

## St. Mary Magdalene E-News April 1, 2022

### A Note from Father Chris

Our Lenten parish mission ***The Vigil Project*** is this **Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**. We look forward to seeing EVERYONE there. It will be fantastic!

The Gospel this weekend tells us not to judge others, but to prepare ourselves for the good life. Our judgement will be directly with God and we are invited to be friends with the judge. Our journey during Lent lets us see human judgement versus the divine mercy of God.

Many blessings to you and your family,

Fr. Chris

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### Upcoming Events

April 1 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church  
April 1 - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry [www.lentfishfry.com](http://www.lentfishfry.com)  
April 1 - Stations of the Cross 7pm Church  
April 1 - Confessions 7-8pm  
April 2 - No Confessions  
April 2 - Blood Drive 9am-2pm in front of school building  
April 2 - 5pm Mass  
April 3 - 9am & 11am Mass  
April 3 - 6pm Youth Mass  
April 3 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way  
April 4 - Daily Mass 9am  
April 4 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel  
April 4 - Respect Life Ministry 7pm Room 1  
April 5 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church  
April 5 - Last Day to Order Bricks  
April 6 - Daily Mass 9am  
April 6 - Parish Lenten Mission - The Vigil Project 7pm Church  
April 7 - Daily Mass 9am  
April 7 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel  
April 7 - Parent Confirmation Workshop 8pm Gym  
April 8 - Daily Mass 9am  
April 9 - Confessions 10:30am  
April 9 - 5pm Mass  
April 10 - 9am & 11am Mass Palm Sunday  
April 11 - Daily Mass 9am  
April 11 - Catholic Senior Org 10:30am Room 3

April 11 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Church  
April 13 - Daily Mass 9am  
April 14 - No Daily Mass  
April 14 - Holy Thursday 7pm Mass  
April 15 - Parish Office Closed  
April 15 - Good Friday No Daily Mass  
April 15 - Stations of the Cross 12pm Church  
April 15 - Good Friday Service 3pm  
April 16 - Easter Vigil 7:45pm  
April 17 - Easter 9am & 11am Mass Outside  
April 18 - Parish Office Closed  
April 18 - No Daily Mass  
April 20 - No Daily Mass

**The Chapel is open from 7am - 6pm during the week. Please enter through the single metal door to the left.**

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](mailto:floralministry@stmm.net)

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## Mass This Weekend

Click [HERE](#) to Live Stream our 9am Sunday Mass

### Music for this weekend's Mass

**Gathering:** The Lord is My Hope 467

**Psalm: 126** The Lord has done great things for us. We are filled with gladness and joy.

**Preparation:** You Alone 663

**Communion 1:** Psalm 42 (As the Deer Longs) 508

**Communion 2:** In These Days of Lenten Journey 124

**Communion 3:** Be Not Afraid 435

**Sending Forth:** Lead Me, Lord 739

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### 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.

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## 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. 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](mailto:weddings@stmm.net)



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## Lenten Penance Services

- April 5th 7pm Holy Name of Jesus
- April 6th 10am St. Catherine of Sienna
- April 7th 7pm St. Catherine of Sienna

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## Pictures of the Week



The Wedding of Christian Byrnes and Yacob Malik on March 26th







High School Girls' Retreat March 25-27

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## Employment Opportunity

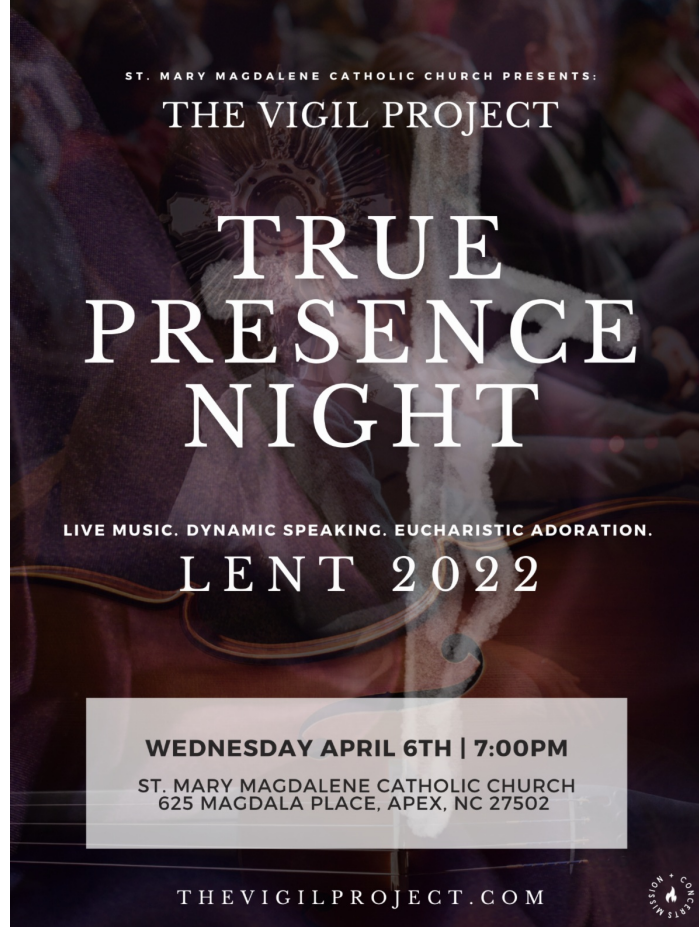
St. Mary Magdalene Church is seeking candidates to apply to manage our successful youth ministry middle school program Grades 5th through 8th. This is a Full time staff position including benefits. For more information please see our posting on the Diocese of Raleigh website:

<https://dioceseofraleigh.org/employment>

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## Lenten Parish Mission April 6th at 7pm





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## 2021 Tax Statements are Ready



Tax statements are available online. Please follow the directions for printing your statement on our website. For questions, email [prewitt@stmm.net](mailto:prewitt@stmm.net), or 919-657-4800 x7281.

[http://www.stmm.church/Tax\\_statement\\_instructions\\_2021.pdf](http://www.stmm.church/Tax_statement_instructions_2021.pdf)

Are you now donating online and do not want to receive church envelopes? If so, please email the parish office at [info@stmm.net](mailto:info@stmm.net) to stop the envelopes.

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## First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday April 1st 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](mailto:ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM) or 919-280-8931 if interested.

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## Stations of the Cross

Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7pm in the church during Lent.

For Roman Catholics throughout the world, the Stations of the Cross are synonymous with the season of Lent. This devotion is also known as the "Way of the Cross", the "Via Crucis", and the "Via Dolorosa." It commemorates 14 key events on the day of Christ's crucifixion. Praying the "Stations of the Cross" has always been one of the most popular devotions for Roman Catholics. By meditating upon the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death, it is often performed in a spirit of spiritual pilgrimage.

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## KofC Annual Lent Fish Fry

### Fish Fry Alert!



**KofC Annual Lent Fish Fry- Pre-order/Takeout Only-** Fri April 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Mary Magdalene. Pre-order online at [www.lentfishfry.com](http://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.

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## Blood Drive April 2nd

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive Saturday April 2nd 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the schools parking lot. Sign up link [https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/182717](https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/182717) Sign up and reserve a time. Give the gift of life. One unit of your blood can save 3 lives.

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## Respect Life Ministry

Respect Life ministry will have our spring meeting on Monday April 4th 7-8pm in room 1.

Please join us to learn about the Gabriel from an organizer for this ministry at St Mary Catholic Church in Garner. Gabriel Project provides assistance to expectant mothers and their unborn children.

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## 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 April 5th. The cost is \$100 per brick. Link for order forms [http://www.stmm.church/Brick\\_Order\\_Form.pdf](http://www.stmm.church/Brick_Order_Form.pdf)

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## Eucharistic Holy Hour First and Third Tuesdays

The 1st Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Dev from 7-8pm as we spend an hour with our Lord devoted to meditation in a spirit of Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, and Supplication (ACTS). We will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and close with Benediction. Handouts will be available so everyone can participate fully.



The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for an Eucharistic Holy Hour from 7-8 pm. 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.

**Next Holy Hour April 5th 7-8pm**

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## April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, please call: The Diocese of Raleigh Office of Child and Youth Protection at 1- 866-535-7233 or email [safe@raldioc.org](mailto:safe@raldioc.org). Information is also available at: <http://www.preventchildabusenc.org/>

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## Catholic Senior Organization

The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for women and men (60+) will hold the April meeting on Monday, April 11, 10:30 AM until Noon, in Church meeting room #3. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, [miriamdel79@yahoo.com](mailto:miriamdel79@yahoo.com), 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, [gmomfran@gmail.com](mailto:gmomfran@gmail.com).



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## The StMM Prayer Team



"God is with us!" -- what a blessing these words are for us, especially during the season of Lent, when we are tested by temptation. For companionship in your trials and joys of life, our team of prayer warriors are also here to walk with you.

We are always happy to have more people join us in lifting the prayers of our parish, drop us a note if you would like to learn more about the StMM Prayer Team, [StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net](mailto:StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net).

Request  
Prayers

Join the Prayer  
Team

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## Prayers and Squares Prayer Quilt Ministry



Do you know anyone who is in need of prayers? We make personalized lap sized prayer quilts for each recipient. To request a quilt for someone, please contact Lorraine Morris at [lc Morris0707@gmail.com](mailto:lc Morris0707@gmail.com)


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## Faith Formation







  
 FIRST EUCHARIST

*Families Preparing for First Communion in May*

### Reminders

- Begin Countdown Calendars on either 4/7/22 or 4/15/22
- Retreat Volunteers still needed. Click on Sign up genius below:
- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0945A4A922A3F94-first5>
- Retreat on Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 8:30 - 12:00 noon
- Communion Banners due in May
- Rehearsal Thursday night before liturgy



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**StMM High School Youth Ministry**



Join us at Fort Caswell (in Oak Island, NC) this August 19-21!!! This retreat is open to rising 9-12 graders. Click [HERE](#) to sign up!



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# PARENT CONFIRMATION WORKSHOPS

SESSIONS WILL BE OFFERED  
MARCH 8, MARCH 30, AND  
APRIL 7 AT 8PM IN THE GYM.

AT LEAST ONE SESSION IS REQUIRED FOR  
PARENTS OF TEENS PREPARING FOR  
CONFIRMATION!

For more information about Confirmation, click here: <http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/way.cfm>

**Questions:**

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com)

For **Apostello, the Way, and Confirmation**, contact Caitlin Clendenin at [clendenin@stmm.net](mailto:clendenin@stmm.net)

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## New Member Lunch

Calling all new parishioners!

Welcome to St. Mary Magdalene! We are very excited to have you as new members of our community. If you registered as a member from November 2021 through now, we would love to have the opportunity to officially welcome you after 11am Mass, Sunday, May 1. We will gather in the Activities Building for food, fellowship, and fun for the kids!

Please [register here](#) if you plan to attend

Registration will be open through April 25th.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Petersen at [l.a.petersen@gmail.com](mailto:l.a.petersen@gmail.com).

We look forward to officially welcoming you to the St. Mary Magdalene family!

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## Seasons of Hope - Bereavement Group to Begin



If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. We recommend participants join us approximately after the loss of a loved one. There are two classes participants can choose from either Wednesdays at 7:00 pm beginning May 4, 2022 or Thursdays at 10:00 am beginning May 5, 2022. Sessions will consist of prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship. For more information, contact [stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net](mailto:stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net) or call the Parish Office at 919-657-4800 ext. 7280.

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## RCIA

Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic? Are you wanting to participate fully in the sacraments instituted by Christ? Are you a baptized Christian and desiring to receive the Eucharist and Confirmation? The next module of the RCIA process at StMM is starting on May 9, 2022. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact

Kathy and Scott Strednak at [rcia@stmm.me](mailto:rcia@stmm.me) and let's have a conversation. 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".



Rite of Christian Initiation  
for Adults

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## StMM School News

Congratulations to the 7th and 8th grade St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School students who were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society this week. This honor was awarded to Monarchs who have excelled in the five areas of scholarship, leadership, citizenship, service, and character. Well done!

### **2022 Summer Camps at StMM**

2022 Summer Camps are open to rising kindergarten through 8th grade campers. For more information visit: <http://school.stmm.net/student-life/summercamp.cfm>

### **Employment Opportunity:**

The After Care program is looking for an additional person to join their team. For more information please contact; Megan Mastrogiovanni [mastrogiovanni@stmm.net](mailto:mastrogiovanni@stmm.net)

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## Parishioner Assistance Ministry

Parishioner Assistance Ministry continues to grow, welcoming new volunteers and supporting fellow parishioners who are experiencing difficult times. The team is currently providing rides to Mass for a senior member of our parish and meals to two families who are experiencing medical challenges. We invite any parishioners in need and those interested in supporting this growing ministry to contact us!

God Bless!

Dan Moskey  
919-986-8613  
[Dmoskey12@gmail.com](mailto:Dmoskey12@gmail.com)

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## Catholic Estate Planning



### **CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR**

**WHEN**  
Tuesday April 19, 2022  
10am - 11:15am

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### **SPEAKERS**

**Ryan Flood,**  
Planned Giving Specialist,  
The Foundation

**Charles Davis III,**  
Estate Planning Specialist,  
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## Triangle Area Catholic Attorneys

For Triangle Area Catholic Attorneys: Upcoming Meeting April 30

The St. Thomas More Society of the Triangle invites all area Catholics to attend its annual meeting the morning of Saturday April 30 at St. Michael the Archangel Conference Center in Cary. Featured speakers include the Hon. Judge James C. Dever III (Eastern District, N.C.) and the Hon. Judge Robert J. Conrad (Western District, N.C.). To register on Eventbrite, go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-thomas-more-society-of-the-triangle-annual-meeting-tickets-265251112217>. For more information about the Society, visit our web page at [www.trianglestms.com](http://www.trianglestms.com) or email us at [info@trianglestms.com](mailto:info@trianglestms.com).

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