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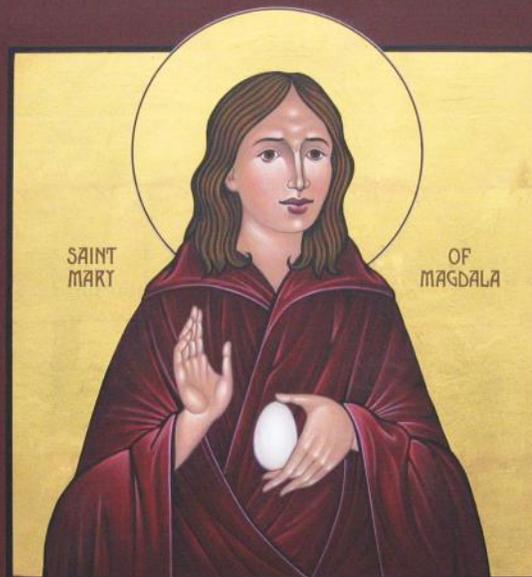
# Saint Mary Magdalen

## WITNESSING TO THE RESURRECTION

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### OFFICE HOURS

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### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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**ALL THINGS CONSIDERED**

**TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO** Starting a new parish was a far more daunting task than I anticipated! There are no books on how to do it, so I had to rely on the wisdom and experience of other priests who founded parishes.

When I came here in July of 1993 I brought all my stuff with me. Some items I put in the office that St. Pat's let me use; my clothes and every day stuff were placed in a bedroom at St. John (the same bedroom I used as a deacon-intern in 1977). The rest of my things we put in Unit A of the duplex, at the corner of Old 23 and Shenandoah. It took me a couple of weeks to clean up the duplex and set up an office and bedroom. I began driving a six mile circuit from St. Pat's to the duplex to St. John – a circuit I sometimes drove several times in a day!

About the middle of July, I began celebrating one or two weekend Liturgies at St. Pat's. But since that left me with extra time, in August and September, I also had one or two Liturgies at St. Mary Student Parish in Ann Arbor! On weekdays, I celebrated Liturgy at either St. Pat or St. John.

By the end of September, I had enough information from founding pastors of other parishes and I began to formulate a plan for starting a new Catholic community in Brighton Township.

My first objective was to meet with folks who might form the nucleus of a parish. I sent letters to all the parishioners of both St. John and St. Patrick who lived in Brighton Township asking them to meet with me to discuss starting a new parish. The letter included a postcard for a response from those who were interested in meeting with me, and a request for folks to open their house for a meeting.

Those early meetings were an interesting experience, because the first time I met the hosts and attendees was at the meeting itself! All the participants were asked a single question: What are your hopes, dreams or expectation of a new parish? I listened to people's responses and wrote them down. From October of '93 until March of '94, I had 25 gatherings in people's homes, meeting with over 400 adults and a few teens. At the end of it all, I had 15 pages of comments (narrow margins, small type, single space). All those comments were used to create the Vision Statement that hangs in our Gathering Area.

I also began to figure out where and how we would begin to gather folks for our own Liturgies. It was suggested that I approach the schools to see if there would be a possibility of using one of them for Liturgy, and for religious formation as well. The question of 'where' became easy, since the only school available was Farms Middle School in the Hartland Schools. Steve Assenmacher, who was in charge of facilities, was very cooperative and even excited about our using the school.

*Fr. Dave Howell*

**THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES****February 5, Monday, Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56

9:00 am + Fred Preiss

**February 6, Tuesday, Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs**

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13

9:00 am Communion Service

**February 7, Wednesday, Mass of Anointing**

1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23

7:00 pm + Keith Dunn & Jan Jandasek

**February 8, Thursday**

1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30

9:00 am + Donna Kemp

**February 9, Friday**

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37

9:00 am + Betty Waters

**February 10, Saturday, Saint Scholastica, Virgin**

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10

**February 11, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/Mk 1:40-45

4:30 pm Vigil + Ralph Pierson

9:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

11:00 am + Ida Krandle

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46**

The third book of the Bible, Leviticus, is a collection of Jewish Laws. Old Testament people believed that being clean or unclean, that is, kosher or non-kosher, was based on what was considered to be normal or abnormal. For example, because a snake slithered on the ground rather than walked, it was considered abnormal, and therefore unclean. By the same standards, people with disabilities or deformities were seen as unclean. We see a particular case addressed in this reading.

**1 Corinthians 10: 31 – 11:1**

Today's passage concludes a long section from First Corinthians in which Paul has been addressing disputes between Jewish Christians and Gentile Christians about what foods are kosher. Paul now makes a general observation that while we may in principle be free to do this or that, we should avoid those things that disrupt harmony and peace.

**Mark 1: 40-45**

Much of this reading is punctuated with direct dialogue: the leper's plea, Jesus' response, and finally Jesus' warning that the man not say anything to anyone about what had just occurred. Jesus has physical contact with those to whom he ministers, telling us how the sacraments are to be celebrated by "two or three gathered together in my name."

**Reflect:** Name a time when you experienced Jesus' healing touch.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Week of 1/28/2018

Approximately 1262 people participated  
 Env/Cash \$ 16,258  
 EFT/Online \$ 5,338  
**TOTAL \$ 21,596**  
 Children's Collection \$ 55.50

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, February 5**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen  
 6:30 pm RCIA Retreat  
 7:00 pm Spiritual Development  
 7:30 pm K of C Business Meeting

**Tuesday, February 6**

9:00 am Preschool  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
 7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School of MI

**Wednesday, February 7**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:15 am MOMS Group  
 10:00 am Alpha  
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 4:30/6:30 pm Religious Formation  
 7:00 pm Mass of Anointing  
 7:00 pm Caretel Meeting  
 7:30 pm Worship

**Thursday, February 8**

9:00 am Preschool  
 5:30 pm Religious Formation  
 5:45 pm Alpha Leaders  
 6:30 pm Alpha  
 7:00 pm Wellness  
 7:15 pm Formation Team  
 7:30 pm Music Ministry

**Friday, February 9**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga

**Saturday, February 10**

7:30 am Men's Breakfast  
 10:30 am RCIA First Penance  
 5:30 pm Preschool Open House  
 7:00 pm Valentine's Dance

**Sunday, February 11**

9:00 am RCIA Rite of Sending  
 9:45 am K of C Pancake Breakfast  
 10:30 am Preschool Open House  
 11:00 am Blue Mass  
 6:30 pm 9th Grade Formation  
 7:00 pm Youth Group

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Sue Beaumont	Jean Mayer
Taylor Brake	Rosemary McCuan
Jeanne & Eugene Buel	Dennis McCusker
Larry Buslepp	Ginny McMullen
Linda Coffman	Tom McSweeney
Carol Conklin	Emily Metcalf
Hugh Conahan	Diane Morrison
Melody Cook	Michelle Neiswan
Keith Craffey	Peggy Ortiz
Cienna Ditri	Stan Osdras
Sean English	Sam Petrocella
James Farhat	Karen Polcyn
Bill Gamble	Ron Sherman
Rosemary Gamble	Matt Siragusa
Nelson Gonzales	Ron Summers
Greg Grech	Marylyn Trader
David Grinnell	Michelle Turner
Barb Hemmi	Alexander Zaplitny
Julia Herrell	Tom Zremski
Karen Johnson	Anthony
Herb Langer	Chris
Justina Laginess	David
Robert Laginess	Emily
Kelly Luck	Jim
Gwen Maes	Kathy
Irv Mahoney	Mary
Darlene March	Matt
Rita Marcy	



Remember to bring last year's palms to the basket at the statue of St. Mary Magdalen. They will be burned on Ash Wednesday and the ashes will be used throughout Lent.

**RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS**

Roxanne Hundsrucker

**Safe Sheep**

This week we will be providing a program titled Safe Sheep. It is a 20 minute, Catholic, safe-touch video that encompasses a few puppets and a lesson on our own personal space. Before or after the video the children will talk in their classrooms or complete various coloring sheets or puzzles that provide safe words such as "you are in my safe or personal space." Parents are welcome and encouraged to join us.

**Youth Alpha Series**

Next Sunday, Feb. 11, we begin our Alpha for youth series. This program is designed for high school teens. It is exciting to be offering this program for all of our Confirmation Candidates. They will begin with an ice breaker, then dinner, followed by 20-minute videos based on Jesus and prayer. The videos provide a great opportunity to host discussions among teens about a growing relationship with Jesus our Savior.

**Journey With Jesus-St. MM Vacation Bible School**

As we begin planning for this summer's JWJ, we are looking for 3-4 new members for our adult core team. Please do not assume that others have already stepped forward to join our team. If you have children that participate and you are not working the week of JWJ, please join our team because we really need your support!

**Have You Ever Considered**

We are looking for individuals with the desire to share their faith with the youth of our parish. We will provide training, information and support for the responsibilities required before you enter a classroom. We have classes on Wednesday and Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings. Please contact Karen or myself for more information.

**3 More Cookie Bakers Needed**

I am in search of a few more volunteers to bake cookies or brownies one time or even to join a rotating group. You can drop them off on Saturdays or Sundays after Liturgy. If you are able to help please call Karen in the parish office to sign-up.

**MASS OF ANOINTING**

will be celebrated **Wednesday, February 7, at 7:00 pm**. All who have a serious or chronic illness, or who are facing surgery, are encouraged to attend.

**YOUTH NEWS**

Margaret Callaghan



**Registration is necessary for the Youth Alpha program.** Contact Margaret Callaghan at [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com) or Roxanne Hundsrucker at [dre1@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:dre1@saintmarymagdalen.org).

Commitment to these weekly sessions is necessary to plan for the dinners and to create a trusting, reliable small group experience. It begins next Sunday, February 11, and runs through April, 6:30-8pm, with an optional hour of games, further reflection or deeper discussion in the youth room until 9pm.

**Our summer work service trip with the National Relief Network** is July 29-August 3. I have started collecting the \$75 deposit for the trip. Please contact me at [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com) to register.

**Looking ahead to Good Friday**, I am looking for people who would be interested in the Passion re-enactment. Practices will start Sunday, February 18, and run through Palm Sunday. All students in grades 8 through 12 are welcome to participate.

**Next Saturday** the Community Life team has a Valentine's Day dance planned for high school youth and older. Make plans with your friends to dance the evening away!



**Thank you** to everyone who donated to our annual Souper Bowl Sunday collection this weekend. The monies collected will go to help local charities.

**EDGE**

EDGE meets again on Monday, February 12, 7-8:30 pm.

*With  
Sympathy*

**Please remember in your prayers:**

Edward Loniewski and family in the death of his father, Edward A. Loniewski.  
Nicholas Kafkakis and family in the death of his mother, Judith.  
Mark Stevens and family in the death of his mother, Mary Jane.

**OF FAITH AND SERVICE**

**Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF**

**Come and Dance here at St. Mary Magdalen!**

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, February 10, 7 - 9 pm** for a dance at St. Mary Magdalen! Invite your sweetheart or come alone to enjoy the music and the people. High-school youth and older are welcome! Invite your friends. Consider bringing an elderly person or someone who would not drive at nighttime. We ask you to sign up at the Activity Board.



**Soup and Bread Suppers**

Again this year we will have a Lenten Soup Supper at 6 pm on Fridays during Lent, prior to the Stations of the Cross at 7 pm. The alms received from the meals will go to Magdalen's Kitchen.

Families, couples, singles, take the opportunity at least once, to refrain from cooking and come to enjoy a simple meal together in the name of Christ's poor.

Please sign up if you are coming and/or can bring meatless soup or breads.

**50 + Seniors Annual Lenten Retreat**

St. Agnes Parish in Fowlerville will host our Retreat this year and provide lunch on Wednesday, February 21.

Father David Rosenberg, from St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, will give two talks: "Praying as Jesus Taught us: Prayers of Adoration" and "Prayers of Mission and Petition". Tickets are required for \$9, covering the lunch and speaker. Tickets are limited so please see Sr. Joyce soon to reserve or purchase your ticket. Cash is accepted and, if writing a check, make it payable to LCCC (Livingston County Catholic Charities).

**Evangelization**

At its essence is the proclamation of salvation in Jesus Christ and the response of a person in faith. Both are works of the Spirit of God.

*Sister Joyce*

**Card Making Class**

**Tuesday, February 13, at 1 pm**

Class is taught by a professional instructor and the \$5 fee includes all materials. You will make three cards and it is asked that you donate one birthday card to Meals On Wheels. Please consider helping us put a smile on the face of a client by joining this fun class. Please call Pam at 810-772-8252 to register so we have enough materials available.



**CHARITY & JUSTICE**



**Shelter the Homeless!**

**St. Mary Magdalen Volunteers needed!**

Shelter the Homeless during the cold winter months! We need volunteers to help provide staffing for the Severe Weather Center the week of **Feb. 25-Mar. 3**. Our parish will provide food, transportation and chaperones! Details and signup sheets are in the gathering area. You may also sign up online at: <https://form.jotform.com/73595446411157>. Direct questions to [lisaklein44@gmail.com](mailto:lisaklein44@gmail.com) or 810-599-9708.

**Magdalen's Kitchen Sign-Up**

Names of those interested in serving at Magdalen's Kitchen for the Mondays of the second half of February and all of March are being accepted. Assistant cooks, set-up/server/clean-up, dish washing, desserts, and sub positions are needed. Sign-up sheets are organized by date and are on the Charity & Justice table in the Gathering Space. Reminder slips are available to remind you of your commitment. **Please list the email address or phone number you can be contacted at.** A reminder will be sent to you prior to the date you are volunteering. Volunteers must be middle school age or older to fill a server or dish washer position and 18 or older to fill an assistant cook position.

**Panera Bread Pick Up**

Names of those interested in picking up bread for Magdalen's Kitchen at Panera Bread (in Brighton on Grand River) on Saturday evenings (**at 9:30 pm**) for Saturdays of the second half of February and all of March are being accepted. The sign-up sheet is on the Charity & Justice table in the Gathering Space. A reminder will be sent to you prior to the date you are to volunteer.

**CONSIDER SPIRITUAL DIRECTION DURING LENT**

For this upcoming Lenten season consider spiritual direction to help you explore and discern your growth in living a deeper way of Christian life. Spiritual direction is about seeing life in the light of faith to find God in all things. It is confidential, sacred conversation between an individual and a spiritual director.

If you are nudged by the Spirit to inquire more about this beautiful experience please contact Linda Chevalier 810.229.9734 [chevalierlinda@att.net](mailto:chevalierlinda@att.net).

**Baby Bottles - Baby Bottles -  
Baby Bottles**



**Why** are baby bottles all over the Gathering Space?

**Answer:** They are there for **YOU** to fill with your change (bills will do also).

**Return them to the Gathering Space or to Deacon Dave's office** for delivery to Pregnancy Help Line to combat sometimes-unwanted pregnancies.



Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at **St. Mary Magdalen Church on March 12, 2018**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat, which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes four vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.livelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.livelinescreening.com/communitycircle) or text the word circle to 797979.**

**ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Mon. Feb. 5	8:30 pm	Men's Basketball
Tue. Feb. 6	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wed. Feb. 7	4:30 pm	Religious Formation
	6:00 pm	Hartland Eagles Baseball
Thu. Feb. 8	8:30 pm	Men's Basketball
Fri. Feb. 9	_____	_____
Sat. Feb. 10	7:00 pm	Valentine's Dance
Sun. Feb. 11	6:30 pm	9th Grade Formation
	7:00 pm	Youth Group

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- Administrative Asst.** Diane Whiton  
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- Facilities & Maintenance** Dan Tuthill  
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**MINISTERS OF PRAYER**

- Sun. Feb. 4 Lisa Klein
- Mon. Feb. 5 Bruce Dehanke, Bob & Pat Metz
- Tues. Feb. 6 Diane Davidson, Mary Ann Hargrave
- Wed. Feb. 7 Joe Lubig
- Thur. Feb. 8 Ginny & Clarence Kroll,  
Kathy Riccardi
- Fri. Feb. 9 Lynn Pfaff



**THANK YOU FROM UNBOUND**

I carried home with me fond memories of your beautiful parish community at St. Mary Magdalen. Most importantly, I returned home with 54 sponsorship forms, meaning that there are that many more children, youth and elderly who will have a brighter future and those sponsoring them will make new friends. My thanks to Fr. Dave for inviting Unbound to your parish and to all of you for your very gracious hospitality. If you didn't become a sponsor over the weekend but still wish to, you can do so by using the UNBOUND bulletin insert from my visit or by going online at [UNBOUND.org](http://UNBOUND.org). If you have any questions about UNBOUND I can answer, please don't hesitate to contact me at [aotearoa3@hotmail.com](mailto:aotearoa3@hotmail.com). Thank you on behalf of the newly sponsored and thanks for the great experience at St. Mary Magdalen. To all: continue to "make a difference."

Sincerely, Fr. Dave Noone

**WELLNESS QUOTE**

Set a goal that makes you want to jump out of bed in the morning.

**LIVINGSTON YAM:**  
**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**  
**EVENTS & HAPPENINGS FOR THOSE 18-35**  
[www.livingstonyam.com](http://www.livingstonyam.com)

**Heart of Jesus Holy Hour**

Saturday, February 10

7:00 - 8:30p

St. Patrick, Brighton

**MONTHLY MASS & DINNER**

Sunday, February 25

5pm Mass @ St. Joseph, Howell

6:30pm Dinner @ Panera

3950 E Grand River Ave, Howell, MI 48843

**MEDITATION FOR BEGINNERS**

God is speaking to you, but are you listening? Here is a class that will teach you how. Our parishioner, Darlene March, will offer a class for those who wish to learn centering meditation in silence and emptiness. Please join her in the **Rectory Basement** on **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.**, or that same evening, at **7 p.m.-10 p.m.** You don't need to bring anything; just wear comfortable clothes. No sign up necessary-- just come. For questions, contact Darlene March at: [ddmarch56@gmail.com](mailto:ddmarch56@gmail.com).