

St. Mary Magdalene August 11, 2023

A Note from Father Chris

Jesus proclaims victory over storms and struggles. Our virtuous persistence will help us prevail with God's blessings and grace. This way of life of keeping God first helps to keep us above water.

Welcome back students, teachers and families to school this week.

Many blessings,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

Upcoming Events

August 12 - 10:30am Confessions
August 12-13 - Second Collection Priests Retirement
August 12 - 5pm Mass
August 13 - 9am & 11am Mass
August 13 - 4pm Back to School Mass
August 14 - 9am Daily Mass
August 14 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
August 14 - Last Day to Register for Faith Formation to Avoid Late Fees
August 15 - Feast of Assumption of Mary 9am & 7pm Mass
August 15 - Parish Office Closed
August 16 - Daily Mass 9am
August 17 - Daily Mass 9am
August 17 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
August 17 - Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30pm Church
August 18 - Daily Mass 9am
August 19 - Confessions 10:30am
August 19 - 5pm Mass
August 20 - 9am & 11am Mass
August 21 - Daily Mass 9am
August 21 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
August 22 - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training 6pm Church
August 23 - Daily Mass 9am
August 23 - XLT 7:30pm Chapel

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

If you would like to help with watering flower arrangements after a weekend Mass, we would love your talent! Please email floralministry@stmm.net. All are welcome!

Mass This Weekend



This week's altar flowers are donated by the wedding of Stephanie Laird and Troy Athan.

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

New Mass Music Link Here: [New Music Link](#)

Many parishioners have asked for the notated music for the new mass we are singing at StMM. Follow this link on Google Drive and download a PDF to your phone.

Music for the Weekend Masses

Gathering: O Love of God 314

Psalm 85: Lord Let Us See Your Kindness

Preparation: The Lord is My Hope 469

Communion 1: Miracle of Grace 357

Communion 2: Here I Am 395

Sending Forth: Lead Me Lord 739

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass

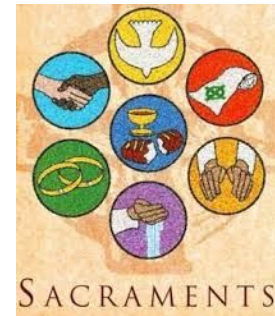
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

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



Gabrielle Sikorski's baptism on August 5th



Jamie Tiffany and Sean Clune received full communion on August 6th



Father Chris' homily

CPO Baby Items Drive Thank You

On behalf of the people, we serve at Catholic Parish Outreach, we want to thank you for the generous donations during the baby items drive. The response from StMM was wonderful, with a donation of 684 pounds of baby items and \$1,057 for families in need.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training



Answer the call to become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion!

Extraordinary ministers assist the Presider with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. With the re-introduction of both species, **we need many more ministers** if Holy Communion is to be distributed in an efficient and reverent manner at StMM. All parishioners who are practicing confirmed Catholics may become Eucharistic Ministers.

Training has been scheduled in the Church for **Tuesday, August 22nd at 6pm** and **Sunday, August 27th at 4.30pm**. Please choose one session and RSVP to Lisa Westberg at lbwestberg13@gmail.com.

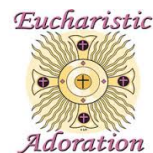
Blood Drive August 26th

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive: Saturday August 26th 9:00am to 2:00 pm in the school parking lot. The need is constant, the gratification is instant, give blood by reserving your donor time on the following link: https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/207299

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday Adoration will be in the chapel on Friday, September 1st 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.



Eucharistic Holy Hour First and Third Tuesdays



Pope Francis encourages us to spend time in Eucharistic Adoration and allow our encounter with Jesus to transform us. If you are willing to spend an hour communing with our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament, please join Deacon Dev and your fellow parishioners the 1st Tuesday of each month in a spirit of Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, and Supplication followed by Benediction. Handouts will be available to help you participate in prayer and song.

Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, September 5th, from 7- 8pm

StMM Book Club

The STMM Book Club is a group of parishioners that reads and discusses a selection of fiction and nonfiction books. We read a wide variety of books and share them with our Catholic faith as a basis of discussion. This summer we have been reading *Mere Christianity* by CS Lewis. We will be discussing this book on September 6 at 12:30, in the church meeting room. If you would like more information, or would like to be added to our email list, please send your name to amdudzinski@gmail.com

Confirm, Refresh & Renew Your Catholic Faith!

If you're like many Catholics, you went through your Catechism classes dutifully... If you're like many Catholics, you learned about faith, scripture, and the teachings of the Church. But maybe not about how it all fits together. Would you like to gain a life-changing perspective and enrich your faith? Would you like to apply your understanding of the faith to live a more joyful life?

Then come join Deacon Rick and your fellow parishioners for a dynamic series that is designed to apply these concepts to everyday life. THIS SERIES ALSO SERVES AS FORMAL PREPARATION FOR ADULT CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES. We meet 6 consecutive Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 pm.

THE NEXT SERIES BEGINS AUGUST 30, 2023. Please note that this will be the last series for 2023. For more details or to sign up, contact Deacon Rick at 908-910-0309 or by e-mail at Stevens@stmm.me.

RCIA Prayer Corner

Please pray for Matt, Robbie, Susan, Whitney, Randal, Max, Jake, Tessa, and Paul will receive the Rite of Election/Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion on August 20th at the 11 AM mass.

Please pray for Tania, Heather, Cay Sea, and Jonathon will receive the Rite of Acceptance/Rite of Welcoming on September 10th at the 9 AM mass.

Also please pray for Karen and Julie who are continuing their journey.

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 October 9, 2023. 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"*.



The StMM 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 and Squares Prayer Quilt Ministry

Do you know anyone who is in need of prayers? We make personalized lap sized prayer quilts for each recipient. To request a quilt for someone, please contact Lorraine Morris at lcmorris0707@gmail.com

Faith Formation



Avoid Late Fees

Please Register before the deadline

of August 15, 2023

<http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/elementary.cfm>

23-24 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAMS



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
WILL@STMM.NET OR VISIT
[HTTP://WWW.STMM.CHURCH/RELIGIOUS-ED/](http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/)

Gather Registration Link

Rock Registration Link



Religious Education 2023-24



Family Faith Formation
Grades K – 4 + Parents
Two Nights/Month
Second & Fourth Tues.
6:15 – 7:30 pm
STMM Church & School

Middle School
Grades 7 & 8
Sunday Evenings
6:00 – 8:30 pm
STMM Church

High School
Grades 9 & 10
Pre-Confirmation
Sunday Evenings
7:15 – 8:30 pm
STMM School

High School
Grades 11 & 12
Post Confirmation
Sunday Evenings
Time & Location
Determined by group



Grades 5 & 6
Two Nights/Month
Second & Fourth Tues 6:15 - 7:30 pm
STMM Gym

IS YOUR CHILD IN NEED OF SACRAMENTS AND IN THIRD GRADE OR ABOVE?

We can create a sacrament plan to help prepare them for First Reconciliation & First Communion

Set up an appointment this Summer

(919) 657-4800 ext. 7280 or will@stmm.net

Sacramental Preparation

For information on the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, go to www.stmm.church and click on Sacraments Scroll down to Eucharist or First Reconciliation

questions email
will@stmm.net



Questions:

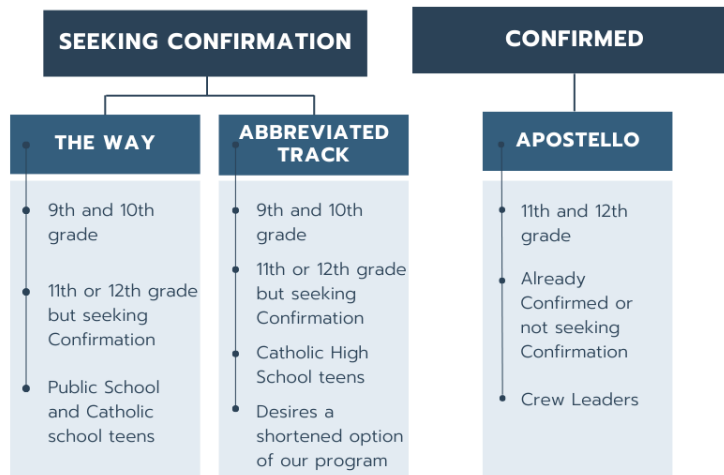
For **GATHER**, contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7280

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

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

Edge Registration
Link

STMM HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS WHICH IS RIGHT FOR ME?



The Way
Registration Link

Abbreviated Track
Registration Link

Apostello
Registration Link

SUMMER MASS & BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Mornings at St. MM
9am Mass | Bible Study to follow

All High Schoolers Welcome
Coffee and snacks provided

JOIN OUR CORE TEAM FOR EDGE AND THE WAY



APPLY TODAY!

It takes an army of adult volunteers to run our youth ministry! If you want to join, or you're Interested In learning more, please fill out the Interest form below

CoreTeam:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSct9UNYY2pcpviM0zVrEq0rGmLuemzD0_dmdmMbDC_-OZoRMg/viewform?usp=sf_link

SAVE THE DATES

AUGUST 18-20	HIGH SCHOOL BEACH RETREAT
SEPTEMBER 8-10	MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CORE TEAM RETREAT
SEPTEMBER 17	FIRST NIGHT OF EDGE AND THE WAY

*****REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 5TH



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

StMM School News

St. Mary Magdalene
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

NOW ENROLLING

23-24 School Year

Preschool
Elementary School
Middle School

We pray. We learn. We care.

The graphic features a maroon and white color scheme. On the left, a vertical maroon bar contains the school's name and logo. To the right, the text "NOW ENROLLING" is in large, outlined letters, with "23-24 School Year" below it. A list of school levels (Preschool, Elementary School, Middle School) is on the left. A central photograph shows four young girls in school uniforms smiling. At the bottom, the school's logo is repeated in a white circle, and the tagline "We pray. We learn. We care." is written.

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.

Advertisement

Check these ads at www.STMM.church/welcome/bulletins.cfm

 <p>919-210-2709</p> <p>Kathy Lynch Homes</p> <p>Kathy@KathyLynchHomes.com kathylynchhomes.com</p> <p>Kathy Lynch StMM Parishioner</p> <p>KW CARY KELLERWILLIAMS REALTY Each office is independently owned and operated.</p> <p>Mention this ad & I will donate **10%** of my earned fee to your favorite StMM ministry in your name!</p>	 <p>I see more than a bundle.</p> <p>While other insurers just see your home and car as a bundle or a combo deal, I take the time to see what they mean to you and give them the protection they deserve.</p> <p>LET'S TALK TODAY.</p> <p>John Tudor, Agent 3400 Kildare Farm Road Suite 182 Cary, NC 27518 Business: 919-267-9699 john@myagent1.com Hablamos Español!</p> <p>State Farm</p> <p>State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company State Farm Fire and Casualty Company Bloomington, IL</p>	<p>919-361-0993</p>  <p>Since 1996</p> <p>HEATING · COOLING PLUMBING · ELECTRIC</p> <p>info@maynorservices.com www.MaynorServices.com</p>
 <p>Michael O'Rourke, Investment Advisor, HUNTER STREET INVESTMENT ADVISORS</p> <p>(919) 612-5559 StMM Parishioner</p> <p>As a fee-only planner, I educate individuals, families, and business owners about strategies which allow them to accumulate and keep more so they can maximize what they have to live on and leave on.</p> <p>Retirement Planning - Tax Optimization - Investment Management - Estate Planning</p> <p>morourke@hsiadvisors.net https://www.hsiadvisors.net/ 56 Hunter Street, Suite 210, Apex, NC 27502</p>	<p>Life is short, get moving!</p> <p>Nancy Grace, Realtor®</p> <p>Voted THE BEST Real Estate Agent in Western Wake by Cary Living Magazine</p> <p>Your local Real Estate expert helping Cary, Apex, Morrisville & Holly Springs residents since 2007!</p> <p>"I love what I do!"</p> <p>919.616.4139 www.NancyGraceHomes.com</p> <p>StMM Parishioner, StMM & CGHS Parent & Volunteer</p>	
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