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### St. Mary Magdalene E-News

August 30, 2019

#### A Note From Father Donald Staib

May we all enjoy this Labor Day weekend. Some news that caught my attention for Labor Day: The Business Roundtable, a group of chief executive officers of nearly 200 major U.S. corporations, issued a statement with a new definition of the 'purpose of a corporation:'

The re-imagined idea of a corporation drops the age-old notion that corporations function first and foremost to serve their shareholders and maximize profits. Rather, investing in employees, delivering value to customers, dealing ethically with suppliers and supporting outside communities are now at the forefront of American business goals, according to the statement.

There is a national collection for Catholic University of America today.

**CONFESSIONS:** There will be Confessions on Saturday August 31 at 10:30, after Baptisms. Also there will be Confessions on Saturday September 7 at 10:30, after Baptisms.

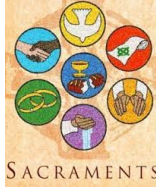
No Daily Mass on Monday and Tuesday this week.

Father Donald Staib  
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**Our 10:45am Mass is Live Streamed!**

Click [HERE](#) to Live 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

### EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE FOR WORKERS:

\* Do I see my work as a gift from God? How is this reflected in my attitude at work? \* Do I see my work as a vocation? \* Do I promote a culture of life through my work? \* Do I live a divided life, where I separate the Gospel principles from my work?

\* Do I receive the sacraments regularly and with attention to how they support and inform my work practices? \* Am I sharing my spiritual life/understanding of work with others in my work life?

\* Am I taking seriously the dignity of the person in my work, as an employee? Am I being just in my attentiveness to my personal performance? Am I promoting integral human development which promotes the good of every person and of the whole person while ensuring that the company I work for is efficient?

## Financial Matters

**OUR NEW CHURCH** - We have the obligation to make large monthly payments for 14 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.

### **DONATE NOW TO OUR NEW CHURCH**

(Click on the above link to Donate)

## Elementary Religious Ed

*Registration for all our Elementary Programs ended Saturday, August 31, 2019.*

Volunteer Catechists/Core Team are Needed for the upcoming school Year. There are many opportunities for you to become involved with the children of our STMM Community. Joining this ministry is a great way to enhance your prayer life and enjoy the fruits of fellowship. There will be an adult, on-site retreat offered in early September to prepare you for our mission. Please prayerfully consider joining our amazing team.

Requirements include:

- being a baptized Catholic in good standing with the Church
- a willingness to serve 1 ¼ hours per week to a specific grade either Sunday afternoon 12:00 - 1:15 pm, Tuesday evenings 5:00 - 6:15 pm or Wednesday nights 6:30 - 7:45 pm
- Level C Safe Environment approved (which we provide the class here on campus).

#### Positions Available:

- Teacher/Assistant Teacher/Catechist PREP Grades Pre-K - 4
- AV Person - the ROCK
- Social Media Person - keeps program participants apprised of program events via Twitter, Instagram & Facebook with info provided by Coordinator



Registration is Open for 2019-20 Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) on [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church). Registration ended August 31<sup>st</sup>. Our programs begin the week of September 22.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Program begins the week of September 22, 2019. Registration ended August 31<sup>st</sup>.



New for 2019-20 "THE ROCK" (Reaching Out for Christ). Register ended August 31, 2019. Program begins on September 22nd.

## Youth Ministry

Online registration for all STMM faith formation programs opened online July 1st and closed 8/31/19.

Late Registration is now open until 9/6/19.

You can find the link on the right side of the page here:

<http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/highschool.cfm>

The StMM YM Calendar for the 2019-2020 school year can also be found at that same link on the right side of the page.

Apostello kicks off 9/8/19 at 4:30pm in the media center, there is no Youth Mass.

First Youth Mass will be 9/22/19 at 6pm,  
all parishioners welcome!!!

Opening night for Edge, The Way is 9/22  
with Edge from 4:30pm-5:45pm in the gym  
& The Way from 7:15pm-8:30pm in the church  
after Youth Mass.

Excited to start a new year with all our teens!

*Thank you to everyone who prayed for us while we were on the beach retreat! We had an amazing weekend and appreciated all the prayers covering us!*

For EDGE, contact Janine McGann at [janine.mcgann@gmail.com](mailto:janine.mcgann@gmail.com)

For Apostello, The Way, & Confirmation, contact Liz Sams at [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com),

October 4-6 2019

# EDGE RETREAT REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Calling all 6th, 7th and 8th graders! Join us for a weekend of fun, food and fellowship!

This year's retreat host is Harriet Scott and praise and worship leader is John Finch. You do NOT want to miss this week end.

You can print and fill out a registration form at

<http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/middleschool.cfm>



PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING....

## The ROCK needs AV help!

WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED FOR 4 AV  
VOLUNTEERS. GREAT NEWS -IT'S ONLY  
TWO TIMES PER MONTH.

EMAIL [JANINE.MCGANN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:JANINE.MCGANN@GMAIL.COM)



## RCIA



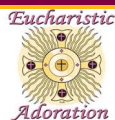
Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic but not confirmed? We can help! The RCIA process at StMM assisted 8 adults in completing their sacraments of initiation at the 2019 Easter Vigil. Our first session will be Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7:30 PM in Room #4 of the church building. It's not too late to join the discussions. Please contact Scott and Kathy Strednak at [rcia@stmm.net](mailto:rcia@stmm.net) if you missed the inquiry sessions.

## Safe Environment Training



**Safe Environment Training** - Adults who wish to volunteer with youth at StMM are required to fill out a volunteer application and attend Safe Environment Training. Our next session is Tues, 9/17 at 1pm. The session will last approx. 2 hours and is for adults only as the presentation is not appropriate for children. **Must register to attend.** Email Bertha Smith ([bsmith@stmm.net](mailto:bsmith@stmm.net)) to register and to get meeting location.

## First Friday Adoration



**First Friday Adoration** will begin again on Friday September 6. All are encouraged to pay a visit to the chapel throughout the day and spend some time in prayer. However, it is essential that there are people that are scheduled to be there each hour between 8:30AM and 7:00PM. 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.

## Discipleship Quads

Being a Disciple is both following Jesus and sharing Jesus (making other Disciples). Franciscan University has created a resource, which is 100% FREE online, to help you accomplish both. Discipleship Quads is a group of four people who journey together for a year, learning about their Catholic faith and how to be a disciple of Jesus. They also receive a process to go forth and make other disciples once the year is complete. For more information, as well as all the free resources needed to get started, visit <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/discipleship-quads/> Contact Joe or Laura Werner at [wernerLhome@gmail.com](mailto:wernerLhome@gmail.com)

## Out of the Darkness Walk

**Out of the Darkness Walk (American Foundation of Suicide Prevention)** - When you walk with us, you join with hundreds of people from our community to raise awareness and funds that allow the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) to invest in new research, create educational programs, advocate for public policy, and support survivors of suicide loss. Most of the funds raised are used here in North Carolina. The walk is September 29th at 1 pm in Fuquay-Varina. For questions or more information on how you can walk with my team, contact Mike Rota at [mikerota2018@gmail.com](mailto:mikerota2018@gmail.com). To donate to my team (Susie's Vintage Monarchs - NC Team) or form your own team, you can visit the walk website: <https://afsp.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=5961>.

## Catholic Senior Organization



The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for men and women 60+) meets every third Monday of the month, September through May. Our next meeting will take place Monday, September 16, 9:30 - 11:00 AM, in Church meeting room #1. 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).

## "Prayers & Squares"



**"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 Father Staib. 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 [lc Morris0707@gmail.com](mailto:lc Morris0707@gmail.com)

## StMM Book Club



**StMM Book Club:** All are invited to join the StMM Book Club that meets the first Wednesday of the month in Meeting Room 1 in the church. We are a group that enjoys reading a selection of fiction and non-fiction books and sharing our thoughts. Our organizational meeting for the second year of this group will be Wednesday, September 4, 12:30-2:30. If you have questions or want to join us, contact Ann Dudzinski at [amdudzinski@gmail.com](mailto:amdudzinski@gmail.com)

## Chrysalis



Want to enrich your marriage and join in fellowship with other married couples? Come and join the Chrysalis Ministry for our first meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 11:45 am-1:15 pm! Open to all married couples, Chrysalis provides its members with the opportunity to celebrate their marriage with other couples spiritually and socially. Feel free to stop by our information table after all masses September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> to chat about the ministry and meet some of the current members. Please email us at [stmmchrysalis@gmail.com](mailto:stmmchrysalis@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Volunteer Request:** Volunteers needed for childcare during once-monthly Chrysalis Ministry meetings. Open to C-Level Certified Adults and responsible high school and middle school students (11 years old+). Time commitment is two hours (11:30 am-1:30 pm) one Sunday per month. Service hours available for high school and middle school students!

Responsibilities include:

- Maintaining a safe environment for children 1-4 years old and 5-10 years old
- Supervising play and engaging with children during meetings
- Facilitating a group activity with children

Please RSVP to help at: <https://forms.gle/E1XYShJyoFHL DnbM9>

## "Feed-a-Family" Food Drive



Catholic Parish Outreach  
A Program of Catholic Charities

Providing Help – Creating Hope – Serving All

**"Feed-A-Family" Food Drive Comes to Mary Magdalene** - Did you know that Catholic Parish Outreach food pantry gave a **week's worth of groceries to an average of 8,200 people / month in 2018?** Next week volunteers will be handing out grocery bags with an attached shopping list or **a donation of \$30 feeds a family for one week.** Please help CPO serve the less fortunate in our community by taking a bag and returning it on **September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.** If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please contact Kelly Rappl at [krappl@nc.rr.com](mailto:krappl@nc.rr.com) or Kathy Barnack at [kbarnack@nc.rr.com](mailto:kbarnack@nc.rr.com)

## Bible Studies



**StMM Daytime Bible Study 2019-2020** - Our study program this year is **The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation.** This study from Ascension Press covers the whole story of the Bible. The study consists of reading and questions at home, then discussion and a video when we meet together. We will meet for 24 weeks from Sept. 2019 - April

2020. Tuesdays from 1-3 pm starting Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> in Room 4 in the Church. Cost: Approx. \$37  
Contact: Laurie Wendt, [lauriewendt@gmail.com](mailto:lauriewendt@gmail.com) or 919-303-5433 Please let me know if you are interested so I may order the materials



Starting on Tuesday September 10th the **Ladies evening Bible study group** will be meeting each Tuesday in Meeting Room 4 in the church building. This fall we are planning to study Queen of Heaven, Mary's Battle for You by Saint Benedict Press. This is an 8 lesson course with commentary by Father Patrick Winslow and presented by Leonardo Defilippis Contact Moira News - [morian2013@gmail.com](mailto:morian2013@gmail.com) (919-244-7865) or Kathy Strednak (919-280-5069) - if you have any questions about the study or if you would like to join us.



**The Men's Bible Study**, consisting of men from St. Andrews & St. Mary Magdalene, is starting a Catholic Scripture Study ([www.cssprogram.net](http://www.cssprogram.net)) on Humanae Vitae and the Gospel of Mark. The group meets Sunday evenings from 6:30 PM - 8 PM in Room #4 of STMM's Church building. The first lesson is on Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup>. All men are welcome. The deadline for signup is September 1st and the cost of materials is estimated to be about \$40. If you are interested, please contact Mike Barnack at 919-363-1948 or [stm4@nc.rr.com](mailto:stm4@nc.rr.com).



**The Friday Morning Men's group** is about to start a new series about Father Kapaun and Virtue. The most decorated Chaplain in US Army History, Servant of God Emil Kapaun's story inspires us and reminds us that every man can achieve the greatness to which God has called us. The Kapaun's Men Virtue Series features two of Kapaun's fellow Prisoners of War and invites you to dive into the life of Father Kapaun and the virtues he exemplified. In addition, men from many walks of life help you to understand what virtue looks like in today's world. Intended to be completed in participation with other men, Kapaun's Men is designed to help men accompany one another as we respond to God's invitation to greatness. Please join us on Friday mornings in the church building from 6:15-7:30AM. For more information or questions contact Paul Mastropolo at [pmastropolo@gmail.com](mailto:pmastropolo@gmail.com) or 919-518-7424.

## Knights of Columbus



**Volunteering is in the air!** Knights of Columbus Council 7186 would like to invite our StMM Parish Community to participate in activities which promote Catholic faith and support charitable causes.

- Thursdays at 7pm: Pray the Rosary in the StMM chapel
- Sat / Sun Sep 14 and 15: Assist CPO with food collection after mass
- Saturday Sep 21<sup>st</sup>: Adopt-a-Highway cleanup
- Saturday Sep 28<sup>th</sup>: Brookridge Assisted Living Resident Visits in Apex

For detailed information on events visit our Events page: <https://kofc7186.org/calendar>

For more information to becoming a Knight: Visit our website: <http://kofc7186.org> Please contact: Grand Knight (Dan Cantrell) at [gkkofc7186@gmail.com](mailto:gkkofc7186@gmail.com) or contact our Membership Committee at [MembershipKofC7186@gmail.com](mailto:MembershipKofC7186@gmail.com)

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