
St. Mary Magdalene July 19, 2024

A Note from Father Mike

In this weekend's gospel reading, our Lord tells his tired and exhausted apostles to come away with him to rest. He tells them this even though there are still many people in great need of their help. We may have heard people say to "Rest in the Lord." Our Lord is not talking about physical rest that involves taking a break from activity, relaxing, napping, or stopping to gather strength to continue or complete some physical undertaking. Rest in the Lord, refers to a spiritual rest from confusion, worry, stress, anxiety, and other useless human efforts.

Did you know that the word "rest" translated into Hebrew means "to be at peace," "to be still," "to be quiet or calm." It is important for us to be still and silent before the Lord. Our Heavenly Father wants us to be still and surrender to him all of our worries and concerns. To know that he is God and when we are in his presence we will experience his peace. Our world searches for peace, but it will only find true peace in the presence of God.

Sincerely,

Fr. Mike

[Giving Portal](#)

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Upcoming Events

July 20 - Confessions 10:30am
 July 20 - 5pm Mass
 July 21 - 9am & 11am Mass
 July 22 - Parish Feast Day Mass 10am
 July 22 - Concert 6pm Church
 July 23 - Daily Mass 9am
 July 23 - Children's Music Ministry
 July 24 - Daily Mass 9am
 July 25 - Daily Mass 9am
 July 25 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
 July 26 - Daily Mass 9am
 July 27 - Confessions 10:30am
 July 27-28 - Donations due for Migrant Dinner
 July 27 - 5pm Mass
 July 28 - 9am & 11am Mass
 July 29 - Daily Mass 9am
 July 29 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

Mass This Weekend

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

Music for Weekend Masses

Gathering: Gather Your People 310

Responsorial Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd

Preparation: I'm The Good Shepherd

Communion 1: Shepherd Me O God 480

Communion 2: The King of Love

Communion 3: Revelation Song

Sending Forth: Who You Say I Am

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Pictures of the Week



Mrs. Wheeler and family join 50, 000 Catholics in Indianapolis for the 10th National Eucharistic Congress.



Children's Music Ministry on July 14th



The Frassati Young Adult Group gathered for brunch after the 11am Sunday Mass. Frassati is our ministry for those in their 20s and 30s to share in fellowship, prayer, and service. For more information about this group, email frassati@stmm.net

Altar Flowers



This week's flowers are donated by David Watson

and

Vanita Reeve in celebration of Jared & Azlyn Reeve's 4th wedding anniversary

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

Welcoming volunteers for Floral Ministry. Join us on Fridays at 10am. All are welcome.

Discernment & Disc Golf w/ Seminarian Rob

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

Attention Volunteers - Annual Safe Environment Training

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The diocese now requires annual Safe Environment Training. Earlier this week an email was sent to all volunteers with instructions to renew your training.

The email was sent from **Tech Support**



<noreply@dioceseofraleigh.safeenvironment.org> Please follow the step by step instructions to login and renew. If you don't see the email in your inbox, please check your spam folder. Please contact bsmith@stmm.net if you didn't receive the email. You have until September 15 to complete the training.

Walking With Purpose



Praise be to God!
The Holy Spirit is
active in St. Mary
Magdalene! Walking

With Purpose is a women's program new to our parish. WWP aims to bring women to a deeper personal relationship with Christ through individual scripture study and small group discussions, linking our everyday challenges with solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. Please watch this [video](#) and find out what it's all about!

Are you interested in getting together with other women to explore your faith? Would you like to see how the Scriptures apply to your everyday life? If so, we invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose at St. Mary Magdalene. Registration is open and space is limited for [Opening Your Heart](#), a 22-week foundational study designed for women new to WWP as well as those with more Bible study experience. We will meet weekly on Thursday mornings from 10am-11:30am starting on September 26 and concluding on March 27, with breaks for the holidays.

Register today by completing [this form](#). If you have any questions about WWP or if you feel the Holy Spirit calling you to be involved in a lead position, please contact us at walkingwithpurpose@stmm.net

School Teacher Assistant Opportunities Available

Interested in joining our parish school as a full-time Teacher Assistant beginning in August 2024? If so, please email your resume and letter of interest to [Peggy Lane \(lane@stmm.net\)](mailto:Peggy Lane (lane@stmm.net)). Thank you for your consideration!

Soup Kit Service Project

The Frassati Young Adult group is requesting your help in providing supplies or funding for our soup kit service project. For this project, we will assemble kits of beans, rice, seasonings, canned tomatoes, and a recipe that will be donated to local families in need. The supplies for the kits cost \$4 per kit; we plan to make at least 225 kits this year.

The following supplies can be donated in the bin labeled "Frassati Soup Kit supplies" that is under the drive-through overhang:
15 oz cans of tomato sauce
10 oz cans of ROTEL Original Diced Green Tomatoes & Green Chilies

You can also provide a tax deductible donation via the [St. MM Giving Portal](#) by selecting "Frassati Group." Any monetary donations will go towards purchasing supplies for the kits.

Contact us at frassati@stmm.net with any questions.

Helping Hands Ministry Dinner for Migrant Workers

Help us prepare for the dinner for migrant workers on July 28 at St. Bernadette's Catholic Church. The Helping Hands ministry will be in the narthex at all Masses this weekend with information on how you can

Children's Music Ministry



[Click Here to Sign Up](#)

Eucharistic Adoration Times

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, **August 2nd 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? **We really need help in the 3-4 and 4-5 hours.**



Please contact Anita Becker at ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM or 919-280-8931 if interested.



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.

contribute to this event. From donating clothes and toiletries to supplying some of the food, there are many options to help make this a success. All donations will be due at the Masses on July 27-28.

Our Lady's Rosary Makers



Our Lady of Fatima wanted devout Catholics to pray the Rosary daily. To honor her request, we can help to provide as many people as possible with rosaries to pray. The STMM Rosary Makers are dedicated to making and distributing rosaries. If you wish to help further our cause, please contact me at diana_ivins@yahoo.com. No creativity nor prior skill or experience is required to join. All training and resources are provided. Meeting times are TBD based on the availability of our Rosary Makers.

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 lc Morris0707@gmail.com

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

Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, August 13th, from 7- 8pm

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

Parish Athletics Fall Sports

Apex-Cary Fall Soccer 2024

Grades: Coed, Pre-K (3-year-olds) thru 8th grade.

Dates: August 16th - October 12th.

Practice Locations: Apex or Cary, you pick.

Game Locations: Apex & Cary.

Cost: Pre-K - \$65; K - 1st grade - \$70; 2nd - 8th grade - \$80

Note: Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. Kindergarteners thru 8th graders have one weekday practice per week and weekend games.

[REGISTER FOR SOCCER HERE](#)

Apex Fall Baseball 2024

Grades: Coed. Pre-K (4-year-olds) thru 4th grade.

Dates: August 19th – October 19th.

Practice/Game Location: Apex

Cost: Pre-K - \$65; K thru 4th grade - \$70

Note: PreK thru Kindergarten plays T-Ball; 1st thru 4th grade play machine pitch. Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. Kindergarteners – 4th grade have one weekday practice per week and games on Saturdays.

[REGISTER FOR BASEBALL HERE](#)

RCIA Prayer Corner

Please pray for Stephen, Stephany and Elaine who have started their RCIA journey.

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

RCIA






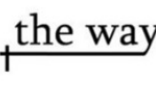
Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic? Are you wanting to participate fully in the sacraments instituted by Christ? Are you a baptized Christian and desiring to

receive the Eucharist and Confirmation? The next module of the RCIA process at StMM is starting on August 5, 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"*.

Faith Formation

Religious Education

2024-25

				
Grades K – 4 & Parents	Grades 5 & 6	Middle School – Grades 7 & 8	High School – Grades 9 & 10 Pre-Confirmation	High School – Grades 11 & 12 Post Confirmation
Parent Enrichment	Parent Enrichment	Sunday Evenings	Sunday Evenings	Sunday Evenings
Tuesdays	Tuesdays	7:15 – 8:30 pm	7:15 – 8:30 pm	Time & location determined by small group
6:15 – 7:30 pm	6:15 – 7:30 pm	StMM Gym	StMM Church	
StMM Church & School	StMM Gym	Youth Mass 6:00pm on Sundays when the Middle School and High School Faith Formation Programs Meet (Refer to the Faith Formation Calendar)		

[Click Here for the 2024-25 Faith Formation
Calendar](#)

[Gather Registration Link](#)

[Way Registration Link](#)

[Rock Registration Link](#)

[Way Abbreviated
Track Registration Link](#)

[Edge Registration Link](#)

[Apostello Registration
Link](#)





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

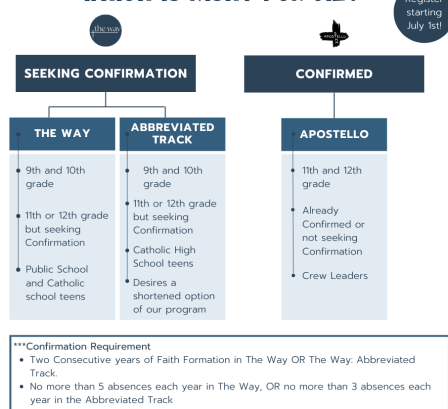


Core Team Interest Form for EDGE, The Way, Apostello: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdny1wY2eZ8-YrIVCG2iTGPhA6gjdrt_hoRxA52orhGk4Y8DQ



Crew Leadership Program Application for 11th and 12th Graders: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScICy-oVrTkTWnjqUI6q2tLQyIB-6U0t9iWVUlnj2aviJ6_g/viewform?

STMM HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION WHICH IS RIGHT FOR ME?



Registration Opens July 1st! Which High School Program is Right for Me?

Beach Retreat is full! If you would like to be added to the waitlist, please email Niki Furnier at nfurnier@stmm.net

Questions:

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

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

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

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) to schedule a tour!

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 Kate Lawson at lawson@stmm.net if interested.



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