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## St. Mary Magdalene April 12, 2024

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### A Note from Father Chris

The Gospel shows Jesus completely with us in his resurrection. He talks, touches, and even eats with his friends. The real sharing of God's salvation plan is with us, right now, in Jesus Christ.

This Sunday our very own, Deacon Johan Salas, will be with us for the Masses. We are thankful for all your support of his vocation.

The transition meetings with Fr. Mike Coveyou begin this week. We are committed to a careful stewardship of the parish life here.

With great love and gratitude,

Fr. Chris

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## Upcoming Events

April 13 - Confessions 10:30am  
 April 13 - 5pm Mass  
 April 14 - 9am & 11am Mass  
 April 14 - Chrysalis 12:15pm Room 3  
 April 14 - Apostello, The Way, & The EDGE  
 April 14 - Youth Mass 6pm  
 April 15 - Daily Mass  
 April 15 - Catholic Senior Org 10:30am Room 3  
 April 15 - Family Rosary 6:30pm  
 April 16 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church  
 April 17 - Daily Mass 9am  
 April 17 - Frassati Young Adult 7pm Room 3  
 April 18 - Daily Mass 9am  
 April 18 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel  
 April 18 - High School Confirmation Mass  
 6:30pm  
 April 19 - Daily Mass 9am  
 April 20 - First Communion Retreat 8:30am  
 April 20 - Confessions 10:30am  
 April 20 - 5pm Mass  
 April 20 - Altar Server Training 6pm Church  
 April 21 - 9am & 11am Mass  
 April 21 - Apostello, The Way, & The EDGE  
 April 21 - Youth Mass 6pm

## Mass This Weekend

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

### Music for Weekend Masses

**Gathering:** Alleluia Entrance Antiphon

**Responsorial Psalm 4:** Lord Let Your Face Shine On Us

**Preparation:** Two Were Bound for Emmaus 167

**Communion 1:** Worthy is the Lamb 581

**Communion 2:** O Come To the Altar

**Communion 3:** Morning by Morning

**Sending Forth:** This Is Amazing Grace

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## Pictures of the Week



The Ordination Mass for Deacon Johan Salas



Father Chris and Father Mike Coveyou



The Baptism of Nikki Indradhanush Wray on April 6th



The Baptism of Mila Anne Galuchie April 7th



Perry Monds with sponsor, Jack Hergenroeder and Father Chris Perry received Confirmation and Holy Communion on April 7th



#### Message from the Mulholland Columbiettes 7186

Dear StMM Community - THANK YOU for making our first BINGO Game Night on April 5 a huge success! We had a happily energetic crowd, and each round of bingo brought waves of cheers and laughter. Players of all ages had fun, terrific prizes were won, and we plan to do it again, by popular demand! Profits will go to charitable causes supported by the Columbiettes. We feel blessed to be part of such a wonderful parish & school community.



Easter Egg Hunt

## Mass Intentions

April 13 – 5pm – In Memory of George Stephen Dolak  
 April 14 – 9am – In Memory of Janet (Daisy) DePaoli  
 April 14 – 11am – In Memory of Mary Lou Gitlitz  
 April 14 – 6pm – Parishioners of StMM  
 April 15 – In Memory of Tatyana Nicole Taura  
 April 17 – Jack and Timothy Werner  
 April 18 – In Memory of David Estes  
 April 19 – In Memory of Barbara Grady  
 April 20 – 5pm – In Memory of Judy Lewandowski  
 April 21 – 9am – Parishioners of StMM  
 April 21 – 11am – In Memory of Rick & Mary Ann DiSerafino  
 April 21 – 6pm – In Memory of Corinne Clark  
 April 22 – In Memory of Jack & Geraldine Werner  
 April 24 – In Memory of Sylvan Koehn  
 April 25 – In Memory of Oscar Reyes  
 April 26 – In Memory of Eileen Fenton

## Sacraments



**BAPTISMS** - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email [sansone@stmm.net](mailto:sansone@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)

## Altar Flowers



This week's altar flowers are donated by:

Karen Kovacs in loving memory of Helen J Shannon's 1st heavenly anniversary and Jacqueline Viera in memory of Rosemary Vollmer, loving mother

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](#). For questions, please contact [floralministry@stmm.net](mailto:floralministry@stmm.net)

## Chrysalis Marriage Enrichment

Our next regular meeting is this Sunday, April 14 at 12:15 pm in Room 3. We will continue with the BETTER TOGETHER program from Dynamic Catholic. This program meets couples where they are and equips them with the tools they need to build lasting, happy, and faith-filled marriages. It was created to resonate with couples at every stage of their relationship—

## Catholic Senior Organization

The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for women and men (60+) meets every third Monday of the month, September through May. Our next meeting will take place Monday, April 15, 2024, 10:30 AM until Noon, in Church meeting room #3. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, [gmomfran@gmail.com](mailto:gmomfran@gmail.com)

whether they just got engaged or have been married for years. The program comes with a workbook and videos that we follow. Each video session includes group discussions. The sessions are independent and you can join us at any time. This month's topic is Money.

Future session dates are: May 5.

If you have any questions or need more information please email Russeil and Vanita Reeve [stmmchrysalis@gmail.com](mailto:stmmchrysalis@gmail.com)

## Forward In Hope



### Forward in Hope - Grief Support Group to Begin

If you're in need of consolation after losing a

loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. We recommend participants join us approximately six months after the loss of a loved one. We have two new groups forming; one being held on Monday mornings at 10:00 am from May 6, - June 17, 2024 and another group meeting on Tuesday evenings 7:00 - 8:00 pm from April 16 - May 21, 2024. Sessions will consist of prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship. For more information, please feel free to email [stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net](mailto:stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net) call 919-657-4800 ext. 7280 or sign up by completing [this registration form](#).

## New Member Lunch

Calling All New Parishioners!

We are very excited to have you as new members of our community! If you registered as a member from November 2023 through now, we would love to have the opportunity to officially welcome you after 11am Mass, Sunday, May 19th. We will gather in the Activities Building for food, fellowship, and fun for the kids!

Please register here to attend [Register Here](#)

**Registration will be open through May 14th.**

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

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

## Altar Server Training



**“Serving at the Altar is a privileged way to draw closer to Jesus” – Pope Francis**

Altar serving is a great way to learn more about the Mass and to take an active role in the Church family. All who are 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up and have received their First Sacraments are welcome to join the altar server ministry! Training sessions for new servers will be held on **Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm** and **Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm** in the Church. If any existing servers need a “refresher,” they are also welcome to join. Please choose one session and RSVP to Andree Genez at [stmmaltarservers@gmail.com](mailto:stmmaltarservers@gmail.com). Parents are encouraged to attend!

## Monarch Masters April 29th

**Limited foursomes and sponsorship opportunities available!**

### **MONARCH MASTERS - APRIL 29TH 10 AM, MacGREGOR DOWNS COUNTRY CLUB**

Join us for an exclusive StMM experience at the award-winning MacGregor Downs golf course! Gather your team of one, two, or four for 18 holes of golf, complete with breakfast, cart, and lunch. Whether you bring guests, colleagues, or family, don't wait to register before spots fill up. With a captain's choice format, everyone can enjoy, regardless of their golfing prowess! For more information, please visit [STMMgolf.com](http://STMMgolf.com), or register [HERE](#).

### **MONARCH MASTERS - SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!!**

We welcome family and business sponsors and will thank you with a customized sign with your logo or family name. Sponsor [HERE](#) and a member of the PSO will reach out for your logo, if applicable. We also welcome prizes for golfers if your family or business can donate a gift certificate, tickets to an event, wine, golf products, etc. Contact [Brian Meljac](#) with sponsorship questions and donations.

## CRS Rice Bowls Collection

### CRS RICE BOWLS: Completing Our Lenten Almsgiving:

As we draw our Lenten sacrifices to a close, **please do not forget to submit your donation to CRS Rice Bowls.** Catholic Relief Services (CRS) carries out the commitment of the Bishops of the United States to assist the poor and vulnerable overseas.

Please submit your Rice Bowl donation through the StMM Giving Portal.

Go online to [stmm.church](http://stmm.church) and choose "Giving Portal" at the top. Fill in the "Give" box with your donation amount. The "To" box says Offertory, click there for a drop down menu, and scroll down and click on "Rice Bowls." Add your email address in the box provided.

It may ask you to sign in or complete as guest, simply follow the prompts from there to complete.

**If your child attends StMM School or a faith formation program, please follow the collection plan for your child's program.**

## Adult Faith Refresher/ Confirmation Prep

Do you wish you had a better understanding of your faith so you can lead a more joyful life? Do you feel like you aren't able to connect the dots with all you've learned?

Then come join me and your fellow parishioners for a dynamic six-week series that will enhance your daily spiritual life.

We typically get a small group of participants together for what is more discussion and less lecture.

The next series begins on April 17 and runs five more consecutive Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30 pm.

Please contact me if you wish to join! [stevens@stmm.me](mailto:stevens@stmm.me) or 908-910-0309

NOTE: THIS SERIES ALSO SERVES AS CONFIRMATION PREP FOR ADULTS WISHING TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT.

## Frassati Young Adult

The Frassati Young Adult group is a community of 20 and 30 year olds. We meet for prayer, fellowship, and service activities. Email [frassati@stmm.net](mailto:frassati@stmm.net) for more information and to be added to our email list. Our upcoming events are:

**April 17 at 7pm in Room 3** Group discussion on "Working as a Catholic"

## Habitat for Humanity

Advocacy is part of the Habitat for Humanity mission, and towards that end, they have asked for our parish to help support a petition to the Town Council about affordable housing in our area. The link below will take you to a longer explanation and the on line petition. Please consider adding your voice to this worthy cause by reading and signing the petition. Any questions, please contact our H4H coordinators at [stmmhabitat@stmm.net](mailto:stmmhabitat@stmm.net)

### Protect Apex Residents in Manufactured Housing Communities (office.com)

Our parish will be participating with other faith groups from SW Wake County at the Old Poole Road project on April 20. NO construction experience is needed, with adults 18 and up welcomed. Please sign up at the volunteer hub: <http://vhub.at/SpringOPP>

Please be sure to fill in St Mary Magdalene as your affiliated group. If you have registered before with H4H, the system will remember you. If this is a new sign up, the system will prompt you for information and waivers.

## Join the Columbiettes



**Mulholland Columbiettes Auxiliary at StMM: Join us April 24!**

Are you a Catholic woman 18 years of age or older, looking for a way to give back to your community and grow in faith? Would you like to make new friends with other Catholic women, serve together and pray together? Then the Columbiettes is for you. We are a band of sisters, a network of women in communities throughout the US doing good works in service of God and our neighbors. We also have fun! You can meet many of us at our upcoming Easter Egg Hunt and Game Night events. Our next Joining Ceremony is April 24. You can learn more about us at our website, or contact us at

[fr.hcmulhollandcolumbiettes@gmail.com](mailto:fr.hcmulhollandcolumbiettes@gmail.com) or Cathy Stevens at 908-910-0308.

Website: <https://frhcmulhollandcolu.wixsite.com/columbiettes7186>

## Shrimp Boil April 27th

**Shrimp Boil April 27<sup>th</sup>!** - Knights of Columbus Council 7186 is proud to host our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Shrimp Boil at St. Mary Magdalene on Saturday, April 27, 2024. All proceeds go to supporting individuals in our community with intellectual disabilities. Great Food, Live Music, Great Beer, and a Great Cause.

Go to [www.kofcseafoodboil.com](http://www.kofcseafoodboil.com) and place

**May 1:** Adoration 7pm-7:30pm in Chapel;  
Meeting at 7:30pm in Room 3  
**Saturday, May 11:** Spring Celebration at Harris  
Lake County Park, email [frassati@stmm.net](mailto:frassati@stmm.net) for  
more details  
**May 15 at 7pm in Room 3** Topic TBD  
**June 5 at 7pm in Room 3** Topic TBD

## Eucharistic Adoration Times



The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Rick for Eucharistic Holy Hour and Evening Prayer.

This sacred time is an opportunity for a deep, personal encounter with Christ: Pope Francis recommends Eucharistic Adoration as a foundational spiritual practice. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by evening prayer (Vespers) in the Liturgy of The Hours which represents the official prayers of the Church. We give thanks for the day and praise God. Adoration continues followed by Benediction.

**Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, April 16th, from 7-8pm**

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, **May 3rd from 9:30am - 7pm**. All are encouraged to pay a visit to the church throughout the day and spend some time in prayer. Can you help by committing to 1 hour a month to spend with our Lord?



Please contact Anita Becker at [ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM](mailto:ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM) or 919-280-8931 if interested.

## 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 May 6, 2024. 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

your order today! Supplies are limited at the door.

## Prayer Team



For companionship in your trials and joys of life, our team of prayer warriors are here to walk with you. It is a sincere privilege to help lift our parish family through

intercessory prayer. As we pray for one another's needs, it helps us all to hear how loved ones are continuing on their journeys.

Please feel encouraged to share updates of your prayer intentions via email to [StMMPayerTeam@stmm.net](mailto:StMMPayerTeam@stmm.net).

Request Prayers

All are welcome to join our team in lifting the prayers of our parish family, in whatever ways you like to pray best. Parish intentions are shared weekly, drop us a note if you would like to learn more about this ministry. \* [Share Prayer Updates via email](#). \*

Join the Prayer Team

## Prayers & Squares Ministry



The Prayer Quilt Ministry is founded on the idea that there is power in prayer to comfort in times of need. The ministry makes quilts for anyone who is in need of this prayer and comfort. The quilt is

blessed and prayed over by the parishioners. If you would like to request a prayer quilt for someone please contact Lorraine Morris at [lcmorris0707@gmail.com](mailto:lcmorris0707@gmail.com)

## RCIA Prayer Corner

Please pray for the following catechumens and candidates as they prepare for the following Rites:

Ben and Daniel who will receive the Rite of Election on Sunday, April 21 at the 11:00 AM Mass.

Oletha, Denise, Dominick, and Hailey who will receive the Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion on Sunday, April 21 at the 11:00 AM Mass



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".

Please pray for all of those who are thinking of starting the RCIA journey.

## Faith Formation



**FIRST EUCHARIST**

**Retreat for First Communicants**  
Saturday, April 20, 2024  
8:30 am  
StMM Activities Building  
Please Bring Family Time Poster

**Last Session of**



**Tuesday**  
**April 23**

**6:15 pm**  
**Church**

### Questions:

For **GATHER**, contact Suzanne Will at [will@stmm.net](mailto:will@stmm.net) or 919-657-4800 x7280


For the **ROCK** contact Sarah Ritchie at [ritchie@stmm.net](mailto:ritchie@stmm.net) or 919-657-4800 x7307

### StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

Confirmation is next Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm! The doors will open at 5:45 for open seating. All are welcome to attend and witness this beautiful Sacrament!

April 21<sup>st</sup>

**SENIOR MASS**  
*and Potluck*



Youth Mass: 6-7PM  
Potluck: 7:15-8:30PM

**Location:**  
StMM School Media Center/Library

**CREW LEADER APPLICATIONS OPEN**



On Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>, our graduating High School Seniors will be honored at the final Youth Mass of the year! After Mass, all Seniors and their families are welcome to join us in the School Media Center for a potluck celebration!

Crew is our student leadership team at St. Mary Magdalene! All Confirmed teens entering 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to apply! Details and commitments/expectations are listed in the application link

here. [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScICy-oVrTkTWnjqUI6q2tLQyIB-6U0t9iWYU1qnj2aviJ6\\_g/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScICy-oVrTkTWnjqUI6q2tLQyIB-6U0t9iWYU1qnj2aviJ6_g/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**Questions:**

For **EDGE**, contact Sarah Ritchie at [ritchie@stmm.net](mailto:ritchie@stmm.net) or 919-657-4800 x7307

For **Apostello and the Way**, contact Niki Bordelon at [bordelon@stmm.net](mailto:bordelon@stmm.net) or 919-657-4800 x7309

For **Confirmation**, contact [StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com](mailto:StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com)

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## School News



St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School is accepting applications for the 24-25 school year in PreK4 and grades 6th-8th. Applications are closed for K-5th grade. If you are interested in a Catholic education for your child(ren), apply [HERE](#) or contact Lisa Portland ([portland@stmm.net](mailto:portland@stmm.net)) to schedule a tour!

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### School Employment Opportunities

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School invites you to join our school community as a substitute teacher. We offer competitive compensation, a great work environment, and a flexible work schedule to fit your life. If you are interested in learning more about this exciting opportunity, please contact Kate Lawson at the school at [lawson@stmm.net](mailto:lawson@stmm.net).

### Aftercare Employment Opportunities

Hiring in Aftercare. Must be 18 years or older. Aftercare is looking for someone who enjoys children and who can commit to five days a week: Monday through Friday. We've got a great team and would welcome new people with open arms. Hours are 2:30pm to 6pm. Please email Kate Lawson at [lawson@stmm.net](mailto:lawson@stmm.net) if interested.

## Town of Apex Housing Fair

# TOWN OF APEX HOUSING FAIR

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

TOWN HALL CAMPUS



Are you interested in buying a home, repairing an existing home, learning about affordable living options, or understanding your rights as a tenant? **THE HOUSING FAIR IS FOR YOU!**

Learn more: [www.apexnc.org/housingfair](http://www.apexnc.org/housingfair)  
or scan the QR code!



## EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

Educational workshops

Home resource providers

Food trucks



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