

# Saint Mary Magdalen



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MARCH 11, 2018**

**SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION**

**Weekend Liturgies:**

Saturday: 4:30pm • Sunday: 9 & 11am

**Weekday Liturgies:** Mon., Thurs., Fri.: 9am • Wednesday: 7pm

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturday: 11am–12noon

**Infant Baptism:** Call Erin Wolfe

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Please contact the office at least nine months prior to wedding date

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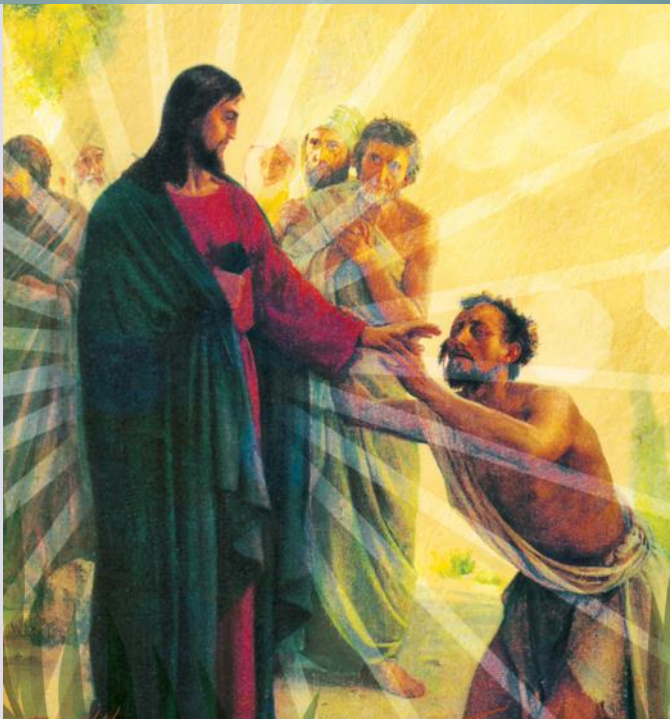
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THE SECOND  
**SCRUTINY**



They said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” He replied, “The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went there and washed and was able to see.” - Jn 9:10-11

## ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

**CELEBRATING PENANCE** During Lent, our penances, prayer and reflection should make us more aware of the sin that separates us from God, each other and even our better selves. In the Sacrament of Penance we are like a person who goes to the doctor after discovering that some illness has diminished their good health; so they go to the doctor for healing. In the same way, I bring my sin, the dis-ease of my spirit to the Divine Physician and ask for healing. (The priest is there as the "Physician's assistant!")

Following are 7 Communal Penance Services offered in the county. Hopefully, one of them will fit into your schedule.

Sun., March 11 (3 pm) St. Agnes, Fowlerville  
 Thurs., March 15 (7 pm) St. Augustine, Deerfield Twp.  
 Thurs., March 15 (7 pm) St. Joseph, Howell  
 Mon., March 19, (7 pm) Holy Spirit, Hamburg

Wed., March 21 (7:30 pm) St. John, Hartland  
 Sat., March 24 (9 am) St. Patrick, Brighton  
 Mon, March 26 (7 pm) St. Mary Magdalen

We also have the Sacrament celebrated individually every Saturday of Lent from 11 - noon.

**DIFFERENT VOICES** During the season of Lent, a reflection from our own parishioners will a part of Evening Prayer on Mondays and the Stations of the Cross on Fridays. This week's reflections will be given by Bob Metz on Monday and Ryan Bosn on Friday. Please join us in prayer and be inspired by their heartfelt reflections.

**EARLY THURSDAY MORNING LITURGY** I only received one response, so we won't be adding a 7 am Liturgy on Thursdays to the schedule.

**THE READINGS OF LENT** This year, the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent are from Cycle A rather than B because we have several catechumen preparing for the Sacraments celebrated at the Easter Vigil, the most important Liturgy of the whole year! The Gospels of these 3 Sundays are from John and invite us to reflect on the 3 Sacraments the catechumen will receive on Holy Saturday: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

This Sunday we meet the nameless man who was born blind. Jesus will cure him by making a mud paste and smearing it on his eyes. The man washing the mud off in the Pool of Siloam is one of few times that Jesus cures someone with more than a word. So why mud?

Remember that in the beginning God created humanity from the dirt of the earth. Jesus makes the mud using His own spittle. The Spirit of Jesus is mixed with the earth – a sign of the recreation of humanity.

*Fr. Dave Howell*

### THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

#### March 12, Monday

Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

9:00 am + Larry Chomin

7:00 pm Evening Prayer

#### March 13, Tuesday

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

9:00 am + Ann Convoy

#### March 14, Wednesday

Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

7:00 pm + Mass of Remembering

#### March 15, Thursday

Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

9:00 am Kaylee Marschall

#### March 16, Friday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

9:00 am + Rudy & Frances Miller

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

#### March 17, Saturday

Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

#### March 18, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45

4:30 pm Vigil + Bill Bitonti

9:00 am + Joy Ford

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

#### **Ezekiel 37:12-14**

The prophet Ezekiel spoke to God's people during their exile in Babylon, 580 years before Christ. In today's passage, the prophet (using the image of death and resurrection) assures the people that God will one day bring them back to their homeland.

#### **Romans 8:8-11**

Paul's letter to the Romans is his most detailed and important theological work. Throughout the letter, he teaches that Jesus overcame sin and the effects of sin. In today's passage, Paul stresses that through the Spirit, this saving power of Jesus is present and active in Christians of all times and places.

#### **John 11:1-45**

John's strange and wonderful story about the raising of Lazarus is filled with strong emotions, dramatic scenes, and profound teaching about the person of Jesus. The combination of narratives with discussion is explained by the fact that John has taken a preexisting account of Lazarus being brought back to life and has overlaid it with his own special style of teaching.

**Reflect:** Are there parts of your life that Jesus has called back to life? What are they?

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

WEEK OF 3/4/2018

Approximately 1452 people participated  
 Env/Cash \$ 20,084  
 EFT/Online \$ 23,602  
**TOTAL \$ 43,686**  
 Children's Collection \$ 81.27



**MASS OF REMEMBERING**

The monthly Mass of Remembering will take place this Wednesday, March 14, at 7 pm. Liturgy is offered for deceased parishioners and relatives, especially: Greg Kalwasinski, Julie Fredrick, John Campbell, John McBride, Nora Ruth Smittle, Kelly Grose, Joel Chouinard, Lucille Bastien, Judy Dumond, Mary Jessop, Lt. Ashley, and Alexander Zaplitny, Jr.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Sue Beaumont	Michelle Neiswan
Taylor Brake	Diane Olsem
Jeanne & Eugene Buel	Peggy Ortiz
Larry Buslepp	Stan Osdras
Eileen Chvala	Sam Petrocella
Linda Coffman	Kathleen Reid
Carole Conklin	Jamie Riley
Hugh Conahan	Ron Sherman
Melody Cook	Matt Siragusa
Cienna Ditri	Norah Standen
Sean English	Emma Thompson
James Farhat	Marylyn Trader
David Grinnell	Michelle Turner
Barb Hemmi	Dick Walker
Karen Johnson	Michelle Warren
Kathleen Konley	Bill Wertz
Ian Lang	Tom Zremski
Herb Langer	Abby
Alan Laginess	Annabelle
Justina Laginess	Chris
Robert Laginess	David
Kelly Luck	Diane
Gwen Maes	Mary
Tom McSweeney	Matt
Diane Matonic	Payton
Diane Milosek	Stella
Diane Morrison	



**Please remember in your prayers:**  
 Martin Milatz and family in the death  
 of his sister, Laurie Atkinson.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, March 12**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:00 am Life Screening  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 6:00 pm Alpha Core  
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen  
 7:00 pm Evening Prayer  
 7:00 pm EDGE  
 7:00 pm Properties  
 7:30 pm Spiritual Development

**Tuesday, March 13**

9:00 am Preschool  
 1:00 pm MOW Card Making  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
 7:00 pm Charity & Justice  
 7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School of MI

**Wednesday, March 14**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:15 am MOMS Group  
 10:00 am Alpha  
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 4:30 & 6:30 Religious Formation  
 7:00 pm Mass of Remembering  
 7:30 pm Marriage Ministry  
 7:30 pm Finance Council  
 7:30 pm Community Life

**Thursday, March 15**

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

**Friday, March 16**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 6:00 pm Soup and Bread Supper  
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
 7:30 pm Scrutiny Experience

**Saturday, March 17**

**Sunday, March 18**

9:00 am Family Program  
 9:00 am RCIA  
 10:20 am Kindergarten Formation  
 12:15 pm Home Study Check-In  
 3:00 pm 6th Grade Temple Trip  
 6:30 pm 9th Grade Religious Formation  
 6:15 pm Youth Alpha (Registered Youth Only)

**BP Screenings after masses on 3/17 & 3/18**

**WELLNESS QUOTE**

Freedom is a state of mind.

## RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Roxanne Hundsrucker

**Our Lenten Journey**

Have you attended Stations of the Cross, or a Monday Evening Prayer service? Both of these services are led by various lay ministers and ordinary members of the parish. This provides a great opportunity for all of us to grow in our faith. Last Monday evening prayer service was led by Pat Metz, a parishioner, and a Director of Religious Formation in the Archdiocese of Detroit. The following is some of what she shared with us:

*"I believe that Christ intercedes for us to God when we let Lent (prayer, fasting, and almsgiving) permeate every cell of our being! Christ intercedes for us to God when we "waste time in prayer." When Father Dave used this definition on Ash Wednesday, I had a hard time with it—I don't like to waste time—I like to get things done, to accomplish something...but I knew he was right. Christ intercedes for us to God when "prayer is a hunger" (from Father Ed Farrell). When we pray because not to do so would starve our soul—our very spirits. When prayer is our very breath.*

*Christ intercedes for us to God when we allow fasting to turn to feasting. When we fast from judging others, and feast on Christ dwelling in them. When we fast from seeing differences, and feast on the unity of all life. When we fast from bitterness and feast on forgiveness. When we fast from complaining, and feast on appreciating and gratefulness. And so on! Christ intercedes for us to God when to fast means that we are empty. When our emptiness allows the fullness of God to dwell within us.*

*Christ intercedes for us to God when almsgiving is more than dropping a few coins in a basket. When we accept our part - "responsibility to make a broken world whole again, when we are agents who work to overcome the wrong distribution of the earth's gifts through greed, power, or entitlement."*

*God has given us everything...all we need, so that when it is time for us to be reborn into eternal life, we will have everything we need to take with us: the love of those around us, and the life of Father, Son and Spirit within us.*

**Religious Formation Bulletin Board**

Stop by the Religious Formation table in the gathering area and add a word or phrase that represents **Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving** for you. Your slip will be added into a mosaic mural on the Religious Formation Bulletin Board in the West Wing. The mural is coming together quite nicely.

## YOUTH NEWS

Margaret Callaghan



**Our summer service trip with the NRN** is July 28-August 3. If you would like to learn about the experience, contact Margaret

Callaghan in the office at 810-229-8624 or by email at [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com).

**Dearborn Meat sales have begun!** Get your ham and other meat treats through us. Stop any of us in the gathering area for an order form.

**We are meeting this weekend** for our fourth Youth Alpha session at 6:30. On the menu for dinner is a Mexican bar type buffet. The feedback so far regarding these sessions has been positive. The high school hosts at each table are encouraged by the conversation amongst the participants in their small groups. I hope you at home are hearing good things as well.



**This season of Lent**, for me, has been reflective. My longing for a more personal relationship with God is growing and I have a real thirst to spend quiet time with him. My heart fills with joy during mass and I am more at peace in general. Making God a real part of my day, of my conversations, of my thoughts, causes me to be more patient with my words and actions. The more my heart fills with God and love, the more love just flows from my heart for others. How are you growing in relationship so far this season? What has been your biggest challenge?

**EDGE**

Our next meeting is this Monday, March 12. It's our only meeting we have scheduled for the month. Plan to join us 7-8:30.

**25th Anniversary**  
**Pictorial Directory**

Please be a part of our new family directory program. Photography dates are: **April 24 through May 5**. Sign up after Masses in the Gathering Area or online\* Monday through Friday using the "New Parish Directory" link at [www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org). Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory for participating. You are not obligated to purchase any photographs taken. More information will be available online or when you sign up after Mass.

\***Church Code: MI1068 Password: pictures**

**OF FAITH AND SERVICE**

Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF

**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.

Come 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.

**Palm Sunday**

The weekend of March 24 & 25 is Palm Sunday when we will participate a bit more with Palm Crafts after each of the Masses in the Community Room. Children and adults who know how to create a cross, a crown of thorns, a flower, a spray of wheat, or any other, please share your skill with others after the Mass you attend that weekend. Please sign up if you can do this task so we know how many tables to reserve. Thank you.

**Annual Seder Meal**

Wednesday, March 28, 6:30 pm, for school age children and Adults. Catholics celebrate the Seder Meal in recognition of our Jewish faith on the eve before Holy Thursday. Father Dave will lead us in the Haggadah Ritual and Meal. Please see the Bulletin Board in the Gathering Space to sign up and/or bring a dish for the potluck meal.

**Adult Confirmation Classes**

Any Adult or High School Student who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, at the 11 am Mass, is invited to attend 6 preparatory classes. They will be here at St. Mary Magdalen, Tuesday evenings, 7-9pm, April 10 – May 15. High School Students must have permission from their Pastor. Please contact Sr. Joyce if interested.

**Easter Bunny Helpers**

The thousands of plastic eggs are in! Anyone who would like to take some eggs home to fill with candy or non-edible treats, come to Sr. Joyce's Office. Your help is very much appreciated!

**Mark your Calendars! Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

Saturday, March 31, at Noon, the First Hunt will begin. Children ages 0 – 13 are welcome. St. Patrick school students are also invited. Brighton Fire Truck will be here. Children bring your baskets and parents bring your cameras!

Sister Joyce

**CHARITY & JUSTICE****Senior Giving Tree**

The Senior Giving Tree is in the Gathering Space until Easter week. With your generous support, we can bring a little help to our seniors this Lenten season. **Please return your gift by March 26.** Place your donation with tag attached under the tree and if you are purchasing gift cards, please attach tag to card and put in the marked box under the tree. If you have any questions, contact Jeanne Penneau at 920-840-0092.

**Center for Hope – Please no Plastic Bags & Water Bottles**

The Center for Hope is ***no longer accepting*** plastic grocery bags or empty water bottles.

**Card Making Class  
Tuesday, March 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.



Protect your health by participating in the Life Line Screening health screenings that will be at St. Mary Magdalen Church on **Monday, March 12, 2018.**

Register today for the Stroke, Vascular & Heart Rhythm package, which includes four screenings: carotid artery, abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease and atrial fibrillation. **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.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle) or text the word circle to 797979 .**

**Lawn Cutting!**



Spring is just around the corner. Sign-up for grass cutting is in the Gathering Area alcove to the right as you are leaving church. Thank you in advance for signing up!



**Drivers Needed!**

**Do you enjoy meeting new people? Do you have a few hours a month to help home-bound seniors?**

Livingston County Catholic Charities (LCCC) is looking for volunteers who like working with older adults. Opportunities include (but are not limited to): transport older adults to appointments; errands; friendly home visits and respite care for family members.

**An hour or two a week or month can make the world of difference to a homebound senior!**

If you know of anyone that would benefit from these services or if you would like to become a volunteer, please contact Linda Bauby of LCCC at (517)545-5944 ext. 121 or [linda@livingstoncatholiccharities.org](mailto:linda@livingstoncatholiccharities.org). Further information on our programs can be viewed at [www.livingstoncatholiccharities.org](http://www.livingstoncatholiccharities.org).

**Livingston County  
Ultrasound Initiative**

We are now at a combined total of **901 Babies Saved** within the FOURTEEN Pro Life Pregnancy Centers we have assisted throughout the State of Michigan over the last FIVE plus years. We are currently engaged with TWO additional Pregnancy Resource Centers, Alpha Family Center of Lowell & New Life Pregnancy Center in Gaylord. We recently assisted in the purchase of a 2D Abdominal Probe for Pregnancy Services of Greater Lansing (Holt) location. Currently we are having our "Time To Save Lives" Spring Raffle", please see your parish representative or visit our website for details. None of this would be possible without your generous donations and continued support.

LCUI is a 501 C3 Non-Profit Organization. Please follow our progress for a complete list of these pregnancy Centers at: [www.lcultrasound.org](http://www.lcultrasound.org) or at [www.facebook.com/lcultrasound](https://www.facebook.com/lcultrasound)

**MINISTERS OF PRAYER**

- Sun. March 11 Kyle Geran, Jerry Dolkowski
- Mon. March 12 Mary Bidinger, Cass & Ros Wodarski, Janice Finn
- Tues. March 13 Matthew Kroll, Rachel Tuzinsky
- Wed. March 14 Pat & Gale Harris
- Thur. March 15 Bob & Dawn Gustitus  
Madelyn Gostomski
- Fri. March 16 Jean Glowacki
- Sat. March 17 Don & Betty Gehan



**Mom-to-Mom Sale**

St. Mary Magdalen, 2201 Old US 23, Brighton MI  
**Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 9am-1pm -\$1**

Early Admission: 8:30am - \$2

Rental Info: Tables \$15, Rack Space \$5

Large Items \$1/each

Contact: Rodney Simon (586)596-4813 or email [brightonmomsale@gmail.com](mailto:brightonmomsale@gmail.com)

**Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council #12295**

**Save the Date!**

**The Annual Saint Mary Magdalen Golf Classic  
Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>**

Mystic Creek Golf Club – Milford, MI

8:30 AM Shotgun Start

All Are Welcome!

\$90 – Includes 18 Hole Scramble with Cart, Continental Breakfast, Lunch at the turn & Awards Banquet Dinner



Proceeds Benefit Knights of Columbus Charities

**Sponsorship Opportunities Still Available!**

Contact Dave Alfanos (586) 212-3504

[alfanosd@mscdirect.com](mailto:alfanosd@mscdirect.com)

**GYM ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Mon. Mar. 12	7:00 pm	EDGE
	8:30 pm	Men's Basketball
Tue. Mar. 13	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wed. Mar. 14	4:30 pm	Religious Formation
	6:00 pm	Hartland Eagles Baseball
Thu. Mar. 15	5:30 pm	Religious Formation
	8:30 pm	Men's Basketball
Fri. Mar. 16	_____	_____
Sat. Mar. 17	_____	_____
Sun. Mar. 18	9:00 am	Family Program
	6:15 pm	Youth Alpha
	6:15 pm	9th Gr. Rel. Formation



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
PANCAKE BREAKFAST  
TODAY!**

**Sunday, March 11  
9:30 AM - 1:00 PM**

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

**MONTHLY MASS & DINNER**  
Sunday, March 25  
5pm Mass @ St. Joseph, Howell  
6:30pm Dinner @ El Patron  
2010 E Grand River Ave, Howell, MI 48843

**Come gather in prayer and grow as community  
as we embark upon Holy Week!**

Contact Shannon at [livingstonyam@gmail.com](mailto:livingstonyam@gmail.com) or [810-588-7665](tel:810-588-7665)  
or visit [www.livingstonyam.com](http://www.livingstonyam.com) for more info.  
Also find us on Facebook at "Livingston YAM"

**FREE AND FUN  
FOOTBALL TRAINING!**



Do you want your son to experience a great, Catholic-based football training clinic? Come out to one or all of the Ann Arbor Saints **FREE** Football Clinics! The Ann Arbor Saints compete in the Detroit Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Tackle Football League. The Saints are sponsoring **FREE** Football Clinics for all boys currently in the 3rd through 7th grades. The clinics will focus on basic football skills and drills (no hitting and no pads). They will be held **March 24th and April 21st, 2018 at St. Thomas the Apostle gym in Ann Arbor**. The clinics run from 9:00 am – 10:30 am for boys in the 3rd-5th grades (8:30am sign in) and 11:00 – 12:30 pm for boys in the 6th–7th grades (10:30am sign in). There will also be **one more clinic that will be held in May, time and place tbd**. This is a great opportunity to introduce young men to a sport that helps teach a great many virtues and disciplines and increase skills for boys already involved in the game. For more information please contact Dan Kelly at [dkellyaa@yahoo.com](mailto:dkellyaa@yahoo.com) or see our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/AnnArborSaints](http://www.facebook.com/AnnArborSaints).