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St. Mary Magdalene E-News September 30, 2016

A Note From Father Donald Staib

Members of the Parish,

October is the month our church devotes to Respect Life issues. We will highlight different topics relating to Respect Life each week in the bulletin and on the E-news.

This year the United States Catholic Bishops Conference will highlight the following topics: Caring for Loved Ones At Life's End, Serene Attentiveness To God's Creation, Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption, Bridges of Mercy for Post Abortive Healing, Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility, Every Suicide Is Tragic.

I saw another list that includes: abortion, end of life care, medical ethics, people with disabilities, medical care for the poor, global climate change.

As one can see from such lengthy lists, Respect Life issues require our constant attention, not just for the month of October

Picture of the Week

Because of priests retreat I did not see until early this week what had been done last week. Mostly the builders had filled in room partitions. When I saw them early this week I was quite pleased with the space we will have for our parish programs when we are finished.

A picture of our church from Apex BBQ Road



A picture of our church at Night



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On Saturday we will have one of our semiannual Newcomer dinners. Many thanks to our Newcomers Committee for their efforts to welcome new people. And welcome to those who have recently moved into our parish . Please take advantage of our parish program for you and for your children. We are happy you are here.

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Blessing of the Animals



Our **Annual Blessing of the Animals** is scheduled for this Sunday, Oct. 2nd at 1:25pm immediately following Religious Ed dismissal. Assemble with your animals around 1:15pm in the upper lot near the main entrance to the Activity Building.

Commemorative Bricks



Deadline is approaching (**October 7th**) to order an engraved brick to be part of our Commemorative walkway into the Activity Building.

Cost is \$100 and order forms can be found here:

[Commemorative Brick Order Form](#)

Childcare Volunteers 'Greatly' Needed

St. Mary Magdalene's Chrysalis Marriage Enrichment will begin again on **Sunday, October 9th** from 12-1:15pm in the Adult Room.

Adults and Teens! Looking for an opportunity to serve our parish or earn Time and Talent hours? C-level Safe Environment certified adults and responsible, energetic teens are needed on the Chrysalis Childcare Team. Volunteers supervise play and lead simple activities while caring for children under 10 years of age during upcoming monthly meetings: **Oct 9th** and **Nov 6th**. To volunteer, please contact Kelley and Ryan Evenson at stmmchrysalis@gmail.com.

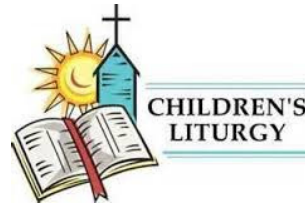
9th Annual Monarchs in Motion 5K



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.monarchsinnotion.com/> Follow us on

Twitter @STMMmonarchs5k. Like us on Facebook at Monarchs in Motion 5k Race. Questions? Email mike5kgrace@gmail.com.

Children's Liturgy of the Word



Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) has just begun for the 9 am & 10:45 am Sunday Masses. CLOW guides children ages 3 to 6 years old through the liturgy in a prayerful and kid-centered way. The children experience the same Gospel reading and message we are listening to downstairs in the worship space. Please keep in mind that this is **not** a nursery/child care drop off program; rather, it is a volunteer-led ministry that works on a rotating schedule. 2-3 adults are needed for each Mass time: 1 adult leads while the other adults help keep the children focused on the experience. The more volunteers we have, the smoother the ministry operates. Please contact Celeste Usischon cusischon@stmm.net to volunteer.

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