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## St. Mary Magdalene E-News October 8, 2021

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### A Note from Father Chris

Wisdom is true wealth, and not the accumulation of things. Jesus proclaims to his people the true richness of a life well lived in goodness, truth and LOVE.

Our faith is always a way of life that leads to better relationships and a more blessed life.

The baskets will be back this weekend. Our neighboring churches have been passing the baskets in church again for six months without incident. So we too, we will resume the offertory baskets. Many, thankfully, give electronically so it should move very quickly. Thank you for your cooperation.

Many blessings to you and your family,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

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### Upcoming Events

October 9 - Campus Landscape Ministry Work Day - Azalea Planting 10am  
October 9 - Confessions 10:30am  
October 9 - 5pm Mass  
October 10 - 9am & 11am Mass  
October 10 - Youth Mass 6pm  
October 10 - Apostello, EDGE, the Way  
October 11 - Daily Mass 9am  
October 11 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel  
October 12 - Gather/ROCK  
October 13 - Daily Mass 9am  
October 14 - Daily Mass 9am  
October 15 - Daily Mass 9am  
October 16 - Confessions 10:30am  
October 16 - 5pm Mass  
October 17 - 9am & 11am Mass  
October 17 - Youth Mass 6pm

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](mailto:floralministry@stmm.net)

The floral ministry is currently looking for a volunteer for Altar Flower Coordinator Role. If you are interested in this ministry please contact Peggi Smith at [smithpeggi@yahoo.com](mailto:smithpeggi@yahoo.com). Thank you for your consideration.

## Mass This Weekend



Flowers donated by the Buchanan family in memory of Arthur Hernandez.

Thank you to Lavender Lane of Apex.

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

### Music for this week's Mass

**Gathering:** Our God Is Here 305

**Psalm: 90** In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

**Preparation:** Tend the Ground 626

**Communion 1:** Make Your Home In Me 621

**Communion 2:** I Received the Living God 324

**Communion 3:** The Summons 385

**Sending Forth:** Go Make A Difference 493

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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.

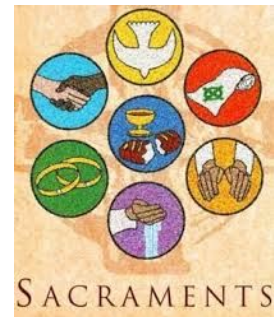
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## Sacraments

**BAPTISMS** - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email the Church Office, [info@stmm.net](mailto: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](mailto:weddings@stmm.net)



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## Pictures of the Week



Blessing of the Animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi



Thank you to the Catholic Senior Organization for putting the new hymnals in the pews this week.

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## **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](mailto:Galkowski@stmm.net) for further information and or to volunteer.

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## Campus Landscape Ministry Work Day - Azalea Planting



On Saturday October 9th at 10:00 AM we will be planning 40 encore azaleas granted to Saint Mary Magdalene Church & School by WRAL. Azaleas will be planted in several locations on campus so there will be plenty room for social distancing. If you have a shovel or pick please bring them.

This is our second Azalea Celebration grant from WRAL and we are very grateful for the beautiful plants. Visit the columbarium area to see the azaleas we received in 2019.

For more information contact Karen Clemmer at [kccllemmer4@gmail.com](mailto:kccllemmer4@gmail.com)

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## Employment Opportunity

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](mailto:senn@stmm.net)).

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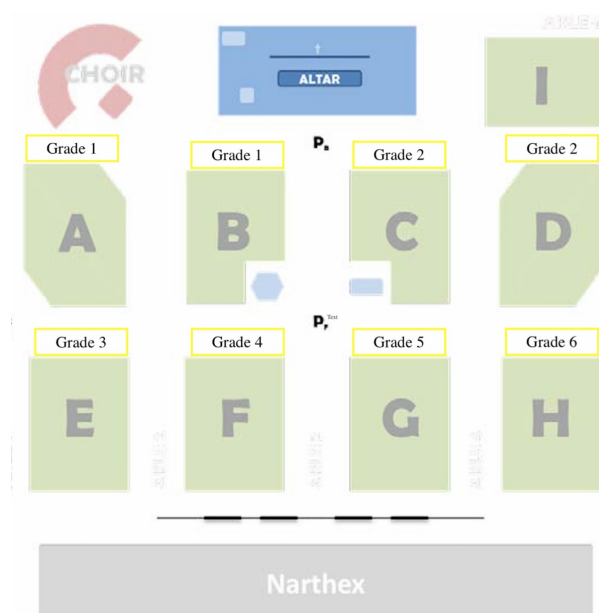
## Faith Formation



Our next Gather & Rock meeting is Tuesday, October 12, 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 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.







## First Reconciliation Parent Meeting

(One Parent Attends One Meeting)

Wed. 10/13/21

10:30 am - StMM Chapel  
7:00 pm - StMM Chapel

Thurs. 10/14/21

10:30 am - StMM Chapel  
7:00 pm - StMM Chapel



## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Continues this Sunday, October 3, 2021

Level One: Sundays 8:45 am - 10:00 am  
with Ms. Andree & Ms. Ellen

Level One: Sundays 10:45 am - 12:00 pm  
with Ms. Shana & Ms. Lynn

Level Two: Sunday 12:15 - 1:30 pm  
with Ms. Shana & Ms. Andree

There are still a few openings in Level One 10:45 am class  
interested families email: [will@stmm.net](mailto:will@stmm.net)

Parents drop off at the  
Atrium located in the Activities Building.

Face masks are required in the Atrium



Questions: Please contact Suzanne Will at [will@stmm.net](mailto:will@stmm.net) or 919-657-4800 x7820

**StMM High School Youth Ministry**

## 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!*

ARE YOU...

- ☐ ATTENDING CATHOLIC  
HIGH SCHOOL?
- ☐ IN YEAR 2 OF  
CONFIRMATION PREP?
- ☐ NOT ATTENDING THE  
WAY?

CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO  
REGISTER!

Link to register: [https://secure.accessacs.com/access/eventlogin.aspx?id=HMcg3BzSb96rqf+MLQNDnA==&site=102397&ReturnUrl=events%2fwz\\_people.aspx&ChurchID=1554&EventID=214380&sn=102397](https://secure.accessacs.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>



## Sign up for **Miracle League**

**Who:** anyone 12+ years old  
**When:** Oct 16, 2021 from 9-11:45am  
**Where:** 805 Cary Towne Blvd. in Cary, next to Adams Elementary  
**How:** email [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com)

Email [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com) to let us know you are signing up for Miracle League, then click this link to volunteer to be a buddy!! <https://www.mltriangle.com/volunteer/>

### Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Liz Sams at [liz.sams@gmail.com](mailto:liz.sams@gmail.com)

For **Apostello, the Way, and Confirmation**, contact Caitlin Clendenin at [clendenin@stmm.net](mailto:clendenin@stmm.net)

## Calling All New Parishioners!

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! An email invitation went out this week to any new members to register and 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. Unfortunately, we won't be able to accommodate you without a reserved spot.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Petersen, [l.a.petersen@gmail.com](mailto: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/](http://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](#).

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## 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, Sept. 8 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](mailto:Stevens@stmm.net).

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## 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](mailto: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"*.



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## Guest Speaker Paul Zucarelli October 19th 7pm at StMM





# A REVELATION OF THE *Kingdom of Heaven*

with Paul & Beth Zucarelli

*"I shall not die but live and proclaim the  
deeds of the Lord." Psalm 118:17*

Do you wonder if Jesus is alive in you? Do you wish to know God can raise the dead?

Paul Zucarelli suffered 9 Cardiac Arrests after surgery at the Mayo Clinic. He was dead for 2 hours and was graced to witness Heaven. In the midst of a culture that is wrought with fear and questioning God's existence, please join us to hear Paul's miraculous testimony of healing which occurred on Pentecost Sunday 2017. His witness will reinvigorate your soul with faith and hope. It is a witness of God's love and saving grace. The reality of Jesus' Divine Mercy working through prayer and Scripture will captivate you to know God's unfathomable love for us in Christ.

Let your own faith arise as you hear the story of God at work to transform lives and draw all souls to His Kingdom. Please feel free to invite guests especially those who need the Grace of Faith in Christ in their lives. All are welcome.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19 AT 7:00 PM**

**REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**

**Please RSVP at**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BAAAF23A64-arevelation>



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## 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.

To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person

impels us to bring the Gospel of Life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society (Evangelium Vitae- The Gospel of Life, Pope John Paul II)

On October 1st in celebration of Down Syndrome Awareness and Respect for Life month [WILDGOOSE.TV](http://WILDGOOSE.TV) and YouTube released a documentary about Venerable Jerome Lejeune. The film, *Venerable Jerome Lejeune, To the Least of These my Brothers and Sisters* documents the importance of Lejeune's discovery of Trisomy 21, the chromosomal anomaly that results in Down Syndrome, and his lifelong defense of the dignity of the human person.

Remembering Our Infants Lost Prayer Service- at **St. Michael's on Monday October 11th at 6 PM** Evening Prayer for all parents and family members who have lost a child because of Miscarriage, Stillbirth, Abortion & During Infancy. The purpose will be for Remembrance, Healing and Mercy. For additional information contact [respectlife@stmccary.org](mailto:respectlife@stmccary.org)

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## StMM School News



# Apply Today!

2022-2023  
Applications  
Now Open!



Applications now open for the 2022-23 school year! Use this link to apply:

<https://stmm-nc.client.renweb.com/oa/index.cfm?memberid=130>

Sign up for a Tour here:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/selfsched?sstoken=UUFUOU80THF5d09rfGRIZmF1bHR8OTQ5YTJmMjdmNWVmMGE4MDIyNjQzZTEwY2RmN2ZkODM>

First available tour is in November. If you'd like to visit sooner, RSVP to attend our Open House Sunday, October 17th after 11am Mass:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe5DZnXDdhUDusNrZuD9qunnWPN7DxXNkP7M-2go8KZUHDjKA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe5DZnXDdhUDusNrZuD9qunnWPN7DxXNkP7M-2go8KZUHDjKA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

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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.

Dan Moskey (919) 986-8613 [dmoskey12@gmail.com](mailto:dmoskey12@gmail.com)

Kathy Lynch (919) 210-2709 [kcclynch@yahoo.com](mailto:kcclynch@yahoo.com)

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