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St. Mary Magdalene E-News October 19, 2018

A Note From Father Donald Staib

Many thanks to the Parish Council and all Ministry volunteers who provided a wonderful Ministry Fair last weekend. And we are also grateful for all those who volunteered to help us in our ministries.



Visit Our Church Website

This week there is a 2nd collection for world missions. These funds are used for on-going programs in places that need attention all year round. Lately we have witnessed great generosity for the Hurricane that affected us.

I heard this past week that one of our oldest large church buildings, St Mary in Wilmington, suffered \$5 million in damages. Fortunately our Diocese has good insurance coverage on our buildings.

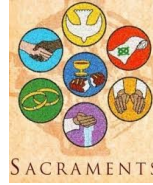
CONFESSIONS: There will not be Confessions on Saturday October 20, nor on Saturday October 27. [Weddings will keep the pastor busy]. The next Saturday 10:30 am Confessions will be Saturday, November 3.

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

REFLECTIONS OF CARDINAL WILFRID NAPIER OF DURBIN, SOUTH AFRICA AT THE ROME SYNOD ON YOUTH

The synod's work must take into account the situation of young people and the Church in other parts of the world, noting especially the needs of the Church in Africa.

The bishops are not only talking "about young people, but we're talking with them and to them," He praised the contributions of 34 young people invited by Pope Francis to be active participants.

The Youth offer short speeches just as bishops do, and participate in the small discussion circles that will help to shape the synod's final report.

The cardinal said that this is the eighth time he has participated in a synod of bishops, and that the participation of young Catholics in this synod makes it a very different experience from those he has previously attended.

He noted that the document does not sufficiently recognize the impact of mass migration from Africa on the continent's countries. Africa is losing some of its most gifted young people to migration, he said, because of the exploitation of natural resources and the environment.

Financial Matters

OUR GIVING PATTERNS

For the year 2017 here are the giving patterns of our parish per week
The numbers include Offertory and Gifts for the New Church

115 gave \$75 or over per week	105 gave \$50-\$74
244 gave \$25-\$49	427 gave \$10-\$24

205 gave \$5-\$9
122 gave less than \$1

247 gave \$1-\$4
368 have no record of giving

The **2017-2018 Financial Report** is now available on the Church website at www.stmm.church/annual_report_2018_to_parish.pdf.

Stock Donations Before Year's End? If you are considering a tax deductible stock donation before the end of 2018 the process is easy. Go to <http://dioceseofraleigh.org/give> and download the stock donation form. A contact person is listed on the form should you have questions. All stock donations are processed through the Diocese of Raleigh and proceeds are forwarded to the parish.

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)

A Video From Our Diocesan Website For Mission Sunday

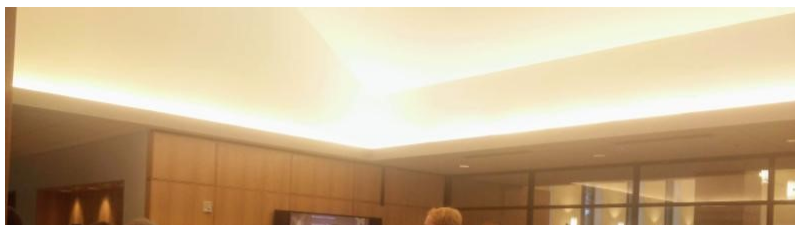


On a Mission: World Mission Sunday

Parishes in the Diocese of Raleigh will welcome global missionaries on Sunday, Oct. 21, for World Mission Sunday. But it wasn't long ago that North Carolina was considered mission territory. Take a step back in time with footage from the 1950s documentary, "[In the Footsteps of the Tar Heel Apostle](#)."

[Read the full story](#)

Pictures of the Week





Ministry Fair last weekend

Appalachia Service Project 2019



Applications for next summer's mission trip are now available! All youth and adults who are interested in going must go through the application process. Some basic requirements: Must be 14+ years old, active member at StMM, interested in service! Want an application, they are available every Sunday night in the lobby of the church after youth mass or you can contact Taylor Wray at stmmas@gmail.com.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) begins Sunday, October 21! This coop ministry guides children ages 3 years to first grade through a portion of the Mass in a prayerful, kid-centered way. **Register your child(ren) at the CLOW table outside of Mass or simply email Celeste Uisichon uisichon@stmm.net to participate.** All parents will need to take a turn to serve as either parent assistant or C-Level leader. Thank you for helping to make this ministry flourish!

Do You Love Music, Sound Systems And 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 opportunity is open to High School students and up! If you are interested in training for this, please contact stmmsoundministry@gmail.com.

Chrysalis - Marriage Enrichment



Calling all married couples to Chrysalis Marriage Enrichment! With a focus on faith and fellowship, monthly meetings are thoughtfully designed to help couples strengthen their relationships and families through Christ. To sign up or for more information, please email Ryan & Kelley Evenson at stmmchrysalis@gmail.com. **Fall meeting dates are Sun, Sept 30; Sat, Oct 20; and Sun, Nov 18.** Onsite childcare is available at our regular Sunday meetings for children under 10 years. RSVPs are kindly requested. Looking for an opportunity to help serve our parish families? **C-level certified adults and responsible, energetic youth volunteers** (ages 11 years +) are needed on the **Chrysalis Childcare Team**. Volunteers lead organized activities and care for the children during regular monthly meetings. To volunteer, please contact stmmchrysalis@gmail.com. Thank you!

Catholic Parish Outreach



CPO "Feed-A-Family" Food Drive collection at St. Mary Magdalene rescheduled for October - Due to Hurricane Florence, the collection for the CPO "Feed-A-Family" food drive at St. Mary Magdalene has been rescheduled for the weekend of October 20th & 21st. Please help CPO serve the less fortunate in our community by dropping off your CPO grocery bag or monetary donation to the CPO truck parked in the StMM parking lot on **October 20th & 21st**. **We are also in great need of books for preschoolers for our children's clothing ministry.** If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please contact Kelly Rapp at krapp@nc.rr.com or Kathy Barnack at kbarnack@nc.rr.com

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 Mon, Nov. 5th 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.

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, November 15th, 9:30 - 11am, in Church meeting room #1. Our speaker will be an officer from Apex Community Policing. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, miriamdel79@yahoo.com, 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com.

Health Promotions Committee



Thank you for the completed health topic surveys last week. The Google link provided was misbehaving. If you would please try this shorter link, <https://goo.gl/forms/xV6Gc6SPK3LrPPE32>. Or contact dana_conte@yahoo.com. We will have a red collection box for paper surveys in the lobby.

'Knight's Corner'



Calling all Catholic Men to the Knights of Columbus

"A Catholic Fraternal Service Organization"

Our Knights at StMM Council 7186 will be assisting with this weekend's CPO "Feed A Family" Fall Food Drive. **Please drop-off food at truck parked in the StMM parking lot on October 20th & 21st.**

For more information to becoming a Knight:

Visit our website: <http://kofc7186.org> **Contact:** Grand Knight (Tom Blum) at gkkofc7186@gmail.com or our Membership Committee at MembershipKofC7186@gmail.com

Calendar

Saturday Oct 20 - Sunday Oct 21: CPO "Feed A Family" Fall Food Drive (Truck at StMM)

Saturday Oct 20: 40 Days for Life at Abortion Clinic, 9am-10am (Drake Circle, Raleigh)

Saturday Oct 27: Apex Music Festival

Saturday Oct 27: Brookridge Assisted Living Resident Visit

Saturday Nov 3: 40 Days for Life at Abortion Clinic, 9am-10am (Drake Circle, Raleigh)

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