

St. Mary Magdalene March 17, 2023

A Note from Father Chris

Jesus Christ brings sight to the blind. All of us are in need of healing in life. These Lenten days give us the opportunity to build up our truly seeing the good available in our life.

This Monday, March 20th at 7:00pm we will speak about the newness of reconciliation at a Lenten Lecture in the church.

The second mailing is in mailboxes now for the Bishop's Annual Appeal. **Please respond generously with a donation to the BAA.** Mail the received BAA card or use the link provided below.

givetobaa.org

Many blessings!

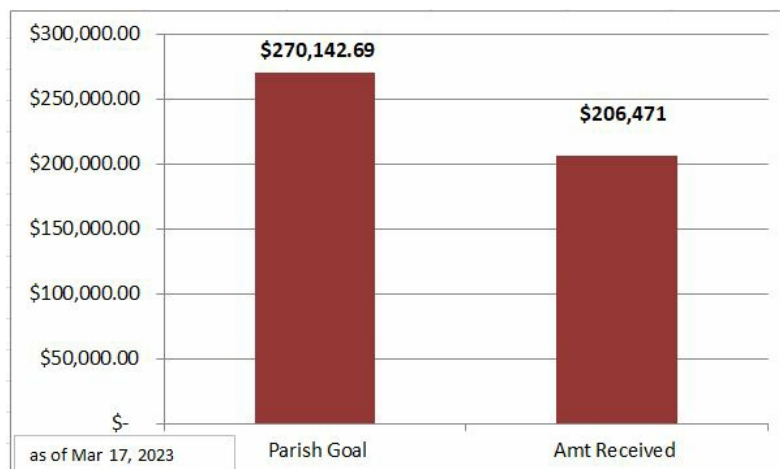
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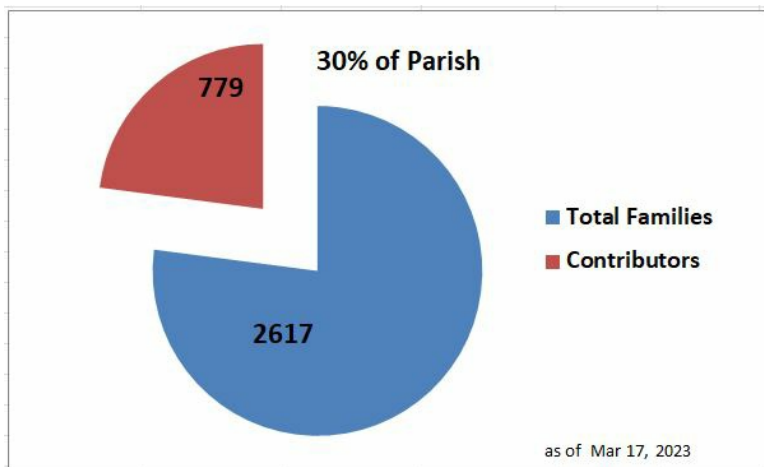
Fr. Chris

Giving Portal

Bishop's Annual Appeal Update

Please help our Parish to make our Goal and learn more about the BAA: givetobaa.org. You can designate St Mary Magdalene Parish by using the pull down menus on this site.





Upcoming Events

- March 17 - Stations of the Cross 7pm Church
- March 18 - Confessions 10:30am
- March 18 - 5pm Mass
- March 18-19 - Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services
- March 18-19 - CPO Feed a Family Food Drive
- March 19 - 9am & 11am Mass
- March 19 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way
- March 19 - 6pm Youth Mass
- March 19 - Confirmation Class for Catholic High School Students 7pm Media Center
- March 20 - Daily Mass 9am
- March 20 - Catholic Senior Organization 10:30am Room 3
- March 20 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
- March 20 - Lenten Lecture 7pm Church
- March 21 - Forward in Hope 10am Room 1
- March 21 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church
- March 22 - Daily Mass 9am
- March 23 - Daily Mass 9am
- March 23 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
- March 24 - Daily Mass 9am
- March 24 - KofC Lenten Fish Fry www.lentfishfry.com
- March 24 - Stations of the Cross 7pm Church
- March 25 - Confessions 10:30am
- March 25 - 5pm Mass
- March 26 - 9am & 11am Mass
- March 26 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way
- March 26 - 6pm Youth Mass
- March 27 - Daily Mass 9am
- March 28 - Forward in Hope 10am Room 1 Church
- March 28 - Gather and the ROCK 6:15pm Church
- March 29 - Daily Mass 9am
- March 30 - Daily Mass 9am
- March 30 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
- March 30 - Commemorative Brick Order Deadline [brick order form](#)

**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: Amazing Grace 449

Psalm: 23 The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

Preparation: Hosea 665

Communion 1: In These Days of Lenten Journey 129

Communion 2: Save Your People 131

Communion 3: Open My Eyes 406

Sending Forth: Lead Me, Lord 739

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass only

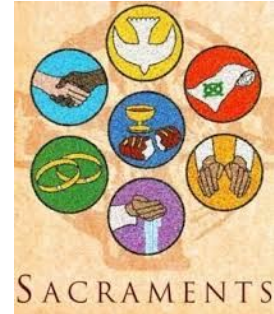
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

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



Picture of the Week



Father Chris and Fraser at the school Mass this week

Lenten Penance Services

Mar 21st - 7pm Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral
Mar 22nd - 10am St. Catherine of Siena
Mar 23rd - 11am Our Lady of Lourdes
Mar 24th - 7pm Our Lady of the Rosary
Mar 28th - 6:30pm St. Michael
Mar 29th - 6:30pm St. Catherine of Siena
Mar 30th - 11am St. Luke

Tax Statements 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.

Administrative Assistant for Sacraments Position Available

We are recruiting for the parish position of Administrative Assistant for Sacraments. This is a part-time (20-24 hours estimated) position.

Key responsibilities / day-to-day job functions:

1. Primary point of contact for administrative documentation related to Baptisms.
2. Responsible for documentation and coordination of wedding materials.
3. Responsible for Confirmation documentations.
4. Preparing certificates and letters as needed for sacraments.
5. Recording in Parish Ledgers when sacraments are given.

Minimum Requirements:

- Minimum level of Education: Bachelor's Degree preferred.
- Minimum amount of Work Experience:
 - Years of related work experience 3 +
 - Area of related work experience: 2-4+

Preferred Qualifications:

- Computer and database skills.
- Direct employment experience in administrative roles.

Please send resume and letter of interest to Jim Galkowski (Parish Administrator) at Galkowski@stmm.net or 919-633-9104

Commemorative Brick Order

COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS – Commemorative bricks line the walkway to our Activities Building. St. Mary Magdalene Church will be placing a Spring brick order. Engraved bricks are \$100, the deadline is **March 30th**. Order forms are in the church office or at http://www.stmm.church/Brick_Order_Form.pdf



Commemorate a First Communion, a Graduation or remember a loved one with an engraved brick.

KofC Annual Lenten Fish Fry

Fish Fry Alert!



KofC Annual Lent Fish Fry... We're back and in person! The next one is on March 24th in the Dining Hall from 5:30-7:30 pm. (Eat in or Take Out). Pre-order online at www.lentfishfry.com. Entrees include fried fish, baked fish and sauteed Shrimp. Fried fish is freshly breaded just prior to cooking which delivers to you a perfect golden brown crispy filet. We serve our meals with your choice of seasoned french fries, parsley potatoes, or macaroni and cheese along with cole slaw, corn bread and dessert. We are excited to partner with the Columbiettes and the Girl Scouts for desserts and with Brueprint for beer options. Come out and enjoy a great meal with friends and family while supporting many worthy community causes championed by the Knights of Columbus.

One of the charities we will support this year is **Oak City Cares**. Located near downtown Raleigh, Oak City Cares provides critical services to the homeless in Wake County through the coordination of multiple service providers in one location.

Please consider supporting Council 6650's Fish Fry at St. Andrews on March 17th and 31st this year!

Stations of the Cross



Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7pm in the church during Lent

For Roman Catholics throughout the world, the Stations of the Cross are synonymous with the season of Lent. This devotion is also known as the "Way of the Cross", the "Via Crucis", and the "Via Dolorosa." It commemorates 14 key events on the day of Christ's crucifixion. Praying the "Stations of the Cross" has always been one of the most popular devotions for Roman Catholics. By meditating upon the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death, it is often performed in a spirit of spiritual pilgrimage.

CPO Food Drive This Weekend

CPO Feed a Family Food Drive Collection is this weekend!!

Please remember to drop your bag of donations, cash or a check written to CPO to the box truck before or after Masses this weekend. The truck will depart at 6 PM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Forward in Hope



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. Sessions will consist of prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship.

- Our next weekday session (Season One) begins Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 10:00 am in Church Room One
- Our next weeknight session (Season Three) begins Monday, April 3, 2023 at 7:00 pm in Church Room One

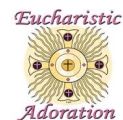
For more information, please feel free to email stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net, call 919-657-4800 ext. 7280 or sign up by completing [this registration form](#).

Catholic Senior Organization

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, March 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

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, March 21st, from 7- 8pm

Extraordinary Ministers Training

Extraordinary Ministers assist the Presider with the distribution of the Body of Christ at Mass. All parishioners who are practicing confirmed Catholics may become Eucharistic Ministers.

Training for anyone interested in serving in this ministry is scheduled for **Saturday, April 1st at 10am** in the church. Please RSVP to Lisa Westberg at lbwestberg13@gmail.com

Spring Welcome Lunch



Calling All New Parishioners!

We are very excited to have you as new members of our community. If you registered as a member from November 2022 through now, we would love to have the opportunity to officially welcome you after 11am Mass, Sunday, April 30th. We will gather in the Activities Building for food, fellowship, and fun for the kids!

Please register [here](#) if you plan to attend.

Registration will be open through April 24th. We look forward to seeing you in April!

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, May 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?

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

Respect Life

Raleigh Spring 2023 campaign

Dates: Wednesday, February 22 through Saturday, April 1

All are invited to join us this Lent in prayer to help save lives. For details and to sign up go to www.40daysforlife.com/raleigh If you have questions or have never been to the prayer vigil, reach out to Tim timothy.calla@gmail.com, Jane jsbreslin@outlook.com or Paula pshils@bellsouth.net



K of C Blood Drive

No April's Fool, we need your blood. Please sign up for the next Knights of Columbus Blood Drive on April 1st, in the St Mary Magdalene school parking lot from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please reserve your time on the sign up link below.

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/207297

Confirm, Refresh & Renew Your Catholic Faith!

If you're like many Catholics, you went through your Catechism classes dutifully...

If you're like many Catholics, you learned about faith, scripture, and the teachings of the Church. But maybe not about how it all fits together.

Would you like to gain a life-changing perspective and enrich your faith?

Would you like to apply your understanding of the faith to live a more joyful life?

Then come join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for a dynamic, 6-week series that is designed to apply these concepts to everyday life.

This series also fulfills preparation for Confirmation candidates. We run Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:30 pm. The next series begins on April 12.

For more details or to sign up, contact Deacon Rick at 908-910-0309 or by e-mail at Stevens@stmm.net.

RCIA Prayer Corner

Please also pray for Zach, Matt, Jamie, 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 May 1, 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



**NEXT
NIGHT OF
GATHER &
ROCK**



**3/28/23
6:15 pm**

**LET THIS LENT MAKE A DIFFERENCE. USE FORMED.
IT'S FREE FROM OUR PARISH!**

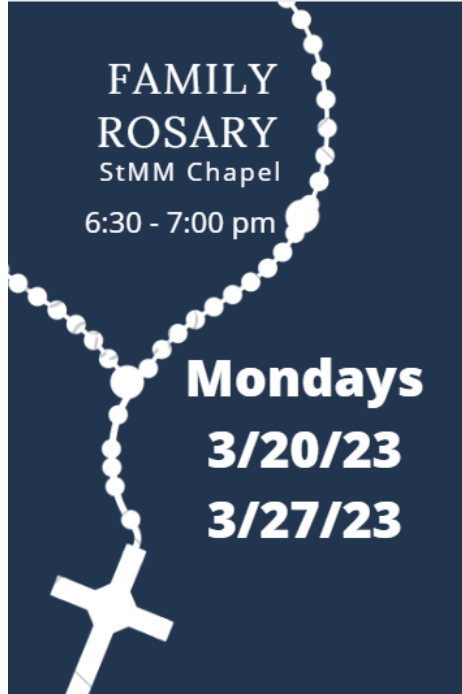
A logo for 'LENT with Brother Francis' featuring the word 'LENT' in large, bold, blue letters, 'with Brother Francis' in smaller, blue, sans-serif font, and a cartoon illustration of Brother Francis.

A logo for 'Stations of the Cross' featuring the text 'Stations of the Cross' and a small illustration of people.

The cover of the book 'DID JESUS REALLY RISE FROM THE DEAD?' by Carl E. Olson, featuring a dramatic, glowing background.

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Go to formed.org to set up your free account!*

Formed Parish Code is FF3F1



FAMILY
ROSARY
StMM Chapel
6:30 - 7:00 pm

Mondays
3/20/23
3/27/23



We Need You!
Catholic Parish Outreach
Toilet Paper Donations now
being accepted

Grades 4, 5 & 6 families
collected in March
Bring to Gather &
Rock on
March 14 & 28th

*One roll,
package or case*



Questions:

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

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry



Registration Link for Guys Retreat: https://secure.accessacs.com/access/eventlogin.aspx?id=L7oJp75Al33/GXho5MehRg==&site=102397&ReturnUrl=events%2fwz_people.aspx&ChurchID=1554&EventID=224930&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!

STMM YM ON INSTAGRAM

@thewaystmm
@stmm.edge
@stmm.apostello

The image shows a smartphone displaying the Instagram profile for 'thewaystmm'. The profile has 482 posts, 564 followers, and 381 accounts followed. The bio reads: 'The Way at STMM A 9th-12th Grade High School Ministry at St. Mary Magdalene in Apex, NC "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" -John 14:6'. Below the bio are several posts, including one titled 'STMM YOUTH SCHEDULE' and another 'YOUTH MASS'. The background of the graphic is light blue with decorative elements like stars and a curved line.

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

The flyer features the school's logo at the top left, which includes a butterfly icon and the text "St. Mary Magdalene CATHOLIC SCHOOL". To the right, it says "NOW ENROLLING" in large, outlined letters. Below this, it specifies "23-24 School Year". A vertical list on the left side lists the school levels: "Preschool", "Elementary School", and "Middle School". A central photograph shows four young girls in school attire. At the bottom left, there is a circular logo with a butterfly and a cross, and the tagline "We pray. We learn. We care." is written below it.

Looking for a great way to advertise your business? Looking for a beautiful day out on the links? Sponsor a tee at the #StMMPSO Monarch Masters or register to golf! Sponsors do not need to be present at the Masters and individuals, pairs, and foursomes are welcome to play! Bring a guest and enjoy the beautiful course at MacGregor Downs!

sponsor link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/NPdenAMa>

golfer registration link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/jvY6Zwej>

The flyer features the school's logo at the top, which includes a butterfly icon and the text "St. Mary Magdalene CATHOLIC SCHOOL". Below the logo, it says "Monarch Masters" in a decorative banner. Underneath, it reads "SPONSORS & GOLFERS NEEDED" in large, bold letters. Below that, it specifies "MAY 22, 2023" and "MACGREGOR DOWNS COUNTRY CLUB". At the bottom, there are two photographs: one showing three men in golf attire standing on a green, and another showing a group of people sitting in a red golf cart on a path.

School Employment Opportunities

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School invites you to join our school community as a substitute teacher. We offer competitive compensation, a great work environment, and a flexible work schedule to fit your life. If you are interested in learning more about this exciting opportunity, please contact Kate Lawson at the school at lawson@stmm.net.

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>

<https://dioceseofraleigh.org/employment/saint-mary-magdalene-catholic-school/anticipated-teaching-vacancies-grades-prek-8>

Summer Camps



**Monarch
Summer Camp**

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

- ✓ Camps for all ages
- ✓ Fantastic staff
- ✓ Variety of camp offerings
- ✓ Aftercare available until 6pm



June 12th-June 30th
625 Magdala Place, Apex, NC



For more information, <http://school.stmm.net/student-life/summercamp.cfm>

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

Ignited by Truth Conference

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APRIL

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EVANGELIZATION



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6:30-9:30PM

Adults 2-Day Admission \$25
Free Food Provided!

**STUDENTS AGE 10+
FREE ADMISSION**



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29TH
APRIL

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PLUS Steubenville
Night of Worship
FRI, APRIL 28

2023 CATHOLIC CONFERENCE *20th Anniversary*

- Experience Mass with Bishop Zarama and Confession with numerous diocesan priests
- Say a Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet with over 1000 fellow Catholics
- Learn more about your incredible Catholic Faith
- Listen and talk to our fantastic speakers
- Be moved in Adoration or with saint's relics
- See your friends & grow your children's faith
- Leave with a blessed Miraculous Medal touched to the True Cross

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APOSTLESHIP



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8AM-5:30PM

Adults 2-Day Admission \$25
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