
St. Mary Magdalene April 5, 2024

A Note from Father Chris

The faithful are called to celebrate these Easter days with great joy! All the way to Pentecost, some four weeks of gratefulness and resolute happiness. Our Savior, Jesus Christ, is alive! We have a victorious example of overcoming fear.

The entire parish is invited to celebrate the diaconate ordination of Johan Salas **tomorrow, Saturday April 6th, at 10:00am at Holy Name Cathedral in Raleigh**. It will be a wonderful Mass and a great opportunity to show our support for Johan. His ordination as a deacon marks his path to priesthood next year.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

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Upcoming Events

April 5 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration
9:30am - 7pm Church

April 5 - Bingo Night 7pm Dining Hall

April 6 - Johan's Ordination 10am Holy Name Cathedral

April 6 - No Confessions

April 6 - Blood Drive 8:30am - 1:30pm

April 6 - 5pm Mass

April 7 - 9am & 11am

April 7 - Divine Mercy Sunday 3pm Church

April 7 - Apostello, The Way, & The EDGE

April 7 - Youth Mass 6pm

April 8 - Daily Mass 9am

April 8 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

April 9 - Gather & the ROCK 6:15pm Church

April 10 - Daily Mass 9am

April 11 - Daily Mass 9am

April 11 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel

April 12 - Daily Mass 9am

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

Mass This Weekend

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

Music for Weekend Masses

Gathering: Alleluia Entrance Antiphon

Responsorial Psalm 118: This Is The Day

Preparation: We Walk By Faith 515

Communion 1: One Bread One Body 331

Communion 2: Goodness of God

Communion 3: Gratitude

Communion 4: O God My Soul Is Thirsting For You (Psalm 63)

Dismissal Acclamation: R: Thanks be to God alleluia, alleluia 20

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Pictures of the Week



Holy Thursday Mass



Blessing the Team Bus in Phoenix





Easter Sunday Masses

April 6 Ordination



WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD
THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE of RALEIGH
JOYFULLY ANNOUNCES THE ORDINATION OF

**JOHAN ANDRÉS
SALAS RESTREPO**

TO THE ORDER OF THE DIACONATE
THROUGH THE IMPOSITION OF HANDS
AND
THE INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
AS CONFERRED BY
HIS EXCELLENCY
THE MOST REVEREND LUIS RAFAEL ZARAMA
BISHOP OF RALEIGH

SATURDAY, THE SIXTH DAY OF APRIL
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FOUR
TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

HOLY NAME OF JESUS CATHEDRAL
715 NAZARETH STREET,
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

Sacraments



BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email 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

Altar Flowers

This week's altar flowers are donated by John Rutigliano in memory of Douglas Dutcher and Anthony Rutigliano, Sr.

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

Divine Mercy Sunday



This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday!

All are welcome, come to the church THIS Sunday at 3pm for prayers, music, Homily by Deacon Dev, Adoration and Benediction. *There is a special Plenary Indulgence

if you attend Sunday Mass; Venerate the Divine Mercy Image; Receive the Eucharist; Go to Reconciliation (within 20 days before or after) \

Blood Drive

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive - Saturday April 6th from 8:30 am til 1:30 pm in the St Mary Magdalene School parking lot. Blood donations don't cost us anything but it can save someone's life. Donors received a \$25 gift card. Please reserve your time by clicking on the following link:

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/226329

Join us to give thanks to Our Risen Lord and receive his Grace and Mercy in this special devotion.

Doors open at 2:40pm we will begin promptly at 3pm

Questions: hoffman@stmm.net

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 call 919-657-4800 ext. 7280 or sign up by completing [this registration form](#).

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 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.

Chrysalis Marriage Enrichment

Our next regular meeting is next 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

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 3rd 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 20th at 6pm** and **Saturday, April 27th 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. Parents are encouraged to attend!

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

[Protect Apex Residents in Manufactured Housing Communities \(office.com\)](http://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.

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

they need to build lasting, happy, and faith-filled marriages. It was created to resonate with couples at every stage of their relationship—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

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 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 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"

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 for more details

May 15 at 7pm in Room 3 Topic TBD

June 5 at 7pm in Room 3 Topic TBD

meeting room #3. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com

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 or Cathy Stevens at 908-910-0308. Website: <https://frhcmulhollandcolu.wixsite.com/columbiettes7186>

Monarch Masters April 29th

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

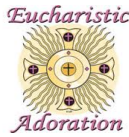
Join us for an exclusive StMM experience at the award-winning MacGregor Downs golf course! Gather your team of one, two, or four for 18 holes of golf, complete with breakfast, cart, and lunch. Whether you bring guests, colleagues, or family, don't wait to register before spots fill up. With a captain's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

Eucharistic Adoration Times

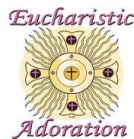


The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Rick for Eucharistic Holy Hour and Evening Prayer.

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, **April 5th 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 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 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".

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.

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

RCIA Prayer Corner

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

Perry who will receive the Rite of Full Communion (Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7 at the 9:00 AM Mass.

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

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

Faith Formation



NEXT



Tuesday
April 9

6:15 pm
Church

FIRST EUCHARIST



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

Questions:

For **GATHER**, contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7280

For the **ROCK** contact Sarah Ritchie at ritchie@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7307

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Sarah Ritchie at ritchie@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7307

For **Apostello and the Way**, contact Niki Bordelon at bordelon@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7309

For **Confirmation**, contact StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com

School News



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.

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

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) to schedule a tour!

Career Network Ministry



CNM Presents: All Change! No Change? So, What's New in Job Search!

Event by Career Network Ministry

 Thu, Apr 11, 2024, 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM (your local time)

 3008 Old Raleigh Rd, Apex, North Carolina, US, 27502
St. Andrew Catholic Church, Room 8 (next to Parish Office)

To learn more about this week's meeting and to register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/36n2mu6c>

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