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St. Mary Magdalene E-News July 9, 2021

A Note from Fr. Chris

Jesus sends out his disciples in the Gospel this weekend and they are able to bring healing to others. We, too, are empowered by Jesus Christ to bring healing to those in need. The power of love is AWESOME, and it is with us.

We welcome this weekend Fr. Wally Keymont from the Archdiocese of Boston. A mentor during my seminary formation and a great high school chaplain in Boston.

This month will celebrate the awesome love of God on our parish feast day. Thursday, July 22nd! Mass at 10:00am in thanksgiving of Monsignor Staib's 60 Anniversary of Priesthood. We will also tribute Bob Reardon for all his years of ministry and volunteering. Following Mass is lunch and games for the kids!

The choir will give a tribute concert at 7pm in the evening on Thursday, July 22nd as well.

Many blessings!!

Fr. Chris

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Upcoming Events

July 10 - Confessions 10:30am

July 10 - 5pm Mass
July 11 - 9am & 11am Mass
July 12 - Daily Mass 9am
July 12 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
July 14 - Daily Mass 9am
July 15 - Daily Mass 9am
July 15 - CSO Meeting 11:30am Church Room 1
July 16 - Daily Mass 9am
July 17 - Confessions 10:30am
July 17 - 5pm Mass
July 18 - 9am & 11am Mass
July 19 - Daily Mass 9am
July 19 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
July 20 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church



REGISTRATION UPDATE

Online registration for all StMM
faith formation programs will
open on 8/1/21

This includes Gather, The Rock,
Edge, The Way & Apostello

Mass This Weekend

Flowers donated by The Reeve Family in loving memory of Teresa D' Silva. RIP
Mom and Grandma.



Thank you to Lavender Lane of Apex.

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 85: Show us your kindness O Lord. Show us your kindness O Lord.	
Preparation: God of Mercy	#521
Communion: Bread of Life	#368
Communion: Your Words are Spirit and Life	#592
Communion: In Christ Alone	#405
Sending Forth: Blest Be the Lord	#430

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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 [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

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.

Eucharistic Holy Hour

Please join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for Eucharistic Holy Hour **Tuesday July 20th** 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 20th!!

Catholic Senior Organization



The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for men and women 60+) will be having a summer picnic meeting on Thursday, July 15, 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM, in Church meeting rooms #1 and #3. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, miriamdel79@yahoo.com or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com.

Discipleship Quads



Are you at a stage in your life where you are searching for authentic friendships? Would you like to learn more about scripture and our Catholic faith? Or perhaps you are a new parishioner and want to connect to the community in a meaningful way? If you said yes to any of those scenarios, then **Discipleship**

Quads is for you!! These small groups meet anytime and anywhere

that is convenient for its members. Each week, the Quad gathers to pray for one another, review the lesson, discuss related scripture, and ask tough questions. The Quad's small size of four allows for authenticity and vulnerability that simply does not happen in larger groups. You will grow deeper in your faith, build lasting friendships, learn how to be a disciple, and develop the skills and confidence to share your faith with others. And it's free! Have questions? Join us on **Monday, August 30 at 7pm** for an Info session via Zoom. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85092219091>. For more information, go to the Franciscan University of Steubenville Outreach Office website: steubenvilleconferences.com/discipleship-quads/ or contact Joe or Laura Werner at steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com or 919-889-9904. Come be a disciple with us!

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



919-280-8931 if interested.

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on **Friday August 6th** 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

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 August 9, 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 Registration 2021-22 - Gather is off for the summer but we are looking forward to coming back **weekly** next year. Registration will open online **August 1, 2021** and run through August 31, 2021. This is a change from last week's e-newsletter. Registration details are available on our website: <http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/elementary.cfm>

Gather is a family faith formation program open to first through fourth graders designed to cultivate a lifelong relationship with Jesus and to build community while living and learning our Catholic faith together. Each week, families will attend Gather in the church and then break into small groups on campus by grade level while the parents remain in the church. We will rotate between Teaching Nights, Social Nights, Service Nights, Scripture Study Nights and Eucharistic Adoration Nights. **Gather is offered on Tuesdays on campus from 6:30-7:45 pm.** Parents are expected to attend with their children. There is no virtual or homeschool option available for Gather.

Gather Volunteers - Are you feeling called to serve the children of our parish? Do you have an hour and a half to volunteer with a vibrant, spirited, amazing Core Team? We need you! Our youth programs are grounded in building community, establishing our Catholic identity, developing a personal prayer life, and most importantly growing in relationship with the living Christ through regular meetings and intentional ministry. We are looking for adults for our Core Team to join us. Responsibilities include leading small groups of elementary aged children in discussion, activities, games and events. If you feel called to link arms with us or are just curious about how you can get involved, please contact Suzanne for more information.

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

Youth Ministry News

STMM YM IS EXCITED
TO ANNOUNCE
XLT UNDER THE STARS
JUNE 2
JULY 7TH
AUGUST 4TH
7PM - 8:30PM



WORSHIP. WITNESS. ADORE

ALL ARE WELCOME!
OUTSIDE BEHIND THE CHURCH
PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR
(INSIDE CHURCH IF BAD WEATHER)
WORSHIP LED BY ROOTED



EDGE News

Please contact Janine McGann with any questions
at janine.mcgann@gmail.com

StMM High School Youth Ministry

Please contact Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com with questions.

StMM School News

SCHOOL SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

July 13th-15th, 9:00am to 1:00pm
July 20th-22nd, 9:00am to 1:00pm
July 27th-29th, 9:00am to 1:00pm
August 2nd-6th, 9:00am to 3:00pm

GET STARTED ON YOUR SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING NOW!

In order to create a safe environment for our children, we screen all prospective volunteers as required by the Diocese of Raleigh and the Safe Environment Team at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church and School. If you would like to volunteer,



please go to the Safe Environment webpage (<http://www.stmm.church/get-involved/safeenvironment.cfm>) for information and volunteer applications. If you have any questions, please contact [Bertha Smith](#).

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES - SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

Substitute teachers are needed for the 2021-22 school year at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School. If you would like to be considered for our substitute list, please email us at resume@stmm.net.



SUMMER EVENTS



July 25

Kindergarten Mass & Playground Playdate

Open to all families with Kindergarteners.

11am-noon

Kindergarten Mass
12pm-1pm Playdate & Refreshments on the Playground

*Uniforms will be available.



August 1

New Family Mass & Orientation

Open to all families New to StMM.

11am-12pm New Family Mass

12pm-2pm Luncheon & Orientation

*Tours & Uniforms will be available.



August 15

Back to School Mass & Meet the Teacher

This event typically begins at 4pm and is open to ALL StMM families, returning or new. Details coming soon. For now, just save the date!

We pray. We learn. We care.

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 5th, 7th and 8th grades. Preschool is filling fast! We have just 1 seat left in PK3 Tuesday/Thursday

mornings. We also have 1 seat left Tuesday/Thursday morning or Tuesday/Thursday full day in PK4. Additionally, we have space in our afternoon PK4 class. Get started on your application by clicking [HERE](#). Schedule a tour of our school by clicking [HERE](#).

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive



The Knights of Columbus with the Blood Connection will be hosting a Blood Drive on Saturday, July 24th from 10am to 2pm. To make an appointment, click on the link:

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/172567

Father Price Invitational July 30th



30TH JULY

THE FIELDS AT
OUR LADY OF LOURDES
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FROM **3:00** TO **6:00** POST MERIDIEM

INVITING HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENTS*
OPEN TO VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD TO AN AFTERNOON OF
FRISBEE WITH THE SEMINARIANS FOLLOWED BY A DINNER
PROVIDED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.



PLEASE RSVP BY
JULY 22

or visit: dioceseofraleigh.org/event/father-price-invitational

*MINORS MUST BRING A PARENTAL RELEASE FORM

Prayers and Squares - A Prayer Quilt Ministry



"Prayers & Squares"

A prayer quilt group

We are literally covering people in prayer. A prayer quilt is a lap blanket with ties.

A prayer is said with each knot that is tied. All quilts are blessed by Fr. Chris. To request a prayer quilt to be made for someone or if you are interested in sewing for this group or

donating fabric or would like to make contributions to this group, please contact Lorraine Morris at lcmorris0707@gmail.com

Parishioner Assistance Ministry

"Jesus is in the Boat with us! And we are all in the same boat together!"

As Deacon Dev said so beautifully in his recent homily on the Gospel of Mark (4:34-40), "Jesus is in the Boat with us! And we are all in the same boat together!"

When violent squalls come up and waves are breaking over the boat, trust in God and reach out to your fellow parishioners in the boat with you for help!

The Parish Assistance Ministry now has 75+ parishioners signed up and more join every week! When we are informed of a parishioner in need, we work confidentially to manage assistance requests and to get the help needed.

We have Parishioners in need and the ministry has been actively helping in any way we can. Examples of assistance now being provided includes:

- * STMM Family dealing with very difficult health issues.
 - 3 hours of landscaping from a team of parishioners
 - Care packages for their teenage girls
 - Meals to ease the burden on the family (12+ meals in collaboration with Feed the Neighbor - still ongoing)
- * STMM Senior Parishioner dealing with loneliness in assisted living facility - Visitors arranged for companionship and prayer
- * STMM Family looking for advice for care for family member with dementia - Guidance provided
- * STMM Family looking for care for a elderly family member - Guidance provided / care established
- * STMM Family looking for legal advice regarding family matter - Some legal advice provided. Still in progress of gaining additional advice.

We are still actively looking for more 'helpers' to join our ministry. If you would like to share your time or talent, please reach out to us. In particular, we are seeing a greater need for those with experience in mental health and senior care / health related issues.

We also need your help to continue to spread the word to EVERYONE in the parish that if you are dealing with difficult times, please do not hesitate to reach out to us and to let your STMM family help you.

We are all in the same boat together.

God Bless.

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](#)

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