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### **St. Mary Magdalene E-News**

**November 6, 2020**

#### **A Note From Father Chris**

Are we ready? There is a longing inside of us of anticipation. Jesus invites us to come and greet him; to be ready.

In Advent we will start highlighting the different ministries here at St. Mary Magdalene Church at the weekend Masses. We hope the longing inside of us will lead us to engage in ever new ways with ministry. To truly come out and greet Jesus Christ. Many of our ministries are up and running in new safer ways. We always need help in serving the needs of our families and this community. The invitation of Jesus Christ to be ready is a reality.

Many blessings to you and your family.

Stay safe,

Fr. Chris

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### **Upcoming Events**

November 6 - Adoration 10am - 7pm Chapel  
November 7 - Blood Drive - 10am - 3pm  
November 7 - Confessions - 10:30am  
November 7 - 5pm Mass  
November 8 - 9am & 6pm Mass

November 8 - Apostello and The Way  
 November 9 - Daily Mass 9:15am  
 November 9 - Family Rosary - 6:30pm Chapel  
 November 9 - Parish Council - 7pm - Narthex  
 November 10 - GATHER - 6:30pm  
 November 11 - Daily Mass 9:15am  
 November 11 - Parent Confirmation Meeting - 7pm - Gym  
 November 12 - Daily Mass 9:15am  
 November 12 - EDGE - 6:30pm - EDGE  
 November 13 - Daily Mass 9:15am  
 November 14 - Confessions - 10:30am  
 November 14 - 5pm Mass  
 November 15 - 9am & 6pm Mass  
 November 15 - Apostello and The Way  
 November 16 - Daily Mass 9:15am  
 November 16 - Family Rosary - 6:30pm Chapel  
 November 17 - Eucharistic Holy Hour - 7pm Church

Moved recently? Please update your address by email [info@stmm.net](mailto:info@stmm.net) or phone 919-657-4800 x7281.

## Mass Schedule This Weekend

The altar flowers were donated by  
 Karen O'Neill donated in honor of Nora Ann Sullivan's Baptism and  
 Anonymous donated in reparations for the sufferings of Jesus

There are four options for attending Mass this weekend.

1. 5:00 pm Saturday, Inside the Church, socially distanced, wearing face masks and hand sanitizing
2. 9:00 am Sunday, Inside the Church, socially distanced, wearing face masks and hand sanitizing
3. 9:00 am Sunday, Virtual online with Outdoor Communion Service in Parking Lot
4. 6:00 pm Sunday, Inside the Church, socially distanced, wearing face masks and hand sanitizing

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: America the Beautiful	#711
Psalm 63: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, thirsting for you my God.	
Preparation: Psalm 42 (As the Deer Longs)	#497
Communion: Christ Be Our Light	#587
Communion: Taste and See	#333
Communion: Here at This Table	#313
Sending Forth: Rain Down	#600

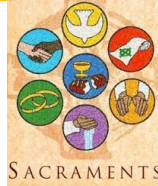
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### Outdoor Communion Procedures after 9am Sunday Mass only

1. There will be three stations available outside for communion following the 9:00 am Mass; two on the piazza in front of the church and the second station is 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.

## Sacraments



**BAPTISMS** - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, [info@stmm.net](mailto: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.

**WEDDINGS** - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email [weddings@stmm.net](mailto:weddings@stmm.net)

## Picture of the Week

All Saints Day 2020  
Olivia Evenson (St. Mary)  
Elizabeth Evenson (St. Elizabeth of Hungary)

## Giving Tuesday



Did you know that [#iGiveCatholic](#) is the first-ever day of Catholic giving in our nation? We at StMM are excited to be part of the sixth year of this tradition!

What better way to thank God for His continued blessings than to give back to our community. Beginning Monday, November 16, support StMM's **Operation Feed Thy Neighbor** at [iGiveCatholic.org](#) with a \$25 donation, or by sending or delivering an offline gift of check or cash in any amount directly to our parish.

## 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 November 9, 2020. 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](mailto: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 your fellow parishioners for Eucharistic Holy Hour beginning November 17 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 17th!!

## Elementary Faith Formation



**GATHER Virtual Packet Pick up** - November packets will be available the first week of the month beneath the drive thru on the side entrance of the church.

**GATHER Meeting Dates for November 6:30 - 7:45 pm:**

First Wednesday - November 4, 2020  
Second Tuesday - November 10, 2020  
Third Wednesday - November 18, 2020  
Fourth Tuesday - November 24, 2020 - Sacramental Prep grades 3 - 5

**First Reconciliation Materials** for GATHER students, including Virtual, pick up is available in the Parish Office from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon Monday - Friday.

**Gather Calendar for the 2020/21 School Year**

[http://www.stmm.church/Youth\\_Ministry\\_Calendar\\_2020-21\(1\).pdf](http://www.stmm.church/Youth_Ministry_Calendar_2020-21(1).pdf)

Contact Suzanne - [will@stmm.net](mailto:will@stmm.net) with your questions

## Youth Ministry News



### EDGE News

8th grade parents -

I know you are probably not thinking about high school just yet - or maybe you are. I need to share with you some super important information about your teen's next sacrament: Confirmation. Here at STMM we confirm at the end of 10th grade, usually. It is a TWO YEAR preparation program required by the diocese. The two years can be completed any time in their high school (or college/adult) career. Most folks do it freshmen/sophomore year. Because, who doesn't want the Holy Spirit renewed in their life asap?? Sign me up!

It is a parish requirement that you must attend ONE of the Confirmation Prep informational meetings in order to start the process. The meetings are for parents only. If your teen would like to be Confirmed at the end of their sophomore year, then you (parent) must attend one of these meetings while they are in 8th grade.

Please see Liz's information below, in the Way section, regarding these meetings.

If you have any questions regarding faith formation for grades 4 -6 please contact Janine McGann at [janine.mcgann@gmail.com](mailto:janine.mcgann@gmail.com)

### STMM Youth Ministry this Sunday, November 8 with the following schedule:

Apostello meets from 4:30pm-5:45pm. Each Apostello group has been assigned a point of entry/exit and will receive a temperature check at that door upon entry. Each teen must also wear a mask. Teens should check with their Apostello leader for their entry/exit door & room location.

The Way will be held from 7:15pm-8:30pm. Each small group has been assigned a point of entry/exit and will receive a temperature check at that door upon entry. Each teen must also wear a mask. This means that after youth mass, everyone must exit the church building before we can allow anyone to enter if their small group is assigned a room in the church building.

Teens should check with their small group leader(s) for their entry/exit door & room location.

Please contact Liz Sams with any questions at [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com)



# Confirmation

## **IMPORTANT: PARENT CONFIRMATION WORKSHOPS ARE REQUIRED FOR A TEEN PREPPING FOR CONFIRMATION AT STMM:**

If you have a teen who is currently in 8th/9th/10th/11th grade who is currently in year 1 or year 2 of Confirmation prep or a teen who will be entering either year 1 or year 2 of Confirmation preparation at STMM in the 2021-2022 school year (meaning they would receive the sacrament in Spring 2022), please be aware that it is required by our parish that you attend a Parent Confirmation Workshop. We offer 3 of them every year and it is required that 1 parent attend 1 of the 3 sessions offered. Usually we offer them in the Spring and these have been moved due to us not being able to hold them last semester.

To see the complete list of Diocesan Guidelines for receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, please go to: <http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/way.cfm>

*The dates for the 2020 Parent Confirmation Workshops are as follows:*

*November 11th, November 17th, & December 1st*

*All the workshops will be held at 7:00pm in the STMM School Gym*

*Masks required & we'll space out on the bleachers*

***IMPORTANT: Whether or not you attended a workshop in the past 2 years, you need to attend. New pastor + COVID = new ball game.***

***Please make plans to attend 1 of the 3 sessions.***

## StMM School News



### **NOW ACCEPTING 2021-22 APPLICATIONS**

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School is now accepting applications for the 2021-22 school year. Apply online by clicking [here](#).

Prospective three year old preschool parents, please note that our full day spots tend to fill up quickly. If you are interested in our program, you are encouraged to apply early. Children must be three years old by August 30, 2021 and potty trained to enter preschool.

Interested in a tour of our school? Schedule a virtual tour by clicking [here](#). Questions? Please contact Lydia Binanay, [binanay@stmm.me](mailto:binanay@stmm.me), 919-657-4800 x7296.

Follow us on social media! Every day we publish pictures from our classrooms and campus, highlight the great work our teachers are doing, share information about saints, pray for seminarians and much more!



Monarch Mondays, the StMM PSO's main fundraiser for this school year, will launch in January and run through June. We would love to have the support of parish families and businesses. It's a great way to advertise your business to our school families, and support the PSO in the process. Our

fundraising focus will be on improving the school's outdoor spaces and recess options, and funding PSO programming throughout the year.

Starting in December, we will sell t-shirts and hoodies to our StMM families, which the children may wear to school every Monday from January to June. Please consider being a sponsor and having your family or business name printed on the back of the shirts. More information about the fundraiser and sponsorship levels may be found [here](#). There are two easy way to sponsor or donate a shirt to a teacher: you may print our sponsor and donor form [here](#) and mail a check, or you may pay [online](#) by credit card or linked checking account. Thank you for supporting the PSO. Online store to order shirts will open in December. Please direct sponsorship questions to [Erin Bonasso](#), and general inquiries to PSO Presidents [Molly Pryzwansky](#) and [Tina Korzeniowski](#).

## First Friday Adoration

First Friday Adoration will be in the chapel Friday November 6th 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](mailto:ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM) or 919-280-8931 if interested.

Please wear a mask and socially distance.

## Western Wake Crisis Ministry - Pack the Pantry

**Help Western Wake Crisis Ministry (WWCM) Pack the Pantry** St. Mary Magdalene's Helping Hands Social Ministry is sponsoring two weekends to partner with WWCM. On **November 7, 8, 4 and 15**, visit the table in the narthex before or after Mass to see what items will help to Pack the Pantry during the holiday season. All items can be brought to Mass on November 21 and 22. If you prefer not to shop, visit <http://wwcm.org/financial-donations/> to see how to donate funds. Due to the pandemic and employment issues, every little bit we can do to help will be put to good use!

## 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 on the sign up genius link 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. All instructions are in the sign up genius description. For questions, please contact [floralministry@stmm.net](mailto:floralministry@stmm.net).

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4CABA82D6-stmary>

We are looking for parishioners gifted in the care of plants and flowers to volunteer to assist in keeping our church beautified. Please contact [floralministry@stmm.net](mailto:floralministry@stmm.net).

## Blood Drive at StMM

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a blood drive with the Blood Connection on Saturday, November 7th from 10am - 3pm. Please see the link to signup for a slot.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0548adab2ca46-november>

## Rosary Monday Nights

"The Rosary is .. the prayer of the ordinary people and the saints... it is a prayer from my heart." - Pope Francis Join the members of our parish praying the Rosary every Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel.

Find STMM Rosary On FaceBook <https://www.facebook.com/STMM-Rosary-115180550121735/> and Instagram <https://instagram.com/stmmrosary?igshid=dk6zl88nql4t> . No experience necessary! Online guides are available from the Knights of Columbus. <http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/cis/devotionals/4772.pdf> you may leave prayer requests on the Rosary page even if you are unable to join us online. For more information or to leave a prayer request contact Joe Sebik @ [joeysebik@gmail.com](mailto:joeysebik@gmail.com).

## Knights of Columbus Operation Feed Thy Neighbor

The Knights of Columbus Council #7186 (based at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church) is partnering with St. Mary Magdalene, Wake County Human Services and several other local churches in the area to serve desperately needed meals to children, as well as the unemployed & underemployed in the Apex area during the COVID-19 crisis.

We will continue to operate an emergency food distribution site on Saturday and Sunday evenings located here in Apex. In the twenty six weekends, we have served more than 13,660 meals to Apex residents who are in need, and have distributed several hundred bags of non-perishable goods. A sincere **THANK YOU** to all who have supported our efforts through prayer, financial donations, or contributing to our non-perishable goods collection.

We are called by Jesus to be His hands and feet on Earth in feeding the hungry. Your support will enable us to continue to provide healthy meals to our most vulnerable neighbors during this crisis.

Please join (or partner with) us in performing a corporal work of mercy!

[Donate by clicking here](#)

The KofC are putting together bags with a list of food items in them. There will be tubs located under the drive through portico on the chapel side of the church starting Monday until Thursday of each week. One tub will be labeled "Completed bags" and the other will be labeled "Bag items". If you cannot fill an entire bag, please just give what you can and we'll put bags together out of whatever we collect. This allows for a 'no contact' way to help out during this difficult time.

Here are the items for one completed bag:

- 1 Rice or dried beans
- 1 Pasta & 1 Small Canned Sauce
- 1 Boxed Meal (hamburger helper or Mac-N-Cheese)
- 1 Canned Vegetable
- 1 Canned Fruit
- 6 Snack Items (individually wrapped)
- 1 Breakfast Items



- 1 Hygiene Item
- 1 Roll of Toilet Paper

Please bag these items at home and only include "like" items from above. We are not able to date check the donations, so please fill these bags with in-date items we can hand directly to folks in need. Please make sure everything fits into ONE bag which can be double knotted!

## Catholic Parish Outreach

Dear Friends,

CPO, Catholic Parish Outreach, is in great need of your empty paper and plastic grocery bags. If you could please bring them to daily and Sunday masses now through the holidays we would be most grateful. Please place them in the bin outside under the covered drive. Thank you for your continued support!

Your Friends at CPO

## Thursday Night Book Club

We are starting an evening book club. For November we are reading "The Shadow of His Wings". We will be meeting virtually on Thursday, November 19th at 7pm. If you are interested in joining, please contact Paula Hils at [pshils@bellsouth.net](mailto:pshils@bellsouth.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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