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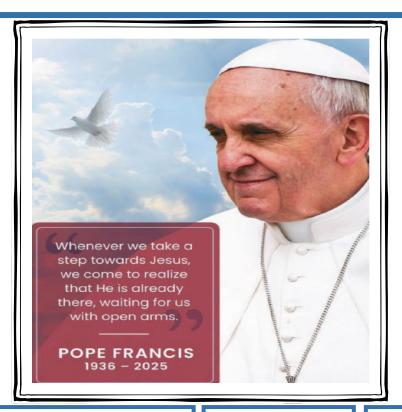
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Parish Mission Statement

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 27, 2025



WEEKEND MASS

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

DAILY MASS|CHAPEL HOURS Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. | 9:00 am Chapel Hours|8:30 am ~ 9:00pm

CONFESSIONS

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

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

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

<u> Monday, April 28, 2025</u>

Easter Weekday

9:00 am...William Ucic

Tuesday, April 29 2025

St. Catherine of Siena

9:00 am....Patricia Zadell

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

Easter Weekday

9:00 am....LuLu Pawlowski

Thursday, May 1, 2025

Easter Weekend

9:00 am.... Morning Prayer

Friday, May 2, 2025

St. Athanasius

9:00 am....Jane Makar

9:30 am....Sacred Heart Novena

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Sts. Philip & James

4:30 pm.....Patricia Zadell

Sunday, May 4, 2025 Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 am.....Mark Breck

11:00 am....Angelina Iaconianni

Readings for the Week of April 27, 2025

Sun.: Acts 5:12-16; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13,

17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Mon.: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8

Tues.: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15

Wed.: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

Thur.: Acts 5:27-33: Jn 3:31-36

Fri.: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

Sat.: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

FROM FR. STEVE....

Happy Divine Mercy Sunday everyone! On Sunday, April 27th we will have a Divine Mercy Service at 12:45PM. On April 30, 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized the Polish nun who had received from Christ the amazing revelations of the Divine Mercy in the early years of the twentieth century, Saint Mary Faustina Kowalska. During that ceremony, the pope fulfilled one of the requests that Christ had made through those revelations: that the entire Church reserve the Second Sunday of the Easter Season to honor and commemorate God's infinite mercy. The celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday is an opportunity to reflect on the theme of how God's mercy can overcome sin and God's tremendous love for us. On the weekend of May 3rd and the 4th, the Benedictine monks of Saint Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, PA will be with us asking for our prayers and alms for their missions in Brazil and Taiwan, and for the many foreign Seminarians who study at Saint Vincent and then return to ministry in their home countries. Also, on May 4th we will have our May Crowning at 5PM. Usually, the May Crowning is earlier in the day, but I am going to my Great Niece, Ava Marie Garner's Baptism after the 11AM Mass. You may have noticed that a section of the Church pews has kneelers and noticed parishioners using them after the last person has received the Eucharist or maybe before Mass. Two more sections will be done during the week of May 12th. The last section will be done right after the parish festival. Once all the sections are completed, in compliance with the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (the manual for the Mass). I would really like us to kneel for the Eucharistic prayer. As stated in the GIRM, paragraph 43, "In the diocese of the United States of America, they should kneel beginning after the singing or recitation of the Sanctus (Holy, Holy Holy) until after the Amen of the Eucharistic Prayer." If you are unable to kneel due to bad knees and hips, you can be seated. As one parishioner suggested, you can "sneel." Sneeling where you sit at the edge of the seat with your arms resting on the back of the pew that is in front of you. It gives the appearance that you are kneeling. I think it would be good to follow the instructions. You may wonder why there are parishes in the diocese without kneelers. I wonder that too since the instructions state that we should kneel. I know when Bishop Perez was here, when he assigned pastors to parishes without kneelers, he gave them instructions to re-install them. Also, parishioners shared with me the desire for them to return. Plus, the Eucharistic Revival, seem to spark a greater devotion to the Eucharist. The attendance for our Eucharistic Procession at Corpus Christi is impressive. So, it seemed like it was time to bring them back. Again, thank you for your cooperation. God bless!

PARISH NEWS

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

April 6, 2025

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 1,930.00

\$ 1,655.00 Capital Improvement:

1% Need Program: \$ 546,00

April 13, 2025

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 4,982.00

Capital Improvement: \$ 3,258.00

1% Need Program: \$ 310.00

Automatic Giving:

4-7-2025 to 4-19-2025 \$4,459.00

This week at SMM

Divine Mercy Novena Sun., April 27th

> Church 12:45-1:30 pm

Sun., April 27th Café

> 9:20-10:50 am Church

Thurs., May 1st **AA Meeting**

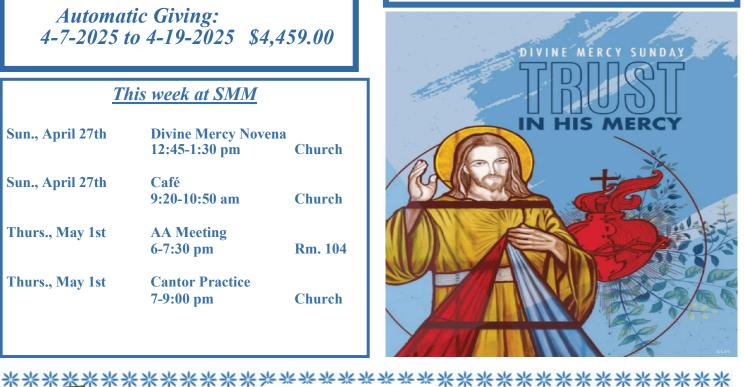
> Rm. 104 6-7:30 pm

Thurs., May 1st **Cantor Practice**

> 7-9:00 pm Church

First Communion Mass Schedule Saturday, April 26h 4:30 pm Sunday, April 27th 11:00 am









LADIES' 30TH ANNUAL DAISY GOLF CLASSIC (Sponsored by The Christ Child Society of The Western Reserve) Mon., July 14, 2025, Pine Ridge Country Club

- 18 holes of golf with a cart, coffee/danish, Lunch and Dinner included. Fun games on the course, golf prizes and raffles. 8:30 a.m. registration and 10 a.m. shotgun start
- The Cost is \$130 per golfer, \$45 dinner only. Registration deadline is Monday, June 30, 2025 For more information visit our web site at:

www.christchildwesternreserve.org/events

or Call Anne Taylor, Chair - 440.637.5368 ~ Joanne Filipski, Co-Chair - 440.478.8283 Email: annet57@aol.com

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SAVE THE DATES!!

May 4th **May Crowning** May 10-11th Spring Bake Sale

May 13th Mass Book Open—2026

May 29-June 1st Festival June 8th Confirmation

August 4-8th Vacation Bible School



We are so grateful to each and everyone of our wonderful parishioner who donated hams for distribution to the needy from SMM!

Over 60 families Easter dinners

were made so much more enjoyable as they sat around their Easter table celebrating the Risen Christ. God's blessings to all of you!



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

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pend 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.

Did the Easter Bunny leave too much candy at your house??? The Lunch Packing Crew would love it if you wanted to share and they could put an extra treat in the lunch bags for those at the West Side Catholic Center.

Please drop off at Parish Office.

LUNCH PACKING





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 10:00am to make sandwiches.

These brown bag lunches are delivered by volunteers to the West Side Catholic Center to feed the needy.

MASS BOOK ~ 2026



The Mass Book for 2026 will be open on Tuesday, May 13th from 10:00-Noon in Parish Office Conference Room.

The Mass schedule is:

- ~ Saturday ~ 4:30 pm
- ~ Sunday ~ 8:00 am & 11:00 am.
- ~ Weekday Mass is 9:00 am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday.

Because of the number of requests we receive and the fixed number of masses available for scheduling in any year, we will implement the following policy:

- 1. You may schedule three (3) intentions beginning on May 14th~ One Weekend and Two Week day Massses. This insures that a greater number of parishioners will have an oppor tunity to participate in this devotional practice.
- 2. After Labor Day, when most people have had a chance to schedule their intentions, any remaining unscheduled Masses will be made available for a second round of requests.

Please note that you may remember any number of people for your Mass intention.

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:

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Sunday May 18, 2025

12:45 PM

Bea Conference Room

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Divine Mercy Prayer

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. Amen

PARISH NEWS

33rd Annual Homecoming Festival – May 29 – June 1, 2025 We need

Volunteer Opportunities

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their Main Raffle tickets and Volunteer Forms! And thanks to everyone who has already made donations for our Chinese Auction and Spirits Wagon!

As of 4-20-2025 we have received \$ 10,255.00 in ticket money!!!! Our first Early Bird Winner of \$50.00 is Anton Straubhaar! Congratulations Anton!

- We need everyone's help to make our Homecoming Festival a success! What can YOU do?????
- Please purchase and sell Main Raffle tickets. This should be our largest source of income for the festival. More tickets are available in the Parish Office.
- Please consider donating cash or gift cards for the Chinese Auction (we cannot accept lottery tickets). This is a very popular attraction at our festival – we are planning to have approximately 100 baskets/items this year.
- Please consider donating liquor for our "Spirits Wagon". This was a very sought after prize last year and was very successful. All donations can be brought to the Main Office.
- • Please consider donating new stuffed animals and wrapped candy for the **Kids Carnival games.**



YOU!









Hit List Thursday 7-10 pm

Intense Friday 7-10 pm Disco Inferno **Saturday** 7-10 pm

Brian Papesh Party Band Sunday 1:30-4:30 pm

Ace Molar **Sunday** 6-9 pm

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

Outback Ray Amazing Animal Show ~ Saturday 3-4 pm Polka Mass—Sunday ~ 11:00 in the Church

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 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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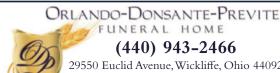
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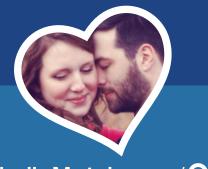
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