
St. Mary Magdalene March 1, 2024

A Note from Father Chris

Greetings! This weekend we will hear from Seminarian Rob Lane, to encourage us in vocations. The Gospel readings encourage the followers of God to be good church; to be a place for mercy and healing.

The first week of the month may be a good time for your family to make a donation to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. (givetobaa.org)

Many blessings on our Lenten journey,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

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Upcoming Events

March 1 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration
9:30am - 7pm Church

March 1 - Stations of the Cross 7pm Church

March 2 - Confessions 10:30am

March 2 - 5pm Mass

March 3 - 9am & 11am Mass

March 3 - Apostello, the Way and the EDGE

March 3 - Youth Mass 6pm

March 4 - Daily Mass 9am

March 4 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

March 4 - Frassati 7pm Room 3

March 5 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church

March 6 - Daily Mass 9am

March 7 - Daily Mass 9am

March 7 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel

March 7 - Bible Study of Acts 6:30pm Church

March 8 - Daily Mass 9am

March 8 - **KofC Fish Fry**

March 8 - Stations of the Cross 7pm Church

March 9 - Confessions 10:30am

March 9 - 5pm Mass

March 10 - 9am & 11am Mass

March 10 - Apostello, the Way and the EDGE

March 10 - Youth Mass 6pm

March 11 - Daily Mass 9am

March 11 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

March 11 - Lenten Parish Mission 6:30pm - 8pm
Church

Mass This Weekend

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

Music for Weekend Masses

Gathering: Entrance Antiphon

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Pictures of the Week



Robert, Leti and Lucas Mullen at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Reykjavik

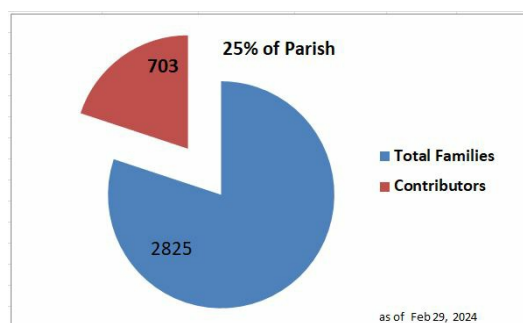
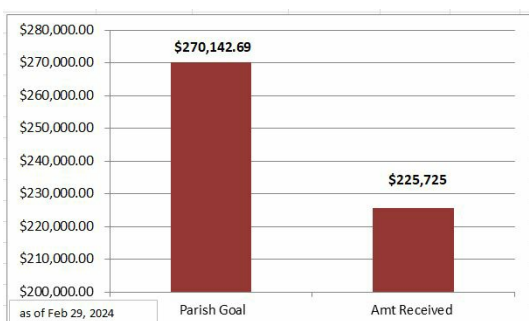


The Baptism of Cameron Gray Dixon on Sunday, February 25th



The Fish Fry February 23rd

Bishop's Annual Appeal



The link to contribute to the BAA givetobaa.org

Mass Intentions

- March 2 – 5pm – In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Gill
- March 3 – 9am – In Memory of Sequita “Kay” Lusk
- March 3 – 11am – In Memory of Diego Nunez
- March 3 – 6pm – Parishioners of StMM
- March 4 – In Memory of Betty Ann Witchger
- March 6 – In Memory of Nicholas Mewshaw
- March 7 – In Memory of Randy Clark
- March 8 – In Memory of Debbie Schultz
- March 9 – 5pm – In Memory of Sylvan Koehn
- March 10 – 9am – In Memory of Michael Laird
- March 10 – 11am – In Memory of Valerie Restifo
- March 10 – 6pm – Parishioners of StMM
- March 11 – In Memory of Robert Zmuda
- March 13 – In Memory of Charles Roba
- March 14 – In Memory of Josephine & Philip Mangione

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

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

Lenten Penance Services

Mar 6 7pm St. Michael
Mar 11 7pm St. Eugene
Mar 12 11am St. Luke
Mar 13 7pm St. Catherine of Siena
Mar 14 7pm St. Francis of Assisi
Mar 19 7pm Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral
Mar 20 7pm St. Raphael


Dynamic Catholic Corner

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP FOR BEST LENT EVER!!!

Each day of BEST LENT EVER, you'll receive a short, FREE video from Matthew Kelly full of profound spiritual insight and intensely practical ways to apply the consecration to your life. Consecration means to dedicate yourself to God and make yourself 100 percent available to Him. With three simple daily steps, you can prepare your heart, mind, and soul for this powerful surrender. **Sign Up For Free!** If you want a free copy of 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory, send an email to stmm.dynamic.catholic@gmail.com.

BE BOLD. BE CATHOLIC.

Lenten Parish Mission




St. Mary Magdalene
CATHOLIC CHURCH

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

MONDAY, MARCH 11TH
6:30-8PM

SPEAKER, ADORATION, PRAISE & WORSHIP
ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER



JOHN BEAULIEU

John Beaulieu has worked in the Christian Outreach Office of Franciscan University since 2003 and serves as the director of Evangelization and Engagement. A graduate of Franciscan University, John has served in ministry for over 30 years. He spent 2 years serving with NET and 19 years as a parish youth minister. A regular speaker at parish and diocesan events, John addresses topics such as life in the Spirit, media and teen culture, and Catholic evangelization. John and his wife, Lisa, live in Steubenville with their five children.

PAM - Parishioner Assistance Ministry

Get to Know Parishioner Assistance Ministry This Weekend!

Members of the Parishioner Assistance Ministry (PAM) leadership team will speak at the March 2-3 Masses and be present in the Narthex following the Masses with information and an opportunity to sign up. PAM supports the unique needs of parishioners during life-changing events, such as medical challenges, job loss, or welcoming new babies. Volunteers have provided meals, transportation, home support and companionship, and even handyman services and yard work. Scan the QR code to fill out the volunteer interest form or email stmpam@stmm.me to learn more, sign up, or request assistance.



Translators Needed



Calling all Spanish speaking parishioners! Translators Needed!

Are you fluent in English/Spanish? StMM needs your help. We are a fast growing parish in

need of translators to assist various ministries in helping them serve those in need. The language barrier makes it difficult to assist effectively, someone to translate would make the process easier and be so helpful to our wonderful ministries.

Please share this with all you know that would be able to assist. Contact Julie Hoffman hoffman@stmm.net

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, March 18, 10:30 AM until Noon, in Church meeting room 3. For more information, please contact Joanne Martin, 919-244-5616, jmartin@kw.com

Steubenville Conference Fundraiser

This June, fifty StMM adults ages 18 to 80 are traveling to a weekend Catholic Conference at Franciscan University of Steubenville in eastern Ohio. They desire to deepen their relationship with Christ and the Holy Spirit while also growing in fellowship and community. Unfortunately, coach bus prices have skyrocketed since COVID which is why we are fundraising to offset the cost. We desire that **all** who want to come can afford to attend.

Please support our fundraiser by ordering your spring pine straw or triple-shredded mulch [HERE](#). It will be delivered to your home the week of March 11. **Order deadline is Sunday March 3.**

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry



We apologize for the long delays for food delivery at our Fish Fry on February 23rd due to equipment failure. We are working through solutions and backup plans to ensure we will

return to the excellent service we have provided in the past. We hope you give us another chance!

The 2024 Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry is on March 8th & 22nd from 5:30 to 7:45 in the STMM cafeteria. This is a fun time to get together with fellow parishioners, friends, and family to celebrate our Catholic community during the Lenten season. Our menu includes Fried Cod, Bake Cod, Sauteed Shrimp and a Children's Mac and Cheese platter. Meals come with homemade coleslaw, cornbread, and a choice of side (red potatoes, french fries, or mac & cheese), a drink and dessert. **Online Pre-Ordering** is encouraged. Meals are available for dine-in and take out.

Liturgical Choir for 4th-6th Grade

We would like to start a special liturgical choir for

CPO Feed a Family Food Drive

It's time for the Spring CPO Feed a Family Food Drive:

Grocery bags will be distributed with item lists attached before and after all Masses March 9th & 10th.

Donations will be collected the following week before and after all Masses on March 16th & 17th at CPO's box truck. Thank you for your generosity of food items, cash, or check (written to: CPO). Check out the box truck's fresh look with improved logos and visibility.

Did you know:

- CPO, Catholic Parish Outreach Food Pantry, has been serving our neighbors in need for 46 years
- Every local Catholic parish in the Diocese of Raleigh hosts 2 food drives per year
- Neighbors in need are eligible to receive a week's worth of groceries every 30 days
- CPO is serving an average of 2200 families/month, a 40% increase since STMM's Spring drive last year
- CPO also distributes specific baby items (formula, baby food, diapers, children's clothing, books, shoes)

Commemorative Bricks



COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS –

Commemorative bricks line the walkway to our Activities Building.

Commemorate a First Communion, a Graduation or remember a loved one with an engraved brick. StMM will be placing a Spring brick order, the **deadline is March 25th**. Engraved bricks are \$100 and order forms can be found [here](#).

Contact: hoffman@stmm.net with any questions

Stations of the Cross



Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7pm in

4th-6th graders that would sing once a month at the 9 AM Mass starting on March 23rd, Palm Sunday.

The group would meet twice before singing on Sunday. Music will be sent out ahead of time. Please sign up on the google sheet if you are interested. Thank you!

[Click Here to sign up.](#)

Tax Statements for 2023 Are Ready

Tax statements are available online. Please follow the directions for printing your statement on our website. For questions, email prewitt@stmm.net, or 919-657-4800 x7281.

https://www.stmm.church/Tax_statement_instructions_2023_3.pdf

Are you now donating online and do not want to receive church envelopes? If so, please email the parish office at info@stmm.net to stop the envelopes.

Easter Egg Hunt Mar 24th



We invite your family to join our St. Mary Magdalene Easter Egg Hunt on March 24, Palm Sunday - following the 11 am Mass on the athletic field! This will be a fun-filled, joyous event complete with a 'live' giant Easter Bunny, family photos, and prizes! Space is limited, so

register your children ages 1-9, NOW! There is more information within the link, or contact Celeste Lafko at casma53@mac.com or 630-640-5441. We are so egg-cited to see you at this egg-xtraordinary event! Hosted by the Mulholland Columbiettes 7186.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090548A8AB2CA64-48039611-easter>

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

the church during Lent

For Roman Catholics throughout the world, the Stations of the Cross are synonymous with the season of Lent. This devotion is also known as the "Way of the Cross", the "Via Crucis", and the "Via Dolorosa." It commemorates 14 key events on the day of Christ's crucifixion. Praying the "Stations of the Cross" has been one of the most popular devotions for Roman Catholics. Through meditating upon the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death, it is often performed in a spirit of spiritual pilgrimage.

Habitat for Humanity Volunteers Needed

Our parish will be participating with other faith groups from SW Wake County at the Old Poole Road project on March 23 and 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. This weekend, you will also hear from our co-coordinators before Masses more on this exciting project.

Hallow App for Lent



PRAY EVERY DAY THIS
LENT

StMM has gifted Hallow access through Easter!
hallow.com/holyday

Dive deeper into prayer this Lent with **Hallow**

Frassati Young Adult Group



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:

someone please contact Lorraine Morris at lcmorris0707@gmail.com

Mon, March 4 at 7pm in Room 3: Andrew Witchger talking on "Harmonizing Faith: Exploring the Power of Music in Catholic Worship"

Wed, March 6: NO meeting!

Sun, March 17 at 7pm: Volunteering with CPO to collect children's clothing; email frassati@stmm.net for more details

Wed, March 20 at 7-9pm in Room 3: Mini-retreat lead by Deacon Rick titled "Finding Repentance and Conversion through the Scrutinies"

Bingo Night April 5th



SAVE THE DATE – BINGO NIGHT on Friday, April 5!

Come get your game on with family and friends at BINGO NIGHT, 7 pm Friday, April 5, at StMM school. Fun for all ages! Prizes! Details will follow soon. Hosted by the Columbiettes. For more details, contact Kathy Lynch kathy@kathylynchhomes.com or 919-210-2709.

Monarch Masters April 29th

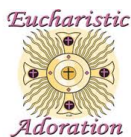
MONARCH MASTERS - APRIL 29TH 10 AM, MacGREGOR DOWNS COUNTRY CLUB

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



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, March 5th, from 7-8pm

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, **March 1st from 9:30am -**

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](#)

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?



[Updates via email.](#) *

Join the Prayer Team

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 April 15, 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"*.

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



Tues. March 12th

6:15 pm Church



We Need You!


Catholic Parish Outreach

Toilet Paper Donations now being accepted

Grades 4, 5 & 6 families collected in March

Bring to Gather & Rock on March 12, 2024

One roll, package or case



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

GIRLS RETREAT

speaking to SPARROWS

THE FOURTH MAN

GIRLS RETREAT

Speakers:
Joe Farris

Location:
New London, NC

Dates:
March 15-17

Speakers:
Liz Sams & Janine McGann

Location:
Sanford, NC

Dates:
March 15-17

GIRLS RETREAT

PARENT CONFIRMATION WORKSHOPS

Monday, March 18th
7:00PM
Chapel

Tuesday, March 26th
6:50PM
Chapel

Girls Retreat: Full

Guys Retreat:

https://secure.accessacs.com/access/eventlogin.aspx?id=bfLcxHgPj8P3elesEN+XMA==&site=102397&ReturnUrl=events%2fwz_people.aspx&ChurchID=1554&EventID=228994&sn=102397

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.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School is accepting applications for the 24-25 school year for grades 6th-8th. Applications are closed for PreK-5th grade. If you are interested in a Catholic education

Catholic Parish Outreach



Join **Catholic Parish Outreach Food Pantry** on Saturday April 6, 2024, from 3:30 pm until 7pm (or until the pig runs out) for the 12th Annual Pig Pickin & Open House! Enjoy a meal with pig cooked on site, live bluegrass music, tour the warehouse which serves approximately 7,000 individuals each month, enjoy our bake sale and have a chance to win some great raffle prizes! Your support of this event helps CPO provide help and create hope for our neighbors.

To purchase tickets: catholiccharitiesraleigh.org/events/12th-annual-cpo-pig-pickin/

For questions please contact Kelly Rappl, Program Direct at 919-873-0245 ext. 2300

or, at Kelly.Rappl@ccharitiesdor.org.