

St. Mary Magdalene E-News June 24, 2022

A Note from Father Chris

Truly helping others requires us to be on our own path of holiness. Jesus explains that our relationship with God must come first. Acknowledging and receiving God's love strengthens us for our own mission of loving and helping others.

We are fortunate to have comprehensive safety plans here at St. Mary Magdalene. Please know we will safeguard our gatherings with prudent measures.

These summer months can be a time of connecting in prayerful ways to the love of God and then filled with love, we best live our mission of love. Please consider bookmarking the parish website on all your devices. www.stmm.net

Many blessings,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

Upcoming Events

June 25 - Confessions 10:30am
June 25 - 5pm Mass
June 26 - 9am & 11am Mass
June 27 - Daily Mass 9am
June 27 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
June 29 - Daily Mass 9am
June 29 - Seasons of Hope 7pm Room 1
June 30 - Daily Mass 9am
June 30 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
June 30 - Seasons of Hope 10am Room 1
July 1 - Daily Mass 9am
July 1 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church
July 2 - No Confessions
July 2 - 5pm Mass
July 3 - 9am & 11am Mass
July 4 - Parish Office Closed
July 4 - No Daily Mass
July 5 - No Holy Hour
July 6 - Daily Mass 9am
July 6 - Seasons of Hope 7pm Room 1
July 7 - Daily Mass 9am
July 7 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel

Parish Office Summer Hours 10am - 2pm Mon - Fri
Contact staff to make an appointment outside those hours.

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

Information About Offertory Envelopes

You will notice a change in the appearance of the offertory envelopes that you receive from our 3rd party supplier. They reported to us in a note this week, that due to both inflationary impacts and supply chain challenges, they will be producing envelopes that may have different appearance in paper and a variety of shades of ink. This is not a permanent change but we wanted to alert you to this in advance.

If you haven't already considered- this might be a great time to convert from these offertory envelopes to our **electronic giving system**. Electronic giving allows for smoother processing, less paper expenses, less time counting and recording envelope giving. We encourage you to consider this instead of offertory envelopes. IF you do change to electronic giving, then the paper envelope delivery can be 'turned off' so you will not receive these anymore therein saving paper and mailing costs.

For information on electronic giving please see the Giving Portal on the Stmm home page, or send us an email at info@stmm.net and we'll be glad to work with you if you are interested in this process.

Mass This Weekend



This week's altar flowers were donated by Sal Mastropolo in celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Fran and Sal Mastropolo.

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

Music for this weekend's Mass

Gathering: Sing of the Lord's Goodness 562

Psalm: 16 Keep me safe, O God. Keep me safe you are my hope, my God.

Preparation: Come, Follow Me. 501

Communion 1: Make Your Home in Me 621

Communion 2: The Summons 385

Communion 3: The Servant Song 389

Sending Forth: Lead Me, Lord 739

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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.

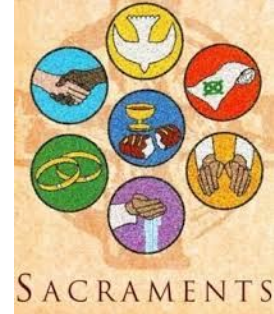
Sacraments

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



Wedding of Brandon and Mackenzie Collie on June 18th



Our friends Peter and Victoria are doing a great job spreading mulch this morning. Their chaperone Shelby is also lovely.

Liz





XLT on June 21st. - Adoration, Worship, and Confession
Next XLT July 25th at 7:30pm in the Church

Wedding Ministry Volunteers Needed

Wedding ministry volunteers needed

We love weddings at STMM and are blessed to have a very busy wedding calendar. We are looking for volunteers to help the happy couples on the day of their wedding. The time commitment is flexible, you will always have help and guidance, and you can choose your activities (Help with bride's room, groom's room, setting up, etc.) This rewarding ministry enables us to witness God's love through the eyes of our wonderful couples. For more information, email weddings@stmm.net

Feast of St. Mary Magdalene Volunteers Needed

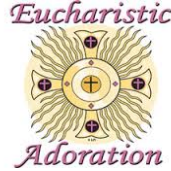
The second annual Feast of St. Mary Magdalene celebration will be held Friday 7/22/2022 starting off with Mass at 10:00 am followed by a luncheon in the school cafeteria and fun / games for the children.

Please come to honor and celebrate our parish's patron saint as well as those who who led the Operation Feed Thy Neighbor program for the community and local neighbors. If you are able to volunteer to help, we need you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BAAAF23A64-feast1>

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday July 1st 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.



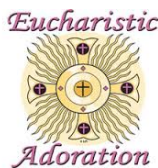
Please contact Anita Becker at ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM or 919-280-8931 if interested.

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 July 25, 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"*.



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. **No Holy Hour on July 5th**

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 July 19th 7-8pm

Seasons of Hope New Session Beginning



Seasons of Hope - Bereavement Group - Next Session to Begin in June

If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. There are two classes participants can choose from either Wednesdays at 7:00 pm beginning June 22, 2022 - July 27, 2022 or Thursdays at 10:00 am beginning June 23, 2022 - July 28, 2022. Prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship. For more information, contact stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net or call the Parish Office at 919-657-4800 ext. 7280.

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 for 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.

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. StMMPayerTeam@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.

StMMPayerTeam@stmm.net

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 lcmmorris0707@gmail.com

Faith Formation





Questions: Please contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7280

StMM High School Youth Ministry





Join us at Fort Caswell (in Oak Island, NC) this August 19-21!!! This retreat is open to rising 9-12 graders. Click [HERE](#) to sign up!

Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com

For **Apostello**, **the Way**, and **Confirmation**, contact Caitlin Clendenin at clendenin@stmm.net

School Employment Opportunity

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program at St. Mary Magdalene School is seeking a full time co-catechist or assistant catechist with our students from PK3 through 3rd grade. Level 1 and/or Level 2 CGS training is beneficial but not a requirement. While this is a full time position, it could potentially be filled by 2 part time catechists. If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact Barbara Senn by e-mail at senn@stmm.net.

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!

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