

Saint Mary Magdalen



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 18, 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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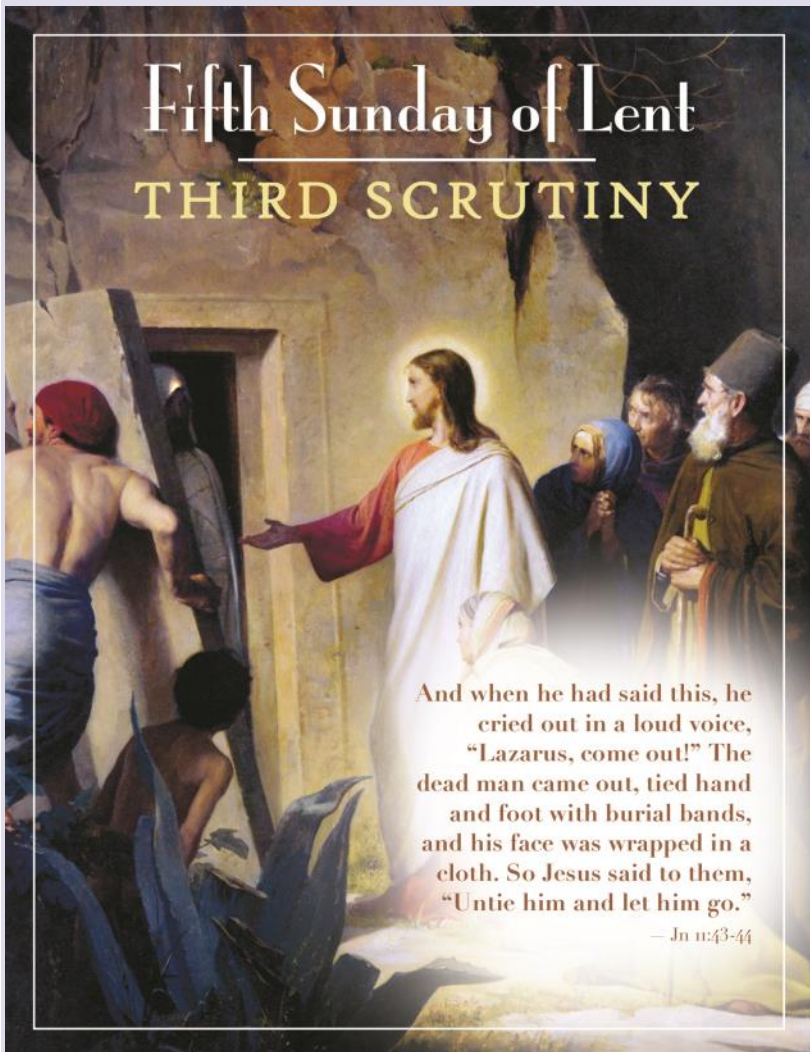
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**Fifth Sunday of Lent
THIRD SCRUTINY**



And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."

— Jn 11:43-44

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

LENT & PENANCE Lent is a time to turn away from sin to live the Gospel more fully. We are invited to ritualize this change of heart by bringing our sin to the Sacrament of Penance.

In these final days of Lent, there are four Communal Celebrations of the Sacrament:

Mon, March 19, (7 pm) Holy Spirit, Hamburg
Wed, March 21 (7 pm) St. John, Hartland

Sat, March 24 (9 am) St. Patrick, Brighton
Mon, March 26 (7 pm) St. Mary Magdalen

In our parish, the Sacrament is celebrated individually, every Saturday of Lent, 11 am - noon.

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

THREE DAYS THAT MATTER The Triduum, the three day celebration of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, will soon be here.

The Triduum celebrates the pass over of the Lord Jesus from death to life, a wonderful truth that is the very core of what we believe as Christians.

Triduum is another name for the special Liturgy that begins on Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. That service does not really end, we simply leave with the Lord to watch & pray with Him until midnight when we disperse as we recall His arrest. The next day, Good Friday, we gather in silence to witness His condemnation and execution. Again, the service does not end, we simply depart until we gather on Holy Saturday evening to witness & celebrate the resurrection.

This year I invite you to truly celebrate your faith by joining in the Triduum (March 29 – 30 - 31).

THE READINGS OF LENT This year, the 3rd, 4th & 5th 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 Lazarus, the friend of Jesus and the brother of Martha and Mary. It is in the midst of the death of Lazarus that Jesus gives us the greatest insight into who He is; as He told both the sisters: Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life! Later, we shared in the Bread of Life!

Fr. Dave Howell

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

March 19, Monday, St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Lk 2:41-51a

9:00 am Donna Babcock

7:00 pm Evening Prayer

March 20, Tuesday

Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

9:00 am + Harriett Collura

March 21, Wednesday, Mass of Anointing

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

7:00 pm + Patti Conahan

March 22, Thursday

Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

9:00 am + MaryAnna Horkan

March 23, Friday

Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

9:00 am + Arthur Rowland

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

March 24, Saturday

Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

March 25, Palm Sunday of The Passion of the Lord

Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1 - 15:47

4:30 pm Vigil + Patrick Doyle

9:00 am + Ann Bund

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Isaiah 50:4-7

Chapters 40 – 55 of the Book of Isaiah contain the message of a prophet who spoke to God's people during their exile in Babylon. Several times the prophet speaks about a servant who will one day deliver God's people. Because the Servant is portrayed as suffering, Christians have identified Jesus with him.

Philippians 2:6-11

We have in this passage one of the most beautiful sections of Paul's letter to the Philippians. He wants the members of the community at Philippi to work harder at unity and humility, and to teach this he quotes an early Christian hymn about Jesus.

Mark 14:1 - 15:47

The evangelist Mark sees the Passion of Jesus as the highpoint of his ministry that began after his Baptism by John and the Spirit driving him out into the desert where he was tempted by Satan. Mark's account of Jesus' ministry is brief and to the point but uses 1/5 of the Gospel on the Passion. Mark's intention was to show that Jesus is the suffering servant who is the Son of God. Jesus finds his glory by following the will of God to the cross.

Reflect: What part of the Passion story most touches your life this year?

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEK OF 3/11/2018

Approximately 1273 people participated
 Env/Cash \$ 15,812
 EFT/Online \$ 7,053
TOTAL \$ 22,865
 Children's Collection \$ 51.50

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, March 19

9:00 am Preschool
 9:45 am Yoga
 6:00 pm Alpha Core
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen
 7:00 pm Evening Prayer
 7:30 pm K of C Planning

Tuesday, March 20

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

Wednesday, March 21

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 Anointing
 7:30 pm Pastoral Council

Thursday, March 22

9:00 am Preschool
 5:30 pm Religious Formation
 5:45 pm Alpha Leaders
 6:30 pm Alpha
 7:00 pm Preschool Board Meeting
 7:30 pm Music Ministry

Friday, March 23

9:00 am Preschool
 9:45 am Yoga
 6:00 pm Soup and Bread Supper
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
 7:45 pm Rehearsal for Gospel Readers

Saturday, March 24

7:30 am Men's Breakfast

Sunday, March 25 Palm Sunday

11:00 am RCIA
 7:00 pm Renew

Holy Land Family Artifacts For Sale All Weekend



Please remember in your prayers:

Jim Kronk and family in the death of his mother, Helen Kronk.

Gina Tripi and family in the death of her father, John Tripi.

MASS OF ANOINTING



will be celebrated **Wednesday, March 21, at 7:00 pm**. All who have a serious or chronic illness, or who are facing surgery, are encouraged to attend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Donna Babcock	Diane Milosek
Sue Beaumont	Diane Morrison
Teresa Beyer	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	Michelle Warren
Karen Johnson	Bill Wertz
Kathleen Konley	Tom Zremski
Ian Lang	Abby
Herb Langer	Annabelle
Alan Laginess	Chris
Justina Laginess	David
Robert Laginess	Diane
Kelly Luck	Mary
Gwen Maes	Matt
Jean Mayer	Payton
Tom McSweeney	Stella
Diane Matonic	Sunni

WELLNESS QUOTE

“Mistakes are proof that you are trying.”

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Roxanne Hundsrucker

Religious Formation Registration 2018/2019

We will begin registration for Fall 2018 classes today for our Family Program, then this Wednesday and Thursday for traditional Religious Formation classes. It is important for parishes to host early registrations as our publishers offer great incentives to those who purchase materials early. We encourage all families to register as soon as possible. Children in kindergarten will need to begin Religious Formation in first grade to be on track to receive the sacrament of First Eucharist (First Holy Communion) in the spring of their second grade school year.

Journey with Jesus (JWJ) Vacation Bible School

We are looking for several adults to join our planning committee. Please contact me or Karen in the parish office. We need adults to help us before, during, and after for clean-up. Some help can be done from home such as decorations, registration, and even putting together craft kits. The week of JWJ is July 30– August 3, 2018 and our theme is “Shipwrecked, Rescued by Jesus.” During the week of JWJ we bring together about 100 participants and about 50 pre-teen/teen helpers. It is necessary to have about 15 adults during the week of JWJ.

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. There will be a need for hall monitors and nursery helpers as well. If you are reading this and thinking we most likely have enough help, think again... Please contact Karen or myself for more information.

Our Lenten Journey

Stop by the Religious Formation table in the gathering area and fill out a slip as we explore the three pillars of Lent which are; *Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving*. We have four colors represented in the following manner; **Red = Prayer requests** (prayers we need or we would like others to pray for during Lent) **Yellow = Prayers of Thanksgiving** (things we pray for that we are thankful for in our lives) **Blue = Almsgiving** (things that we do to make ourselves truly happy) **Brown = Fasting** (things that we give up on be half of our love of Jesus). Stasia is building a mosaic mural “Our Lenten Journey” on the Religious Formation Bulletin Board in the West Wing. Come take a look at our bulletin board in the West Wing when you are able.

YOUTH NEWS

Margaret Callaghan

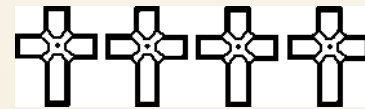
Thank you to Janice Finn, Jill Joyce and Mary Lani-gan who volunteered their time to chaperone a group of high school student to the Warming Center in Flint while I was with middle school students at the Middle School Rally. Both events were great opportunities for growth.

This weekend is your last chance to turn in your Dearborn Meat order form.

Two more weeks left of lent! Reflect on the events of the Passion. What part of the story speaks to you? I challenge you to think about this, to focus on what you struggle with, so that by Easter the celebration is more than just candy and nice clothes; it's a true celebration of the soul.

The part that resonates with me is when Jesus finds his disciples asleep after he asks them to keep watch. He shows us that we need to pray, that even he needs our Father for strength and courage. In times of difficulty and struggles, I too need to call on him, to trust him and turn my troubles over to him who loves me.

In regards to prayer, am I like the disciples, too tired to stay awake? Am I too busy to stop and be still? Do I wear myself too thin to be strong enough, or focused enough, to stay awake to hear him? Think about what has been challenging for you and reflect on why.

**EDGE**

Those who participated in the Middle School Rally last weekend had a great time! It is fun and engaging!

We meet only two more times in April, on Monday the 9th and then on the 23rd.

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. 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

Come enjoy a simple meal together in the name of Christ's poor. The ALMS goes to Magdalen's Kitchen. Lenten Fridays at 6 pm in the Community Room. 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 Bulletin Board in the Gathering Space to sign up and/or bring a dish for the potluck meal.



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.

Students needing service work hours, please consider this or assisting at the Easter Egg Hunt itself. Wrapped candies and small items that fit into plastic eggs are requested. A donation basket for candy is in the Gathering Space. Thank you!

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. Plan to come early as the "hunts" go fast.

Sister Joyce

CHARITY & JUSTICE

Stewardship of the Earth

In June, 2015, Pope Francis published his encyclical *Laudato Si'*. Based on the Pope's letter and ideas proposed by parishioners, a project has been arranged at Kensington Metro Park to help address invasive species threatening native plants in the park.



The project will take place on **April 21 from 10 to 2** in the park. If you would like to participate or if you'd like more information, please sign up in the Gathering Space or contact Ken Kuna at ken.kuna@gmail.com or 734-751-4100.

Senior Giving Tree

The Senior Giving Tree is in the Gathering Space until Easter week. **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.



Maximilian: Saint of Auschwitz, the moving, live production performed by Leonardo Defilippis of Saint Luke Productions, will be presented at **Brighton Center for the Performing Arts in Brighton on Friday, April 13 at 7:30pm.**



Experience firsthand the story of this heroic priest, Fr. Maximilian Kolbe, who courageously fought the forces of evil, and offered his life for a family man in the concentration camp of Auschwitz during World War II. The program is filled with all the elements of professional theater, runs 90 minutes, and is suitable for ages 10 and up.

Admission will be \$10 each. For additional information, contact Shannon Scherba at (810) 588-7665. Tickets will be available at all at Livingston County Catholic Churches. www.livingstoncatholic.com

Watch the gripping trailer & learn more at www.StMaxDrama.com.

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. Further information on our programs can be viewed at www.livingstoncatholiccharities.org.

Save the Date!

**The Annual Saint Mary Magdalen Golf Classic
Saturday, June 9th**

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
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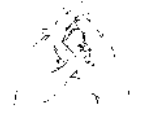


GYM ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Mon. Mar. 19	8:30 pm	Men's Basketball
Tue. Mar. 20	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wed. Mar. 21	4:30 pm	Religious Formation
	6:00 pm	Hartland Eagles Baseball
Thu. Mar. 22	5:30 pm	Religious Formation
	8:30 pm	Men's Basketball
Fri. Mar. 23	_____	_____
Sat. Mar. 24	_____	_____
Sun. Mar. 25	9:00 am	Palm Sunday Passion

MINISTERS OF PRAYER

- Sun. March 18 Luigi & Adriana Milani,
Dennis Wagener
- Mon. March 19 Barb Dolkowski, Pete Kelly,
Joyce Muchler
- Tues. March 20 Joe & Barb Kowal
- Wed. March 21 Lisa Pajtas
- Thu. March 22 Jim Hynes
- Fri. March 23 Volunteer
- Sat. March 24 Volunteer



STORIES of the PARISH



We are looking for stories of how St.

Mary Magdalen has been important to you and your family.

Send us yours! Email your story to our Story Editor, Skip Dorrington: maskip25@gmail.com. We will share them with the community throughout 2018 to celebrate our anniversary. Thanks!

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL in HOWELL is seeking a Principal for its PK - 8 school, a ministry of St. Joseph Parish of the Diocese of Lansing. Further information about the school is available at: <http://school.stjosephhowell.com>. Application information is available at www.dioceseoflansing.com by clicking on the "Careers" button under the "Diocese" label. Application Deadline: March 19, 2018

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 or at www.facebook.com/lcultrasound



Marriage Enrichment Opportunities

Looking for an opportunity for meaningful time away with your spouse? Enrich your marriage – and your Catholic faith by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend March 16-18 in East Grand Rapids, April 13-15 in Holly, or April 27-29 in Troy. Contact Andrew & Alaina Wollner at 734-531-9191 for more info and apply online at www.wwme.org.

**LIVINGSTON YAM:
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
EVENTS & HAPPENINGS FOR THOSE 18-35**
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 or [810-588-7665](tel:810-588-7665)
or visit 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 or see our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/AnnArborSaints.