



FEBRUARY 24 2019

# 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:** Contact Erin Wolfe.

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

**ALL THINGS CONSIDERED**

**PARISH RETREAT** It is Monday, and I am still pleasantly tired from the retreat this past weekend. It went very well, and I think the 60 people who participated found it to be worthwhile. (At least that is what several emails said today!)

The next retreat is March 8 and 9. It begins Friday evening (7-10pm) and concludes Saturday (9am-9pm) with Eucharist. The meals will be included. The only expense will be your time, attention and a free-will offering at the end.

If you would like to participate in the March 8\9 retreat, please sign up in the Gathering Area or call the office to register.

**REGIONAL MISSION March 10, 11, & 12** Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, March 6 – just 10 days away.

On the First Sunday of Lent, we will host the Regional or Vicariate Mission with Sr. Miriam Heidland, whom we introduced to you with a short video at this weekend's Liturgies.

A number of her talks are available online at [YouTube.com](http://YouTube.com). I invite you to look at them.

**ASH WEDNESDAY** As I mentioned above, Ash Wednesday is 10 days away! March 6! I would remind us it is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat. It begins a forty-day journey to the most important days of our salvation: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday (often known by the Latin name: Triduum - Three days).

Four different services will offer the community the opportunity to come together and pray. At each of them, the participants will be marked with ashes as a sign of our desire to become more faithful disciples of the Lord Jesus.

**Morning Prayer - 7 am Liturgy - 9 am**  
**Evening Prayer - 5 pm Liturgy - 7 pm**

*Fr. Dave Howell*

*March 6*

**THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES****February 25, Monday,**

Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29

9:00 am + Burnelle DeGrendel

**February 26, Tuesday**

Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37

9:00 am Communion Service

**February 27, Wednesday, Mass of Anointing**

Sir 4:11-19/Mk 9:38-40

7:00 pm + Fred Dyke

**February 28, Thursday**

Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50

9:00 am + Don & Joyce Egerer

**March 1, Friday**

Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12

9:00 am + Dianne Haener

**March 2, Saturday**

Sir 17:1-15/Mk 10:13-16

**March 3, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sir 27:4-7/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

4:30 pm Vigil + Alberto Uran

9:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

11:00 am + Leonard Stano

**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****Sirach 27:4-7**

The book of Sirach was written by a wise teacher who lived 200 years before Christ. It is a loose collection of thoughts on various concerns in the life of a believer. In today's section, we hear Sirach's thoughts about how speech is the measure of a person.

**1 Corinthians 15:54 – 58**

This is the last of our seven weeks of readings from 1 Corinthians. In recent weeks, we have heard Paul addressing the Corinthian converts' questions about life after death. Paul ends his teaching on the resurrection with this hymn of triumph over death.

**Luke 6:39-45**

Jesus speaks in parables. He warns those who are in a position to guide others to take care to correct themselves, lest they be ridiculed. The way a person speaks reflects what is in the heart.

**Reflect:** What is the good I am able to do? Will I do it today?

**MASS OF ANOINTING**

will be celebrated **Wednesday, February 27, at 7:00 pm.** All who have a serious or chronic illness, or facing surgery are encouraged to attend.



**Father Dave's Retirement**



A special retirement dinner celebration is planned for **Thursday, May 16 at 6 pm at Crystal Gardens.**

Tickets are \$50 each (**checks only**) and available in the office, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. The dinner is for adults 21 and older, with a cash bar.

We will also have receptions following all the Liturgies the weekend of June 22 and 23.

Father Dave hopes to spend some of his retirement traveling. We realize many will want to wish Father well and perhaps give him a gift. A suggestion would be a monetary gift to put toward his travels. For this purpose, special envelopes, with notecards, are available in the Gathering Area at the Welcome Desk. (These checks must be made out to Fr. Dave.)

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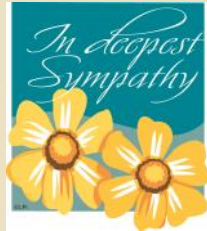
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**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**



*Please remember in your prayers:*

Beatrice Kovacs in the death of her brother, Dr. Bruno Mirowski.

Gretchen Lang and family in the death of her father, Wally DePuy.

Karen Shoemaker and family in the death of her father, Frank Lovio.

Joe Kowal and family in the death of his sister, Terri Frank.

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| Lee Barker         | Ethel Haker     | John Nychypor   |
| Nicholas Barr      | Michael Harrah  | Stella Paweski  |
| Susan Bates        | Jill Hibbeln    | Kari Schifko    |
| Rayma Bilicki      | Sr. Joyce Hoile | Ron Sherman     |
| Marilyn Bitterle   | Pete Kelly      | Lisa Shibley    |
| Jimmy Blicharz     | Herb Langer     | Cindy Sultana   |
| Taylor Brake       | Alan Laginess   | Emma Thompson   |
| Nancy Burelle      | Linda Lambert   | Marylyn Trader  |
| Larry Buslepp      | Gwen Maes       | Geraldine White |
| Carole Conklin     | Mike Mahar      | Jacob Willette  |
| Jan Cox            | Deane Martell   | Jennifer Yanick |
| Cienna Ditri       | Jean Mayer      | Tom Zremski     |
| Jonathan Faiola    | Sue McLellan    | Alice           |
| Richard Gillis     | Hogan McCuan    | Brenda          |
| Julie Glasgow      | Steven Micunek  | Maria           |
| Frederick Griffith | Diane Morrison  |                 |

**Livingston Vicariate Lenten Mission**

At St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church  
March 10, 11 & 12, 2019

7 - 8:30pm, light reception to follow

**ENCOUNTERING THE HEART OF CHRIST:**

**Hope and Healing in the Season of Lent**

*Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT*

**Come encounter the heart of Christ through prayer and dynamic preaching.**

**Each night will be unique.**

**Whether you attend one night or all three, you will be deeply inspired by Christ's authentic love.**

Doors open at 6:30 pm – ALL are welcome.

*For more info or to register for childcare:*

*livingstonvicariate@gmail.com*

**Important Note About our Prayer List**

The names of the sick will run in this column for 6 weeks, at which time they will be removed. To add a name, re-list a name, or remove a name, please call the parish office at 810-229-8624. Many people have recuperated so we appreciate updates, in order to be current. Thank You!

**WELLNESS QUOTE**

*What lies before us and what lies behind us are small matters compared to what lies **within** us. And when you bring what is within out into the world, miracles happen.*

—Henry David Thoreau

## RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Roxanne Hundsrucker

## Journey with Jesus may be in JEOPARDY

A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING WILL BE HELD Thursday, March 7 at 6:30 pm in the Community Room. At this meeting we will determine how we will move forward with our annual Vacation Bible School.

We still need 8-10 more adult volunteers before we can commit to continuing this great program for the children of the parish. Please e-mail me right away if you are an adult willing to be a part of our Journey with Jesus July 29 through August 2.



## Lent 2019

How ready for Lent are you? We have a week and half before it begins, and if you are like me, there is a need to prepare for these things or they zip right past!

Last week I shared how I plan to incorporate more prayer into my Lenten Journey, and how I am hopeful it will become a part of my daily prayer routine after Lent. Today I share my plan for fasting. Food fasting is especially hard for me. However, I have been working on it over the last several months, and I feel I am ready to use Lent to get my fast on! I say this with great insecurity but am going to give it my all this Lent.

I know many people who fast on a regular basis to increase their prayer life. I am much better at other types of fasting than the food fast for sure. Instead of giving you my suggestions, I did a copy and paste from the following website. I recommend you read the reflections shared by Father Ed Broom on the 10 suggested items to fast from during Lent. <https://catholicexchange.com/10-ways-can-fast>

1. *Eat less and receive the most Holy Eucharist more.*
2. *Control your tongue.*
3. *Heroic Moments.*
4. *Control those wandering eyes.*
5. *Punctuality.*
6. *Listen to Others.*
7. *Be Thankful Rather Than Complain.*
8. *Smile, even if you don't necessarily want to.*
9. *Pray, even when you do not feel like it.*
10. *Encouragement.*

## YOUTH NEWS

Margaret Callaghan

***In just two weeks, we will welcome Sr. Miriam here at St. Mary Magdalen, March 10-12 for the Vicariate Mission.*** If you can make it all three nights that's great. If not, please try for at least one of the three evenings she is here!

***We celebrated Valentine's Day*** at the Village Manor in Hartland with the residents there playing Bingo! It was so fun. Our next visit with them will be scheduled soon.



***Looking ahead for your summer plans, our week-long service trip this year is scheduled for the week of July 21.*** If you are interested in participating, plan to attend the first information meeting on Monday, March 18, in the youth room at 7pm. If you cannot make this meeting, please contact me via email at [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com) for more information.

***Lent is just around the corner.*** Before we officially begin the season on Wednesday, March 6, start preparing yourself now. How do you want to spend the six weeks preparing your heart for Easter? Where in your life do you most need God's love, encouragement or wisdom? Is there a bad habit that you need help quitting, forgiveness you are asking for or need to give?

I highly suggest a website called ***Carpe Verbum***. It is the daily reading with a quick, easy, yet thought provoking reflection. I get a text every morning to my phone that puts God, literally, right in the palm of my hands! Give it a try.

**EDGE**

Our next meeting scheduled is this Monday, February 25. Even if you have never joined us before and you are a 6, 7 or 8th-grade student, you are **always** welcome to come. We meet in the Youth Room 7-8:30pm.



**MARCH 6**  
is  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**OF FAITH AND SERVICE**

Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF

**A letter from Sister Joyce:**

Dear Parish Family &amp; Friends,

I am humbled and blessed by your outpouring of love, prayers and support. Your cards are so uplifting that I use them for my prayers at times when it's hard to concentrate. I am inspired by your spirituality and your lived faith.

I am starting to have a day or parts of a day when I'm feeling well and am seeing some progress. Please continue to pray for me as I don't yet know what the long recovery ahead holds.

I send you my deep appreciation, my love, and my prayers.

Sister Joyce

**LENTEN FRIDAYS SOUP & BREAD SUPPERS**

This Lent, on Fridays, **beginning March 15**, we will meet for fellowship and a simple supper of soup and bread at 6 pm, before Stations of the Cross at 7 pm. Please sign up in the Gathering Area to bring soup and/or to attend! **Stations of the Cross begins March 8, but there will be no Soup and Bread Supper on March 8.**

**LIVINGSTON REGION 50+ CCA****LENTEN RETREAT****WHEN:** Wednesday, March 13, 2019**WHERE:** St. Patrick Catholic Church, Brighton**TIME:** Registration: 9:30 am

Retreat: 10 am - 2 pm

**COST:** \$10.00 (lunch provided)

**RESERVATIONS: Required by March 4, 2019**  
**Tickets are available in the St. Mary Magdalen Office**

**Pilgrimage to Santiago De Compostela,  
 Fatima & Lourdes**

**September 18-27, 2019**

with Fr. Steve Mattson and John &amp; Marjorie Jeter

**Informational Meeting**

**St. Mary Magdalen, March 17, 12:30 pm**  
**East Room**

**NAMETAG ORDERS BEING TAKEN**

If you would like to order a St. Mary Magdalen nametag, fill out an envelope in the Gathering Area **by Sunday, Mar. 3.**  
 The cost is \$5.

**CHARITY AND JUSTICE**

*"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." ~ Mt. 25:35*

**Shelter the Homeless**

The Severe Weather Network provides refuge for homeless individuals in Livingston County. St. Mary Magdalen will staff the center the week of March 10-17, 2019. We will provide meals and evening and overnight chaperones. Online training is provided for new volunteers. Please sign up in the Gathering Area at the Charity and Justice table or sign up online at [www.livingstonswn.org](http://www.livingstonswn.org). Go to the volunteer page for details, training and to sign up!


Any questions? Please contact: Lisa Klein at: [lisaklein44@gmail.com](mailto:lisaklein44@gmail.com) or 810-599-9708.

**Easy Ways to Help the Work of the Parish**

**Amazon** will donate a small portion of your purchases to our parish. The funds will go to the Alms Account to help need in the community. If you would like to participate, enter the following address on your browser:

**<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/38-3134459>**

You will be prompted to agree to send your donations to St. Mary Magdalen. That's it. When shopping for items, it is **important** to log on to **Smile.amazon.com** (not amazon.com) for your donation to count.

**Kroger Stores** will donate a small portion of your purchases to our parish. The funds will go to the Alms Account to help need in our community. If you would like to participate: Start by registering your Kroger Loyalty Card at 

**[Kroger.com/communityrewards](https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards)**

If you don't have a card, you can get one at your local Kroger store. Once logged in to the website above, you can type in Saint Mary Magdalen Brighton or 38-3134459 and select the parish.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**Week of 2/17/19

Approximately 1325 people participated  
 Env/Cash \$ 17,971  
 EFT/Online \$ 5,784  
**TOTAL \$ 23,755**  
 Children's Collection \$73.63

**THE WEEK AHEAD****Monday, February 25**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen  
 7:00 pm School for Discipleship  
 7:30 pm EDGE

**Tuesday, February 26**

9:00 am Preschool  
 10:00 am Jesus Lifestyle  
 6:30 pm ALPHA  
 6:45 pm RCIA Retreat  
 7:00 pm Artist Way  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
 7:00 pm MI Catholic Bible School

**Wednesday, February 27**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:15 am MOMS Group  
 9:30 am Jesus Lifestyle  
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 7:00 pm Mass of Anointing  
 7:30 pm Time and Talent

**Thursday, February 28**

9:00 am Preschool  
 7:00 pm Prayer and Art  
 7:00 pm Jesus Lifestyle  
 7:30 pm Music Ministry

**Friday, March 1**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 1:00 pm Pain Sake  
 2:00 pm Exercise and Balance  
 6:30 pm 7 Super Dates

**Saturday, March 2**

8:00 am ALPHA Day Away  
 10:00 am RCIA First Penance  
 1:30 pm Baptism  
 4:30 pm RCIA Rite of Sending  
 5:00 pm Boy Scouts Blue and Gold Banquet

**Sunday, March 3**

9:00 am Family Program  
 10:10 am New Parishioner Meeting  
 12:45 pm Baptism  
 7:00 pm Youth Group

**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.

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**EXERCISE AND BALANCE HOUR****Fridays, 2 - 3 pm**

The St. Mary Magdalen Pain Sake group is sponsoring an **Exercise and Balance Hour** with a professional therapist Fridays through April 19 in the Community Room at St. Mary Magdalen. (In East Room March 8 & 15) Everyone is invited and encouraged to come. A donation basket will be at the door.

STAY  
**ACTIVE**





Authentic Love  
Conversion  
Forgiveness  
Mercy  
Healing  
*The Power of CHRIST!*

Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

**MINISTERS OF PRAYER**

Sun.	Jan. 27	Dennis Wagener
Mon.	Jan. 28	Joyce Muchler, Ted Eisenhut
Tues.	Jan. 29	Bob & Dawn Gustitus, Mary Ann Hargrave
Wed.	Jan. 30	Diane Olsem
Thurs.	Jan. 31	Matt Kroll
Fri.	Feb. 1	Volunteer
Sat.	Feb. 2	Judy Brown

Livingston Vicariate  
**2019 Lenten Mission**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**March 10, 11, 12 7-9pm**  
**St. Mary Magdalen**



For more Information:  
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**ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Mon. Feb. 25	7:00 pm	EDGE
	8:30 pm	Senior Men's Basketball
Tue. Feb. 26	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wed. Feb. 27	-----	-----
Thu. Feb. 28	7:15 pm	Adult Coed Volleyball
Fri. March 1	-----	-----
Sat. March 2	-----	-----
Sun. March 3	9:00 am	Family Program
	7:00 pm	Youth Group

**THE PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES  
ARE HERE!**

If you had your picture taken, you are entitled to a free one! You can pick it up in the parish office Mon. - Fri. 8:30am-4:30pm. They are also available for purchase for \$5.

