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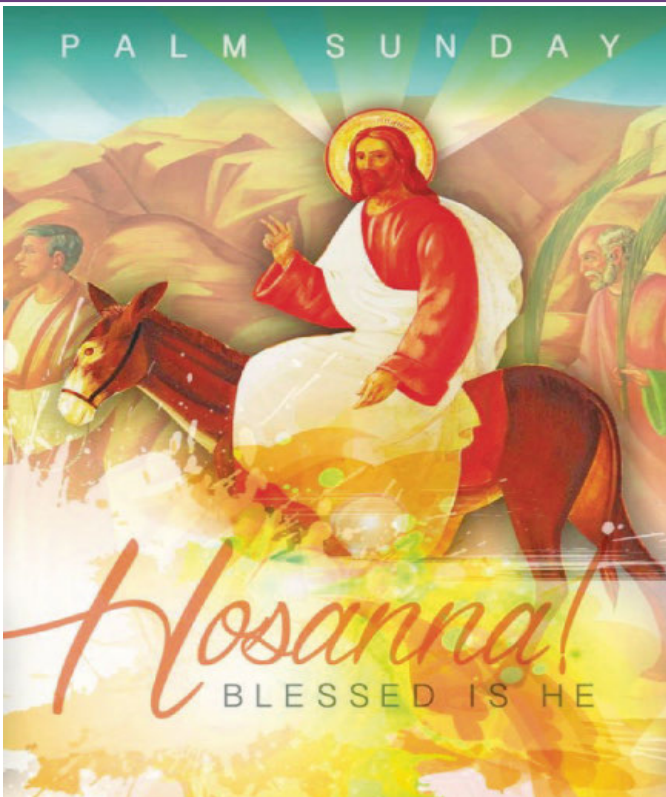
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Parish Mission Statement

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.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MARCH 24, 2024



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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
Closed Friday &
Saturday
Sunday ~ 9:00 am ~
Noon
Office Closed from
12:00 to 1:00 Weekdays

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, March 25, 2024

Monday of Holy Week

9:00 am...Angela Maria Ruiz-Henao

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Tuesday of Holy Week

9:00 am...Tony Kapulich

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Wednesday of Holy Week

9:00 am...Tibor Lorik (Anniv.)



Thursday, March 28, 2024

Holy Thursday

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 pm...Mass of Lord's Supper
Pro Populo

Good Friday -March 29, 2024

The Passion of the Lord

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

12 Noon—Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm.....Good Friday Service
5:30-6:00 pm...Divine Word Novena

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

3:00pm.....Blessing of the Food
8:30 pm.....Pro Populo



Sunday, March 31, 2024

**Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord**

8:00 am.....Richard Mohan
9:30 am.....Ken French
11:00 am.....Baby Coletta M. DiCello

From Fr. Steve...

Happy Palm Sunday Weekend Everyone! Again, sorry that there is a shortage of palms this year. This week we have more opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. On Holy Monday, Confessions are from 5:30PM to 6:15PM. The Solemnity of the Annunciation is moved to April 8th. On Spy Wednesday, Confessions are from Noon to 1PM. If you were unable to attend the Evening of Confession back in February or the Communal Cluster Parish Evening of Confession on March 12th, you have some additional opportunities this week. There are no confessions on Holy Saturday. Please know Saturday Confessions will resume on April 6th at 3:15PM. Hopefully, during Holy Week the weather will be pleasant where you can pray the outdoor stations during the day. Some of the name plates came off. We are in the process of getting them repaired. Thank you for the many helping hands that make Holy Week such a beautiful, prayerful and sacred time at our parish. I am so impressed with the number of ushers, mass coordinators, altar servers, art & environment crew and other liturgical ministers that work very hard to prepare and clean up during the Triduum. Thank you! Our Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday is at 7PM. At the Mass, you are encouraged to wash each other's feet and afterwards there is an opportunity for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude at 10PM. On Friday we have the Scriptural Stations of the Cross at Noon. The Good Friday Service is at 3PM. Good Friday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence. Also, on Good Friday we begin the Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena which is held in the chapel at 5:30PM every night of the novena. Thank you, Tony and Danny Linc for leading the Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena. To learn more about the Divine Mercy Chaplet, information can be found at the entrances of the Church. On Holy Saturday, we have our Food Blessing at 3PM led by Deacon Carl. The Easter Vigil is at 8:30PM. Hopefully, we can begin the Vigil outdoors. You never know with the weather at the end of March. At the Vigil, our Elect Sydney will be Baptized, Confirmed and make her first Holy Communion with her son Maverick. With Maverick, we will have some other youngsters joining our adults, Sam, Luke and Tia receiving sacraments. Isabelle Podojil will be receiving the Easter Sacraments. Elizabeth Mangan, Lucas and Patrick Gielarowski will be Confirmed and make their 1st Holy Communion. Also, Patrick and Luke's baby brother Noah Althanes will be baptized too. Our Easter Sunday Masses are at 8AM, 9:30AM and 11AM. Our Spiritual Book Club is going to begin reading Beautiful Eucharist starting on Thursday, April 18th at 7PM in the Kaminski Center. The study will conclude on May 16th. If you picked up a copy at Christmas and have not read it, this is a wonderful opportunity to read it with parishioners. God Bless!

PARISH NEWS

SAVE THE DATES!!

March 31st	Easter Sunday
April 27th	1st Eucharist 4:30 Mass
April 28th	1st Eucharist 11:00 Mass
May 5th	May Crowning
May 11-12th	Spring Bake Sale
May 22nd	Confirmation
May 30-June 2	Festival
July 28th	Pool Party –Manry

This week at SMM

Sun., March 24th	Café 9– 10:50 am	Room 104
Mon., March 25th	Lunch Packing 9-11 am	Multi-Purp
Mon., March 25th	Holy Week Confessions 5:30-6:15 pm	Church
Wed., March 27h	Holy Week Confessions 12—1:00 pm	Church
Thurs. March 28th	Mass of the Last Supper 7-10:30 pm	Church
Thurs., March 28th	AA Meeting 6-7:30 pm	Room 104
Fri., March 29th	Good Friday 12 Noon Stations 3:00 pm Passion 5:30 Divine Word Mercy	

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

March 17, 2024

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 6,177.00
Capital Improvement: \$ 918.00
1% Need Program: \$ 250.00

Automatic Giving:
3-11-24 to March 17th:
 \$ 2,775.00

St. Vincent de Paul Society

440-943-2133, ext. 6179

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.

LUNCH PACKING

March 25, 2024

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 9:00am to 11:00am to make sandwiches.

Needs: Zip Lock Sandwich Bags ~ place donations in SVdP basket clearly marked, or bring items 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.

DONATION OF HAMS PLEASE.....

SVdP is collecting hams to share with families for their Easter dinner. If you would be able to donate, please drop off at the Parish Office. Thank you in advance for your generosity!!



PARISH NEWS

32nd Annual Homecoming Festival – May 30 – June 2, 2024

Volunteer Opportunities

We need everyone's help to make our Homecoming Festival successful! Please

consider volunteering in one or more of these areas:

- * Beer Tent (21 and over)
- * Café Magdalena
- * Chinese Auction
- * Euclid Beach Rocket Car Ticket Sales
- * Food Tent (cashiers and servers)
- * Inflatables Ticket Sales
- * Kitchen (dishwasher)
- * Kids Carnival Games
- * Main Raffle Ticket Sales
- * Monte Carlo
- * Novelty Items Sales (glowsticks etc.)
- * Outside Games Area
- * Outside Money Wheel



Please complete and return the Volunteer Form which can be found in your

Festival Mailing Packet.

Questions - contact Rosemarie Sisler at (440) 854-6001 or at rsisler@smmwillowick.org

Or Sharon Woltman at (440) 376-1843 or sljcw@aol.com

Readings for the Week of March 24, 2024

Sun.: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50: 4-7;
Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

Mon.: Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

Tues.: Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed.: Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25

Thur.: Ex 12:1-8; 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
Jn 13:1-15

Fri.: Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9;
Jn 18:1-19:42

2023 Mass Book

If you are interested in booking a Mass for a family member, friend, or any other special people in your life please stop by the Parish Office during regular business hours.



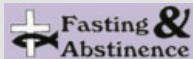
We still have
weekday and
weekend Masses
available.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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>



Reminder that Good Friday, March 28th, is a day of Fast & Abstinences and for Catholics. In addition, all Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

Fasting: Ages 18-59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. No eating between meals.

Abstinence: Ages 14 & older-the law of abstinence requires Catholics to not eat meat on the Fridays in Lent once they have reached the age of 14.



Holy Thursday—March 28th

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday—March 29th

Noon Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm The Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday—March 30th

3:00 pm Blessing of Easter Food

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday—March 31st

Masses celebrated at:

8:00 am ~ Church

9:30 am ~ Church

11:00 am ~ Church

The Parish Office Will Be Closed:

- Holy Thursday, March 28th
- Good Friday, March 29th
- Holy Saturday, March 30th
- Easter Sunday, March 31st
- Easter Monday, April 1st

SNOW ALERTS!!!

We are reminded by the City of Willowick that a parking ban goes into effect on all City streets when the snow exceeds 2 inches. This includes East 321st street alongside SMM. Willowick's Service Department needs your cooperation to be able to remove snow from all the streets.

PARTICIPATING

The Knights of Columbus Magnificat Council will be selling raffle tickets after Masses the weekends of March 16/17 & 23/24. There are 25 total prizes. The top prize being nearly \$50,000.00!

The price of the tickets are \$5 each or our special price of 5 tickets for \$20 if sold to the same name on each ticket. All proceeds we receive will go to Charity.

During this past year our council supported many charities. The top 3 being:

- ⇒ St. Mary Magdalene Parish (\$5,000) to help offset a lower than expected festival result.
- ⇒ Coats for Kids (\$1,500)
- ⇒ Birthright (\$1,500)

Plus several other smaller donations.

If you are able too, please consider supporting us in this important fundraiser.

Thanks and God Bless



Divorce **Recovery**
for Catholics, an 8 Week Support Group designed to meet the needs of those who are divorced or separated will begin Tuesday, March 12 and conclude on April 30, 2024, at St. Gabriel Church, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Concord. The group meets from 6:30-8:30 PM in the school building with a caring, trained facilitator. Our goal is to provide a place where we can share support and encouragement while offering direction and guidance for those that are struggling with separation/divorce. Sessions are tailored to meet the needs of the participants and provide the tools for coping and moving on. For more information or to register, please call Karen at 440-352-8282 or email kjubeck@st-gabriel.org There is no charge for this program, all materials are provided, and it is open to people of all faiths.

Christ Child Society News:

Christ Child Society of the Western Reserve is having its annual Red Wagon luncheon to help children in need in Lake County. The event is Wednesday April 24, 2024 at Regovich Catering in Eastlake. Doors open at 10:30. Joe Cronauer from Channel 3 is our speaker. Tickets are going fast. They are \$50 and are available thru Eventbrite on www.christchildwesternreserve.org. You may also purchase tickets at the Clothing Cottage with cash or check (9324 Mentor Ave - Open Tuesday-Saturday 11-3). Call Donna Perrine (440-221-7140) for



The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and Memorial events throughout the year. The next Grief Support meeting is Sunday, March 17th at 3:00pm for in-person support (at 6 locations), and 5:00pm for virtual support and the topic is "Spring, Easter, and Grief: Times of Sacred Transition".

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

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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 should contact the parish office ~ 440-943-2133.

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 Fr. Steve Breck at 440-943-2133.

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) 943-2133.

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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