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Magdalene
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Picture of the Week

September 8, 2016

A Note From Father Donald Staib

Members of the Parish,

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has asked all dioceses across the country to unite in a Day of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities. A special task force was created to support bishops in marking that day and promoting peace.

The Day of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities will be celebrated on September 9, the Feast of St. Peter Claver. On this day, we will join in prayer and promote a renewed commitment in the Church to act for peace and reconciliation.

Bishop Burbidge will lead a Prayer Service in the Immaculate Conception Chapel of the Catholic Center at 11:30 am, which will be live-streamed for the faithful to join via internet. Come back to DioceseofRaleigh.org just before the start of the live stream and click on the banner to tune in. It will be streamed via YouTube.

This time of prayer will also include a Scripture reading and brief reflection by Bishop Burbidge, calling families to pray together for peace and reconciliation in their homes and communities.

Picture of the Week

When we held 15 'listening sessions' for our new church 3 years ago, the most frequently asked question was 'will we have a columbarium.' The answer is 'yes we will.' More information will come about this before the end of the year.

The second most asked question was 'will there be a drop-off for inclement weather and for older folks.' The answer to this question is also 'yes.' The drop-off steel was put in place this past week; here is the picture:



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StMM Ministry Fair



Come **DUCK** in for a **DONUT** at this year's **Ministry Fair**. Enjoy some fellowship and fun and see what's going on in your parish and get involved. After all Masses in the Dining Hall this weekend.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive



To: St. Mary Magdalene Parishioners

From: Bob Wolf - KofC Blood Drive Coordinator

I am writing to all parishioners today to talk about our past blood drives and ask for your

opinion about future blood drives. The Knights of Columbus have sponsored the "**Blood Drive**" for the last several years and they have been held on a Saturday. Our donors have averaged 25 to 30 pints but those numbers have decreased in the last year to 10 to 15 pints average. The cost of hosting a Blood Drive correlates into 30 pints according to UNC Rex. Consequently, to host a drive, we need your help in getting the participation about 30 pints. As you may or may not know, for every pint of blood donated we save three lives. So, if we as a parish donate 30 pints, we will have saved 90 lives.

Donating takes about two hours out of your schedule. I am very aware of everyone's busy lives; however, in my four years as a member of this parish, I am astounded at the generosity in time and talent. That brings me to my question for all members of the parish: Would you prefer to donate on Saturday, November 5th or Sunday, November 13th? Please email me your preference at bobwolf5679@yahoo.com I would ask that everyone who donates or who would like to donate blood complete this request by September 30th. The results will be announced in the bulletin on October 9th.

P.S. NEW DONORS ARE WELCOME!

9th Annual Monarchs in Motion 5K



SAVE THE DATE-9th Annual Monarchs in Motion 5K Run/Walk 10/15/16. The Monarchs in Motion Race has become a staple event for the town and Parish and has raised more than \$60,000 for the new church! The event has been moved to Fall this year. We are expecting to meet our 600 person cap so register early! If running is not your thing, consider volunteering, sponsorship or both! Race date is 10/15/16 @ 8am Sharp! Information can be found at <http://www.monarchsinmotion.com>/Follow us on Twitter @STMMmonarchs5k. Like us on Facebook at Monarchs in Motion 5k Race. Questions? Email mike5kgrace@gmail.com.

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