

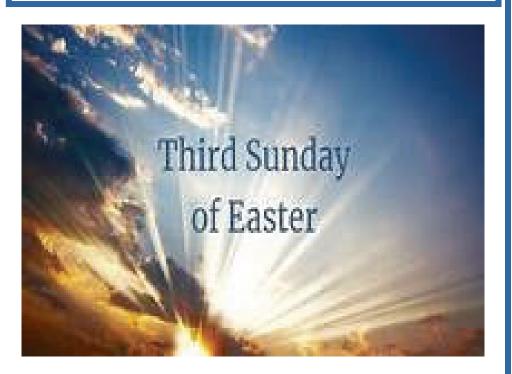
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Parish Mission Statement

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.



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 Mass in
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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 4, 2025

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, May 5, 2025
Easter Weekday
9:00 am...Michael DiBarto

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 Easter Weekday 9:00 am....John Vovko

Wednesday, May 7, 2025
Easter Weekday
9:00 am....Bob Tressler

Thursday, May 8, 2025
Easter Weekday
9:00 am.... Morning Prayer

Friday, May 9, 2025
Easter Weekday
9:00 am.....Tom Busher

Saturday, May 3, 2025
Easter Weekday
4:30 pm.....Alex & Irene Dureiko

Sunday, May 11, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am.....Eugene Vild

11:00 am....Richard Damore

Readings for the Week of May 4, 2025

Sun.: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rev 5:11-14;

Jn 21:1-19

Mon.: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tues.: Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

Wed.: Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

Thur.: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Fri.: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

Sat.: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

FROM FR. STEVE....

Happy Month of May Everyone! Soon it will be festival time! Festival sign-ups are available after Mass. We need your help and prayers. Thank you for supporting our festival. This weekend, we welcome the Benedictine monks of Saint Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, PA. They are with us this year 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. Please be generous and help them reach out to those they serve. This way you can become part of this mission of mercy and salvation. This Sunday evening, at 5PM is our May Crowning.

If the weather is nice, the service will be outside. Speaking of

services, recently, we said good-bye to a kind shepherd who was faithful to the Gospel, loved by many, tirelessly pleaded for peace and assigned us two wonderful Bishops! I am sincerely grateful for Pope Francis assigning us Bishop Perez and Bishop Malesic. Two

holy, relatable and approachable shepherds. Thank you, Pope

Francis and may you rest in peace! Also, I am sincerely grateful for our Art & Environment. With short notice, they came up to help with the display and placed black bunting on our doors. We have such a wonderful Art & Environment Committee. Congratulations to our 2^{nd} graders that made their 1^{st} Holy Communion last weekend. They did a super job! Also, thank you Stacy Polasko and Linda

Busher for your help. Stacy and Linda are awesome, and they do such a wonderful job with our children! Thanks to all that participated in the Holy Face Program. I heard so many wonderful stories from our families that had the Veronica in their home! Tom

Hummer is such a generous person. He's also a wonderful speaker. I hope other parishes invite him to offer the program. I hope you

enjoy the large Divine Mercy image that was painted in the Chapel in Krakow by Zofia Szpecht. At the time, it was one of 32 original oil paintings produced from the Chapel in Krakow, Poland. We are so blessed! Do you have a will? Did you know 68% of Americans do not have a will? One of the reasons people do not have a will is that some find the process of creating a will to be too complex or expensive. With that, Saint Mary Magdalene has recently partnered with My Catholic Will. It is the only online Catholic will-writing tool available. Now you can create your Will for FREE, and in 15 minutes, you can write your will and consider a legacy gift to Saint Mary Magdalene Parish. Secure your legacy of faith and give hope to future generations of Catholics in the most meaningful way! With My Catholic Will, you can also specify your wishes for a Catholic funeral and burial. To create your will, visit https://mycatholicwill.com/ smmwillowick and use the referral code SMMWILLOWICK. God bless and have a wonderful week!

PARISH NEWS

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

April 6, 2025

Sundays & Holydays: \$1,930.00 Capital Improvement: \$1,655.00

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

April 20, 2025

Easter to Date: \$28, 168.00

Automatic Giving: 4-21-4 to 4-27-2025: \$ 4.598.00

Congratulations to all our First Communicants

Saturday, April 26h 4:30 pm

Brielle Coan

Wyatt Reed

Sunday, April 27th 11:00 am

Bryce Fink

Kennedy Fink

Amelia Flick

Morgan Gaskell

Audra Mae Krajewski

Julia Nichols

Spencer Patterson

Owen Synawysnik

Elizabeth Taraska

Luke Tompkins



This week at SMM

Sun., May 4th Café 9:20-10:50 am Church **Blood Pressure Screening** Sun., May 4th Rm. 103 9-9:15 am Sun., May 4th **May Crowning** 5:00 pm **Mary Shrine** Wed., May 7th **Catholic War Vets** 6:45-8:45 pm **Multi-Purp**

Thurs., May 8th AA Meeting

6-7:30 pm Rm. 104

Thurs., May 8th Choir Practice

7-9:00 pm Church

Thurs., May 8th Spiritual Book Club

7-8:30 pm Rm. 103

SHAWLMINISTRY

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Tuesday, May 13th at 1:00 pmin 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. We gladly accept items from those who are unable to attend. For more information call: Liz at 440-725-0113.

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SAVE THE DATES!!

May 4th May Crowning @ 5:00 pm

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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

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

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St. Vincent de Paul Society is a Food Pantry and 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.

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St. Justin Martyr...Catholic Renewal Ministries invites all to XLT-An Evening of Healing Praise to be held on May 16th from 7 - 9 p.m. at St Justin Martyr Parish. There will be a time of praise and worship, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, healing prayer, confession and refreshments. St Justin Martyr Church is located at 31785 Stevens Blvd, Eastlake, OH 44095, north of Vine St, East of Rt 91. Come experience God's love and mercy in a profound way.



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JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE TOGETHER ON

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025 5:30 PM

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LUNCH PACKING

May 12th

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.

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 RSVP – Call Jim Hickey, Pastoral Associate 440-255-0600 ext. 207

Blood Pressure Screening will be offered Sunday, May 4, 2025, in the Kaminski Room (Rm. 103) after 8:00 am Mass.



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*<u>day Massses.</u> This insures that a greater number of parishioners will have an opportunity 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.

Questions? Call the SMM Office @ 440-943-2133

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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!!!!

- 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

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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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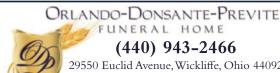






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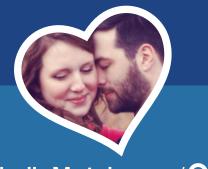
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