

St. Mary
Magdalene
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St. Mary Magdalene E-News January 12, 2018

A Note From Father Donald Staib

This weekend we welcome Father Phil Tighe to our parish. Father is Director of Vocations for our Diocese, and we pray for his success in his endeavors. I do want to note that our Diocesan Vocation Program is supported by your gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

I am away for a post-Christmas visit to some of my family and will return in mid-week.

There will be no Daily Mass on Monday, January 15th and Tuesday, January 16th.

At the Epiphany Masses we selected these names as new members of our Parish Council: Amy Chegash, Michael Fiedler, Chris Losack, Moira News, Elizabeth Rowe.

I am grateful to these new members, current members, and the retiring members for their willingness to serve the parish on the Council. The names not selected last weekend we will keep in case of unexpected vacancies.

Confessions: There will be Confessions on Saturday January 20 at 10:30, after Baptisms. No Confessions on Saturday January 27.

About Baptisms: Ash Wednesday is February 14. We do not have baptisms during Lent, so the next opportunities will be after Easter. I do have baptisms at the Easter Sunday Masses.

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Now That The New Church Is Completed!

We have the obligation to make large monthly payments for 15 years - and we are challenged to respond to new parish endeavors brought about by our new building. We are grateful for those who are completing their pledges and for new gifts that are given in the monthly 'white' envelope. We

are especially grateful for extra gifts that were given at Christmas.

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Bishop's Annual Appeal

The kickoff dinner for our Deanery is next Tuesday. I will begin to promote the BAA next weekend at church. Our parish has always made its goal and I hope we soon accomplish that this year. The goal is \$191,507. Msgr. John Wall, who helped us last year reach our goal, has offered his 'moonpie' services again this year.

Pictures of the Week

Our Columbarium at Night!



Columbarium



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As reported previously, the columbarium construction is now complete. All 552 stainless steel niches are in place. A total of 80 niche reservations/contracts have been completed. The vast majority of the reservations have been "doubles." There have been eight inurnments services held. Approx. 30 parishioners have taken advantage of the preferred urn program that has been extended to December, 2018. If interested please take advantage of this discounted offer on the preferred urn. After each Mass Jan 20-21, 2018 the Columbarium Committee will hold information sessions, including a listing by wall of current niche reservations, information on the reservation process, and answering any questions that you may have. Please visit www.StMM.church/welcome/columbarium.cfm for guidelines, Q & A, and completing reservation. Communication with the Columbarium Committee: columbarium@stmm.net

Do You Love Music, Sound Systems & Technology?



StMM

Music Ministry is looking for someone to assist with the sound system during all Masses including the Youth Mass! We would like to have someone start training as soon as

possible. This training will happen during the traditional Mass times with one of our sound technicians. This opportunity is open to High School students and up! If you are interested in training for this, please contact stmmsoundministry@gmail.com

Welcome Dinner



A **Soup and Salad Welcome Meal** for new members of the parish will be held Sat, Feb 10th in the St Martha Hall in the Activity Building immediately after the 5pm Mass. We encourage representatives of St Mary Magdalene ministries and programs to attend and to introduce themselves. We also need volunteers to help with meal preparation and setup. If you would like to attend the dinner or volunteer to help, please call Christine Agius at 919-303-5803.

Family Promise



STMM supports **Family Promise** by volunteering time and donating items to homeless families that will be housed at St. Andrews Jan. 14-20. **Reminder-All donations are dropped off at St. Andrew's.** Contact Mary Wire at mbwire@gmail.com or 919-749-8932 with questions.

Child's Wallet Found

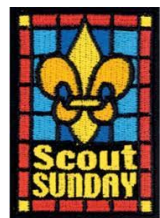
A Child's wallet was found near the Pre-School Open House table last weekend after the 10:45am Mass. If you lost a wallet, please call the Parish office at 919-657-4800 ext. 7281.

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 sessions are Sun, Feb. 4th at Noon & Thurs, March 8th at 6:30pm. 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 to register and for meeting room.

Scout Sunday



Scout Sunday - February 4th. The KofC are sponsoring an event to recognize and celebrate our parish's Scouts (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and their leaders) at the **9am Mass on Sun, Feb. 4th.** At the conclusion of the Mass, the Knights will provide refreshments for the Scouts and their families in the cafeteria. 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 **Jan. 28th**: name, unit type, unit 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 48

hours. If not, please contact Ben Ryan at 919-924-4888.

'Knight's Corner'



Come enjoy breakfast with friends and family, expertly prepared by the Knights. Our next breakfast will be this Sunday, January 14th following the 9am & 10:45am Masses in the Activity Building. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under. Meal includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, choice of bacon, ham or sausage, along with coffee, milk and orange juice. All proceeds to benefit the new church.



Become a Knight! Faith, Family and Fraternity...These words make up the foundation upon which the Knights of Columbus stands. The efforts of our local Council 7186 support the St. Mary Magdalene community as well as communities around the world. Males who are 18 years of age or older and who are practicing Catholics are eligible to join. For information about this sponsored organization, please visit www.kofc7186.org or contact Michael Erpenbach at mike@erpenbach.com.

Parish Athletics



Spring Soccer (Apex-Cary) - Grades: Coed, PreK (3 year olds) to 8th - **Dates:** March to May; **Practice Locations:** choose between Apex & Cary. **Game Locations:** Apex & Cary. **Cost:** PreK \$60; K thru 5th grade - \$65; includes medal, shirt and picnic. **Note:** PreK players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays; Kdg thru 8th grade have one weekday practice and a game on Saturdays.

Spring T-Ball and Machine Pitch Baseball - Grades: Coed, PreK (4 year olds) thru 4th **Dates:** April to June; **Practice Locations:** choose between Apex & Cary; **Game Locations:** Apex only; **Cost:** \$65; includes medal, shirt, and picnic; **Note:** PreK players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays; Kindergartners thru 8th grade have one weekday practice and a game on Saturdays

Lacrosse (Softcrosse) - Grades: Coed; K thru 5th **Dates:** March thru May; **Practice/Game locations:** Apex only; **Cost:** \$65; includes medal, shirt, and picnic; **Note:** All meetings will be on Sunday afternoons and will combine a practice with a game or scrimmage. We will need volunteer coaches for all age groups! **Required Equipment:** Stick, mouth guard, cleats or sneakers

[REGISTER](#) here for any of the Parish Athletics spring sports!

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