

# Saint Mary Magdalen



**THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**APRIL 22, 2018**

**SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION**

**Weekend Liturgies:**

Saturday: 4:30pm • Sunday: 9 & 11am

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

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturday: 11:30am–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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**Monday–Friday** ..... 8:30am–4:30pm

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**ALL THINGS CONSIDERED**

**ALICE** Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate; Many thanks to Domenic Lauria, a parishioner & police officer in Farmington Hills, for taking the time to do the training – which I hope we will never need! It was helpful to all who participated. It provided information that we may never use here, but may need at a store, a school or even a movie theater. Thanks to Gary Prise who worked with Domenic to set up our ALICE training and coordinated both sessions.

**STORIES of the PARISH** In my “spare time” over the last few months, I have been writing my version of the story of our first 25 years. Not only has it been “an enjoyable trip down memory lane”, it has also been rather amazing to recall all that we accomplished over the last 25 years. Between July 1993 and June of 1998, I moved six times! And that is only a part of the story.

I am grateful that we have collections of old bulletins and other material to jog my memory. As I read through them I think, Oh yeah, how could I have forgotten that!

It would be wonderful to include your stories in the bulletin over the course of this anniversary year and in the final compilation of our history! We would also like to gather pictures that span our 25 years. Send your story to our story editor, Skip Dorrington: maskip25@gmail.com.

If you have photos you took at parish events, ministries in action, etc., please email them to: photos@saintmarymagdalen.org. These will be posted in the east and north hallways for folks to see. We will also use them for special video recollections Diane Kubus will create.

**STAFF CHANGES** Two of our staff intend to retire ahead of me: Kathie Anderer, the director of our Preschool, and Dave Wisniewski, our bookkeeper. Both will be sorely missed.

Both these positions are part-time. The Preschool director 4-5 hours a day, approximately 200 days over the course of a year. The bookkeeping position is approximately 18 hours per week, some of which need to be in daytime, but the hours are flexible. Both positions will be filled in May, so the new people can work with those who are doing the job now and we can have a smooth transition.

Applications can be found on our website.

The last day to apply is **Friday, April 27 by 4:30 pm.**

**JURY DUTY** Ever since I registered to vote, I have received four summons for jury duty. In January, I received my fourth summons, for federal court in Flint. This time I never needed to report!

*Fr. Dave Howell*

**STORIES OF THE PARISH****WE FOUND OUR FAITH HOME**

By Russ and Judy Gentner

We moved to Brighton in January, 25 years ago, just as the New Catholic Community of Brighton was forming. To be honest we weren't sure if we wanted to be part of it. Going to Mass in a school activity space didn't seem like the “right” atmosphere to celebrate mass for two cradle Catholics brought up within the stained glass, marble and gold encrusted walls of established parishes.

We decided to check it out, and after attending our first Mass, we knew we had found our church in Brighton. We were greeted with genuine warmth and participation during the Mass was inspiring, the music was uplifting and everyone was singing.

Father Dave's celebration of the Mass moved us in a way we hadn't felt before. His homily made us feel like he was talking directly to us; in a way that made sense of the Lord's presence in our life right now, at that moment.

After Mass, there wasn't a rush to the doors to leave, people, families milled around chatting. Of course, our girls were interested in the donuts, but even they were not pulling us out the door. That is pretty huge for two kids in 6th and 4th grade who were uprooted from their schools mid-year to move to the “country”.

We signed on to be part of the founding families of what has become St. Mary Magdalen, our spiritual home. Along the way, a few interesting things have happened. First, after joining, we quickly realized that our daughters, Allison and Jaclyn were truly listening to the scripture readings and homilies. We could discuss them during dinner throughout the week and provide each other with gentle reminders of how Father Dave had suggested we live God's word.

Second, our whole family was inspired to get involved and grow our faith with this beautiful community...not just show up once a week for Mass.

Allison was married to a fellow parishioner in this wonderful community and Jaclyn, who lives out of state, truly looks forward to coming home and celebrating Mass at St. Mary Magdalen.

We are very blessed to be part of this community which has given us strength in difficult times, and shared in our joy. We will be forever grateful to Father Dave and our St. Mary Magdalen family for inspiring us to continue to grow in God's love, to be better people and to always trust in God during our life's journey. God Bless.



## THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

**April 23, Monday**

Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10

9:00 am First Eucharist Candidates

**April 24, Tuesday**

Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

9:00 am Communion Service

**April 25, Wednesday, Saint Mark, Evangelist**

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

7:00 pm + Patrick Maciejewski

**April 26, Thursday**

Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

9:00 am + Lawrence &amp; Ernestine Wolfe

**April 27, Friday**

Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

9:00 am + Edward Gosbeth

**April 28, Saturday**

Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

**April 29, Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

4:30 pm Vigil + Ronald Denkhaus

9:00 am + Jean Schultz

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Acts 9:26-31**

Earlier in the book of Acts, we hear of Saul (later known as Paul) persecuting Christians in Jerusalem. When he went to Damascus to do more of the same, he experienced a dramatic conversion. It was several years before he returned to Jerusalem, the site of the earlier persecutions. His first visit to Jerusalem as a Christian is described in today's reading.

**1 John 3:18-24**

During this Easter season, we are reading from the first letter of John. In today's passage, the author is dealing with some members of the community who have defected. They seem to have believed that as long as you have faith in Jesus, it doesn't matter what you do in daily life. The author directly refutes that position.

**John 15:1-8**

John frequently writes of the "mutual indwelling" and today's image is the vine and the branches. The point is clear. We are so much a part of Christ and He so much a part of us, that separation can only mean death. The consequences are that we can bear much fruit united with Christ pruned, pruned we can produce even more. The reward is our intimate participation in the risen life of Christ.

**Reflect:** When we live in Jesus, we do good things. What good deed will you do for someone this week?

*Marriage  
& Blessings*

*11 Susan Kennedy & Jerry Sams*



## MASS OF ANOINTING

will be celebrated **Wednesday, April 25, 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	Tom McSweeney
Sue Beaumont	Diane Matonic
Jimmy Blicharz	Diane Milosek
Steven & Eli Boulanger	Diane Morrison
Taylor Brake	Diane Olsem
Jeanne & Eugene Buel	Peggy Ortiz
Larry Buslepp	Stan Osdras
Reggie Caprara	Sam Petrocella
Eileen Chvala	Kathleen Reid
Linda Coffman	Ron Sherman
Michael Columbus	Lisa Shibley
Kerry Comb	Pat Siegel
Paul Daughenbaugh	Matt Siragusa
Cienna Ditri	Emma Thompson
Sean English	Marylyn Trader
James Farhat	Michelle Turner
David Grinnell	Bill Wertz
Jeff Harper	Tom Zremski
Barb Hemmi	Annabelle
Kathleen Konley	David
Ian Lang	Krissy
Herb Langer	Matt
Alan Laginess	Paul
Robert Laginess	Payton
Kelly Luck	Stella
Gwen Maes	Sunni
Jean Mayer	Theresa

**Lost & Found** Please check the Lost & Found table in the Gathering Space for any items that may belong to you. **Articles not claimed by April 29** will be donated. For future reference, the Lost & Found table will be in the Hospitality Room located at the back of the Worship Space. Contact the Church Secretary for lost valuables. Thank you.

## RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Roxanne Hundsrucker

**Family Program Wrap-Up**

Today is the last Family Program session and our end-of-the-year Pot-Luck. Fifty-one families participated in a non-traditional religious formation delivery system this year. We made a few changes going into this year and continue working on a few more for the year to come. The goal is to make Liturgy and formation a great experience for the entire family.

**Journey with Jesus (JWJ) Vacation Bible School**

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 and it is necessary that they all attend a Virtus training prior to the week. It is important we have adults commit to helping make this week a continued success.

**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.

**Religious Formation Registration 2018/2019**

If you have not registered your children grades 1-10 for Religious Formation, Fall 2018 please do so right away. You can register in the parish office Monday—Thursday, 9 am—8 pm and Friday, 9 am—4 pm. Our class sessions will be Wednesdays, 4:30–6 pm and 6:30—8 pm and Thursday 5:30–7 pm. Family program is already at it capacity.

Children currently 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.

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.

## YOUTH NEWS

Margaret Callaghan

As **Youth Alpha** comes to an end next weekend, mark your calendar for our **first Youth Group meeting back, on May 6**. All high school youth are invited to join us for an evening of good ole' fashion fun in the youth room, 7-9pm.



**Note, the end of the year YG meeting on June 11**, will be held again at the Finelli's and will be 5-8 pm. We will have pizza, potluck side-dishes and swimming! Thank you to the Finelli's for opening their home to us.

**EDGE**

I can't even believe it! This week will be our last EDGE meeting for the 2017-18 school year. Come celebrate the year in pictures with food, fun and games! Our poster boards will be displayed and yours for the taking, right off the board!

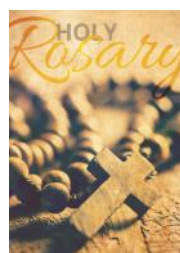
We will send off the 8th graders with prayer and well wishes, and welcome any interested 5th grader looking to find out what EDGE is all about. Join us for an evening full of fun, 7-8:30 pm Monday April 23.

**My partner in EDGE** (crime LOL) these past 14 years is, and has been, Jeannie Herrell. It has been a blessing to have had her dedication and support over the years for our middle school students. When asked what is special about our parish, she said “I love how genuine our middle-schoolers are. I love how one minute they are eating a donut off the string with no hands, and the next minute they can be the most reverent, faith-filled people. It's so precious, just so precious. I am grateful for parents who have let me love their children over these years. Thank you.”

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
ST. MARY MAGDALEN  
FAMILY ROSARY  
SUNDAY, APRIL 29

12:15 pm

All families are invited next Sunday, April 29, to the K of C Family Rosary, here at St. Mary Magdalen. Please join us after 11 am Mass.



**OF FAITH AND SERVICE**

Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF

**50+ Senior Ministry Reinstated**

**Thursday, April 26**, we have planned lunch at Tyme Well Spent Tea Room, in Hartland. Cost of a meal is about \$12 each. Prior reservations must be made through Sr. Joyce if coming.

**Spring Cleaning Kitchen**

**Wednesday, April 25, 10 am –Lunch Provided**

We ask for a couple people from each group, who regularly use the kitchen, to come this day to give the kitchen a thorough cleaning. And anyone who is able and willing to help with this is absolutely welcome! More hands mean less work for everyone. We appreciate some men to do some heavier tasks. Special Blessings will be awarded to each of you.



**Art of Aging Conference**

A Conference created for Seniors by Seniors to celebrate creative aging.

Sponsored by The Institute of Gerontology of Wayne State University.

**Thursday, May 17, 8:30 am – 2 pm**

Held at Fellowship Chapel  
7707 West Outer Drive  
Detroit, Michigan

(between the Lodge & Southfield Freeway)

Cost is \$20 and includes a light breakfast and hot lunch and 2 workshops.

Information and Registration Forms from Sr. Joyce OR Gathering Space Bulletin Board OR Donna at 313-664-2605 or ba8841@wayne.edu.

**WELLNESS QUOTE**

"While we are postponing, life speeds by."  
— Seneca

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER



**CHARITY & JUSTICE**

**Mother's Day Carnation Sale**

Give your mom a fresh flower this Mothers' Day. Members of Charity & Justice will have a table set up in the gathering space the weekend of May 12/13 with carnations for sale. Proceeds will go to support the local Right to Life efforts.



**St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive**

*"I was naked and you clothed me" - Matthew 25:36*

It is time for our spring St. Vincent de Paul clothing drive. Please help to advance their mission to feed, clothe, house and heal individuals and families in the southwest Detroit area who have no where else to turn. Bring your clean, gently used clothing and linens (in bags, no boxes please) to the pod that will be in our parking lot on May 19/20, 2018. You can make a difference!

**Spirituality and Creativity**

**Sunday, April 22**

"Spirituality and creativity are dancing partners," says Julia Cameron, author of *The Artist's Way*—a program that has helped many people deepen and develop their spirituality by enhancing and embracing their own creativity.

Colleen Schulte will be leading a group of parishioners interested in experiencing *The Artist's Way*, which will start in May. She's having an information session on **Sunday, April 22, 4-5pm**, to answer questions and explain more about the program.

All are invited to attend. If you are interested but cannot attend, email her at [cgs@colleengleason.com](mailto:cgs@colleengleason.com) or contact her through Steve Schulte.

**VIDEO MINISTERS NEEDED**



We are looking for a few more people to help on the Video Ministry Team. Team members take turns running the video system at the 9 am Sunday Liturgy (record and livestream), weddings, baptisms, and special presentations and Liturgies. Training is provided. If you are interested, please contact Ed Lezon at 248-755-5103 or email: [edlezon@hotmail.com](mailto:edlezon@hotmail.com)

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

WEEK OF 4/15/2018

Approximately 1095 people participated  
 Env/Cash \$ 17,360  
 EFT/Online \$ 3,393  
**TOTAL \$ 20,753**  
 Children's Collection \$ 35.14

*The earth and everything in it, the world and its inhabitants,  
 belong to the Lord. - Psalm 24:1*

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, April 23**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 4:30 pm First Eucharist Photos  
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen  
 7:00 pm Mystagogia  
 7:00 pm EDGE

**Tuesday, April 24**

9:00 am Preschool  
 4:30 pm First Eucharist Photos  
 6:00 pm Boy Scouts  
 7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School of Michigan

**Wednesday, April 25**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:15 am MOMS  
 10:00 am Kitchen Spring Cleaning  
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 7:00 pm Mass of Anointing  
 7:00 pm K of C Golf Meeting  
 7:30 pm Time & Talent

**Thursday, April 26**

9:00 am Preschool  
 7:00 pm Shenandoah Association Meeting  
 7:30 pm Music Ministry

**Friday, April 27**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga

**Saturday, April 28**

7:30 am Men's Breakfast  
 3:00 pm Mexico Pilgrimage Meeting  
 4:30 pm Baptism

**Sunday, April 29**

12:45 pm K of C Rosary  
 6:30 pm 9th Grade Confirmation-Last Class  
 6:30 pm Youth Alpha (registered youth)

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**CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS**

**Tuesday, April 24-Friday April 27 2-8:30 pm**

**Saturday, April 28 10:30 am-4:00 pm**



This weekend is our **Diocesan Services Appeal Commitment Weekend**. I invite all members of our parish community to join in support of our annual appeal. Our parish goal is \$102,310. No gift is too small... every dollar donated helps those in our parish and in our unified efforts in the wider church. Further, one-half of all paid contributions received, over and above our parish goal, will be returned to our parish for our local use here at St. Mary Magdalen Parish.

You can submit your DSA pledge envelope during Mass this weekend - or take your DSA envelope home and prayerfully consider your gift decision. Those paying by cash or check are invited to return your completed pledge form, in the DSA envelope, to our parish office. Those who wish to pay by credit card or electronic funds transfer may enter your gift online at [www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa). I encourage every one of our parish households to reflect on the many blessings we have received from the Lord and share these blessings through a generous gift to our DSA.

**Please pick up your serving plates and trays!**

Please stop by the kitchen and south hallway, to pick up your plates and serving containers! We will be doing some pantry re-organizing and spring cleaning in the kitchen the week of April 22.



**Our St. Mary Magdalen 25th**

**Anniversary Quilt**



We need your help! The quilt will have over 125 design squares. These squares can be images of memories here at our parish, Christian symbols or ideas. At the Welcome Desk are background squares, along with pieces of colored cotton for your use. There is also a list of some ideas in case you are looking for inspiration. Please feel free to make one, two, or three quilt blocks. If you have a design and don't want to actually construct the block, just turn in your design and one of the Anniversary Quilt Team members will sew it for you. Turn in your completed designs or squares back at the Welcome Desk.

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

**MONTHLY MASS & DINNER**  
Sunday, April 29  
5pm Mass @ St. Patrick, Brighton  
6:30pm Dinner @ La Marsa  
543 W Grand River Ave, Brighton, MI 48116  
**Come gather in prayer and grow as community!**  
Questions? Contact Shannon **810-588-7665**  
or [livingstonyam@gmail.com](mailto:livingstonyam@gmail.com)

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO**  
Led by Fr. Vincent Richardson and John Jeter  
October 17-23, 2018  
**INFO MEETING @ ST. MARY MAGDALEN**  
**April 28 @ 3 pm**  
Includes round-trip air, transfers, 6 nights accommodations, daily continental breakfast, 5 dinners, tour escorts and luxury motor coach, sightseeing and entrance fees, daily Mass. San Miguel de Allende, Mexico City, Basilica of Guadalupe, Teotihuacan, Puebla.

**ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Mon. Apr 23	7:30 pm	EDGE
Tue. Apr 24	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wed. Apr 25	_____	_____
Thu. Apr 26	_____	_____
Fri. Apr 27	_____	_____
Sat. Apr 28	_____	_____
Sun. Apr 29	6:30 pm	Religious Formation Youth Group

**MINISTERS OF PRAYER**

Sun. April 22	Jan Altermatt
Mon. April 23	Larry & Gwen Maes, Shirley Brake
Tues. April 24	Mary McKaig
Wed. April 25	Carolyn Crabbe
Thur. April 26	Rita DeRaud, Joe Martinez
Fri. April 27	Colleen Atwood
Sat. April 28	Judy Brown

