

St. Mary Magdalene September 8, 2023

A Note from Father Chris

"Where two or three are gathered.....", Jesus proclaims the power of our communion with one another. These are powerful words. We hear these words at church and even on the football tailgate field this time of year. Jesus is reminding us to be available to one another; gather together.

Catholics in the Triangle will be able to gather together in a special way at the Eucharistic Congress on Saturday, October 21st at the Raleigh Convention Center. Register using the Diocese of Raleigh Eucharistic Congress app.

Many blessings,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

Upcoming Events

September 9 - Confessions 10:30am
September 9 - 5pm Mass
September 10 - 9am & 11am Mass
September 11 - Daily Mass 9am
September 11 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
September 12 - Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30pm Church
September 13 - Daily Mass 9am
September 14 - Daily Mass 9am
September 14 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
September 15 - Daily Mass 9am
September 16 - Confessions 10:30am
September 16 - 5pm Mass
September 17 - 9am & 11am Mass
September 17 - Youth Mass 6pm
September 17 - Apostello, the WAY and the EDGE

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

Mass This Weekend



This week's altar flowers are donated by Ashley Kusowski for the Love of our Lord Jesus Christ and thanksgiving for all his blessings.

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: Come Now is the Time to Worship 553

Psalm 95: If Today You hear

Preparation: Hold On To Love 493

Communion 1: 42: As the Deer Longs 511

Communion 2: Gratitude

Sending Forth: Love Has Come 487

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass

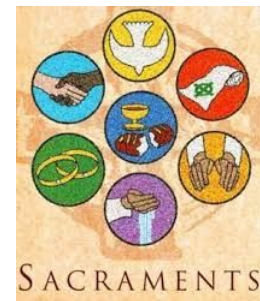
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

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



Pictures of the Week



Baptism of Owen James Campbell on September 2nd



Baptism of Kolbe Joseph Andersen on September 2nd



Wedding of Kathryn and Jose Garcia on September 1st



Wedding of Alexis and Ben McGann on September 2nd



Congratulations to Niki, our high school youth minister, and Alex on their engagement!

Eucharistic Congress October 21st



Registration is now open for the Diocese of Raleigh's Eucharistic Congress, to be held Saturday, October 21, 2023, at the Raleigh Convention Center. There is no charge to attend the Eucharistic Congress, but pre-registration is required.

For adult registration, please download the 2023 DOR Eucharistic Congress app from the App Store or Google Play Store. By signing up and logging into the mobile app, you are automatically registered for general event admission and can choose individual sessions to attend. For youth in grades 6-12, please contact your parish to register.

<https://dioceseofraleigh.org/event/diocese-raleigh-eucharistic-congress>

Thank you for your continued prayers and participation as we joyfully celebrate the beautiful past and future of our great diocese!

Civil Engineering Firm

WANTED: Due to the high demand in the construction industry in our area, it has been increasingly difficult to obtain the services of civil engineers/firms. We are seeking Civil Engineering firm contacts or assistance in linking up with a civil engineering firm. So, if you know of firms or people licensed in this trade, please contact Jim Galkowski (galkowski@stmm.net) or 919 633 9104 and we can follow up and try to engage their services for some work on our campus.

Children's Choir

Hey kids, we're taking a break from singing for a bit. We'll be back on Thursday, September 7th at 4:30 in the church.

There will be two options a week for practice. Tuesdays at 5:30pm and Thursdays at 4:30pm. Pick the one that works best for you.

Don't worry if you can't make it to every practice. We'll send you the songs so you can practice at home. If you haven't done it yet, please sign up here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe3KqdeqHDmoAifVcUzMYS2ldL83DRUYUft8Y8Z6zoWk4ionA/viewform?usp=sf_link

That way, we can add you to our Children's Choir email list.

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

Altar Server Training



“Serving at the Altar is a privileged way to draw closer to Jesus” – Pope Francis

Altar serving is a great way to learn more about the Mass and to take an active role in the Church family. All who are 3rd grade and up and have received their First Sacraments are welcome to join the altar server ministry!

Training sessions for new servers will be held on **Monday, September 18th at 6pm** and **Saturday, September 23rd at 6pm** in the Church. If any existing servers need a “refresher,” they are also welcome to join.

Please choose one session and RSVP to Andree Genez at stmmaltarservers@gmail.com. Parents are encouraged to attend!

Forward in Hope

Forward in Hope - Grief Support Group to Begin

If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. We recommend participants join us approximately six months after the loss of a loved one. You can choose from the Tuesday evening group 7:00 - 8:00 pm beginning October 3, 2023 or the Friday morning group at 10:00 - 11:00 am through mid-November. Sessions will consist of prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship. For more information, please feel free to email stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net, call 919-657-4800 ext. 7280 or sign up by completing [this registration form](#)

CSO - Catholic Senior Organization

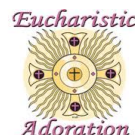
The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for women and men (60+) meets every third Monday of the month, September through May. Our next meeting will take place Monday, September 18, 2023, 10:30 AM until Noon, in Church meeting room #3. For more information, please contact Joanne Martin, 919-244-5616, jmartin@kw.com

Friday Morning Men's Faith Formation Group

The Friday morning Men's Faith Formation group will be focused on a new series this Fall called Jesus and the Eucharist. The Augustine Institute and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops created this series as part of the Eucharistic Revival. This seven-session series will immerse participants in the kerygmatic proclamation and unveil God's saving work in the Eucharist. All men in the parish are welcome to participate from 6:30-8AM every Friday at the church or join us virtually via Zoom. If interested in more information, please reach out to Paul Mastropolo at pmastropolo@gmail.com.

Eucharistic Holy Hour First and Third Tuesdays

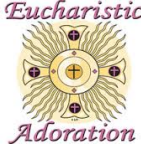
The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Rick for Eucharistic Holy Hour and Evening Prayer. This sacred time is an opportunity for a deep, personal encounter with Christ: Pope Francis recommends Eucharistic Adoration as a foundational spiritual practice. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will 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.



Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, September 19th, from 7- 8pm

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, October 6th 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.

Traveling St John Vianney Ministry

Traveling St. John Vianney Ministry – *“What use would be a house filled with gold, were there no one to open its door? Our priests hold the key to the treasures of Heaven....it is he who opens the door.”*
-St. John Vianney, the patron saint of priests

Sign-up to host our beautiful St. John Vianney statue in your home for a month. During his visit, pray for our priests, seminarians and religious. Included are resources to learn more about this amazing saint! Sign-ups for the year will be sent out in December. If you would like to be on the list, email coulmas1@att.net.

Chrysalis Marriage Enrichment



It's no secret that a successful, fruitful, and happy marriage takes work. And that's where Chrysalis can help! Think of Chrysalis as the gym for your marriage. A way for you to strengthen your relationship with your spouse and the trinity, be involved in a community of fellow married couples in the parish, and live out your marriage vows.

We typically meet once a month, starting in late September and ending in May, for a social gathering, book study, video series, or family event. We invite you to join us! For more information or if you have any questions, please contact us at stmmchrysalis@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus



The Knights of Columbus invite you to become a member of our local council. We need your help serving the STMM school and church communities. We will have a table after all masses the weekend of September 16th. For immediate help, please email Steve Fitzhenry for more information, stevefitzhenry@outlook.com.

Jambalaya Dinner September 30th

Jambalaya Dinner September 30th! - Knights of Columbus Council 7186 is proud to host our Fall Jambalaya Dinner at St. Mary Magdalene on Saturday, September 30, 2023. All proceeds go to supporting individuals in our community with intellectual disabilities. Both dine-in and carryout options are available. Great Food, Great Value, and a Wonderful Cause. Go to <https://jambalaya.kofc7186.org> and place your order today! Supplies are limited.

Mulholland Columbiettes

We invite you to join our Mulholland Columbiettes, IF you...

...are a Catholic woman 18 years of age or older, looking for a way to support your Parish, give back to our community and grow in faith, if you

...would like to meet and make friends with other Catholic women that you can play and pray together with

...would like to enrich your life spiritually, charitably and socially

If this describes you, then the Columbiettes is for you. We are a band of sisters, a network of women in communities throughout the United States dedicated to doing good, in the service of God and our neighbors. We also partner with the Knights of Columbus on selected activities and fundraisers.

We have a brand new auxiliary right here at St. Mary Magdalene church! Women from all local parishes

are invited to join us. If you'd like more information, email us at fr.hcmulhollandcolumbiettes@gmail.com or contact Cathy Stevens at 908-910-0308. Additional information on the national organization can be found at www.columbiettes.com

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.

RCIA Prayer Corner

Please pray for Matt, Robbie, Susan, Whitney, Randal, Max, Jake, Tessa, and Paul..

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.

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 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.

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

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

Faith Formation



**FIRST
NIGHT OF
GATHER &
ROCK**



**9/26/23
6:15 pm**

GATHER & ROCK

SUBSTITUTES & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you spare two nights a month to help pass along the faith? We need you!
email: will@stmm.net



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

A collage of three photographs. The top photo shows a large group of youth in blue shirts posing on a balcony. The bottom-left photo shows a group of people talking outdoors. The bottom-right photo shows a person playing piano in a church.

CoreTeam:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSct9UNYY2pcpviM0zVrEq0rGmLuemzD0_dmdmMbDC_OZoRMg/viewform?usp=sf_link

SAVE THE DATES

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

*****REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 5TH



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@stmm.edge
@stmm.apostello

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



TOURS OPEN

24-25 School Year



SERVING PREK3-8TH GRADE STUDENTS

We pray. We learn. We care.

Interested in a Catholic education for the 24-25 school year? Schedule a campus tour by emailing portland@stmm.net or visiting <http://school.stmm.net/admissions/tours.cfm>

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.

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!

Walking with Purpose

Walking with Purpose – An Opportunity for Women

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Would you like to connect with other women in our community? Do you feel that you are doing so much but none of it very well? We invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose this fall at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church. We are offering both daytime and evening sessions. No previous experience is necessary. Just come as you are—with your questions, doubts, joys, and hopes. We have an empty chair and a cup of coffee waiting just for you. Learn more and register here: <https://www.saintandrew.org/walking-with-purpose/>.

Laudato Si' Circle at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral

BRAND NEW WEBINAR BEING OFFERED FOR EVERYONE IN THE DIOCESE

Do you worry about clean water? Are you experiencing changes in your environment? Do you have an interest in learning more about how to care for creation with other Catholics?

Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral's *Laudato Si'* Circle is offering an invaluable webinar series for the entire diocese covering the book, *Creation at the Crossroads*, by Monsignor Edward Ciuba (Renew International). In the context of prayer, Scripture, and the suffering of the poor in today's world due to a changing environment, we will come to understand, discern and respond together to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor embodied in Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*. This is a faithful way to celebrate the Season of Creation starting Sept. 1st, meet Catholics from other parishes, and unite in a common cause. We will meet every Monday by Zoom, **September 11 to November 27 from 7-8:30pm**. Purchase book at renewintl.org/small-group-books or Amazon.com for \$16.95. To sign up or learn

Career Network Ministry

Meeting Date: Thursday September 14
 Time: 8:30am-10:30am
 Location: St. Andrew the Apostle - 3008 Old Raleigh Road, Apex, NC 27502
 Room 8 - Main Bldg. Next to Parish Office
 Click here to Register on LinkedIn Site: [REGISTER](#)



Morrsville City Councilman Steve Rao (left) with Jim Weaver (right), CIO and Secretary of NC Department of IT at NC Tech Association event.

CNM Presents: The Disruption of AI & the Future of Work with Steve Rao

Event by Career Network Ministry

Thu, Sep 14, 2023, 8:30am-10:30am

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 St. Andrew Catholic Church (Room 8, next to Parish Office)

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