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Parish Mission Statement

As a Roman Catholic Community, St. Mary Magdalene is a community of Christians who profess and share a common, loving faith in Jesus Christ and are nourished through prayer and activity, especially the Eucharist, and are inspired by the Spirit who calls each of us to use our gifts in the midst of our neighborhoods and throughout the world.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

01-08-2023

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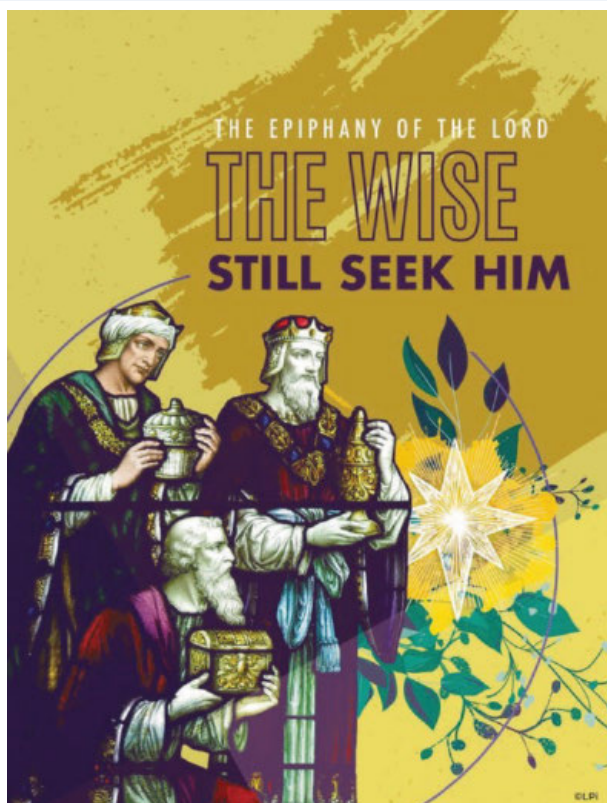
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WEEKEND MASS

Saturday | 4:30 pm &
Sunday | 8:00 am & 11:00 am

DAILY MASS

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri. | 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday | 3:15-4:00 pm
In Church Confessional
Or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday ~ Thursday
8:30 am ~ 4:30 pm
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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, Jan. 9, 2023
The Baptism of the Lord
9:00 am....Alojz Znidarcic

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023
Weekday
9:00 am.....John Walkowiak

Wednesday, Jan 11, 2023
Weekday
9:00 am.....Donald Hawk

Friday, Jan. 13, 2023
Weekday
9:00 am....Wendy Stewart

Saturday, Jan 14, 2023
Weekday
4:30 pm.....Tibor Lorik

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am....Wendy Stewart
11:00 am....Tom Mackey

Readings for the Week of January 8, 2023

Sun.: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Mon.: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

Tues.: Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28

Wed.: Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:40-45

Fri.: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12

Sat.: Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17

From Fr. Steve...

Happy Feast of the Epiphany! In many places, this feast is celebrated on the twelfth day of Christmas, January 6th. Roman Catholics in the United States and Canada celebrate this feast on the first Sunday after January 1st. The word 'Epiphany' comes from Greek and means to show, referring to Jesus being revealed to the world. Thus, it is a very grand day of Christmas time. If you have kept up your Christmas tree and decorations good for you! There have been times where I have seen Christmas trees on the curb the day after Christmas. This cold weather may have helped people to keep up their live trees longer. Who wants to go out in the bitter cold to put the tree on the curb? For many years, we used an artificial tree. So, I was shocked to learn the current price of a live tree. So, you might as well keep it up as long as you can to get your money's worth. You may have noticed our Anniversary Dinner is January 28th. Tickets are available and can be purchased in the parish office. Tickets are \$10. Near the end of the evening we will have our MegaRaffle Drawing. Thank you for supporting the MegaRaffle. Tickets are still available. On January 6th, our 2nd graders preparing for First Holy Communion made their 1st Reconciliation. Fr. Tom Johns, the parish's favorite son assisted. Pope Francis said, "To celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation means to be wrapped in warm embrace." I sure hope the children felt the warmth of God's love in the sacrament. I hope not only on the 6th but every time they celebrate this tremendous sacrament. Thank you, Mary Lou Beers, Liz Hyla and Mary Sellers and most importantly the parents for helping the children celebrate their 1st Reconciliation. Speaking of Confession and sin, we are planning a St. Mary Magdalene Casino Bus Trip! How's that for a segway. We are having a Casino Bus Trip Wednesday, April 12th to The Rivers Casino in Pittsburgh, PA. Registration begins on Saturday, March 11th at 10AM in the Parish Office. Spaces are limited, only 50 seats available. Payment in full is required for registration. No refunds after April 1st. The Cost is \$40. Rivers Casino will give you \$20 in Casino Free Play and \$5 for food. You must have a valid State I.D. Our plan is to arrive at the Vine Street parking lot for muffin & juice and seat assignment at 7AM. We are scheduled to return by 6:15PM. No alcohol on the bus and be sure to bring your Rosary. God bless and have a great week!

PARTICIPATING

SAVE THE DATES!!

January 28, 2023	Anniversary Dinner
February 11-19th	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena
February 22nd	Ash Wednesday
March 12th	St. Patrick's Party
March 24th	Fish Fry
April 9th	Easter Sunday
April 29th	1st Communion
April 30th	1st Communion
May 8th	May Crowning
May 13-14th	Spring Bake Sale
May 16th	Confirmation
June 1st-4th	Festival

This week at SMM:

Jan. 9th	Lunch Packing 9:00am-11:00am Bible Study 7:00pm-8:30pm	Multi-Purpose Room 103
Jan. 10th	Prayer Shawl 1:00pm-2:30pm	Room 104
Jan. 11th	K of C 6:00pm-9:00pm Women's Book Study 7:00pm-8:00pm	Multi-Purpose Room 103
Jan. 12th	AA Meeting 6:00pm-7:30pm	Room 104
Jan. 15th	Families in Faith 9:15am-10:45am Café 9:20am-10:50am	Classrooms Room 104

MEGA RAFFLE

First Prize: \$5,000.00 Second Prize: \$ 750.00 Third Prize \$ 250.00

Thank you to all who have returned Mega Raffle tickets. We are almost to our goal!

TOTAL AMOUNT OF TICKETS SOLD AS OF December 7th is ~ 805 TICKETS = \$ 20,155.00

ONLY 1,000 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD! LAST YEAR WE SOLD ALL 1,000 TICKETS!!!! Winning tickets will be pulled at the Anniversary Dinner on Saturday, January 28, 2023. If you need additional tickets they are available in the Parish Office and after the Masses .

Thank you for your support of St. Mary Magdalene Parish

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Due to the printing deadline,
No postings for the Christmas
Contributions are available.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

<http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/>



St. Vincent de Paul Society
440-943-2133, ext. 6179

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is pleased to serve those in need on behalf of the parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene Parish. We depend on your donations [Food Pantry—1% Envelope or the Poor Box] for the funds that we expend and sincerely thank you on behalf of those in need for your ongoing support. St. Vincent provides emergency assistance to individuals & families in need, on a strictly confidential basis. Anyone in need of assistance should call SVdP, 440-943-2133, ext. 6179 and leave a message. A volunteer member of SVdP will return your call.

The Lake County Council on Aging is in need of Meals on Wheels volunteers.

If you are interested please contact:

Ann Marie Armario

Volunteer & Community Engagement
Specialist

Lake County Council on Aging

(440) 205-8111

Extension: 228



Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

Tuesday, January 10th from 1:00-2:30 in
Room 104.

Join in the friendship while we knit or crochet and pray for people who need prayer shawls, lap throws, chemo caps, etc. You do need to donate your own supplies, but we can provide patterns along with assistance to complete projects.

We gladly accept items from those who are unable to attend.

For more information call Liz at [440-725-0113](tel:440-725-0113).

LUNCH PACKING

January 9th & 23rd

The Lunch Packing crew thanks you for your support over the years with this project of helping feed the needy at the West Side Catholic Center. We meet on the second and fourth Mondays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am to make sandwiches.

Needs: **JELLY**~ place donations in SVdP basket clearly marked, or bring item to the parish office during regular business hours. These brown bag lunches are delivered by volunteers to the West Side Catholic Center to feed the needy.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Catholic Cemeteries Association:

Offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings in-person in six of our offices and virtually:

For details, visit: <https://www.clecem.org/Information/>



RCIA CORNER:

Please continue to pray for our Catechumens, **Stephen Phillips** and **David Sladewski**, along with **Candidate Brittany Krajewski** as they continue their journey to full initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass.



Anniversary Dinner Is Coming! January 28, 2023

St. Mary Magdalene Gym 5:30 pm ~ 10:00 pm

Tickets \$10.00 Adults

Includes: Pasta Dinner, Salad, Rolls & Dessert

Mega Raffle Drawings!

Tickets can be purchased in the parish office.



SMM 2023 MASS BOOK

The 2023 Mass Intention book is open and still has Masses available for January.

If you are interested in requesting a Mass intention, please stop by the Parish Office

Or call Rosemarie at:

440-943-2133



AUTOMATIC GIVING

The St. Mary Magdalene Automatic Giving Plan is a safe, convenient and reliable way to make your contributions using electronic transfers. Similar to programs offered by banks, insurance and utility companies, your contributions are automatically withdrawn from a regular checking account or at any bank or credit union.

Use your Debit/Credit CRD OR Checking Account—Earn points and rewards from your banking institution. It's 100% safe and you can cancel or change your contributions at any time. Best of all, it saves you time, and helps us keep track of our budget throughout the year. For more information or help call Rosemarie Sisler at 440-854-6001 or stop in the parish office.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Contribution Statements will **not** automatically be sent out this year. If you want a statement of your 2022 contributions, simply fill out this form and return to the Parish Office or drop in the collection basket. Please feel free to call the Office at 440-943-2133 with any questions.

Name on Envelope: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____ Envelope # _____

____ I will pick up in the Parish Office

____ Please mail to my address that's listed above

MATER DEI ACADEMY NEWS

Have a child ready for Kindergarten?

Come and see what Kindergarten really looks like! Join us for our Kindergarten Preview on January 21, 2023 from 10:00am-12:00pm. Please call the school office at 440-585-0800 to register.

Catholic Schools Week is just around the corner, beginning January 29th! MDA is now enrolling for grades Preschool 3yr – 7th grade for the 2023-2024 school year. Stop in during one of our open houses during Catholic Schools Week to learn more about Mater Dei!

January 29 --12:30-2:30pm

February 1 – 6:00-8:00pm

March 11th: *Knight to Remember Gala* – Tickets are now on sale! Call the school office for more information. 440-585-0800.



SMM GRANDPARENT MINISTRY

We pray for Grandparents
and Grandchildren.

“Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace.....The Son of God made his home among us... Lord Jesus Christ, with Mary and Joseph you formed the Holy Family: remain in our home, that we may know you as our guest and honor you as our Head...

Lord Jesus Christ, the three kings presented their gifts to you in praise and adoration: grant that those living in our house may use their talents and abilities to your greater glory...

May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever.”

<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/blessing-home-and-household-epiphany>

SACRAMENTS

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Baptism

The Infant Baptismal Preparation Process assists parents with newborns through age 6 to understand the basic theology of the Sacrament & realize the responsibilities that come with the baptism of their child. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office. Children between the ages of 7 & 17 who are interested in being welcomed into the Roman Catholic faith through Baptism may contact Mary Lou Beers at (440) 725-3198.

First Communion

Children between the ages of 7 & 17 who would like to receive First Holy Communion must participate in preparation classes. For more information, contact Mary Lou Beers at MBeers@smmwillowick.org or (440) 725-3198.

Confirmation

Youth begin direct preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Fall of their 8th grade year, but they must have been in Catholic Day School or PSR for AT LEAST one year prior. If you are interested in finding out more, you can call or email Fr. Steve Breck at FrBreck@smmwillowick.org or (440) 854-6017.

Marriage

The Sacrament of Marriage requires a preparation time of at least six months. Please contact Fr. Breck for information.

Anointing of the Sick

All parishioners who are seriously ill, advanced in years, or facing serious surgery are welcome to receive the Sacrament by contacting Fr. Steve or by attending a communal anointing service, held twice per year. Children are to be anointed if they have the sufficient use of reason (age 7) to be strengthened by this Sacrament.

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