

## St. Mary Magdalene October 27, 2023

# A Note from Father Chris

Today we join with Pope Francis and the universal church to pray for **peace in our days and peace in our world**".

This weekend we welcome Monsignor Staib to celebrate all the Masses and continue his role as our spiritual grandfather. May God's love and the wisdom of those close to him continue to lead us.

With much love,

Fr. Chris

**Giving Portal** 

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#### Upcoming Events

October 28 - No Confessions October 28 - 5pm Mass October 29 - 9am & 11am Mass October 29 - Apostello, the Way, and the EDGE October 29 - Youth Mass 6pm October 30 - Daily Mass 9am October 30 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel October 31 - No Children's Choir Rehearsal November 1 - All Saints Day Masses 9am & 7pm November 2 - Daily Mass 9am November 2 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel November 2 - Children's Choir 5pm Church November 2 - Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 5:30pm Church November 2 - All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance 7pm November 3 - Daily Mass 9am November 3 - Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am -7pm Church November 4 - Confessions 10:30am November 4 - 5pm Mass November 5 - 9am & 11am Mass November 5 - Extraordinary Ministers' Training 12:15pm Church November 5 - Apostello, the Way, and the EDGE November 5 - Youth Mass 6pm November 6 - Daily Mass 9am November 6 - Extraordinary Ministers' Training 6pm Church November 6 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel November 6 - Renew, Praise & Worship 7:30pm Chapel November 7 - Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30pm Church November 7 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church

#### Mass This Weekend

Click <u>HERE</u> to Stream our 9am Sunday Mass

New Mass Music Link Here: New Music Link

Follow this link on Google Drive and download a PDF to your phone.

#### **Music for the Weekend Masses**

Gathering: Your Love Defends Me Psalm 18: I Love You Lord My Strength Preparation: Rest On Us Communion 1: Psalm 63: My Soul is Thirsting Communion 2: Hold On to Love 493 Sending Forth: How Can I Keep From Singing 446

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Pictures of the Week



The Baptisms of Kaythan and Asher Rotich on October 22



Our Youth Crew at the Eucharistic Congress Keynote Speech





This week's altar flowers are donated by Karen Kovacs in loving memory of Donald Kovacs 10th heavenly anniversary

and

Aimee Bachman in loving memory of her dad Richard Beato

and

In honor of the wedding of Erin Conroy and Blaise Waters

Take this opportunity to consider donating

#### Sacraments



**BAPTISMS -** See the Guidelines on the Website - then email <u>sansone@stmm.net</u>. 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

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 <u>here</u>.

For questions, please contact <u>floralministry@stmm.net</u>

### 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 **Sunday**, **November 5<sup>th</sup> at 12.15pm** and **Monday**, **November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**. Please choose one session and RSVP to Lisa Westberg at <u>Ibwestberg13@gmail.com</u>.

### Parishioner Assistance Ministry

Parishioner Assistance Ministry is growing! Over the past few years, generous volunteers have provided meals, transportation, landscaping and other support to fellow parishioners who have needed help. As we continue these types of services, we are looking to expand how we can serve the StMM family. **We are looking for volunteers to join our leadership team.** If you are interested in helping to lead this ministry, please contact Dan Moskey at <u>dmoskey12@gmail.com</u>. Thank you!

#### Eucharistic Adoration Times



First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, **November 3rd 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

### All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance November 2nd 7pm



If you would like your deceased loved ones to be remembered at all Masses throughout the entire month of November, please fill out the All Souls' envelopes (available in the Narthex) with their names and drop them in the collection baskets . Or <u>click here</u> to donate through our giving portal and include their names in the memo field by November 1st. These intention envelopes with remain on the altar throughout November.

#### 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 Icmorris0707@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

ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM or 919-280-8931 if interested.

Pope Francis encourages us to spend time in Eucharistic Adoration and allow our encounter with Jesus to transform us. Please join



Seminarian Robert Lane and musicians Nick and Courtney Blaskovich, and your fellow parishioners, for an hour communing with our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament.

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

#### Power and Purpose Conference

Mark your calendar for the third annual trip to Steubenville for the 2024 POWER AND PURPOSE CONFERENCE!! This is an adult Catholic conference on the campus of Franciscan University June 14-16, 2024. The beautiful campus is located just west of Pittsburgh on a hilltop overlooking the Ohio River.

Speakers include Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, John Beaulieu, and many more charismatic and dynamic speakers. The weekend focuses on how the power of the Holy Spirit offers you spiritual freedom and healing as well as a clearer path to a purposeful life. We are chartering a bus this year! Registration details to follow in January (Fees are likely \$400 for registration, housing, and meals + \$100 per person for bus). You can also drive or fly. Use <u>this link</u> to learn more and hold your spot on the bus. Invite your spouse, your friends, your siblings! It's life-changing; you don't want to miss it! Email Joe and Laura Werner at <u>wernerLhome@gmail.com</u> with guestions. *Come Holy Spirit*!



### Helping Hands Social Concerns

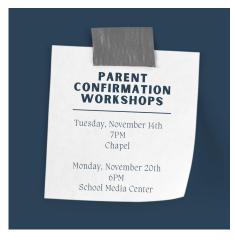
The Helping Hands Social Concerns will be collecting items to help stock Western Wake Crisis Ministry's pantry. Please stop by the table in the Narthex to pick up a slip with requested StMMPrayerTeam@stmm.net.

#### **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. \* <u>Share Prayer</u> Updates via email. \*

Join the Prayer Team

#### Parent Confirmation Workshops



Calling all parents! This Fall we are offering TWO parent Confirmation workshops, and 2 more in the Spring. This is where you will hear all of the details of Confirmation requirements and preparation from Niki Bordelon and Vicki Kristoff. Vicki runs the website which tracks all paperwork. You only need to attend 1 workshop over the course of your teen's Confirmation prep.

### Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

We pray we never need blood but if we do, we pray it's there. Please donate your life saving blood on November 11th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the StMM school parking lot. All donors items. Food and cash donations will be collected the weekend of November 11th and 12th. Thank you! Click <u>here</u> for list of most needed items.

#### New Member Luncheon

Calling All New Parishioners!

We are very excited to have you as new members of our community. If you registered as a member from April 2023 through now, we would love to have the opportunity to officially welcome you after 11am Mass, Sunday, November 12th. We will gather in the Activities Building for food, fellowship, and fun for the kids!

Please register here if you plan to attend.

**Registration will be open through November 7th.** If you have any questions, please contact Laura Petersen, <u>**I.a.petersen@gmail.com</u></u>. We look forward to seeing you there!</u>** 

#### Christmas Pageant



Rehearsals for the big production numbers of Promises Promised are 5:30 to 6:30 PM on November 2, November 16, November 30 dress rehearsal.

If you're interested in being involved, follow the link below and sign up, we are extending the opening until the second week of November. Please complete<u>this form</u>

Want to learn more? Click here

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Witchger, <u>awitchger@stmm.me</u>.

#### **Respect Life**

"Hope is always possible. To those who care for the sick, the scene of the Cross provides a way of understanding that even when it seems that there is nothing more to do there remains much to do, because 'remaining' by the side of the sick is a sign of love and of the hope that it contains. Healed by Jesus, we become men and women called to proclaim his healing power and provide care for our neighbors, until the very end." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice"

https://www.usccb.org/resources/witnessgood-samaritan-palliative-care-and-hospice receive a \$25.00 E-gift card. Schedule your time in the following link:

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/ schedules/drive\_schedule/207300

#### Children's Choir

The next time Children's Choir sings at Mass is November 4-5th.

No rehearsal this Tuesday, October 31st.

On Thursdays the children's choir will meet from 5pm to 5:30 PM then the rehearsal for Promises Promised begin and you're welcome to stay as long as you can.

If you haven't done it yet, please sign up here: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAI</u> <u>pQLSe3KqdeqHDmoAifVcUzMYS2IdL83DRU</u> <u>YUfT8Y8Z6zoWk4ionA/viewform?usp=sf\_link</u>

\*Remember, this is not a drop off event, so parents please stay with your children while we practice.\*

### Frassati Young Adult Group



The Frassati Young Adult Group has a lot of great upcoming events. If you're in your 20s or 30s, come out to join us. To be added

to our email list, email frassati@stmm.net

Wed, Nov 1 All Saints Day 7pm Mass followed by Dessert Party Wed, Nov 15 at 7pm in Room 3 Trivia lead by Seminarian Rob Sat, Nov 18 8:30am-12:30pm Volunteer with CPO-email <u>frassati@stmm.net</u> for more details and to RSVP Mon, Nov 27 at 7pm Guided tour of St. MM led by Msgr Staib

#### **RCIA Prayer Cornei**

Please pray for Robbie, Susan, Whitney, Randal, Max, Jake, Tessa, and Paul, who will receive the Rites of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) on November 19 at the 11 AM Mass.

Please pray for Daniel and Perry who will receive the Rite of Welcoming/Rite of Acceptance on December 10th at the 11 AM Mass.

Please pray for Heather, Cay Sea, Jonathon and Bill who will receive the Rites of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) on January 20 at the 5 PM Mass. The fall 40 Days for Life campaign is nearly over. On November 3rd please join STMM parishioners, Fr. Chris and Deacon Dev in prayer in front of A Woman's Choice between 10am and 1pm.

Visit <u>www.40daysforlife.com/en/raleigh</u> for details and to sign up. If you have any questions contact Paula Hils at <u>pshils@bellsouth.net</u>.

### Adult Faith Refresher

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.

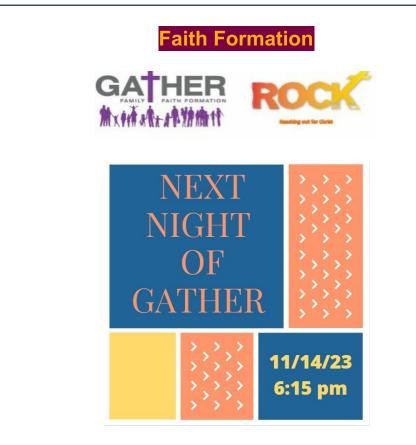
LOOK FOR ANOTHER SERIES TO BEGIN IN JANUARY. For more details or to sign up, contact Deacon Rick at 908-910-0309 or by email at <u>Stevens@stmm.me</u>. Please pray for all of those who are thinking of starting the RCIA journey.





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 January 8, 2024. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at <u>rcia@stmm.me</u> 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".



Questions: For GATHER, contact Suzanne Will at<u>will@stmm.net</u> or 919-657-4800 x7280

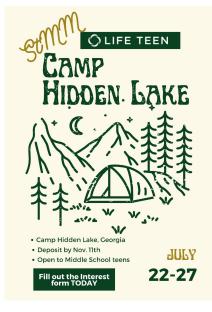
For the ROCK contact Sarah Ritchie at ritchie@stmm.net.or 919-657-4800 x7307

#### StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

EDGE SUNDAY SCHEDULE	
6:00 pm	Youth Mass begins in the Church
7:00pm	Teens transition to the school cafeteria for snacks
7:15pm	Teens find small groups in the school gym for announcements
8:30 pm	Parents park in the school lot and walk into the school building to pick up their teens from the gym



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## THE WAY AND APOSTELLO SCHEDULE

4:30 pm	Apostello Meets in the Chapel
6:00 pm	Youth Mass begins in the Church
7:00pm	Teens make nametags and eat snacks in Church Narthex
7:15pm	Teens find small groups in Church for announcements
7:30 pm	Room Rotation Talks Begin
8:15pm	Closing Praise & Worship in Church
8:30 pm	Pick Up in Parking Lot

Click here to complete interest form

#### **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 <u>lawson@stmm.net</u>.



Interested in a Catholic education for the 24-25 school year? Schedule a campus tour by emailing <u>portland@stmm.net</u> or visiting <u>http://school.stmm.net/admissions/tou</u> <u>rs.cfm</u> 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 for more information or to apply!

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