

St. Mary Magdalene E-News October 22, 2021

A Note from Father Chris

Jesus gives sight to the blind. Bartimaeus persistently seeks healing and finding Jesus Christ is ever more vocal. We are all seeking a completeness of life, a completeness of love. God is the source of life and love. Our persistence in virtue and goodness will gain for us what we are seeking. Jesus Christ brings us the good news of the union we have available with God and what we truly seek.

Monsignor Staib will celebrate the Masses this weekend. His welcome voice in our church is a blessing.

In gratitude,

Fr. Chris

Giving Portal

Upcoming Events

October 23 - 5pm Mass
October 24 - 9am & 11am Mass
October 24 - Youth Mass 6pm
October 24 - Apostello, EDGE, and the Way
October 25 - Daily Mass 9am
October 25 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
October 26 - GATHER/The ROCK 6:30pm
October 28 - Daily Mass 9am
October 29 - Daily Mass 9am
October 30 - Confessions 10:30am
October 30 - 5pm Mass
October 31 - 9am & 11am Mass
October 31 - No Youth Mass
November 1 - Daily Mass 9am
November 2 - All Souls Day Mass 7pm Church

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 date. Your donation will be acknowledged in the bulletin. For questions, please contact floralministry@stmm.net

Mass This Weekend



Flowers donated by Susan Kunsman in loving memory of MaryAnne Adamkovic on her birthday. With love from your family!

Thank you to Lavender Lane Florist of Apex.

Last weeks flowers donated by Becky Melton in honor of Patrick & Becky's 16th Wedding Anniversary.

Click [HERE](#) to Live Stream our 9am Mass

Music for this week's Mass

Gathering: Come to the Feast 307

Psalm: 126 The Lord has done great things for us. We are filled with gladness and joy. We are filled with gladness and joy.

Preparation: Psalm 42 (As the Deer Longs) 508

Communion 1: Our God Is Here 305

Communion 2: You Are Near 436

Communion 3: Bread of Life 362

Sending Forth: 10,000 Reasons 561

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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.

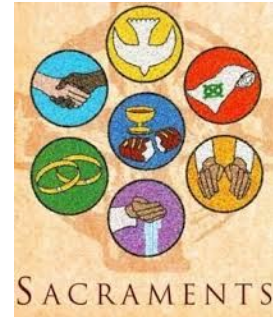
Sacraments

BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, info@stmm.net.

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 weddings@stmm.net



Pictures of the Week



Seminarians John and Johan at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary this week



Perry and Aimee Adams were married on October 20th

Volunteers Needed Nightly at StMM

We are seeking volunteers who would help to ensure that our campus structures are locked and secured each night. This can be accomplished by one person, or a rotation of people. Basically around 8pm each night, arrive on campus, walk through buildings to be sure doors are closed and windows are closed and move from building to building. Bob Reardon did this for the parish for nearly 20 years but with his retirement, we are seeking new helpers. Please email Jim Galkowski Galkowski@stmm.net for further information and or to volunteer.

Employment Opportunities at St. Mary Magdalene School

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School has an opening for a full time preschool teaching assistant. We are looking for a person with experience and enthusiasm to join us in creating an exceptional early learning environment for our PK4 students.

If you are interested in applying for this position, or would like additional information, please contact Barbara Senn (senn@stmm.net).

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School has an opening for a full time 8th Grade ELA teacher. Please [click here](#) for the job description.

Send resumes and letter of interest to principal@stmm.net.

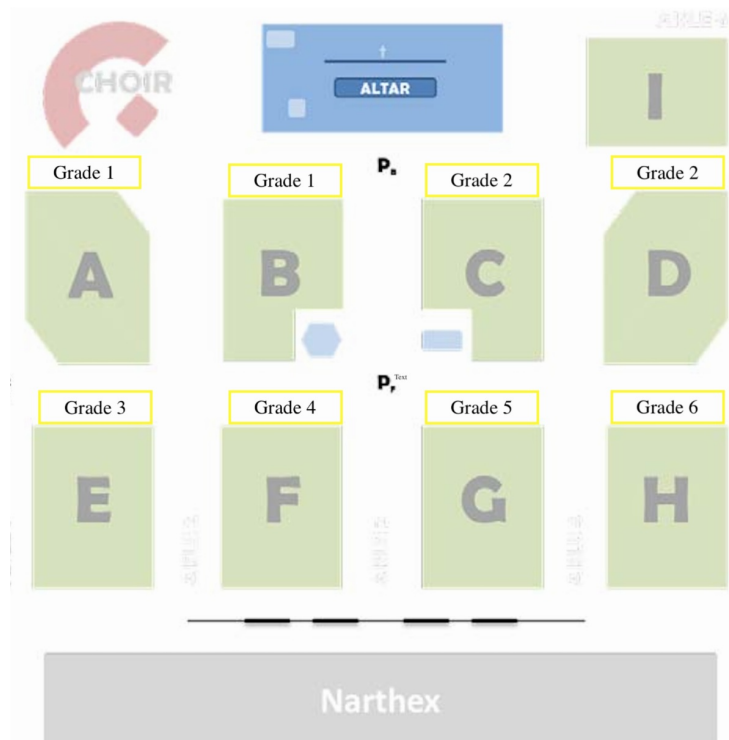
Faith Formation



Our next Gather & Rock meeting is Tuesday, October 26, 2021 from 6:30 – 7:45 pm and we begin in the Church. Everyone is asked to please wear a face mask. Parents are expected to attend with their children. Kindly email your child's Core Team Leader if your child is unable to attend.

Upon Arrival to the Church, please pick up your name tag and be seated with your YOUNGEST CHILD in the sections outlined in the diagram below. This will help us move the groups more efficiently to the school.

For dismissal, the Core Team Leaders will bring the children back from the School to the CHURCH to meet up with their parents. Gather children (grades 1 - 4) will arrive first followed by Rock children (grades 5 - 6). Please remain in the church for your child so that no one is outside in the dark unattended.



GATHER & ROCK

FIRST SEMESTER

Remaining Meetings

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

MEETINGS

Tues. Oct. 26

MEETINGS

Tues. Nov. 9

Tues. Nov. 23 off

Tues. Nov 30

MEETINGS

Tues. Dec. 14

Tues. Dec. 28 off

Rock Topic

What do I need to be happy?

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Please consider helping
us with Substitute Core
Team Leaders & Hall
Monitors

Contact will@stmm.net



Questions: Please contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7820

A graphic with a grey background and a maroon grid pattern in the top-left and bottom-right corners. It features two white rounded rectangular boxes. The top box contains the title 'YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE'. The bottom box contains a list of activities and their times.

**YOUTH GROUP
SCHEDULE**

- APOSTELLO 4:30-7PM
- THE WAY 6-8:30PM
- EDGE 6-8:30PM
- YOUTH MASS 6-7PM

***Catholic School
Confirmation
Registration Opening!***

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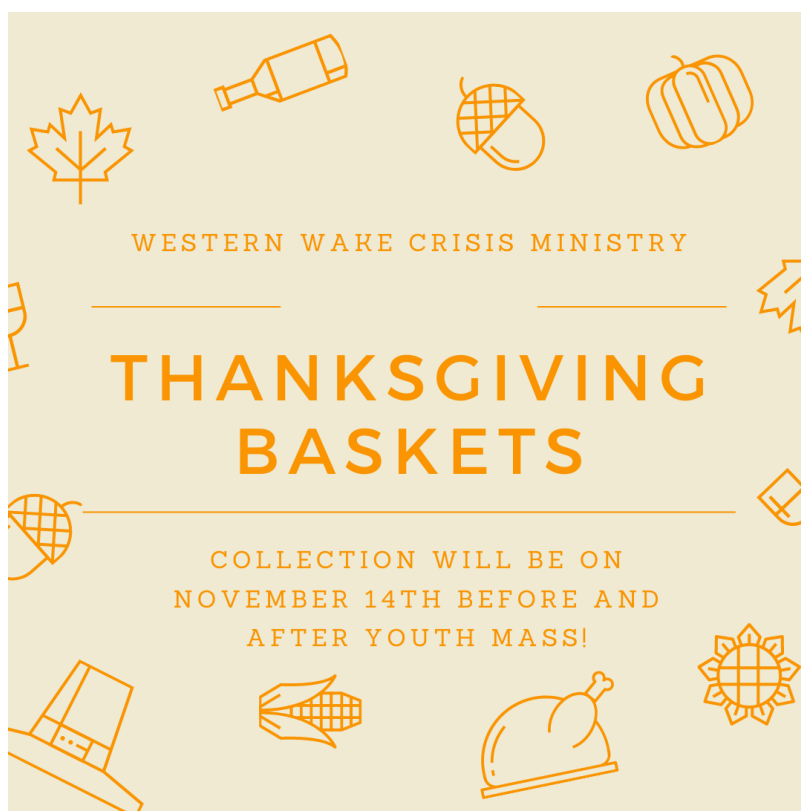
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NOT ATTENDING THE
WAY?

CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO
REGISTER!

Link to register: https://secure.accesssacs.com/access/eventlogin.aspx?id=HMcg3BzSb96rqf+MLQNDnA==&site=102397&ReturnUrl=events%2fwz_people.aspx&ChurchID=1554&EventID=214380&sn=102397

For more information about Confirmation, click here: <http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/way.cfm>



To see what item your small group has been assigned, [click here](#)

Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com

For **Apostello, the Way, and Confirmation**, contact Caitlin Clendenin at clendenin@stmm.net

Calling All New Parishioners!

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We are excited to bring back our new member welcome dinners! We have taken a break from these events during the pandemic, and we have a lot of catching up to do! We have welcomed so many new members since our last event 2 years ago!

If you joined St. Mary Magdalene after October 2019, we have a special event planned for you and your family! Join us Saturday November 6th after the 5pm Mass and Sunday November 7th after the 11am Mass in the Activities Building for fellowship, food and fun for the kids. Given the current situation, we will continue to implement COVID safe protocols for food and attendance. Therefore, we will be limiting the number of families for each welcome social. Please make sure to reserve your family's spot by November 1st. Unfortunately, we won't be able to accommodate you without a reserved spot. [Click here to reserve a spot.](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Petersen, l.a.petersen@gmail.com.

We look forward to officially welcoming you to the St. Mary Magdalene family!

Discipleship Quads



At the very end of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus says to his apostles "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." (Mt 28:19-20). In other words, *we are all called to be disciples and share the love of Christ with others.*

But how equipped do we feel for this mission? Contact Laura Werner at 919-889-9904 to learn more about being a part of a Discipleship Quad, a ministry where you will grow a deeper understanding of our faith and feel empowered to pour forth His love to grow the Church. The Quad curriculum is free, ongoing, you can meet anywhere. No prior knowledge needed. It is available online at steubenvilleconferences.com/discipleship-quads/. The greatest fruits from your participation are: deep, authentic friendships with fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, practice discipling one another, and a rich knowledge in the Catholic faith. There is a commitment to participate. Sign up here by Nov 15: [Discipleship Quad Interest Form](#).

Adult Confirmation Prep and Catholic Faith Refresher

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, January 25th 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.

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 November 15, 2021. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at rcia@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"*.



Chrysalis



Married couples: do you know that your marriage is your treasure? Nothing else is more important than your marriage. Treasures must be protected and cared for. Come learn how. Books are provided for all participants. We had our first session in September, and we discussed how praying together and the power of God's grace empower couples to stay turned toward each other and handle the conflicts that arise in marriage. We were blessed to have met both in-person and by audio for those who were unable to attend in person.

Our next session of **The BEATITUDES: A Couple's Path to Greater Joy** will be Oct 24, 2021, 12:15 pm - 1:30 pm in Room 3. Join us--watch a short video and participate in small groups discussion. Dates of sessions are: Oct 24, 2021; Nov 21, 2021; Dec 12, 2021; Jan 23, 2022; Feb 20, 2022; Mar 20, 2022; Apr 10, 2022. For more information, contact us at stmmchrysalis@gmail.com.

Chrysalis Childcare

Responsible teens and adults: looking for a great volunteer opportunity to work with kids and earn service hours? Join Chrysalis' childcare team, which cares for parish children while their parents are attending monthly Chrysalis marriage enrichment meetings.

Teens are encouraged to volunteer with a friend and get to know StMM families who might be looking for babysitters! Must be B-level Safe Environment Certified. Applications will be emailed to volunteers.

Adults: Love working with kids? Want to support couples in building stronger marriages? Looking to help fulfill Time & Talent expectations for StMM? Volunteer with Chrysalis Childcare team! A commitment of

less than 2 hours per month, volunteers supervise and help an energetic team of teens care for children during our monthly couples marriage enrichment meetings. Adults must be C-level Safe Environment Certified.

Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44A4AB4-chrysali>

Respect Life Committee

The KofC Life council and the STMM Respect life committee will be joining with the 40 Days for Life organization and we'll be holding a vigil each Saturday morning from 9-10 at the Drake Circle clinic in Raleigh during the 40 days from 9/22 thru 10/31. Please join us in this vigil. Here is an optional signup link. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4BADA62BA13-40days1>

Every October, we celebrate Respect Life Month. We consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility

Read the full version at respectlife.org/navigating-infertility.

We often assume parenthood happens easily after "I do," but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility: after giving birth to one or more children, they are unable to have another. If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that God is with you, and that He has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple. You are not alone; His Church desires to walk with you. The full article at the website listed above contains compassionate, practical guidance, intended primarily for married couples struggling with infertility, though others may also find it to be informative.

StMM School News



Apply Today!

2022-2023
Applications
Now Open!



Applications now open for the 2022-23 school year! Please note, our preschool is filling up fast! Use this link to apply: <https://stmm-nc.client.renweb.com/oa/index.cfm?memberid=130>

Sign up for a Tour here:

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Parish Assistance Ministry

The Parishioner Assistance Ministry, which we re-established back in February, is now fully up and running and ready to meet the needs of our STMM parish family. There is certainly more work ahead, but we now have more than 90 parish assistance helpers - or angels, as Father Chris calls them - ready to help in your time of need. We will always need more "angels," especially some more people in the professional fields associated with elder care, medical, and legal-related questions. But now, we are shifting our focus to reach out to those of you who may be in need of some help, but haven't yet reached out to us.

In particular, we want to ask the senior members of our parish family, how can we help you? You have done so much for others in your life, it's time that others can help you. Is the drive to Mass on the weekend getting too difficult for you? We can provide transportation. Are those smoke alarms beeping and you've realized that you shouldn't climb that ladder to change them anymore? We can help you. Have you or a loved one been dealing with an illness and are struggling....in any way? Let's talk. Please consider giving us a call or send us an email and we can talk through your challenge - big or small - and see if we can find a STMM family member or two or three... who can help.

We are one, big STMM family. And your STMM family is here for you in your time of need.

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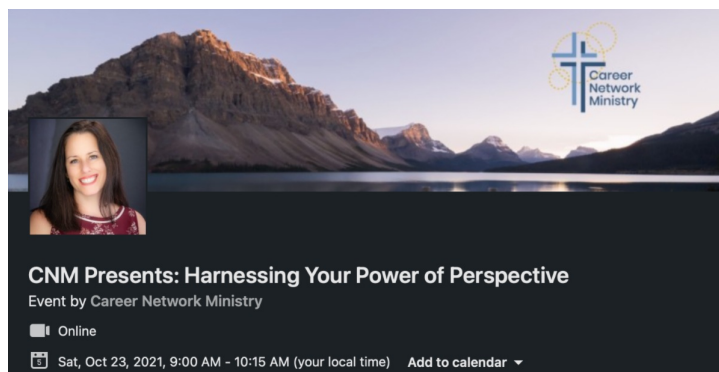
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Career Network Ministry



Saturday, Oct 23, 2021 9:00 - 10:15 am [RSVP here](#)

Overview

As you go through your day to day has life become too routine? Do you wonder who or what is holding you back? In this presentation you will learn tips and techniques to help you accelerate your journey towards your goals & dreams.

- Learn to master your mindset and turn frustrations into opportunities
- Leverage somatic techniques to calm anxiety and build your confidence
- Get comfortable with being uncomfortable. Success lies on the other side.
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Guest speaker: Gayle Pum, Technologist and Experienced Speaker

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