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St. Mary Magdalene E-News June 4, 2021

A Note from Fr. Chris

The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ celebrates our friendship with God. The reality of our union with God in the real substance of the Eucharist. Just as Jesus invites his disciples to dine with him at the Last Supper, God invites us to receive him into our lives.

Congratulations to all our teachers and students on your perseverance this school year. We hope you have a great summer break.

Many blessings,

Fr. Chris



Upcoming Events

- June 4 First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am 7pm
- June 5 No Confessions
- June 5 5pm Mass
- June 6 9am & 11am Mass
- June 7 Daily Mass 9am
- June 7 Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
- June 9 Daily Mass 9am
- June 10 Daily Mass 9am
- June 11 Daily Mass 9am
- June 12 Confessions 10:30am

Mass This Weekend



Flowers donated by Heather Corin in memory of our beloved aunt Joanne Kennedy.

Flowers also donated by Anne Moore in loving memory of Carol and William Gaffron.

Thank you to Lavender Lane Florist of 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: Hear at This Table #313

Psalm 116: Our blessing cup is a communion in the Blood of Christ.

Preparation: I Am the Living Bread #355

Communion: Miracle of Grace #357

Communion: One Bread, One Body #338

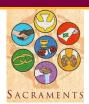
Communion: Come to the Feast/ Ven al Banquete #308

Sending Forth: Rain Down #600

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

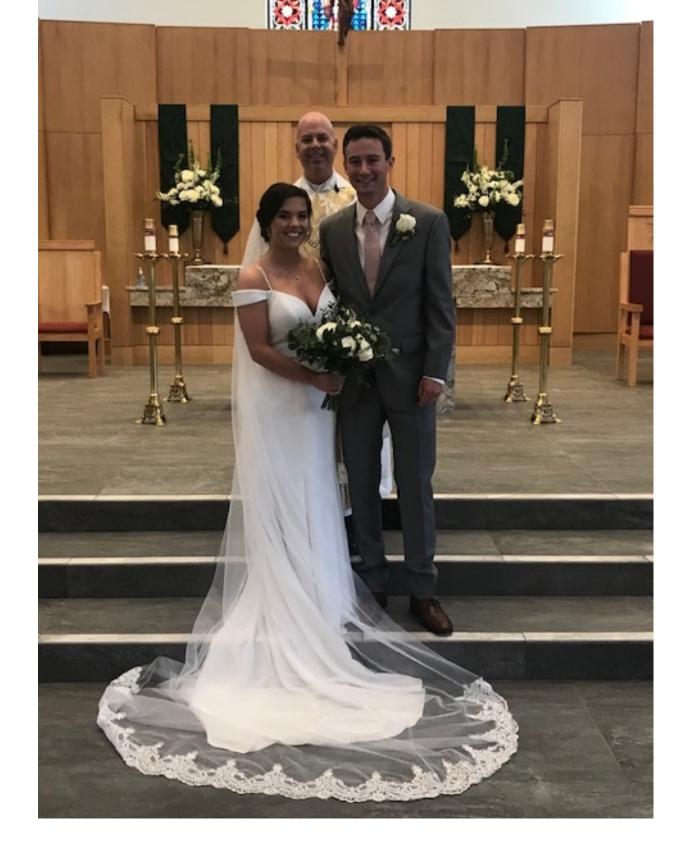


BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, <u>info@stmm.net</u>. First time parents must attend a baptism class [a good time is during the 9 months prior to birth.] Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

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

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Wedding of Rachel and Conor Kennedy

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

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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First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday June 4th 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 <u>ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM</u> or 919-280-8931 if interested.

We will continue to have First Friday Adoration during the summer months. June 4th, July 2nd, and August 6th from 9:30am - 7pm.

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".

Eucharistic Holy Hour

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!!

Elementary Faith Formation



<u>Program Registration 2021-22</u> - 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

<u>Gather Volunteers</u> - 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





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 <u>liz.sams@gmail.com</u> with questions.

Houses in Haiti



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 <u>HERE</u>. 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

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

The 2020-21 school year is complete for our students at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School. Have a safe and enjoyable summer, Monarchs! Be sure to mark your calendars for our Back to School Mass on Sunday, August 15th. We look forward to seeing you back on campus for our first day of school Thursday, August 19th.

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 a part-time **Administrative Assistant** and a **Liturgical Music Minister**. To view full job postings, please <u>click here</u>.

CONSIDERING A CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD?

Join us for **select free livestreamed sessions** from our Adult Conferences at Franciscan University:

Power and Purpose Conference June 5, 2021 @ 6:30-10:00 pm Eastern REGISTER NOW

Includes keynote, *Church on Fire*, by presenter Bart Schuchts, and a time of eucharistic adoration

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.

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.

<u>Click here</u> 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 <u>floralministry@stmm.net</u>.

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 <u>clicking here.</u>

For more information and for the point of contact for each ministry, please see the website: <u>Ministry Contacts</u>

Christmas Market

St. Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Church in Cary is hosting its first ever "Christmas in June" Market on Saturday, June 26, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. This is an outgrowth of our popular St. Nicholas European Christmas Market. Join us for hot pierogies and grilled kielbasa sandwich take-out lunches or buy some frozen to take home! Handmade gifts inspired from Ukraine, Ireland, Poland and more will also be available for purchase. All proceeds go towards our new building fund! Preorder today at saintnicolasmarket.com!

Helping Aging Parents, Partners & You

Aging Conversations: HAPPY Hour

Helping Aging Parents, Partners & You: SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, June 10, 6 - 7:30 p.m. on Zoom Learn about local programs to support independent living focused on maximizing older adults' safety, comfort, and well-being. Wake County has a network of public, non-profit, and private resources for seniors, but planning is key! Join us for personal stories and expert guidance to prepare your roadmap to local services that can most benefit you and your loved one. Contact Resources for Seniors at carysc@rfsnc.org or amdisera@uncg.edu for more information. Register in advance for this meeting: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwkdeCpgj0gHNJpdhXaTi8MsmipQ ZEwtGd

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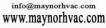
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