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St. Mary Magdalene E-News

March 20, 2020

A Note From Father Donald Staib

The focus of everyone right now is on our present crisis with Covid-19. Our parish lives, like all our personal and professional lives, are much disrupted. We try to keep up to date information on our parish website.

[Our Sunday 10:45 Mass](#) will be live streamed, but we cannot allow people other than those necessary to attend

There is a button below and on our website to contribute to the church during this time. We are most grateful for all in the parish who use direct deposit. It helps greatly in paying our recurring bills.

Both Catholic Parish Outreach and Helping Hands in Apex are in need of donations to help those who need food and other support. If you wish to help, just note in the subject line of your gift this intention.

The sacrament of Confession is allowed - and I will be in the Reconciliation Room on Saturday at 10:30.

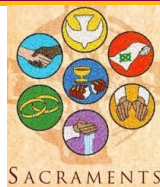
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to Offertory

Our 10:45am Mass is Streamed!

Click [HERE](#) to Stream our 10:45am Mass

Sacraments



BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Pastor. First time parents must attend a baptism class [a good time is during the 9 months prior to birth.] Baptisms are usually, not always, at 10am on Saturdays or at weekend Masses.

CONFESSIONS - Always check the Pastor's Paragraph in the weekly Bulletin or our E-News mailed on Fridays. Confessions are usually, but not every week, at 10:30am on Saturdays in the Church.

WEDDINGS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Pastor.

Reflection

THE MAN BORN BLIND

The story of the man born blind is more than a story of his blindness. The story also reveals the blindness of Jesus' disciples, the community, and the temple priests. The man's blindness is a state of being, not an ethical statement about his sinful behavior. Because of that, it is our story too, since blindness is a part of the human condition.

The passage is quite long and has many ironical twists. The blind man never asks to be healed, but Jesus heals him. Before he receives his sight, his life is difficult, but he is rather inconspicuous. Once he becomes sighted, his life becomes complex. He finds himself and his family at the center of a harsh temple dispute. Those who claim to have sight are blind.

The story is filled with questions and judgments. These are not just for us to observe, but also for us to answer and to resolve within ourselves. - Father Jude Siciliano, OP

Financial Matters

OUR NEW CHURCH - We have the obligation to make large monthly payments for 13 years for the construction of the church. In addition we are challenged to respond to new parish endeavors in all our parish programs. We are grateful to those who help us in the weekly Offertory for regular expenses and in the monthly white envelope for debt payments for the church.

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(Click on the above link to Donate)

Tax statements are available online. Please follow the directions for printing your statement on our website. http://www.stmm.church/Tax_statement_instructions_2019.pdf
For questions, email prewitt@stmm.net, or 919-657-4800 x7281.

Parish Office

Parish Office is closed until March 30th. We will be working remotely and are available by email or phone.

Click [here](#) for where to watch Mass online.

StMM School News

StMM School News - 3/22/20 Bulletin

In response to the coronavirus pandemic that has hit our nation, St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School has moved to distance learning until Friday, March 27th. So what does this mean for our students? Our teachers are all Google Classroom Certified, meaning moving to distance learning can begin almost immediately without missing an extended period of time. Teachers began doing online instruction on Thursday, March 19, which included instruction, office hours for students and parents, and collaborative learning taking place from the safety of their own homes. Thank you to our teachers and families for making this adjustment as we navigate the challenges associated with containing the coronavirus in our communities.

On March 27th, we will reassess the situation and determine whether or not to continue with distance learning. Please check our website, <http://school.stmm.net/school-life/corona-update.cfm>, for the latest updates. Prayers to all of our community to stay safe and well.

SUMMER CAMPS

2020 Mini-Monarchs Preschool Summer Camp Program

The Preschool Program at StMM is offering 7 weeks of summer fun for children ages 3-5 years! Each week will offer a completely different theme full of fun and exciting stories, songs, games, arts, crafts, and science activities. **Cost:** \$110.00 per week. You may sign up for as many individual weeks as you wish.

Location: PreK Classrooms. **Hours:** 9:00am - 12:00pm.

Calendar: **June 15-19:** Dinosaur Week, **June 22-26:** Superhero Week, **June 29-July 3:** Funtastic Fourth!, **July 6-10:** Super Science, Volcanoes and Bubbles!, **July 13-17:** Splish! Splash!, **July 20-24:** Super Art, Super Fun!, **July 27-31:** Around the World.

The program is open to all children ages 3-5 years old. All children must be potty-trained.

Registration Link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/S7eimjq2>

Additional Information: e-mail: prekcamps@stmm.net

2020 K-8 Grade Summer Camps

We are pleased to announce that StMM School will be offering summer camps during the first 3 weeks of June for rising K-8 students. There is something for everyone - athletics, arts, science, cooking and more! Morning sessions will run from 8:30-11:30am. Afternoon sessions will be from 12:30-3:30pm.

Additionally, before care and after care will be available and there will be an hour lunch period for those students attending both a morning and afternoon session. Check out all the offerings and register online at: <http://school.stmm.net/about-stmm/summercamp.cfm>.

Co-Ed Basketball Camps

Join StMM Boys Varsity Basketball Coach Don McKee to learn the fundamentals of basketball, sportsmanship and the importance of Christ through basketball. Camp will be held Monday, June 29th through Thursday, July 2nd. Rising grades 3rd-5th are from 8:00am - 11am. Rising grades 6th-8th are from 11:30am - 2:30pm. Register online at: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/InMwji8o>

Stations of the Cross Cancelled

Stations of the Cross is cancelled.

Habitat for Humanity



For those St. MM Habitat Volunteers who signed up for March 28th, we have decided to stop hosting volunteers on site until the end of April.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Fish Fry Alert!



KofC Annual Lent Fish Fry for March 20th has been cancelled.

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