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St. Mary Magdalene E-News April 16, 2021

A Note from Fr. Chris

Jesus shows that life with Jesus Christ continues in heaven and earth. We live with Christ now and in heaven. We are a people who usually like NOW. The kingdom of God is now and our life is meant to be lived in goodness, truth and love; NOW. All good news!

Good news and blessings to our young people confirmed in the Holy Spirit on Thursday. The fullness of life in Jesus Christ is now for you too!

We thank Monsignor Staib for celebrating the Masses last weekend. A beautiful homecoming!
With much love,

Fr. Chris

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Upcoming Events

April 17 - Confessions 10:30am
April 17 - 5pm Mass
April 18 - 9am & 11am Mass
April 18 - Apostello & the Way
April 18 - Youth Mass 6pm
April 19 - Daily Mass 9am
April 19 - Family Rosary 6:30pm - Chapel

April 21 - Daily Mass 9am
April 22 - Daily Mass 9am
April 22 - EDGE - 6:30pm
April 23 - Daily Mass 9am
April 24 - Confessions 10:30am
April 24 - 5pm Mass
April 25 - 9am & 11am Mass

Pictures of the Week



Divine Mercy Sunday April 11th



Confirmation Mass April 15th



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Mass This Weekend



Flowers provided by St. Mary Magdalene Floral Ministry.

Thank you to florist Lavender Lane of Apex, NC.

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

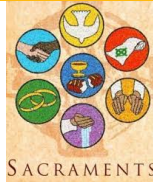
Gathering: Sing a New Song	#545
Psalm 4: Lord let your face shine upon us, shine upon us, shine upon us.	
Preparation: Jesus Christ is Risen Today	#183
Communion: Two Were Bound For Emmaus	#165
Communion: Ven al Banquete	#308
Communion: Bread of Life	#368

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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.

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

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month



Did you know that when a person is assaulted as a child, he or she may wait years or decades to tell another person about it? The reasons for this vary. Victims may want to deny the fact that someone they trusted could do this to them; they may want to just put the abuse behind them and move forward. They may believe that they caused the assault by their behavior; or they may fear how other people will react. For more information on learning how you can help ensure the safety of children and how to help them when they do not feel safe, call 1-800- CHILDREN (1-800-244-53736).

You may also call: **The Diocese of Raleigh Office of Child and Youth Protection** at 1-866-535-7233 or email safe@raldioc.org

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 April 19, 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 May Dates - Wednesday May 5th , Tuesday May 11th and
Wednesday May 19th

Gather Virtual Families - The April 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. The teaching video was distributed in the April 16th Gather Newsletter.

First Holy Communion Preparation

- Home Lesson Booklet lessons 1-7 should be completed by this week
- Retreat Kits are now available for pick up outside church beneath the portico

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 4/18/21

Apostello 4:30-5:45pm

Youth mass 6pm

The Way 7:15-8:30pm

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

Diocese of Raleigh Remote Learning 2021-22

Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic School has been faced with important decisions regarding in-person and remote learning options for the upcoming 2021-22 school year. Next year StMM will not offer remote learning. However, we are pleased to announce that our school will be partnering with the Diocese of Raleigh, who will be offering a full remote learning opportunity for students interested in this option. More information can be found in the [attached letter](#). This new virtual school will be its own school. For current families choosing to enroll in this virtual program, enrollment at Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic School will end. If you are interested in the Diocese's program, please be sure to fill out the survey using the link in the attached letter. The deadline for that survey is April 29, 2021.

Employment Opportunities

StMM School is currently accepting resumes for the following positions: 7th & 8th Grade Science Teacher, 7th & 8th Grade Math Teacher, and full-time Music Teacher. To view the full job postings, please click [HERE](#). Resumes and letters of interest can be sent to principal@stmm.net.

Request for Volunteers for Parish Website Revision

We are seeking those with website design experience to form a group to work collaboratively with our staff, and others in proposed website revisions for the Church. If interested in contributing your time and talents- please contact - Jim Galkowski at galkowski@stmm.net

K of C Blood Drive April 24th



Blood Drive

Knights of Columbus - Apex

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Apex, NC 27502

04/24/2021 | 10:00 AM-03:00 PM

To make an appointment, please scan the QR Code and search for the Sponsor Code 55OY.



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The Blood Connection is a non-profit organization. Blood can be donated every 56 days. Donors must be 16 years or older and over 110 lbs. to donate. Sixteen year olds are required to have written consent to donate blood. Before you donate blood, make sure that you drink plenty of water and eat a healthy meal. TBC Donor ID Card (preferred) or photo ID required to donate. Gift cards and other incentives are non-transferable.



thebloodconnection.org

K of C Shrimp Boil April 30



Shrimp Boil April 30 ! - Knights of Columbus Council 7186 is proud to host our Spring Low Country Shrimp Boil at St. Mary Magdalene on Friday, April 30, 2021. All proceeds go to supporting individuals in our community with intellectual disabilities.

This will be a Pre-Order Only and **Curb Side Pickup Only** event. Great Food, Great Value, Convenient Pickup, and a Wonderful Cause. Go to www.KofCseafoodboil.com and place your order today!

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](#)

Ignited by Truth Conference

The 18th annual **Ignited By Truth Conference** will be held on **Saturday, April 24, 2021, 10am-5pm ET** on the IBT YouTube Channel. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Michael Schmitz, Fr. Chris Alar, Matthew Leonard, and Patricia Sandoval. Register at IgnitedByTruth.org for **FREE** access, including weekly pre-conference talks!

We added another great speaker, John Pridmore!

18TH ANNUAL IGNITED BY TRUTH		FREE Virtual Conference Saturday, April 24th, 2021 10 am - 5 pm EDT		REGISTER AT: IgnitedByTruth.org			
Dr. Scott Hahn Renowned biblical scholar, professor, and best selling author. Founder and President of St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology.		Fr. Michael Schmitz Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry for the Diocese of Duluth and Chaplain for the Newman Ctr. at the University of MN-Duluth. Well known for his <i>Bible Timeline Podcast</i> (1M views per episode!)		Fr. Chris Alar, MIC Director of the Association of Marian Helpers in Stockbridge, MA. Best selling author and frequent host and guest on EWTN. Host of <i>Divine Mercy Matters</i> series at DivineMercyMatters.org .		Matthew Leonard Popular speaker, author, filmmaker, & founder of <i>The Science of Saint-hood</i> , an online community teaching authentic Catholic spirituality. (ScienceOfSainthood.com)	
Patricia Sandoval Int'l speaker shares her story of three abortions, work behind the hidden doors of Planned Parenthood, then nearly three years as a homeless drug addict. Hosts weekly TV program <i>Informe Pro Vida</i> on EWTN español.		PRE - CONFERENCE TALKS		John Pridmore An ex- gangster who had it all: money, power, girls, drugs. God's love changed it all. After his conversion, he joined the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, met Mother Teresa, and now speaks all over the world.			
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