

St. Mary Magdalene E-News January 28, 2022

A Note from Father Chris

"Jesus passed through their midst..." The Gospel proclaims that the miracles are seen and appreciated in other places, but not in his home community. The home is our frequent place of life, and sometimes we are challenged to see the active healing Jesus Christ there. The truth is that in the *midst* he is always there. A great way for us to experience this healing and loving presence of God is to help others see and experience Jesus Christ. Through our goodness and openness, we can share the gift of miracles and love that is Jesus Christ.

Please help others and donate to the Bishop's Annual Appeal this week.

https://dioceseofraleigh.org/bishops-annual-appeal/bishops-annual-appeal-donate-online

Many blessings to you and your family,

Fr. Chris

This week, we begin the 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The Bishop's Annual Appeal is our opportunity as members of the larger Catholic community to have an impact on the physical and spiritual lives of our brothers and sisters in eastern NC. Through the Bishop's Annual Appeal, we proclaim the Gospel, serve our communities, and educate the next generation, all while spreading hope and love.



SCAN HERE TO MAKE A GIFT



Giving Portal

Upcoming Events

January 29 - Confessions 10:30am

January 29 - 5pm Mass

January 30 - 9am & 11am Mass

January 30 - Eucharistic Minister Training 3:30pm Church Click here to sign up

January 30 - 6pm Youth Mass

January 30 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way

January 31 - Daily Mass 9am

January 31 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

January 31 - Eucharistic Minister Training 7pm Church Click here to sign up

February 1 - Daytime Bible Study 1pm

February 1 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church

February 2 - Daily Mass 9am

February 2 - Frassati Young Adult Night 6:30pm Chapel

February 3 - Daily Mass 9am February 4 - Daily Mass 9am

February 4 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church

February 5 - No Confessions

February 5 - Eucharistic Minister Training 3:30pm Church Click here to sign up

February 5 - 5pm Mass

February 6 - 9am & 11am Mass

February 6 - 6pm Youth Mass

February 6 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way

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

Mass This Weekend



This week's altar flowers are donated by Kathy Loeschorn in memory of Marion Chabot.

Click HERE to Live Stream our 9am Sunday Mass

Music for this weekend's Mass Gathering: O Love of God 317 Psalm: 71 I will sing of your salvation. Preparation: Love Goes On 477 Communion 1: The Summons 385 Communion 2: Only In God 449 Communion 3: Hold On to Love 487 Sending Forth: Go Make a Difference 493

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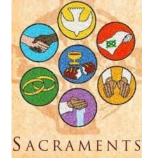
Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass only

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.

Sacraments

BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, 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.



Pictures of the Week



The Martin Family celebrated the convalidation of their marriage



Jaxson Seus was baptized on Sunday, January 23rd

Employment Opportunities

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

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, or 919-657-4800 x7281.

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 to stop the envelopes.

Pilgrimage to Emmitsburg

Shrine Pilgrimage in March: The Knights of Columbus are excited to sponsor an adult pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Elizabeth Seton and the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Emmitsburg, MD from March 21St to March 23^{Cd}. Father Chris will celebrate Mass at each location. *Questions: contact Joe Sebik at jsebik@icloud.com*

Registrations are limited, so please access the following link for more information: *Pilgrimage Info and Registration*

StMM Night at the Carolina Hurricanes!



Come hang out with your StMM parish family for a night filled with fellowship and fun as we cheer on our Carolina Hurricanes. For GREAT prices on tickets and more details click here: http://canesgroups.com/magdelene

If you have any questions email Janine McGann atmcgann@stmm.net

Can't wait to see you there!



Join everyone from St. Mary's Magdalene at PNC Arena on Friday, February 25th at 7PM as the Canes take on the Columbus Blue Jackets!

All school and church members, as well as their family and friends are invited to join and take advantage of this exclusive ticket discount for the game!

For any questions or group seating of 10 or more, please contact:

Mack Stewart

Group Event & Suite Sales – Carolina Hurricanes MackS@CarolinaHurricanes.com | (919) 861-5458

The StMM Prayer Team

StMM Prayer Team

The New Year welcomes us all to take up better practices that renew our mind, body, and spirit. If you've not found a prayer routine that best fits your current season of life, let us know! We are happy to connect, walk with you, and share experiences of success and failures along the way. No one way is perfect when it comes to prayer, but we can strive for "prayer permanence" when we practice praying a little bit each day. Drop us a note at **StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net**.



Join the Prayer Team

Our goal is to help cultivate StMM as a parish of prayer, and whether you are new to prayer or have been devout for decades -- you are most welcome here!

Request Prayers

We would be delighted to lift your prayers in great faith, however big or small!

Prayer intentions can be sent to our team at any time via the Request Prayers link, by email, or hand-written prayers are gathered each week from the Prayer Collection Bowl located at the Welcome & Connect kiosk in the StMM Church Narthex.

StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net

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 Tuesday, February 1 7-8pm

Frassati Young Adult Night

This coming Wednesday, February 2, we will be having our Frassati Young Adult Night. We will meet in the side chapel for prayer at 6:30 followed by dinner and a speaker. If you are in your 20s and 30s and want to find a community in Christ stop by and let us know you're coming with the sign up genius below.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aafa72aa5f9c34-frassati5

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday February 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? We have a particular need from 4-5pm.

Please contact Anita Becker at <u>ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM</u> or 919-280-8931 if interested.

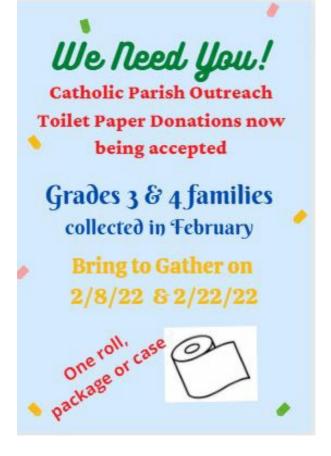
Faith Formation











Questions: Please contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7280

StMM High School Youth Ministry

STMM HS GIRLS RETREAT DATE MOVED TO 3/25-3/27



3/25-3/27
ALL GIRLS IN 9-12 GRADES WELCOME
FORM AVAILABLE AT WWW.STMM.NET
5 SPOTS LEFT!

YOUR STORY MATTERS

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!



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

Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at <u>liz.sams@gmail.com</u>

For Apostello, the Way, and Confirmation, contact Caitlin Clendenin at clendenin@stmm.net

Tuesday Daytime Bible Study

Please consider joining us for Ascension Press' Jesus: The Way, The Truth, The Life for our study this winter/spring.

Meeting dates and times: Tuesday from 1-3 pm; Feb. 1 - April 5, 2022 in the church building.



To sign up and for more information contact: Laurie Wendt: lauriewendt@gmail.com

Scout Sunday February 20th

Scout Sunday – February 20th. The annual Scout Sunday event to recognize and celebrate our parish's Scouts (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and their leaders) will be held at the 11 AM Mass on Sunday, February 20th. There will be a special handout at the Mass listing the Scouts participating in the event. To be included in the handout, please provide the following information to stmm.scoutsunday@gmail.com by February 15th : name, unit type/troop level, unit//troop number, rank or position and any religious award/emblem received in the past year. Scouts are asked to attend the event in uniform. Information submissions should receive a confirmation of receipt email within 72 hours. If not, please contact Ben Ryan at 919-363-5252. NOTE: Due to pandemic concerns, the Knights of Columbus willnot serve refreshments afterwards.

Adult Confirmation Prep and Catholic Faith Refresher

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?

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.

Group sessions beginning Wednesday, January 5th and running for six consecutive Wednesdays 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

If interested, please contact Deacon Rick by phone at 908-910-0309 or by e-mail at Stevens@stmm.net.

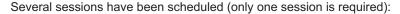
RCIA



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 January 31, 2022. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at 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".

Eucharistic Minister Training

All current and prospective EMs are required to attend training in order to begin or continue to serve in 2022. This includes EMs for all Masses, including the 6pm Youth Mass.





All training sessions will be held in the Sanctuary of the church. An online sign up has been created to RSVP: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E45ACA7229-stmmeucharistic1

Contact Lisa Westberg with any questions at lbwestberg13@gmail.com





Would you like to feel more comfortable and confident sharing our Catholic faith with others? Are you interested in learning how be sent out on mission for Christ and His Church? If you said yes to either of those, then **Discipleship Quads** is for you!! Each week, the group of four people journey together as disciples through weekly gatherings of fellowship, ongoing conversion, and learning. This 10-month path of accompaniment

fosters growth through prayer, accountability and authentic relationships. The Quad's small size allows for authenticity and vulnerability that simply does not happen in larger groups. You can meet anywhere and at anytime. No prior knowledge needed. You will grow deeper in your faith, build lasting friendships, and develop the skills and confidence to share your faith with others. And it's free! NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME! New Quads forming in February. Read more at Franciscan University of Steubenville's website: steubenvilleconferences.com/discipleship-quads/. Then contact Joe or Laura Werner with questions or to sign up - steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com or 919-889-9904. Come disciple with us!

StMM Adult Softball Team



The STMM adult softball team is back this spring and we would like to invite parishioners through the bulletin. Would you be able to include the below in the next 3 bulletins?

Come join the STMM adult softball team! We are seeking parishioners age 17+ to play. Games start in late March/early April and are played on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

If interested, please contact Bobby Rowe (<u>stmmapexsoftball@gmail.com</u>). Cost to play will be based on the number of teammates but should be approximately \$50.

StMM School News

Celebrate the gift of Catholic Education!
Catholic Schools Week January 30th-February 5th

Hoops for Hunger Basketball Games - Postponed

Hoops for Hunger has been rescheduled for this Wednesday, February 2nd. Come on out and cheer on our Monarch varsity basketball teams while supporting Wake County Crisis Ministry. The girls game begins at 5:00pm; boys play at 6:30pm. Admission price is \$3 and a canned food item for adults, \$1 and a canned food item for students and seniors.

Interested in StMM School? Come tour with us! Click here to schedule your tour.



Monarch Masters - May 16, 2022

The Monarch Masters returns to MacGregor Downs Country Club on Monday, May 16, 2022. We are limited to 32 foursomes and we sold out last year, so secure your spot and receive early bird pricing. Registration is open for foursomes and singles. Early bird registration runs until May 1, or when we sell out. Regular registration runs from May 2-8, if spaces are still available. Click here to learn more about the event, or contact Kevin Machos with questions kevin.machos@yahoo.com).



We have a range of sponsorship and donation opportunities open to families and businesses, including sponsoring the beverage carts, a tee box, breakfast or a contest, or donating items for prizes or the auction. Click here to learn more, or click here to

<u>sponsor.</u> If you have a prize donation to offer, please contact Kevin Machos (<u>kevin.machos@yahoo.com</u>).

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

PARISHIONER ASSISTANCE MINISTRY





In December, volunteers planted trees for a parish family who experienced a fire that destroyed their home and business.

Parish Athletics

Parish Athletics (<u>ParishAthleticsNC.org</u>) has opened registration for the Spring 2022 Soccer and Baseball Season. Register Here

Spring Soccer (Apex-Cary)

- Grades: Coed; Pre-K (3-year-olds) to 8th.
- Dates: March to May.
- Practice Locations: Apex or Cary, you pick.
- Game Locations: Apex & Cary.
- **Cost:** Pre-K \$60; K 8th Grade \$65; (includes medal, shirt, and picnic).
- **Note:** Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. Kindergarteners to 8th graders have one weekday practice per week.

Spring T-ball & Machine-pitch (Apex)

- Grades: Coed. Pre-K (4-year-olds) to 4th grade.
- Dates: April to May.
- Cost: \$65 (includes medal, shirt, hat, and picnic).
- · Practice & Game Location: Apex
- **Note:** Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. Kindergarteners to 4th grade have one weekday practice per week.
- Format: Pre-k & Kindergarteners play T-ball and 1st to 4th graders play Machine-pitch.

CPO is in need of both Boys and Girls Children's **WINTER** clothing Sizes **2T to 6T**. Please no other sizes, thank you! Donations may be left in the CPO bins under covered drive thru. We are always in need of your grocery bags as well.

Thank you for your continued support.

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