FEBRUARY 17, 2019

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.

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday–Thursday ..........8:30am–8:30pm
Friday ..........................8:30am–4:30pm

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 17, 2019

Saint Mary Magdalen
WITNESSING TO THE RESURRECTION
ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

CATECHUMEN & CANDIDATES This week I begin the process of interviewing our Catechumen and Candidates for the Easter Sacraments.

The catechumen have never been Baptized. At the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, they will be Baptized, Confirmed and receive First Eucharist. (Some of them are younger and will receive Baptism and Eucharist. They will be Confirmed later with their own age group.)

The Candidates are already Baptized in different denominations. They will renew their Baptismal promises on Holy Saturday, be Confirmed and receive Eucharist for the first time.

All of them have been in formation for several months now in a process called RCIA, which means Rite of Christian Initiation. The formation is a journey leading the catechumen and candidates to deepen their understanding and faith in Christ Jesus. The different stages of the journey are marked with special rites or rituals.

Their journey began as Inquirers. Their questions about faith, Christ and the Church were answered over a series of meetings. When they felt they were ready, they became Catechumen and Candidates through the Rite of Acceptance.

On Saturday, March 2, we will celebrate the Rite of Sending with them. Their names will be enrolled in the Book of Life, and we will send them to Bishop Boyea asking him to call them to the Easter Sacraments in the name of the whole Church.

Over the next couple of weeks, I will meet with the Catechumen and Candidates, their sponsors and Erin Wolfe, who directs the RCIA Process. (The parents of the youngsters in the group will also participate in the interview.) The purpose of the interview is find out if each of them feels ready to move into Lent for more intense formation.

During Lent I will meet with them for three evenings to help them reflect on the Gospels of the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent. They will also have their Sunday gatherings plus a retreat evening just before Easter.

TWO PARISH RETREATS This weekend was the first parish retreat. The same retreat will be repeated on Friday and Saturday, March 8/9.

It begins on Friday evening and concludes Saturday evening with Eucharist. Meals are 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.

Fr. Dave Howell

THIS WEEK’S LITURGIES

February 18, Monday
Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13
9:00 am + Sarah Gargalino

February 19, Tuesday
Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21
9:00 am Communion Service

February 20, Wednesday
Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Mk 8:22-26
7:00 pm + Mass of Remembering

February 21, Thursday
Gn 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33
9:00 am + Nives MacDonald

February 22, Friday, The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle, Bishop and Martyr
1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
9:00 am + Jerry G. Crandon

February 23, Saturday, St. Polycarp
Communion Service

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
In this reading we hear Saul and David. Saul becomes the first King of Israel, about 1000 years before Christ. David, best known for slaying Goliath, was also a talented musician and became one of the favorites in Saul’s court. Eventually the King grew jealous of the popular David who had to flee for his life.

1 Corinthians 15: 45-49
Paul’s converts at Corinth had a lot of questions about life after death, and on the last two Sundays we’ve heard Paul addressing this. Today he uses a parallel. Just as we receive our human life from our ancestors – ultimately Adam – so we receive risen life from Jesus, who could be called a “new Adam”.

This Gospel text is about being radical: radically loving, radically forgiving, radically generous, and radically God-like behavior. If we use the same measurement of fairness and generosity as the world uses, where is the evidence of Jesus’ example of total self-giving? If Christians feel they have a right to judge and condemn, where is the evidence that God has forgiven and redeemed us? Christian behavior is its own reward.

Reflect: What will I do today to show I do as Jesus wants me to do?
**Father Dave’s Retirement**

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

We will be selling tickets in the Gathering Area after all the Liturgies February 16/17. Tickets are also available in the office, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Tickets are $50 each, checks only. 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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**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Lee Barker
Nicholas Barr
Marilyn Bitterlee
Caitlin Bohlen
Taylor Brake
Nancy Burelle
Larry Buslepp
Michael Columbus
Carole Conklin
Jan Cox
Georgette
DeMonaco
Cienna Ditri
Forest Densmore
Jonathan Faiola
Richard Gillis
Julie Glasgow
Frederick Griffith
Ethel Haker
Michael Harrah
Jill Hibbeln
Sr. Joyce Hoile
Pete Kelly
Dorothy Koprowicz
Herb Langer
Alan Laginess
Gwen Maes
Mike Mahar
Deane Martell
Caleb Masters
Jean Mayer
Hogan McCuan
Stevie Micunek
Brenda
John Nychypor
Eugene Osowski
Diane
Nathan Ostrowski
Maria
Geraldine White
Michelle Turner
Jacob Willette
Jennifer Yanick
Tom Zremski
Kari Schifko
Ron Sherman
Lisa Shibley
Cindy Sultana
Emma Thompson
Marylyn Trader
Geraldine White

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!

**EUCHRE TOURNAMENT**

Saturday, February 23, 7pm

Come for a Euchre Tournament in the Quad! $5 entrance fee per person, which goes toward the prizes. Please bring a snack to share if you are able.

Sign-up Sheet in the Community Life Corner!

Cash Prizes! Bring a friend!

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**

Knight of Columbus

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Saturday, February 23

5:30 - 7:30 pm
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RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS
Roxanne Hundsrucker

Solemn Penance & Family Penance Service
If you are wondering about Solemn Penance, we do some extra formation for the children and parents of our fourth grade students for the sacrament of Penance, often referred to as the sacrament of Reconciliation. When the children are preparing for First Eucharist here, we prepare them to make a simple penance, and in third and fourth grade we add formation. Then, mid-year in fourth grade, they have the opportunity, with their parents, to make a stronger confession. This is done at our two Solemn/Family Penance Services: Thursday, February 21 at 6:30pm and Saturday, February 23 at 10am. Hosting these two services prior to the Vicariate Lenten Penance/Reconciliation services provides a great opportunity for our families to participate together in Penance/Reconciliation right here at our parish.

Lent 2019
It is amazing to ponder the idea of Ash Wednesday being only 2-1/2 weeks away. Are you getting ready now, or are you a procrastinator? Generally, in my daily life, I am very consistent with the three pillars of Lent which are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Each Lent I try to take on something that will become a part of my regular routine. This is the week I begin to prepare for Lent 2019. Today I will share with you my plan for prayer, next week my fasting plan, and the following week, my plan for almsgiving. Normally for my Lenten prayer, I use one of the little booklets that has a scripture passage along with a short reflection. This year I plan to incorporate the night prayer or “Compline” from the Liturgy of the Hours into my daily routine. I am choosing to do this for Lent as I believe I will make this an ongoing practice beyond Lent. The reason I am choosing this specific prayer nightly is because it includes an examination of conscience; I believe this will aid me in growing on my spiritual journey.

Journey with Jesus may be in JEOPARDY
WE NEED YOU! Several adults have come forward to volunteer but we still need 13 more before we can begin planning and preparation for Journey with Jesus, which is our annual vacation bible school offered the first week of August. This awesome summer event has been a part of Saint Mary Magdalen for over 20 years. We are in need of more adult volunteers to keep this great program alive. 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.

YOUTH NEWS
Margaret Callaghan

Last weekend we spent Saturday morning in Flint at the warming center where we volunteered our time helping in the clothes closet and visiting with a few clients during lunch. It was time well spent.

I have reserved a few spots for the Mission weekend retreat at St. Catherine’s in Wixom March 1-3. If you are interested, contact Margaret at the above email address. The cost of $85 is due February 17. If cost or timing of the due date is a concern, please let me know.

The following weekend is our Vicariate Mission here at St. Mary Magdalen. If you can make it all three nights, that’s great. It not, try for at least one of the three evenings she is here. I saw Sr. Mirium at a youth conference in 2017 and I personally thought she was very inspirational and engaging.

Pilgrimage to Santiago De Compostela, Fatima & Lourdes
September 18-27, 2019
with Fr. Steve Mattson and John & Marjorie Jeter

Our next meeting scheduled is 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 7-8:30 pm.
Fr. Dave’s Book Discussion
Father Dave will facilitate discussion on the second half of the book, The Angry Christian, on Friday, February 22, at 7 pm. It is a Bible-based ‘Strategy to Care for and Discipline a Valuable Emotion.’ Sr. Joyce has extra copies of the book. You are welcome to come by the office, sign up and pick up the book.

**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.

**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.

**HOPE IN A BOX**
**FEBRUARY NEEDS:**  
Shampoo & Conditioner  
Lotion

**2019 MENS CONFERENCE**
**FEBRUARY 23, 10 AM - 5 PM**  
@ Our Lady of Fatima  
Featuring deacon Harold Burke-Sivers  
And musician Brian Flynn  
Mass with Bishop Boyea  
Register online at www.themanevent.org

**NAMETAG ORDERS BEING TAKEN**
If you would like to order a St. Mary Magdalen nametag, fill out an envelope in the Gathering Area. The cost is $5.

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
**OF FAITH AND SERVICE**  
Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF

**CHARITY AND JUSTICE**

Livingston County Transit Open House
Livingston County Transit Master Plan final public open house will be held on Tuesday, February 19, 4 pm until 6:30 pm, at Cleary University, at the Johnson Center, 3750 Cleary Drive, Howell. A presentation will be given at 4:30 pm and repeated at 5:30 pm to provide information about the transit master plan recommendations, give feedback on improving the county’s transit system, the timeline, estimated costs, and finance and governance options for implementation.

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, 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. Go to the volunteer page for details, training and to sign up!

“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

**Lenten Mission**
**SAVE THE DATE!**

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

For more Information:  
livingstonvicariate@gmail.com

Authentic Love  
Conversion  
Forgiveness  
Mercy  
Healing  
The Power of CHRIST!

Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

Livingston Vicariate
**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

*Week of 2/10/19*

Approximately 1266 people participated
Env/Cash $20,147
EFT/Online $18,280
**TOTAL $38,427**
Children's Collection $128.06

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**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, February 18**
9:00 am  Preschool
9:45 am  Yoga
6:00 pm  Magdalen’s Kitchen
7:00 pm  School for Discipleship
7:30 pm  K of C Planning

**Tuesday, February 19**
9:00 am  Preschool
10:00 am  Jesus Lifestyle
6:30 pm  ALPHA
7:00 pm  Boy Scouts
7:00 pm  MI Catholic Bible School
6:00 pm  ALFA

**Wednesday, February 20**
9:00 am  Preschool
9:15 am  MOMS Group
1:00 pm  Prayer Shawl Ministry
4:30/6:30 pm  Religious Formation
7:00 pm  Mass of Remembering
7:30 pm  Pastoral Council
3:30 pm  Exercise and Balance Hour

**Thursday, February 21**
9:00 am  Preschool
5:30 pm  Religious Formation
7:00 pm  Solemn Penance/Family Penance
7:00 pm  Prayer and Art
7:00 pm  Jesus Lifestyle
7:30 pm  Music Ministry

**Friday, February 22**
9:00 am  Preschool
9:45 am  Yoga
2:00 pm  Exercise & Balance
6:30 pm  Seven Super Dates
7:00 pm  The Angry Christian Book Discussion

**Saturday, February 23**
7:30 am  Men’s Breakfast
8:30 am  ALPHA Prayer Ministry Training
10:00 am  Solemn Penance/Family Penance
2:00 pm  K of C
4:30 pm  RCIA
5:30 pm  K of C Spaghetti Dinner
7:00 pm  Euchre Tournament

**Sunday, February 24**
11:00 am  Baptism
12:15 pm  Home Study Check In
5:30 pm  9th Grade Confirmation Session
7:00 pm  Youth Group

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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 March 1 in the Community Room at St. Mary Magdalen. Everyone is invited and encouraged to come. A donation basket will be at the door.
# ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

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## WELLNESS QUOTE

*Without good direction, people lose their way; the more wise counsel you follow, the better your chances.*

-Proverbs 11:14-

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**Men-on-Fire MENs Night**

**THURSDAY**  **February 21st**

- Prayer 5:45pm  | Mass 6:15pm  | Speaker 7:00pm  
- Fellowship & Refreshments from Wooden Spoon

**Hosted by: Holy Spirit Catholic Church**

9565 Musch Rd., Brighton MI 48116  
Free-Will Offering

**Featured Speaker:**  Peter Herbeck, Renewal Ministries  
Vice President and Director of Missions. He is a co-host of the EWTN television programs *The Choices We Face* and *Crossing the Goal*, and also hosts the daily radio show *Fire on the Earth*.

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