

St. Mary Magdalene E-News May 27, 2022

A Note from Father Chris

As he blessed them, he parted from them as was taken up to heaven.

This Gospel passage gives us the image of Jesus Christ at his Ascension. It also gives us an example of living. We are called to be a blessing prior to our being called to God. Living our life is to **be** a blessing to others and ourselves.

Many thanks to our teachers, students and parents on a successful school year.

On this Memorial Day Weekend, we offer many blessings to all who serve and have served our country.

In gratitude,

Fr. Chris

Giving Portal

Upcoming Events

May	/ 28 -	Confessions	10:30am
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May 28 - 5pm Mass

May 29 - 9am & 11am Mass

May 30 - Memorial Day - No Daily Mass

May 30 - Parish Office Closed

May 30 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

June 1 - Daily Mass 9am

June 2 - Daily Mass 9am

June 2 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel

June 3 - Daily Mass 9am

June 3 - Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church

June 4 - No Confessions

June 4 - Information Session for Columbiettes 10am Room 4 Church

June 4 - 5pm Mass

June 5 - 9am & 11am Mass

June 6 - Daily Mass 9am

The Chapel is open from 7am - 3:30pm 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

Mass This Weekend



This weeks flower donation was donated by Rudy Gunawan in loving memory of Florawati, our grandmother and great grandmother.

Click **HERE** to Live Stream our 9am Sunday Mass

Music for this weekend's Mass

Gathering: In This Place 308

Psalm: 47 God mounts His throne to shouts of joy. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Preparation: We Walk By Faith 505 Communion 1: Worthy is the Lamb 579 Communion 2: In Christ Alone 417 Communion 3: All That is Hidden 495 Sending Forth: America the Beautiful 745

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass only

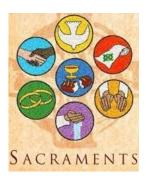
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

Sacraments

BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, <u>info@stmm.net</u>. 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 <u>weddings@stmm.net</u>



Pictures of the Week



Boston Ordination of Nate Sanders



Baptism of Lily Willis, Camden Ginsberg, and Cooper Finley May 22nd

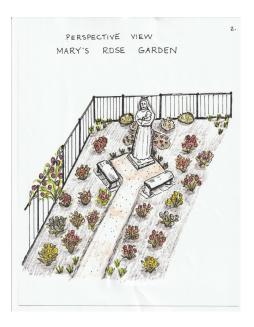
Updated Posting Office Assistant for the Church:

COME GROW WITH US- Our needs have changed. We are initially hiring a part time office assistant for the Church from 9-2 Monday through Friday that will rapidly transition to full time. This candidate will work with parish staff in areas of data entry, filing, correspondence, mailings, and publications. Ideal candidates should be adaptable to the ever changing needs of our Parish. This is an on site, office based position at the Parish Offices. Candidates must be proficient in computer literacy skills to include Google Docs, MS Suite, and Publisher. Interested candidates- please submit letter of interest detailing relevant experiences, and resume to galkowski@stmm.net

Rose Garden Revisions

Rose Garden Revisions- are going to be happening this Summer. With the assistance of a benefactor, and

with the guidance of our 'resident Rose Expert' - the Rose Garden will be undergoing modifications. If you would like to contribute to this work, please consider using the Giving Portal and direct your contributions towards 'Rose Garden'. All funds will be dedicated solely for this purpose. The work will include an enlarged concrete walkway, removal of the large tree, placing the Statue of the Virgin Mary on a pedestal, covering with a shade gazebo, and a set of benches. (see rendering of the plans)



ASP Sponsor Opportunities





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This level of contribution receives their name on mission trip shirt and one mission trip shirt

Gold Sportor & Silver Sportor

SILVER LEVEL: Name branded on mission trip shirts, website, and 1 shirt.

GOLD LEVEL: Logo branded on mission trip shirts, website, and 2 shirts





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PLATINUM SPONSOR: This level of contribution will be sponsoring an ENT IRE team to go on the mission trip. This sponsor receives exclusive title recognition, visibility and:

- Website Recognition
- Sponsorship recognition on emails
- Logo branded on mission trip shirts
- 2 Mission Trip Shirts
- Social media recognition while on the mountain.

ASP "Picnic on the Piazza"



PICNIC ON THE PIAZZA

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 12PM STMM CHURCH PIAZZA

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY BY EMAILING
STMMASP@GMAIL.COM OR VISITING OUR TABLE AFTER
MASS ON MAY 21/22 AND JUNE 4/5

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT
STMM APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT

TICKETS: \$9/PERSON OR \$25/FAMILY

Get your tickets today for lunch by emailing stmmasp@gmail.com or visiting our table after Mass on May 21/22 and June 4/5! All proceeds benefit STMM Appalachia Service Project.

Information Session for the Columbiettes

Imagine the Possibilities: A New Women's Organization at StMM!

We are seeking your feedback on starting up a new Columbiettes auxiliary at SMM. This would be a unique opportunity to help launch a local branch of a dynamic, thriving national Catholic women's organization. Women of all ages and stages of life (and from surrounding parishes) are welcome and needed!

Please join us on Saturday, June 4, at 10 am in Room 4 at the church for an informal information and feedback session. Light refreshments will be served. We need to hear the voices of StMM women on how this auxiliary might serve others as well as our community of Catholic women. Your feedback and interest will determine if and how we proceed, so your voice matters!

Who are the Columbiettes?

The Columbiettes are a vibrant Catholic women's service organization which originated in the US in 1939, and are currently active in 20 states. Members are active in their parishes and communities, assisting those in need and supporting each other. They work both in partnership with the Knights of Columbus and on their own as an independent group. The benefits of membership are many - including spiritual, moral, charitable, educational and social.

No need to RSVP, just come on Saturday, June 4 at 10 am. For further info, contact us. Cathy Stevens- 908 910 0308, cathy.h.stevens@gmail.com Carol Marino- 919-586-5360, carolmarino@usa.net.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive Saturday June 11th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the school parking lot. Please considered giving the gift of life by signing up on the link:

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/182718

Adult Confirmation Sessions Forming

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, May 18th 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**.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday June 3rd 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 <u>ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM</u> or 919-280-8931 if interested.

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 June 7th 7-8pm

The StMM Prayer Team

We remember the many brave men and women who have given their lives through the history of our country to protect us from danger and harm.
We remember all those who sustained injury in mind and/or body in the course of their service.
We salute all those who served in the military.

- Author Unknown



As we near **Memorial Day**, <u>please share with us the names of the brave men and</u> <u>women</u> who have given their lives protecting and serving our country so that we may include them in our prayer intentions.

Request Prayers

All are welcome to join our team in lifting the prayers of our parish family, in whatever ways you like to pray best. Parish intentions are shared weekly, drop us a note if you would like to learn more about this ministry.

StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net

Join the Prayer Team

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 lcmmris0707@gmail.com

Faith Formation

Thank You!

Catholic Parish Outreach Toilet Paper Donations

Totaling 550 lbs!

Thanks to all our Gather & Rock families

Great Job!





IS YOUR CHILD IN NEED OF SACRAMENTS AND IN THIRD GRADE OR ABOVE?

We can create a sacrament plan to help prepare them for First Reconciliation & First Communion

Set up an appointment this Summer

(919) 657-4800 ext. 7280 or will@stmm.net



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

StMM High School Youth Ministry





GUYS HS RETREAT PERSONAL INVITATION FROM RETREAT HOST JOE FARRIS!!! Worth watching! https://youtu.be/9tVz1rhl-S4

Check out the trailer for the documentary film, "The 4th Man" which is the launch pad for the Guys Retreat: https://vimeo.com/457964652

CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO SIGN UP FOR THE RETREAT:OR USE THIS LINK: <u>https://linktr.ee/stmmym</u>

RETREAT DETAILS:

When: June 3 at 6:30pm until June 5th at 1:30pm

Where: Private home; address sent to those who register. Not being sneaky, just respecting privacy of homeowner:)

Who?: Open to all guys in 9-12th grade for 2021-2022 school year. Friends welcome! Do not have to attend STMM, The Way, or Apostello

Lots of activities like a 70' long inflatable obstacle course, swimming, laser tag, spike ball, corn hole, and awesome food, lots of it!

Chaperones are from STMM Core Teams & all Level C Certified in Diocese of Raleigh

*Nobody is ever turned away from a retreat due to financial needs, please contact Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com with any financial assistance as scholarships are always available.



Click **HERE** to sign up!

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

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 July 25, 2022. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at recia@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".



StMM School News

StMM School Summer Hours

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School has made the decision to end the school year early. The school building is now closed for cleaning and the Memorial Day holiday. The office will reopen on Thursday, June 2nd. June office hours will be Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm.



First Communion Congratulations Congratulations to our 2nd grade Monarchs who received the sacrament of First Communion this month. The class celebrated with their families at a special Mass on Wednesday, May 25th.

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

St. Thomas More Parish - Employment Opportunity

Coordinator of Communications. This is a full time position. Primary responsibility is oversight and actual production of major formal and regular communications from the Parish to parishioners, both printed and

electronic; including: weekly bulletin and e-newsletter, parish websites, posters, brochures, seasonal program mailings, worship aids and special liturgy programs. Position requires advanced skills in Adobe Creative Suite (including InDesign and PhotoShop), writing skills, Microsoft Office XP, the internet, and tools for webpage development (eCatholic). Salary commensurate with experience. Join us in serving our dynamic parish. Position is available immediately. Application letter and resume should be addressed to Coordinator of Communications Search Committee at St. Thomas More Parish, 940 Carmichael St., Chapel Hill, NC 27514 or email to clima@stmchapelhill.org.

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