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St. Mary Magdalene E-News

June 11, 2021

A Note from Fr. Chris

"It is the smallest of all seeds and becomes the largest of plants." The Gospel brings us to the power of our actions. The ways in which we lift up our family, friends and community. The small things become the key to the expansion of love in our lives.

Our schedules this past year have increased time available for each other. As we move out of the pandemic let's gather all the small things that have helped us build better relationships. Also, if you had to postpone any sacraments let us know and we can celebrate those now.

Many thanks for all of your continued support. The future is bright!

Love,

Fr. Chris

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Upcoming Events

June 12 - Confessions 10:30am

June 12 - 5pm Mass

June 13 - 9am & 11am Mass

June 14 - Daily Mass 9am

June 14 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
June 15 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church
June 16 - Daily Mass 9am
June 17 - Daily Mass 9am
June 18 - Daily Mass 9am
June 19 - Confessions 10:30am
June 19 - 5pm Mass
June 20 - 9am & 11am Mass
June 21 - Daily Mass 9am
June 22 - Eucharistic Minister Training 7pm Church Room 4

Mass This Weekend



Flowers donated by Nancy & Mike Grace:

As we celebrate our 25th Wedding Anniversary, we ask God to continue to bless us and be at the forefront of our marriage as we continue our life journey together.

Flowers also donated by Geri & Bill Cullen in memory of their parents Mary & Louis Cavaluchi & Peg Cullen.

Thank you to Lavender Lane in Apex.

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

Please remember to subscribe to our channel STMM Church Live to receive reminders when events are added and go live.

Music for this week's Mass

Gathering: All Are Welcome	#414
Psalm 92: It is good to give thanks to you, to give thanks to you, our God. It is good. It is good.	
Preparation: We Remember	#493
Communion: Seed, Scattered and Sown	#354
Communion: You Alone	#653
Communion: Bread of Life	#368
Sending Forth: How Can I Keep From Singing	#442

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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



First time parents must attend a baptism class [a good time is during the 9 months prior to birth.]
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

Adult Confirmation

Adult Confirmation and Catholic Faith Refresher Sessions Forming!!

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?

Group sessions are forming for Wednesday evenings which will prepare you for the Sacrament.

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.

If interested, please contact Deacon Rick by phone at 908-910-0309 or by e-mail at Stevens@stmm.net.

Virtual Baby Bottle Campaign for Birthchoice



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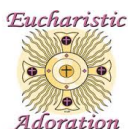
Eucharistic Holy Hour This Tuesday

Please join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for Eucharistic Holy Hour **Tuesday June 15th** from 7-8 p.m. and continuing the 3rd Tuesday of each month. 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.

Look forward to seeing everyone on the 15th!!

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday July 2nd 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.

We will continue to have First Friday Adoration during the summer months. **July 2nd, and August 6th** from 9:30am - 7pm.

Eucharistic Minister Training



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in the Sacred Liturgy Training will be Tuesday, June 22nd from 7pm-9pm in Church Room 4. Use the entrance behind the statue of Jonah on the piazza. Please RSVP to Lisa Westberg at lbwestbery13@gmail.com.

RCIA



Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic but not confirmed? The next module of the RCIA process at STMM is starting on June 7, 2021. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Let's have a conversation. Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at rcia@stmm.me and 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"*.

Elementary Faith Formation



Program Registration 2021-22 - Gather is off for the summer. Registration for next year will be available online July 1, 2021 at <http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/elementary.cfm>

Gather Volunteers - Our youth programs are grounded in building community, establishing our Catholic identity, developing a personal prayer life, and most importantly growing in relationship with the living Christ through regular meetings and intentional ministry. We are looking for adults for our Core Team to join us. Responsibilities include leading small groups of elementary aged children in discussion, activities, games and events. If you feel called to link arms with us

or are just curious about how you can get involved, please contact Suzanne for more information.

Questions: Please contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7820

Youth Ministry News

STMM YM IS EXCITED
TO ANNOUNCE
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EDGE News

Please contact Janine McGann with any questions at janine.mcgann@gmail.com

StMM High School Youth Ministry

Please consider donating to our fundraising effort to help Haiti Mission Inc in building houses in Haiti

Please contact Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com with questions.

Houses in Haiti - Last Call to Donate

Last call to donate to building houses in Haiti! We will be wrapping up our fundraising next week!!

If you'd like to donate, please click here: <https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?>

Every little bit is helpful to provide a home for a family in Haiti!
Thank you to all who have already donated!



Help for Haiti

Please watch this video with a message from Janine and myself about how StMM is partnering again with Haiti Mission Inc. to assist the wonderful people of Jeremie, Haiti. If you'd like to donate online via the StMM website please click [HERE](#). Click on the 'select a fund' arrow and select "House in Haiti". You may also donate by dropping a check in the Offertory Box located in the church lobby. Please write "House in Haiti" on the memo line. Thank you for your support & prayers for our sister parish in Haiti!

StMM School News

SCHOOL SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

June 7th-11th, 9:00am to 3:00pm
June 14th-18th, 9:00am to 3:00pm
June 21st-July 5th, Office Closed
July 6th-8th, 9:00am to 1:00pm
July 13th-15th, 9:00am to 1:00pm
July 20th-22nd, 9:00am to 1:00pm
July 27th-29th, 9:00am to 1:00pm
August 2nd-6th, 9:00am to 3:00pm



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic School is currently accepting resumes for **8th Grade ELA Teacher, Assistant Principal of Curriculum and Instruction** and **Liturgical Music Minister**. To view full job postings, please [click here](#). Resumes can be sent to [John Mihalyo, Principal](#).

CONSIDERING A CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD?

Though many of our grade levels are full for the 2021-22 school year, we do have seats available in Kindergarten, 5th, 7th and 8th grades. Get started on your application by clicking [HERE](#). Schedule a tour of our school by clicking [HERE](#).

Parishioner Assistance Ministry

Help, I need somebody! *Song by The Beatles*

"How are you doing today?" Such a simple question and yet how often do we answer "fine" "good" or "ok" ...and if we were being honest we were neither fine or even ok.

Are you a member of our STMM family who is hurting physically, emotionally, spiritually or financially? Your parish family is here and WANTS TO HELP YOU. We have so many people in our parish willing to serve you and walk with you during this time of difficulty. The important part of this is the "asking". *When looking at Jesus' life yes he gave it, for the benefit of others, but we must not get the idea that trying to be more like him demands that we always be the giver, and not the receiver, of service. There are many examples of Jesus accepting help from others. This was not in any way a display of weakness on Jesus' part. He understood that allowing others to serve him provided an opportunity for them both to express love and build a relationship, just as it did when he served them. Jonathan Decker, your family expert*

We, your STMM family, want to lighten your burden but we need to know you're hurting and in need. How do you let us know? 1. Call the parish and leave a confidential message with Deb Prewitt she will put you in touch with the people that can help. 2. Contact Dan or Kathy from the Parishioner Assistance Ministry. Depending upon your need we will work to find the right assistance for you. You do not need to go this road alone. Let us help you get your feet back on the ground.

Dan Moskey (919) 986-8613 dmoskey12@gmail.com

Kathy Lynch (919) 210-2709 kcclynch@yahoo.com

Altar Flower Donations



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.

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPTIONS: STMM offers a wide variety of adult faith formation options, and some are continuing to meet virtually during the pandemic. Prayerfully consider how you can grow deeper in your faith and download our brochure of options by [clicking here](#).

For more information and for the point of contact for each ministry, please see the website: [Ministry Contacts](#)

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