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### St. Mary Magdalene E-News July 19, 2019

#### A Note From Father Donald Staib

Today I am grateful to Msgr. Gerald Lewis who will celebrate the weekend Masses while I make a summer visit with family in Denver. I will return late Tuesday. Daily Mass will resume on Wednesday.

Also with us today is Deacon Thomas Nemchik of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. We welcome him to StMM. His son Andrew plays many instruments in our parish choir and is one of our experts on the church sound system.

Thank you for your generosity last weekend in the appeal for the missions of Maryknoll in Tanzania. We received \$8,535, a very generous offering. If you were not here last weekend and wish to give, place your gift in an envelope and mark it for Maryknoll.

July 15 was the second anniversary of the Dedication of our Church. And July 22 is the feast of St Mary Magdalene. We rejoice in our blessings and are honored by our patron St Mary Magdalene.

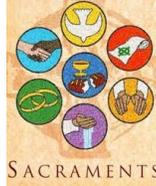
**CONFESSIONS:** There will not be Confessions on Saturday July 20. There will be Confessions on Saturday July 27 at 10:30, after Baptisms.

Father Donald Staib  
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St. Mary Magdalene E-News

**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

The tension portrayed in the story of Martha and Mary has not disappeared. Some disciples strive to attend to all the details - the hungry need food and the refugees need shelter. At the same time, the tasks of diakonia, the constant commitment to respond to the needs of others, can become so burdensome that we lose touch with Christ and the Gospel for whom we started it all.

There is no single correct interpretation of the story of Martha and Mary. It seems that Luke sandwiched it between the story of the generous Samaritan and Jesus' teaching on prayer to indicate that the tension itself is important. Martha and Mary both chose the good, but there can be too much of a good thing. Christian disciples must continually seek the balance. - Sister Mary McGlone

## 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)

## Parish Religious Education Program



Registration is now open for 2019-20 Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) on [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church). Registration will run until August 31<sup>st</sup>. Our programs begin the week of September 22. For a complete description of this program go to [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church), select "Religious Education", select "Elementary." You will see the links to specific information on the column to the right as well as registration instructions by clicking "Parish Religious Education Online Registration Instructions."

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Registration is now open and runs through August 31<sup>st</sup> on [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church) Program begins the week of September 22, 2019. This is a Montessori based catechetical program offered in levels of mixed grade groups. Each session is capped at ten students per class. Students must be age appropriate by August 31<sup>st</sup> each year. Sessions will take place in the Atrium (old chapel) in the Activities Building. Programs runs from late September through April/early May



depending on the Feast of Pentecost each liturgical year. For more information about the Second Religious Education Program option, please visit <http://www.stmmchurch/religious-ed/catechesis.cfm>

**Catechists/Core Team Needed** - We have many opportunities for you to become involved in our vibrant growing programs. Joining this ministry is a great way to share your faith and enjoy fellowship with other parishioners. There will be an adult, on-site retreat offered at STMM in 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 75 minutes per week to a specific grade
- being Level C Safe Environment approved (which we provide the class here on campus).

**Positions Available:**

- Teacher/Catechist PREP Grades Pre-K - 4
- Small Group Leader (by gender) the ROCK - Grades 5 - 6
- AV People - the ROCK
- Door Monitors - grant access to lobby using Lobby Guard
- Social Media Person - keeps program participants apprised of program events via Twitter, Instagram & Facebook with info provided by Coordinator



New for 2019-20 "THE ROCK" (Reaching Out for Christ). A new youth group for 5th/6th grade. The ROCK will meet on Sundays from 12:00-1:15 pm right after 10:45 mass in the Narthex of the Church. It will have a similar flavor to our other relational ministry youth groups. Register online at [www.stmm.church](http://www.stmm.church)

**ASP Thank You**

# THANK YOU!

We could not have done it without your help, support, & prayers!

Our St. Mary Magdalene community has supported our mission trip from the start & we are so very grateful!

YOU were able to put a roof over someones head, create a solid floor in a bathroom & living room, fix a kitchen that no longer leaks, build a wheelchair ramp, and so much more! You helped make this happen!

THANK YOU so much for supporting us! We absolutely could not have done it without you & your prayers!

God is so good!

For more information about St. Mary Magdalene's Appalachia Service Project group, please contact Taylor Wray at [stmmas@gmail.com](mailto:stmmas@gmail.com)

Check out more photos on Instagram: @STMMASP



## Mini-Monarch Preschool Summer Camp Programs



2019 Mini-Monarchs Preschool Summer Camp Program - The Preschool Program at STMM is offering 7 weeks of summer fun for children ages 3-5 yrs.! 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:** 9:00

a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Calendar: July 22-26: Splish! Splash!, July 29- Aug. 2: Taste & See the Goodness of the World. The program is open to all children ages 3-5 years old. All children must be potty-trained.

Registration Link: <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/StMaryMagdaleneSchool?orglink=camps-registration#/selectSessions/2624710> Additional Information: e-mail: [prekcamps@stmm.net](mailto:prekcamps@stmm.net)

## 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 Mass. Soon, we will begin another faith-filled journey. Will you join us? Let's have a conversation. Please contact Scott and Kathy Strednak at [rcia@stmm.net](mailto:rcia@stmm.net) with any questions.

## Safe Environment Training



location.

**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, 8/25 at noon; Thurs, 8/29 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](mailto:bsmith@stmm.net)) to register and to get meeting

## 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>.

## Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit

**"Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit"** - Are you interested in experiencing more fully, the power of the Holy Spirit? A group of parishioners has come together to offer a one day workshop on living in the power of the Holy Spirit. As we are in the planning stages, we are asking you to consider joining us on a yet-to-be scheduled Saturday. The date and location will be determined based on interest. This day is about renewing our Christian faith through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is about seeking a new intimacy with Jesus and the fullness of the Holy Spirit, so that we can be and bring God's presence to the people and circumstances of our lives. If you have never said yes to Jesus' offer to have a relationship with you, this is an opportunity to do so, as well as seek to experience the fullness of his Holy Spirit. If you have said yes to Jesus' offer to have a relationship with him, but that relationship has grown distant, this is an opportunity to renew that relationship and also seek to experience the fullness of the Holy Spirit. Please contact Art Klaum [artklaum61@gmail.com](mailto:artklaum61@gmail.com) or Ronda Watts [rondatroywatts@gmail.com](mailto:rondatroywatts@gmail.com) to express your interest.

## "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 [lmorris0707@gmail.com](mailto:lmorris0707@gmail.com)

## Western Wake Crisis Ministry



**Summer Donations for Western Wake Crisis Ministry (WWCM)** - WWCM is looking for the following items throughout the summer months: Laundry detergent, dish detergent, shower gel, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, paper towels. Place your contributions in the bins in the church narthex. Thank you!

## Commemorative Brick Order



**COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS**-Commemorative bricks line the walkway to our Activity Building. St. Mary Magdalene Church will be placing a brick order in the fall. Engraved bricks are \$100. Our deadline is October 4th. Order forms are in the church office or <http://www.stmmchurch/giving/>. Commemorate a First Communion, a Graduation, or remember a loved one with an engraved brick.

## Family Rosary Group



St. Mary Magdalene Rosary - "The family that prays together stays together." The Knight of Columbus would like to invite all StMM parishioners to join us for the Rosary on Thursdays at 7pm. Every one of all ages is invited. Rosaries and prayer guides are provided by the Knights of Columbus. Saint John Paul II said: "The Rosary is a prayer both so humble and simple and theologically rich in Biblical Content. I beg you to pray it." Contact Joe Sebik for more information at 704-906-3569.

## 2019 Ultimate Seminarian Invitational

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**Friday July 26 3-6 p.m.**

Dinner provided by Knights and losers take out the trash!

Knights of Columbus Field 4301 Columbus Club Dr., Raleigh 27604

RSVP by July 22: [officeofvocations@raldioc.org](mailto:officeofvocations@raldioc.org)

## Parish Athletics Fall Sports

### Fall Soccer (Apex-Cary)

**Grades:** Coed, Pre-K (3 year-olds) to 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Dates:** August - October.

**Practice Locations:** Apex or Cary, you pick.

**Game Locations:** Apex & Cary.

**Cost:** Pre-K - \$60; K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade - \$65; includes medal, shirt, and picnic.

**Note:** Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays.

K- 8<sup>th</sup> graders have one weekday practice and weekend games.

### Fall Baseball (Apex)

**Grades:** Coed, Pre-K (4 year-olds) to 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Dates:** September - October.

**Game Locations:** Apex.

**Cost:** \$65; includes medal, shirt, and picnic.

**Note:** Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays.

K - 4<sup>th</sup> graders have one weekday practice and weekend games.

### Fall Flag Football (Apex-Cary)

**Grades:** Coed, Pre-K (4 year-olds) to 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Dates:** September - November.

**Game Locations:** Apex or Cary.

**Cost:** Pre-K, \$55; K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, \$60 includes medal, shirt, picnic

**Note:** Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. Kindergarteners - 5<sup>th</sup> graders have one weekday practice per week and games on Friday nights.

### Fall Softcrosse (Apex)

**Ages:** K - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade & 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade.

**Dates:** Sundays Sept 9 - Oct 14 (six weeks)

K-2: 2 - 3pm

3-5: 3 - 4pm

Age groups will practice together and scrimmage for an hour each.

**Cost:** \$65

**Details:** Softcrosse is designed for beginners to intermediate players who want to learn the fundamentals of Lacrosse with a focus on stick skills.

**Equipment:** stick and mouthguard

Register at [www.parishathleticsnc.org](http://www.parishathleticsnc.org)

## SWAP Basketball Camp

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