalm:** 72 Lord every nation on earth will adore you O God. Lord every nation on earth will adore you.

**Preparation:** We Three Kings 105

**Communion 1:** Child of the Poor/What Child is This? 95/96

**Communion 2:** The First Nowell 110

**Communion 3:** Hark the Herald Angels Sing 99

**Sending Forth:** Go Tell it on the Mountain 100

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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.

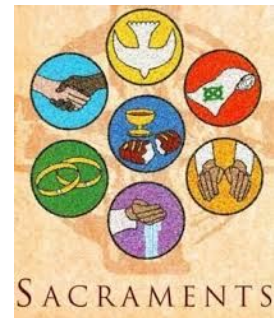
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## Sacraments

**BAPTISMS** - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, [info@stmm.net](mailto: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](mailto:weddings@stmm.net)



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## Pictures of the Week



Monsignor Staib and his travels



Beth and Tim Baldwin were married on December 30th.



Russell Raphael Reeve was baptized on December 30th

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## First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, January 6th 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](mailto:ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM) or 919-280-8931 if interested.

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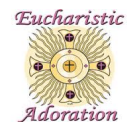
## XLT - January 8th 7:15pm



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## 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**

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## 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](mailto:stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net) call 919-657-4800 ext. 7280

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## 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 at [stmmasp@gmail.com](mailto:stmmasp@gmail.com)



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## 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, [jmartin@kw.com](mailto:jmartin@kw.com)

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## Respect Life Ministry

### 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 they can contact JT Klimek at [johntklimek@gmail.com](mailto:johntklimek@gmail.com) Here is a registration link <https://onrealm.org/StMichaelArchangel/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=MDhmM2EzNzgtNGJkNi00Nzk1LWFkZmYtYWY0ZDAxODBiOTg2>

Departing from St Raphael in Raleigh\* For details contacts

are: [blk4jnj@gmail.com](mailto:blk4jnj@gmail.com) , [john.allen661@gmail.com](mailto:john.allen661@gmail.com) or [tichat@email.msn.com](mailto: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>

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## 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

## 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. **Another series begins on Wednesday, January 11, 2023. We run six consecutive Wednesdays from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.**

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

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## RCIA Prayer Corner

Please continue to pray for Alan, Paul, Ryan, Stone, and Nik who are scheduled to receive the Sacraments of Initiation on January 15, 2023 at 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.

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## 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](mailto: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"*.



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## Confirmation Classes for Catholic High School Students

# CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

NOVEMBER 20

DECEMBER 4

JANUARY 8

FEBRUARY 5

FEBRUARY 19

MARCH 5

MARCH 19


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

\*\*\*EACH STUDENT HAS 1 EXCUSED ABSENCE\*\*\*

## 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: [shorturl.at/kpDPO](https://shorturl.at/kpDPO)

Frassati Young Adult Group



**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.

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

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## 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](mailto: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

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## 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 [lcmorris0707@gmail.com](mailto:lcmorris0707@gmail.com)

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## Faith Formation





**FIRST RECONCILIATION**



*Families Preparing for Sacraments in 2022*

## Keep on Track by:

- Completing the Family Focus Poster after each Lesson
- Learning the Act of Contrition
- Practice Roleplaying the Reconciliation Script

RETREAT SCHEDULED FOR FEB. 4, 2022 - 8:30 - 12:15

# NEXT NIGHT OF GATHER & ROCK





## 1/10/23 6:15 pm

**Questions:**

For **GATHER** and **Rock**, contact Suzanne Will at [will@stmm.net](mailto:will@stmm.net) or 919-657-4800 x7280

**StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry**



STMM HIGH SCHOOL

# FEBRUARY RETREAT

FEBRUARY 10-12  
CAMP CARAWAY  
ASHEBORO, NC

**REGISTER NOW**

MUSIC AND TALKS BY  
ANDREW LAUBACHER

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 [stmmyouthmusicministry@gmail.com](mailto:stmmyouthmusicministry@gmail.com) for more information! All 8<sup>th</sup> 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!



**Questions:**

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com) or 919-657-4800 x7305

For **Apostello and the Way**, contact Niki Bordelon at [bordelon@stmm.net](mailto:bordelon@stmm.net) or 919-657-4800 x7309

For **Confirmation**, contact [StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com](mailto:StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com)

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## StMM School News



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## 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](mailto: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](mailto:jordan@stmm.net).

For job descriptions::

## 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](mailto:Dmoskey12@gmail.com)

## Career Network Ministry

**JOIN US & PLEASE SHARE this invite** to hear (In Person Only) featuring Frank Jackson, PMP, a career IT professional with prior experience at Verizon and AT&T.

RSVP: <https://careerministry.org/>



### CNM Presents: Pursuing Your Passion...Not Just Another Job

Event by Career Network Ministry

 Thu, Jan 12, 2023, 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM (your local time) [Add to calendar](#) ▾

 3008 Old Raleigh Rd, Apex, North Carolina, US, 27502  
St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church (Room 8, near Parish Office)

Frank Jackson is a previous participant in the Career Networking Ministry, as well as previous speaker at several of our networking groups. He has been married for 41 years, and has two adult children and a granddaughter....and is excited to have another grandbaby on the way. Frank has been an active member of St. Andrew the Apostle parish for over 27 years where he is involved in several ministries, and recently became a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

Frank retired from a successful 28 year management career at Verizon about three years ago. He also did short stints in sales with AT&T, and as a project management consultant for several companies. He holds maintains a Project Management PMP and certifications in Network Security, Cloud Computing, and ITIL.

As a hobby, Frank and his family have been involved for almost 18 years with repairing homes damaged by hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods throughout the eastern half of the US and in Haiti after their earthquake. After retiring from Verizon, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Raleigh asked if he would lead their Disaster Preparation & Response function in eastern North Carolina. Here he worked with FEMA, North Carolina Emergency Management, and multiple non-governmental disaster response organizations, focusing on damage repairs caused by Hurricanes Dorian, Florence and Matthew.

After completing his contract with Catholic Charities, Frank decided to "hang his own shingle" and is now the owner/operator of his own part-time, successful home repair business, *Handy Neighbor Home Repair & Maintenance, LLC*, where he does minor home and commercial repairs throughout the Triangle, and also continues to provide home repairs for elderly and disabled members of the local community, free of charge.

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Check these ads at [www.STMM.church/welcome/bulletins.cfm](http://www.STMM.church/welcome/bulletins.cfm)

<p><b>PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE</b> (919) 460-7676</p>  <p>Children - Teens - Adults WELCOMING NEW PATIENTS</p> <p>Dr. Mary MacKenzie STMM Parishioner</p> <p>270 Cornerstone Dr. #105 Cary, NC 27519 (off Davis by High House Rd.) <a href="http://www.PrimaryMedCare.com">www.PrimaryMedCare.com</a></p>	<p><b>919-361-0993</b></p>  <p>info@maynorservices.com <a href="http://www.MaynorServices.com">www.MaynorServices.com</a></p>	<p><b>Life is short, get moving!</b></p> <p><b>Nancy Grace, Realtor®</b></p> <p>Voted THE BEST Real Estate Agent in Western Wake by Cary Living Magazine</p> <p>Your local Real Estate expert helping Cary, Apex, Morrisville &amp; Holly Springs residents since 2007! "I love what I do!"</p> <p><b>919.616.4139</b> <a href="http://www.NancyGraceHomes.com">www.NancyGraceHomes.com</a></p> <p>STMM Parishioner, STMM &amp; CGHS Parent &amp; Volunteer</p>
<p><b>10% OFF SERVICE</b></p> <p><small>*Open all through 12/30/23 *Must be used in response with other offers. Taxable to regular dealer.</small></p> <p>Gerald Romain   MAYP STMM Parishioner</p>	<p><b>Hendrick</b> SOUTHPOINT AUTO MALL</p>  <p><b>HendrickSouthpoint.com</b> (919) 354-7767</p>	<p>SPECIAL OFFERS ON PURCHASE OF NEW OR PRE-OWNED VEHICLES</p> <p>WE WILL DONATE \$100 FOR EVERY SALE TO <b>STMM</b></p>
<p> <b>Michael O'Rourke,</b> Investment Advisor, HUNTER STREET INVESTMENT ADVISORS</p> <p>(919) 612-5559 STMM Parishioner</p> <p>As a fee-only planner, I educate individuals, families, and business owners about strategies which allow them to accumulate and keep more so they can maximize what they have to live on and leave on.</p> <p>Retirement Planning - Tax Optimization - Investment Management - Estate Planning morourke@hsiadvisors.net <a href="https://www.hsiadvisors.net/">https://www.hsiadvisors.net/</a> 56 Hunter Street, Suite 210, Apex, NC 27502</p>	<p><b>I see more than a bundle.</b></p> <p>While other insurers just see your home and car as a bundle or a combo deal, I take the time to see what they mean to you and give them the protection they deserve. LET'S TALK TODAY.</p> <p>John Tador, Agent 3490 Kildare Farm Road Suite 182 Cary, NC 27518 Business: 919-267-9699 john@myagentllc.com Hablamos Español</p> <p><b>State Farm</b></p> <p><small>State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company State Farm Life and Casualty Company Bloomington, IL 61708</small></p>	<p><b>HomeChoice</b> Home Care Solutions</p> <p>Personal, Live-In, or Companion Care</p> <p>For: seniors, disabled, after surgery, new &amp; expectant mothers</p> <p>Licensed Agency &amp; Family Owned by STMM Parishioners</p> <p>Experienced • Compassionate • Dependable</p> <p><b>919.847.5622</b> <a href="http://www.HomeChoiceHomeCare.com">www.HomeChoiceHomeCare.com</a></p>
<p> <b>919-210-2709</b></p> <p>Kathy Lynch Homes</p> <p>Kathy@KathyLynchHomes.com <a href="http://www.kathylynchhomes.com">www.kathylynchhomes.com</a></p> <p> <b>Kathy Lynch</b> STMM Parishioner</p> <p><b>KWCARY</b> KELLERWILLIAMS REALTY <small>Each office is independently owned and operated</small></p>	<p><i>Space Available</i></p> <p><b>919-906-1688</b></p> <p> 2 hr. visits to 24*7*365 Because ... The BEST care is HOME care</p>	<p><b>Your Local Dignity Providers</b></p> <p><b>Dignity</b> MEMORIAL PARK</p> <p><b>Apex Funeral Home</b> 550 W Williams St., Apex, NC 919-362-8233 <a href="http://www.apexfuneral.net">www.apexfuneral.net</a></p> <p><b>Brown-Wynne Funeral Homes and Crematory</b> 200 SE Maynard Rd. Cary, NC 919-467-8109 300 Saint Mary's St., Raleigh, NC 919-828-4311 1701 E Millbrook Rd., Raleigh, NC 919-876-6900 <a href="http://www.brownwynne.com">www.brownwynne.com</a></p> <p><b>Mitchell Funeral Home at Raleigh Memorial Park</b> 7209 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, NC 919-783-7128 <a href="http://www.mitchellatmp.com">www.mitchellatmp.com</a></p> <p><b>Raleigh Memorial Park and Mausoleums</b> 7501 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, NC 919-787-2766 <a href="http://www.raleighmemorialpark.com">www.raleighmemorialpark.com</a></p>