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St. Mary Magdalene E-News

May 28, 2021

A Note from Fr. Chris

The Holy Spirit is with us and we celebrate that each time we make the sign of the cross. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We are challenged to receive and use the Holy Spirit to live and live in abundance. Taking the Holy Spirit with us is key. Just like rosaries. Rosaries are good to have in the home, but even better to have in our hand praying them. The Holy Spirit of God, the peace of God is something to carry with us. To live.

Let us help each other with this gift of the Holy Trinity. The very peace of God! Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Gratefully in your service,
Fr. Chris

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Upcoming Events

May 29 - Confessions 10:30am

May 29 - 5pm Mass

May 30 - 9am & 11am Mass

May 31 - Daily Mass 9am

May 31 - Parish Office Closed
 June 2 - Daily Mass 9am
 June 2 - XLT - 7pm - Church Parking Lot
 June 3 - Daily Mass 9am
 June 4 - Daily Mass 9am
 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

Mass This Weekend



Altar flowers donated Mr. and Mrs. Connor and Rachel Kennedy getting married this weekend in our church!

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: Gather Your People	#314
Psalm 33: Blessed are the people the Lord has chosen, chosen to be his own.	
Preparation: Tend the Ground	#615
Communion: Anthem	#500
Communion: This is My Song	#733
Communion: Hold on to Love	#486
Sending Forth: America the Beautiful	#731

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Outdoor Communion Procedures after 9am Sunday Mass only

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.

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

Picture of the Week



A sacramental wedding blessing! Mr. and Mrs. Van Hooser

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



STMM ONLINE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN TO BENEFIT BIRTHCHOICE

DUE TO COVID WE ARE SPONSORING AN "ONLINE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN"
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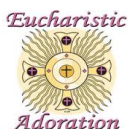
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Campaign Begins on Friday May 28th and Ends on Sunday June 14th

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 ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM 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".*

Elementary Faith Formation



Gather Religious Education Programs are finished for the school year. Thank you to our wonderful devoted Core Team Leaders who gave of their time and talent to share the faith with our children. We are most grateful!

Gather Virtual Families The May packets will be available for pick up through the month of May. They are found beneath the portico (drive thru side entrance of the church) anytime 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for your convenience. The teaching video was distributed in last week's Gather Newsletter dated 5/14/21. It's a great presentation on Our Blessed Mother worth your time to watch or listen to.

Please tell us about your family's experience with Gather and complete our survey by 5/31/21. Here's the link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeO-E-sgziwC8KEVPYuTjhFs-5To5h2clg3mufaKuaW1a3n4A/viewform?usp=pp_url

Program Registration 2021-22 - will be available online July 1, 2021 at <http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/elementary.cfm>

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

Youth Ministry News



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



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



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic School is currently accepting resumes for a full-time **Assistant Principal of Curriculum and Instruction**, a part-time **Administrative Assistant** and a **Liturgical Music Minister**. To view full job postings, please [click here](#).

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](#).

Free Adult Conference Livestreams

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FREE LIVESTREAMS!

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

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[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.

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](#)

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:

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