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St. Mary Magdalene E-News

March 5, 2021

A Note from Fr. Chris

Jesus speaks of rebuilding the temple this weekend in the Gospel. The Lenten journey is our own participation in building better relationships, families, and lives.

Fr. Scott McCue and I are exchanging pulpits this weekend. Fr. Scott will also be here on Wednesday evening, March 10th at 7pm in the church and present a Lenten mission; "Jerusalem My Destiny". The event will be in person and livestreamed. Please help me in welcoming Fr. Scott.

Many blessings to your family!

Fr. Chris

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Upcoming Events

March 5 - Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church
March 5 - KofC Fish Fry Pre-order/Takeout only event www.lentfishfry.com
March 5 - Stations of the Cross 7pm Church and [live streamed](#)
March 5 - Confessions 7-8pm
March 6 - 9am Help Beautify the Campus
March 6 - Confessions 10:30am
March 6 - 5pm Mass
March 7 - 9am & 11am Mass
March 7 - Apostello & the Way
March 7 - Youth Mass 6pm
March 8 - Daily Mass 9am
March 8 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
March 9 - GATHER 6:30pm
March 9 - Parent Confirmation Workshop 8pm Gym
March 10 - Daily Mass 9am
March 10 - Lenten Night of Reflection 7pm Church and [live streamed](#)
March 11 - Daily Mass 9am
March 11 - EDGE 6:30pm
March 12 - Daily Mass 9am
March 12 - Stations of the Cross 7pm Church and [live streamed](#)
March 12 - Confessions 7-8pm
March 13 - 9am Help Beautify the Campus
March 13 - Confessions 10:30am
March 13 - 5pm Mass
March 13-14 - "Feed a Family" Food Drive
March 14 - 9am & 11am Mass
March 14 - Apostello & the Way
March 14 - Youth Mass 6pm
March 15 - Daily Mass 9am
March 15 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
March 16 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church

Mass This Weekend

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: In These Days of Lenten Journey	#128	
Psalm 19: Lord you have the words of everlasting life. Lord you have the words of everlasting life.		
Preparation: Psalm 42	#497	
Communion: Come to the Water	#603	
Communion: I Will Choose Christ	#511	
Communion: God of Mercy	#521	S ending
Forth: This Day God Gives Me	#622	

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Outdoor Communion Procedures after 9am Sunday Mass only

1. There will be three stations available outside for communion following the 9:00 am Mass; one on the piazza in front of the church and two in the drive thru at the portico for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.
2. Ushers will be available with hand sanitizer and face masks are required.

A Lenten Night of Reflection

Three Transformative Moments

A Lenten Night of Reflection

with

Fr. Scott McCue

March 10, 7 PM Church

[Live Stream Link](#)

Our Lenten night of reflection will look at three key gospel passages from John that served as moments of transformation:

The Woman at the Well

"Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst"

The Man Born Blind

"I am the light of the world"

The Raising of Lazarus

"Untie him and let him go."

Fr. Scott will help us to understand how these passages transformed those who Jesus encountered and how they can help in our ongoing transformation as disciples.



A priest of the Diocese of Raleigh for 20 years, Fr. Scott serves as Pastor of St. Thomas More in Chapel Hill. Previously has served as Pastor of St. Ann in Clayton and Asst. Principal for Spiritual Life at Cardinal Gibbons High School. Fr. Scott currently also serves as Dean of the Piedmont Deanery, a member of the Council of Priests, the College of Consultors and as Diocesan Scout Chaplain.

Help Beautify the Campus



On THIS SATURDAY March 6th at 9am- we welcome you to the campus to help beautify the grounds by spreading mulch around the Church. If you have tools like wheelbarrows, pitchforks, steel rakes, and such feel free to bring along with a pair of work gloves. Families and individuals are welcome. Many hands make for quick work!

2020 Tax Statements



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

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.

Brick Orders



COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS line the walkway to our Activities Building. Commemorate a First Communion, a Graduation or remember a loved one with an engraved brick. The deadline for the Spring brick order is **March 27th**. The cost is \$100 per brick. Order forms are located in the parish office or http://www.stmm.church/Brick_Order_Form.pdf

Sacraments



BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, info@stmm.net. 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

First Friday Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday March 5th from 10am - 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.

Please wear a mask and socially distance.

Eucharistic Holy Hour

Please join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for Eucharistic Holy Hour Tuesday March 16th 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 16th!!

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 February 1, 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



Gather Virtual Families - February packets are available for pick up beneath the portico (drive thru side entrance of the church) anytime 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for your convenience. Teaching videos on this month's topic of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving were recorded and were emailed home in the 2/5/21 Gather newsletter.

Gather March Dates - March 3, 9 & 17. This Month's topic is on Living the Ten Commandments and will feature Deacon Rick Stevens as our guest speaker.

First Eucharist Parent Meetings - For those parents who missed last week's meeting, materials are available for pick up in the portico. Meeting notes and video will be emailed home this week. Email Suzanne to sign up for First Communion Liturgy

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

StMM YM schedule for 3/7/21

Apostello 4:30-5:45pm

Youth mass 6pm

The Way 7:15-8:30pm

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

Confirmation

I am offering 3 Parent Confirmation Workshops in March to try to help parents catch up with the guidelines for the sacrament. Each workshop will be in the gym on the following nights:

DONATIONS NEEDED! Can you Help? StMM Youth Group for teens in Apostello are doing a service project during Lent to help those experiencing homelessness! We are in need of the following items:
March 9th at 8:00pm
March 18th at 8:00pm

- Socks
 - Sanitizer
 - Individual Snacks
 - Wet Wipes
 - Personal Hygiene items
 - Disposable Masks
- There's no RSVP or Sign Up process. If your teen is in year 1 or year 2 of preparation you are required to attend 1 Parent Confirmation Workshop prior to your teen receiving the sacrament. We'll be in the gym where you can spread out on the bleachers. It is required for parents to wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth while you are on the STMM campus.
The gym is on the first floor of the Activity Building.

We will have a labeled box in the lobby of the church to collect items until March 14th. Please consider helping those less fortunate.

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 [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

Every year St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School honors a special teacher and support staff member. We are pleased to announce that our 2021 Teacher of the Year is Mrs. Gina Frosch, 4th grade teacher, and our Support Staff Member of the Year is Mrs. Wendy Walsh, our school nurse. Congratulations, Mrs. Frosch and Mrs. Walsh! These ladies will be honored by the Apex Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon later this month.

Save the Date: Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Fish Fry Alert!



KofC Annual Lent Fish Fry- Takeout Only- Fri, March 5th, and March 19th at St. Mary Magdalene. Pre-order online at www.lentfishfry.com. Although we will not be able to gather together, the Knights will continue our great tradition this Lent with a Pre-order/Takeout only event. Enjoy a great meal while supporting many worthy community causes championed by the Knights of Columbus.

"Feed a Family" Food Drive

"Feed-A-Family" Food Drive Comes to Mary Magdalene

Did you know that Catholic Parish Outreach food pantry distributed enough food to feed over 57,000 people since the pandemic began? Volunteers will be handing out grocery bags with an attached shopping list or a donation of \$40 feeds a family for one week. Please help CPO serve the less fortunate in our community by taking a bag and returning it on March 13th and 14th. If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please contact Kelly Rappl at krappl@nc.rr.com or Kathy Barnack at kbarnack957@gmail.com

Parishioner Assistance Ministry

We are one BIG STMM Family- Can you help? Do you need help?

Now feels like the right time to 'reboot' the Parishioner Assistance Ministry. Its true purpose is to help our brothers and sisters in need while building our STMM community. We are all members of a large STMM church family! When a family member needs help, we need to be there. And when **you** are in need, we - your church family will be there for you.

How can we do this? We will do this by creating and managing a database of family members willing and able to help. Via a simple and confidential request to this ministry, we would arrange and provide assistance, free of charge - to help those in a time of need. All of us have a talent or two. What is your talent? We need it all. Electricians, roof repair, counselling, financial guidance, legal advice, lawn cutting, minor car repair questions, driving help, a meal for someone in need, child care, elder care, a meal.....anything...

1. Please consider offering your time and sharing your talent. 1-2 hours is all we will ever ask for. Will your help be needed now or anytime soon? Maybe or maybe not. But your fellow family members will be happy to know that if needed, help will be there.

2. When YOU find yourself in a time of need, PLEASE know your STMM family is here. Please reach out to us, and we'll find a way to help. **This includes help to 'keep the lights on' during a difficult time.** Don't go through your tough times alone. Lean on your STMM family.

Please consider joining us in this ministry as we help those in need and continue to build and strengthen our STMM community!

Proverbs 3:27 'Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act'. You have the power to act. You have the power to help those in need."

Contact: Kathy Lynch kcclynch@yahoo.com 919-210-2709 or Dan Moskey dmoskey12@gmail.com 919-986-8613

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.

Knights of Columbus Operation Feed Thy Neighbor

Our StMM Knights of Columbus Council #7186 continues to partner with Wake County Human Services and several other local churches in the area to serve desperately needed meals & non-perishable goods to those in need in the Apex area during the COVID-19 crisis.

As we are continuing these efforts until the threat of the pandemic subsides, we kindly ask for your continued support of our efforts through prayer, [financial donations](#), or [contributing to our non-perishable goods collection](#). Please contact Bob Callaway at bob.callaway@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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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