

## St. Mary Magdalene August 18, 2023

### A Note from Father Chris

Jesus welcomes the imperfect and the human. Thank goodness!

We are called to listen and receive each other so that we might know better how to help one another.

Reminder that we invite all of our young people to be registered in faith formation now. The programs begin in September. Please check each age group for schedules and format changes.

Many blessings for our young parishioners on the beach retreat this weekend.

Love,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

### Upcoming Events

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 - Communion Service 9am  
August 23 - XLT 7:30pm Chapel  
August 24 - Daily Mass 9am  
August 24 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel  
August 25 - Daily Mass 9am  
August 26 - Blood Drive 9am - 2pm  
August 26 - Confessions 10:30am  
August 26 - 5pm Mass  
August 27 - 9am & 11am Mass  
August 27 - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training 4:30pm Church  
August 28 - Daily Mass 9am  
August 28 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel  
August 30 - Daily Mass 9am

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)

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## Mass This Weekend



This week's altar flowers are donated by Michelle Alarcon  
and  
The Cruz-Valdez/Feekes Wedding

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:** Your Love Defends Me

**Psalm 67:** Let All The Earth Cry Out

**Preparation:** I Shall Live In The House

**Communion 1:** Lord I Need You

**Communion 2:** My Soul Is Thirsting

**Sending Forth:** Who You Say I Am

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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.

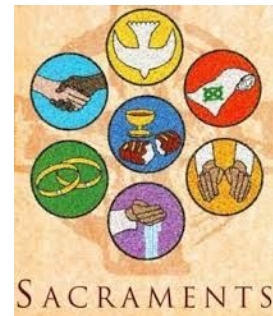
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## Sacraments

**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



Samuel Patrick Field's baptism on Aug 12th



Harper and Noah Piosek's baptism on August 12th



Noah Farmer's baptism on August 12th



Luke Bowser's baptism with Fr. Eusebius Martis, OSB on August 12th



Stephanie and Troy Athan married August 12,2023



Meet the new 2023-2024 High School Crew leaders!

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## 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 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm** and **Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm**. Please choose one session and RSVP to Lisa Westberg at [lbwestberg13@gmail.com](mailto:lbwestberg13@gmail.com).

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## 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](https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/207299)

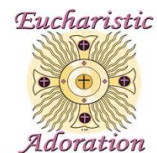
All donors will receive a \$35.00 E-gift card.

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## 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](mailto:ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM) or 919-280-8931 if interested.



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## 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**

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## 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](mailto:amdudzinski@gmail.com)

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## 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](mailto:Stevens@stmm.me).

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## RCIA Prayer Corner

Please pray for Matt, Robbie, Susan, Whitney, Randal, Max, Jake, Tessa, and Paul, who 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 Heather, Cay Sea, Jonathon, Tania and Bill, who 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.

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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 October 9, 2023. 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"*.



## 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](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 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](mailto:lcmorris0707@gmail.com)

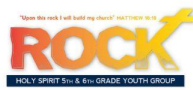
## Faith Formation



23-24 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

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# YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAMS



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

Gather Registration  
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Rock Registration  
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Religious Education

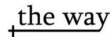
2023-24



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](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**

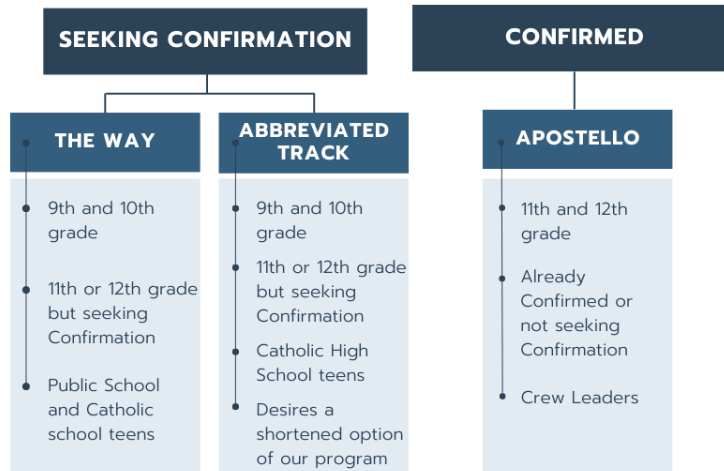
Edge Registration  
Link





Want to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion? Attn all Confirmed Catholics! Our parish has re-introduced the precious blood as part of the liturgy of the Eucharist! And that means that we need to train more Eucharistic ministers to serve at our youth Mass. **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for Sunday, August 27th at 4:30pm for EM training in the Church! See you there!

## STMM HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS WHICH IS RIGHT FOR ME?



The Way  
Registration Link

Abbreviated Track  
Registration Link

Apostello  
Registration Link

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

## SAVE THE DATES

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

\*\*\*\*\*REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 5TH



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Questions:

## 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).

If you enjoy working with children and want to push their education further, join StMM's Aftercare Team! Support students' educational journey with weekly educational lessons and creativity periods, while building their relationships with others. Flexible hours, including full-time or part-time hours are available! Please email Ms. Jordan at [jordan@stmm.net](mailto:jordan@stmm.net) for more information or to apply!

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