
St. Mary Magdalene May 17, 2024

A Note from Father Chris

Pentecost this weekend will bring us the celebration of the Holy Spirit given to the disciples and given to us! Jesus Christ is with us especially in the seven sacraments. Each sacrament renews us: baptism, reconciliation, communion, confirmation, marriage, anointing of the sick, and holy orders.

Congratulations to those joining the church this weekend. We are grateful for Kathy Strednak, Scott Strednak, and Deacon Rick Stevens for their beautiful ministry work in RCIA.

Many blessings!

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

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Upcoming Events

May 18 - Confessions 10:30am
 May 18 - 5pm Mass
 May 19 - 9am & 11am Mass
 May 20 - Daily Mass 9am
 May 20 - Catholic Senior Org (CSO) 10:30am Room 3
 May 20 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
 May 21 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church
 May 22 - Daily Mass 9am
 May 23 - Daily Mass 9am
 May 23 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
 May 23 - Rosary Makers 5:30pm Room 1
 May 24 - Daily Mass 9am
 May 25 - Confessions 10:30am
 May 25 - 5pm Mass
 May 26 - 9am & 11am Mass
 May 27 - No Daily Mass
 May 27 - Parish Offices Closed Memorial Day

Mass This Weekend

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

Music for Weekend Masses

Gathering: Alleluia Entrance Antiphon
Responsorial Psalm 104: Lord Send Out Your Spirit

Preparation: Spirit and Grace 362

Communion 1: We Belong to You 642

Communion 2: Holy Spirit

Communion 3: Rest on Us

Sending Forth: This is Amazing Grace

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Pictures of the Week



Lobo family with Bishop James Ruggieri of the diocese of Portland at Deacon Dev's graduation from St Joseph's College of Maine with a Master's Degree in Theological Studies



First Communion 9am Mass on May 11th



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Father Chris elevates First Holy Communicants

Altar Flowers



This week's altar flowers are donated by Sal Mastropolo in loving memory of Anna and Peter Mastropolo.

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

Mass Intentions

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

Safe Environment New Annual Process

NEW ANNUAL LEVEL C VOLUNTEER CLEARANCE PROCESS

Attention All Volunteers – Watch for an email **THIS SUMMER** to renew your Safe Environment Training. Please note there is a new annual process to keep your Level C Volunteer clearance current. For information, see [StMM Level C Renewal](#). Level C clearance is required for many of our volunteer opportunities. Contact Bertha Smith (bsmith@stmm.net) with questions.

May 18 – 5pm – [Nirmalee Jayawardana](#) +
May 19 – 9am – Parishioners of [StMM](#)
May 19 – 11am – Tatyana Nicole [Taura](#) +
May 20 – Mark Weider for birthday
May 22 – Sylvan & Joan Koehn +
May 23 – Ronald & Margaret [Yadusky](#) +
May 24 – Ramon T. [Zanduetta](#) +
May 25 – 5pm – Shirley [Pappa](#) +
May 26 – 9am – Parishioners of [StMM](#)
May 26 – 11am – Lazaro [Pasigna](#) +
May 27 – Stephen Amato for healing
May 29 – Hudson Ryan
May 30 – Mary Ellen Fitzgerald [Bergquist](#) +
May 31 – Marilyn Jean [Curliss](#) +

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:

May 18: Hike and strawberry picking, email frassati@stmm.net for more details
June 5 at 7pm in Room 3 Topic TBD

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. Our Lady's Rosary Makers help connect those who can make the rosaries with those in need. The STMM Rosary Makers are dedicated to making and distributing rosaries. If you wish to help, please contact me at diana_ivins@yahoo.com or join us on Thursday May 23, 2024, at 5:30 pm in room 1 at StMM. No creativity or experience is required. All training and resources are provided. Please RSVP.

Eucharistic Adoration Times

The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon

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, May 20, 2024, 10:30 AM until 12:30 PM, in Church meeting rooms #3 and #4. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com

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.



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, May 21st, from 7-8pm

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, **June 7th 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 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".



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](#)

RCIA Prayer Corner

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

Ben will receive Full Communion (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) on Sunday, May 19 at the 9:00 AM Mass.

Oletha, Denise, Dominick, and Hailey will receive Confirmation and Holy Eucharist on Sunday, May 19 at the 9:00 AM Mass.

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




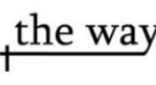

Please pray for all of those who are considering starting the RCIA journey.

Faith Formation



Religious Education

2024-25

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

Click Here for the 2024-25 Faith Formation Calendar

GATHER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Gather meets Tuesdays
from 6:15 - 7:30 pm
. Please consider
joining our Core Team
email: will@stmm.net



We are looking for Teachers, Substitutes, Hall Monitors & AV Assistants



PROGRAMS OFF FOR SUMMER BREAK

**Registration Opens online
July 1st**

www.stmm.church/religious-ed/

**Questions: will@stmm.net
(919) 657-4800 x 7280**

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

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

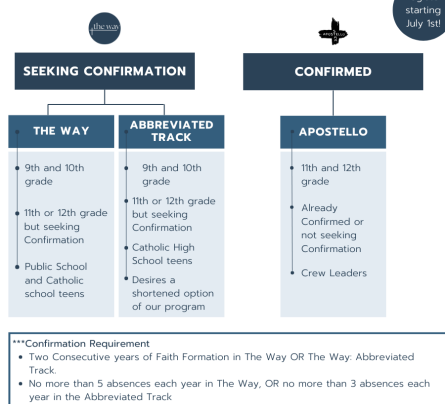
CREW LEADER APPLICATIONS OPEN



Core Team Interest Form for EDGE, The Way, Abbreviated Track, and Apostello: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdny1wY2eZ8-YrIVCG2iTGPhA6gidrt_hoRxA52orhGk4Y8DQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

Crew Leadership Program Application for 11th and 12th Graders: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSciCY-oVrTkTWnjqUI6q2tLQyIB-6U0t9iWVUljnj2aviJ6_g/viewform?usp=sf_link

STMM HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION WHICH IS RIGHT FOR ME?



SAVE THE DATE



BEACH RETREAT
AUGUST 16-18



MOUNTAIN RETREAT
FEBRUARY 7-9



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

Save the Date for our High School Retreats! Registration link will be available on the E-News July 1st!

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 Kate Lawson at lawson@stmm.net if interested.

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!

26th Annual Rally and March for Life

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Saturday, May 18th 12:30
Halifax Mall, Raleigh

[Click here for more details](#)

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