

St. Mary Magdalene September 1, 2023

A Note from Father Chris

Jesus invites us to follow him. Following him in everything about life; smooth and difficult, we can participate in the kingdom of heaven here on earth.

The Eucharistic Congress on **Saturday, October 21st** at the Raleigh Convention Center is an invitation to follow Jesus Christ in a special way. Please register on the **Diocese of Raleigh Eucharistic Congress** app at 2023 DOR Eucharistic Congress

<http://guidebook.com/g/dorcongress23/>

Free admission for all those that register.

Many blessings on your Labor Day weekend!

Love,

Fr. Chris

Giving Portal

Upcoming Events

September 1 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Chapel

September 2 - No Confessions

September 2 - 5pm Mass

September 3 - 9am & 11am Mass

September 4 - Parish Office Closed for Labor Day

September 4 - No Daily Mass

September 4 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

September 5 - Tuesday Daytime Bible Study 1pm Room 4

September 5 - Eucharistic Holy Hour 7pm Church

September 6 - Daily Mass 9am

September 6 - StMM Book Club 12:30pm Room 1

September 7 - Daily Mass 9am

September 7 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel

September 7 - Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30pm Church

September 8 - Daily Mass 9am

September 9 - Confessions 10:30am

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 weekend's altar flowers were donated by the McGann family in honor of Benjamin McGann and Alexis Parasiliti's marriage

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: This Day God Gives Me 639

Psalm 63: O God My Soul is Thirsting

Preparation: This is My Song 747

Communion 1: Taste and See 345

Communion 2: Abba Father 546

Communion 3: Create in Me 781

Sending Forth: Lead Me Lord 739

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Outdoor Communion after 9am Sunday Mass

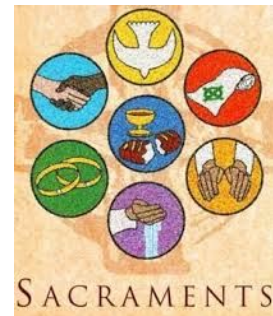
There will be two stations available outside in the drive thru at the portico for communion following the 9:00 am Mass for those at-risk and those receiving gluten free hosts.

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



Picture of the Week



Baptism of Eleanor Tucker on August 26th



While on campus, make your way up to the Cadran sports field and admire the exceptional work of Rachel Castaneda. She volunteered her time and talents to refresh the Snack Shack with a beautiful Monarch Nation logo and butterflies. We thank her for her efforts and the hours of her time on this project.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday Adoration will be in the chapel on Friday, September 1st 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.



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.

Gabriel Project Update

The Gabriel Project Ministry is meeting **Sunday Sept. 10th at 12:15pm** in Classroom 1 (with glass doors near the kitchen). Since November 2022, we have been walking alongside nine women, supporting them through their pregnancies. We receive new referrals on a regular basis. If you are feeling called by Christ to join this ministry, please attend the Sunday, September 10th meeting where we will be discussing ways you can help over the next several months, specifically during the holiday season. If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to be part of this ministry, please e-mail: gabrielproject@stmm.me

Below are some pictures of a baby shower and a new baby born in late August, with a quilt made by the Prayers and Squares Quilt Ministry.



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/1FAIpQLSe3KqdeqHDmoAifVcUzMYS2IdL83DRUYUfT8Y8Z6zoWk4ionA/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 stmaltarservers@gmail.com. Parents are encouraged to attend!

Eucharistic Holy Hour First and Third Tuesdays



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, September 5th, from 7- 8pm

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.

Tuesday Daytime Bible Study

Tuesdays from 1-3 pm in the St. MM Church Building Rooms 3-4. Reading and questions to do at home. Discussion and videos when we are together.

The first study will be **A Biblical Walk Through the Mass** with Ed Sri. This study will be 5 weeks starting on Sept. 5, 2023.

Our second study will be **Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother** with Ed Sri. This study will be 8 weeks starting on Oct. 17, 2023

Please contact Laurie Wendt about ordering the materials and more information. lauriewendt@gmail.com or cell #919-669-9455

StMM Book Club

The STMM Book Club is a group of parishioners that reads and discusses a selection of fiction and nonfiction books. We read a wide variety of books and share them with our Catholic faith as a basis of discussion. This summer we have been reading *Mere Christianity* by CS Lewis. We will be discussing this book on September 6 at 12:30, in the church meeting room. If you would like more information, or would like to be added to our email list, please send your name to amdudzinski@gmail.com

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.

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 Team

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 lc Morris0707@gmail.com

Faith Formation



FIRST NIGHT OF GATHER & ROCK		> >
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SUBSTITUTES & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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



Questions:

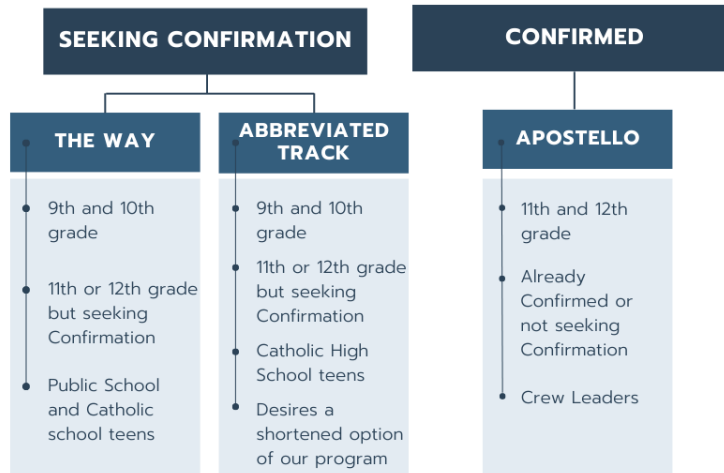
For **GATHER**, contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7280

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

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

EDGE Registration is closed due to the number of volunteers and students.

STMM HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS WHICH IS RIGHT FOR ME?



The Way
Registration Link

Abbreviated Track
Registration Link

Apostello
Registration Link

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

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

FOLLOW US!

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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



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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 more, contact socialconcern@hnojnc.org or laudatosicircle@gmail.com

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