



August 5, 2018

# Saint Mary Magdalen

## WITNESSING TO THE RESURRECTION

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday .....8:30am–8:30pm

Friday .....8:30am–4:30pm



### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

#### Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 4:30pm • Sunday 9 & 11am

**Weekday Liturgies:** Mon., Thurs., Fri. 9am Wed. 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.

**ALL THINGS CONSIDERED**

**A RESPONSE** I received a long, thoughtful response to my July 1 column on immigration. I would like to share with you some of my reply to help clarify my thoughts on our immigration problem. "You are right to say we cannot simply open our borders to everyone who would like to come to the US. There has to be a thoughtful, reasonable process – which is why Congress needs to act."

Of those who enter our country, many come for economic reasons – to provide a better life for themselves and their children. Those folks especially need to enter through a reasonable process.

There are also many who flee violence. Most of those who flee Central America do so because of the gangs, many of which began in the US and are directly linked to supplying drugs to the US. As a consequence, the violence that many attempt to escape is a result of our failure to deal with the drug problem in the US. We need to accept some responsibility for those who seek asylum and safety from that violence.

There are also those who flee violence in the Middle East. Again, the failure of the US to work to end the violence and safeguard the innocent means that we bear some responsibility for those who suffer. There are also Christians in the Middle East who are being persecuted – don't we have some responsibility to protect them?

I do not propose answers. But I know some of my ancestors came to this country for economic reasons; others came to escape the violence of European upheaval and war; and some to escape persecution. I suspect that is true of most of our ancestors.

I believe our nation and our legislators need to come up with a balanced, just and humane approach to the immigration problem. I believe what Pope Francis said is true: To build walls and not bridges is unchristian. But remember, bridges enable people to direct and control the flow of traffic ...

**THE HOLY LAND** I have been asked by a few folks to consider doing one more trip to the Holy Land. So I have been working with a travel agent to make plans for September 15 – 25, 2019. The cost would be about \$4,750 per person with double occupancy. (The cost may go up or down, depending on the cost of airfare.) Participants would also be able to add on a 3-day excursion into Jordan for about \$1,200.

If you are interested and would like to learn more, there will be a meeting at 6:30 pm on Friday, September 7, in the Community Room.

*Fr. Dave Howell*

**THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES****August 6, Monday, The Transfiguration of the Lord**

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10

9:00 am + Keith Dunn & Jan Jandasek

**August 7, Tuesday**

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36

9:00 am Communion Service

**August 8, Wednesday, Saint Dominic, Priest**

Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28

7:00 pm +Carol Krawczak

**August 9, Thursday**

Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23

9:00 am + John McBride

**August 10, Friday, Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr**

2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26

9:00 am Kathy Riccardi

**August 11, Saturday, Saint Clare, Virgin**

Hb 1:12-2:4/Mt 7:14-20

**August 12, Nineteenth Sunday**

1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30-5:2/Jn 6:41-51

4:30 pm Vigil + Fr. Carlson Robideau

9:00 am + Edward Loniewski

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****1 Kings 19:4-8**

The prophet Elijah lived about 800 years before Christ. Because he was loyal to God, he fell into disfavor with King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. He had to flee for his life to Mount Horeb (also known as Mount Sinai). Today's passage takes place at the beginning of his flight.

**Ephesians 4:30-5:2**

This part of the letter to the Ephesians contains practical advice for Christian living. The author says that actions which cause division in a community are simply unacceptable. In today's reading, mutual forgiveness is seen as essential for any group that calls itself Christian. There is an echo here of part of the Lord's prayer.

**Gospel: John 6:41-51**

This passage from John shows the reasons why the Jewish religious authorities rejected Jesus. The religious leaders were so distracted by arguments among themselves that it did not occur to them to refer to what God intended.

**Reflect:** Do I take time each day to listen to what God wants to say to me?

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**Card Making Class****Tuesday, August 14 at 1 pm**

Class is taught by a professional instructor, and the \$5 fee includes all materials. You will make three cards. 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. Call Pam to register at 810-772-8252 so we will have enough materials available.

*Marriage  
& Banns*

*III Clare Eagle & Tyler Smith*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Keith Beattie	Richard Parent
Sue Beaumont	Kathy Rigley
Taylor Brake	Sharon Salinski
Larry Buslepp	George Schultz
Cienna Ditre	Ron Sherman
Sean English	Pat Siegel
James Farhat	Matt Siragusa
Caitlin Forhan	Bob Sixbery
Suzanne Gace	Lauren Smart
Carol Gallagher	Amanda Sproull
David Grinnell	Barb Toth
Michael Harrah	Marylyn Trader
Dawn Jordan	Michelle Turner
Kathleen Konley	John Wilkerwicz
Dorothy Koprowicz	Jennifer Yanick
Herb Langer	Tom Zremski
Alan Laginess	Andrea
Robert Laginess	Annabelle
Gwen Maes	Christine
Kristine Masters	Christopher Eric
Jean Mayer	Colleen
Jerry McMillan	David
Tom McSweeney	Dennis
Diane Morrison	Kelly & Dennis
Dick Mularoni	Matt
Diane Olsem	Philip
Peggy Ortiz	Stella
Stan Osdras	Sue



**Please remember in  
your prayers:**

Rachel Tuzinsky and family, in the death of her husband, Richard.

The family of Cindy Bodziak.

**WELLNESS QUOTE**

**Sometimes the smallest step in the right direction ends up being the biggest step of your life. Tiptoe if you must but take a step.**

**~ Naeem Callaway**

**RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS**

Roxanne Hundsrucker

**Journey with Jesus (JWJ) THANK YOU!**

A GREAT BIG SHOUT-OUT to all the youth and adult volunteers. Your assistance enabled us to provide an awesome week for the children of the parish. Thank you to our Core Team: Megan Tierney, Jesse Ridgway, Sarah Gatza, Cheryl Wayne, Lauren Gilbert, Linda Keeling, Jen Rau, Mary Beth Marchant, Katheryne Friske, Stephanie Nagle, Denice Duncan, and Carlene Demers for all the behind-the-scenes meetings, preparation, decoration pick-up and hard work to bring this program alive.

**Religious Formation Summer Contest**

Send me a picture of your family holding a copy of the church bulletin from the Catholic Church you attend while on vacation, or take a copy of the St. Mary Magdalen church bulletin on vacation with you for photo opts. I will put these photos on the Formation Bulletin Board in the Church Gathering area. You will also be entered in a contest to win one of four St. Mary Press "Catholic Family Bibles."

**Contest instructions:**

Take your photo somewhere away from home, either while on vacation or on a day trip, holding a church bulletin. Then e-mail the picture, with names of all in the photo (first & last) and the location where the photo was taken to [dre1@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:dre1@saintmarymagdalen.org).

*See our web site for more details*



From left to right... Nena Anderer, Kathie Anderer, & Nate Anderer (Grandpa was there too... he took the picture.)

**YOUTH NEWS**

Margaret Callaghan

As I write this article, I am in the car driving up to the Houghton-Hancock, Michigan area to help with flood relief work through the National Relief Network.

Last Sunday the NRN bus was loaded with over 30 high school teens and adults to head up north. God calls us to serve in many different ways. Not only are we called to help out those in need, we are also expected to serve and be kind to those close to us.

Working in difficult circumstances, alongside the same group of people can be stressful. Tensions can run high and patience can be short. We must be kind to everyone, familiar to us or not, and to be honest, loving the ones closest to us can be more difficult.

Take inventory of your behavior and attitude towards those near and dear and those not so near and dear to you. How is your treatment of them different? I tell my kids, treat and talk with your siblings like you do your friends. See what happens.

We worked with people whose stress from severe damage is high and what we witnessed amongst family and community was love, service, compassion and patience.

Look at those around you. Love unconditionally, laugh more and be kind.

**LIVINGSTON YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY  
EVENTS & HAPPENINGS FOR THOSE 18-35**

*i.d. 9:16 Summit*

*Powerful Retreat Opportunity*



Questions? Contact Shannon [810-588-7665](tel:810-588-7665) or [livingstonyam@gmail.com](mailto:livingstonyam@gmail.com)

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OF FAITH AND SERVICE

Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF

Gospel Gems

Answers from last week:

The Gospel writer, Luke (Colossians 4:14) was the "beloved physician".

Matthew 2:1-12 tells of the visit of the Wise Men to the Infant Jesus.

1. Which Gospel begins with the words, "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ (the Son of God)"?
2. Which Gospel tells of the wedding at Cana?



**Parish Picnic:  
Special 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
Sunday, September 9**

11 am Outdoor Mass  
Games and prizes, Bingo  
Ice Cream Social  
Youth Group Tin Can Raffle  
Bring your lawn chair, drinks, & sunscreen!

**NEW THIS YEAR!**

Our meal will be provided by the Parish, past parishioners are invited, and some new events are planned!

**Favorites:**

Gaga Pit, Accelerator Slide, Animal Petting area, water balloons and more!

**You are Made for Happiness  
Diocesan Assembly  
Saturday, September 22**

**Important Information!**

Breslin Center cost for parking a car is \$10, bus parking is \$40. The cost for bus transportation from St. Mary Magdalen and back is \$18 per person. Concession stands for lunch are in the Breslin Center. No outside food can be brought into the Breslin Center.

You may bring and eat your lunch on the bus. You may bring a lunch and tailgate at your car. If you are not coming for the morning 3.6 mile (5K) Eucharistic Procession, plan to eat lunch or purchase it at the Concession stands before coming to the 1 pm talks by the presenters.

-Sr. Joyce

CHARITY & JUSTICE

BACKPACKS FOR KIDS



The Livingston Educational Service Agency (LESA) is holding their annual "Backpacks for Kids" project in August. The goal of this project is to provide Livingston County students with basic school supplies at no cost.

If you took apple tags from the easel, located in the Gathering Area, **they are due back today, August 5!**

**Thank you** for your support of this wonderful project!

**Magdalen's Kitchen Sign-Up**

Names of those interested in serving at Magdalen's Kitchen for the Mondays of the **second half of August and all of September** 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 at 8365 Grand River) on Saturday evenings (**at 10 pm**) for the **2<sup>nd</sup> half of August and all of September** are being accepted. The sign-up sheet is on the Charity & Justice table in the Gathering Space. Please list your email address, and phone number. A reminder will be sent to you prior to the date you are to volunteer.

**Share your story** of how the parish has been important to you and your family. Email to our story editor: [maskip25@gmail.com](mailto:maskip25@gmail.com).

We will share them with the parish community throughout 2018!



**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

WEEK OF 7/29/2018

Approximately 1,240 people participated

Env/Cash \$ 12,056

EFT/Online \$ 3,261

**TOTAL \$ 15,317**

Children's Collection \$ 57.05

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

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, August 6**

- 9:45 am Yoga
- 12:30 pm Bible at the Beach  
Kensington Metropark West Boat Launch
- 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen
- 7:30 pm K of C Business Meeting

**Tuesday, August 7**

- 7:00 pm Artist's Way

**Wednesday, August 8**

- 9:00 am Jesus Lifestyle Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 1:00 pm Community Life
- 7:30 pm Finance

**Thursday, August 9**

- 10:45 am 50+ Seniors Picnic--Offsite  
(Holy Spirit, Hamburg)
- 7:30 pm Music Ministry

**Friday, August 10**

- 6:00 pm Confirmation Retreat

**Saturday, August 11**

- 7:30 am Men's Breakfast
- All day Confirmation Retreat

**Sunday, August 12**



**Remember to Vote  
Tuesday, August 7th**

**ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Mon Aug 6	11:00 am	Election Set Up
Tue Aug 7	7:00 am	Election
Wed Aug 8	10:00 am	Home School
	10:00 am	Book Sale (parking lot)
		Election Tear Down
Thu Aug 9	_____	_____
Fri Aug 10	6:00 pm	Confirmation Retreat
Sat Aug 11	All Day	Confirmation Retreat
Sun Aug 12	_____	_____



**"COME AND YOU WILL SEE"**

John 1:39

See what **Alpha** is:



- Enjoy a delicious breakfast Tuesday mornings or a wonderful dinner Thursday evenings.
- Followed with a short video exploring the Christian faith... "Who is Jesus?", "How can I have faith?"
- Hear inspiring stories and interviews from around the world.
- Share your thoughts, your point of view and ask questions in a small group.

Sessions begin: **Tuesday mornings, Sept 11, 10am-12pm**  
**Thursday evenings, Sept 13, 6:30-8:30pm**

**Come, check it out! Bring a friend!!**

Registration forms are in the gathering space on the **ACTIVITIES TABLE.**

Register online at [www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org)  
(click on **ALPHA**)

Or email Jo Hofsess with questions or to register at [alpha@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:alpha@saintmarymagdalen.org)

**Please register by August 26.**  
Childcare provided.

**An Invitation to Make the Ignatian  
Spiritual Exercises**

For women and men who seek God in their everyday life the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises can guide you on this journey. It is a pilgrimage of a **spiritual search for the fulfillment of a desire for holiness.**

The two primary forms of praying in the Exercises are meditation and contemplation. In meditation, we use our minds to ponder the basic principles that guide our life. We pray over words, images, and ideas. Contemplation is more about experiencing prayer. We rely on our imaginations to place ourselves in a setting from the Gospels or from another scripture based theme.

The full Spiritual Exercises may be done in the midst of ordinary daily life. It involves a daily commitment of 45-60 minutes in prayer and reflection centered on the themes of the Exercises and a weekly meeting with Linda Chevalier, Spiritual Director. The Exercise experience **starts mid-September** and continues for approximately eight or nine months. During this time Linda meets with you on a weekly basis at her home which allows for reflective conversation and confidentiality. The cost for the Spiritual Exercises is to offer your director a stipend. You will have a discussion about the precise details during your first conversation.

Those who have completed the exercises comment that their life with Jesus is more personal and it moves them to a deeper commitment to serve God's people. **If you feel drawn to make the Exercises in Daily Life or would like more information call Linda Chevalier (810.229.9734 or [chevalierlinda@att.net](mailto:chevalierlinda@att.net)).**

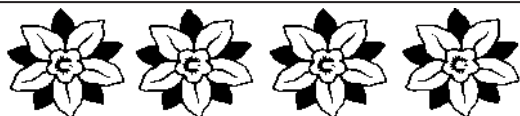


### How Do I Become Catholic? Do I Want To Become Catholic?

- \*\* If you have never been baptized.
- \*\* If you were baptized in another Christian faith.
- \*\* If you were baptized Catholic but did not receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation.
- \*\* If you are interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith.

Call Erin Wolfe in the parish office (810)229-8624 ext. 176. There are no commitments or obligations to become Catholic, just the opportunity to find out more.

We will be having another summer Inquiry on August 13, from 7-8 pm in the Library.



### MINISTERS OF PRAYER

- Sun. Aug. 5 Luigi & Adriana Milani,  
Dennis Wagener
- Mon. Aug. 6 Barb Dolkowski, Pete Kelly,  
Joyce Muchler
- Tues. Aug. 7 Joe & Barb Kowal
- Wed. Aug. 8 Lisa Pajtas
- Thu. Aug. 9 Jim Hynes
- Fri. Aug. 10 Volunteer
- Sat. Aug. 11 Volunteer



ATTENTION 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders interested in Cross Country, Soccer and Volleyball: **St. Pat's Athletics is a Catholic-based program consisting of local parishes.** We are currently registering for fall sports.

Details and Registration: [www.stpatschool.org](http://www.stpatschool.org), select Athletics Program. Questions can be directed to 810-923-3024 or email [athletics2@stpatschool.org](mailto:athletics2@stpatschool.org)

