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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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF  
EASTER

MAY 11, 2025



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### 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

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# PRAYER & WORSHIP

## CELEBRATING

Monday, May 12, 2025

*Easter Weekday*

9:00 am...Frank & Celine Burger

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

*Easter Weekday*

9:00 am....Joyce Russo

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

*Easter Weekday*

9:00 am.....Louise Vovko

Thursday, May 15, 2025

*Easter Weekday*

9:00 am..... Morning Prayer

Friday, May 16, 2025

*Easter Weekday*

9:00 am.....Louis Curry

Saturday, May 17, 2025

*Easter Weekday*

4:30 pm.....Joseph Sterk

**Sunday, May 18, 2025**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

8:00 am.....Emma Konig

11:00 am....LuLu Pawlowski

## Readings for the Week of May 11, 2025

Sun.: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rev 7:9, 14b-17;  
Jn 10:27-30

Mon.: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tues.: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

Wed.: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Thur.: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

Fri.: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

Sat.: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

*FROM FR. STEVE....*

Happy Mother's Day to all our moms out there! Dear Moms, thank you for all you do! We love you. I hope you have a wonderful Mother's Day. God bless you! I hope you are spoiled by your children on Mother's Day. You deserve it. Be assured of my prayers for those going through this Mother's Day the first time without their mom. May God comfort you, fill you with peace and help you through the day. Parents are without a doubt special people and most especially our moms. We have a holy card for all our moms, be sure to pick one up after Mass. Also, at the entrances of the Church are empty baby bottles. Our Knights of Columbus is organizing a Birthright Baby Bottle Campaign. If you can afford it, please pick up a bottle. Fill it with your spare change or a check and return your baby bottle to Saint Mary Magdalene on Father's Day Weekend June 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you! This weekend is also our Bake Sale. Thanks to all our marvelous bakers. You do a super job! Thank you, Marge Tressler, for organizing our Bake Sale. Proceeds go towards the beautification of the parish property. Starting tomorrow, our weekday Masses will be in room 104. Two sections of the Church will be getting kneelers. Both sections will be functional for the weekend of May 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. Sorry for the inconvenience. If there are any funerals this week, Bob and I will travel, and we will have the Mass at one of our neighboring parishes. Speaking of hospitality, thank you for making Fr. Cassian feel welcome at Saint Mary Magdalene and thank you for your generous response to his appeal. Your gift will go a long way! Fr. Cassian certainly enjoyed his visit to our parish, we enjoyed having him, and I hope he was able to get his Napoleon dessert that he raved about! Our festival raffle is off to a great start! Thank you for your support and keep up the good work. We are still in need of volunteers for our festival. Thanks to those who already signed up! 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

## SAVE THE DATES!!

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

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.



## 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.

**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.



## ORDINATION OF FATHER STEVEN H. BRECK

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE TOGETHER ON

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025

5:30 PM

COOKOUT UNDER THE BIG TENT

(WEATHER PERMITTING

OR IN SMM GYM)

PLEASE NO GIFTS

## 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>



# PARISH NEWS

## CONTRIBUTION REPORT

May 4, 2025

*Sundays & Holydays:* \$ 6,277.00

*Capital Improvement:* \$ 1,494.00

*1% Need Program:* \$ 401.00

*Easter to Date:* \$28,324.00

*Automatic Giving:*

*4-27- to 5-3-25:* \$ 6,593.00



## SMM FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER & SMM PARISHIONER PRE-FESTIVAL WRIST BAND PICK UP DATES!!!

**(All wrist bands must be picked up prior to May 22, 2025)**

**Wrist bands available every day**

**Monday-Thursday**

**8:30 am-4:30 pm and on**

**Sundays 9 am-Noon in the**

**Parish Office**

**ADDITIONAL PICK-UP DAYS:**

**Saturday, May 10 10-Noon**

**Thursday, May 15 4-7 pm**

**\*\*\*In order to avoid the secured entrance line, please get your wristbands early.**

**PLEASE SEE THE ABOVE DATES**

**Thank You for your support of this year's festival!!**

### This week at SMM

Sun., May 11th	Café 9:20-10:50 am	Church
Sun., May 11th	Spring Bake Sale After Masses	Church
Mon., May 12th	Lunch Packing 9:00-10:00 am	Multi-Purp.
Tues., May 13th	Mass Book Opening 9:30-Noon	Parish Office
Tues., May 13th	Prayer Shawl 1-2:30 pm	Rm. 104
Wed., May 14th	K of C 4498 6-8:00 pm	Multi-Purp.
Thurs., May 15h	AA Meeting 6-7:30 pm	Rm. 104
Thurs., May 15h	Choir Practice 7-9:00 pm	Church
Thurs., May 15th	Spiritual Book Club 7-8:30 pm	Rm 113
Thurs., May 15th	K of C 4th Degree 6-9:00 pm	Multi-Purp.

**The FEST 2025...**Join us for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The FEST on Sunday, August 3, 2025 in Wickliffe, Ohio. The FEST is the perfect family day and features some of the best Contemporary Christian Artists – Maverick City Music, Danny Gokey, Ben Fuller, and Seph Schleuter). There is something for everyone at The FEST from the Marc's Moms' Area... to crafts, games, inflatables, a BMX show and faith-based activities for the kids. The FEST day concludes with an inspiring outdoor Mass on the grounds of our diocesan seminary at 8 pm. As you celebrate Mother's Day, invite your family to join you at The FEST....a day of faith, family and fun....all for FREE. For all the details go to: [www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us)



# PARTICIPATING

## Mother's Day Blessing

May your heart be wrapped in the  
same love you give so freely. May  
your days be filled with the peace  
you bring to others. And may you  
walk this earth for many more  
beautiful years—so I have time to  
return even a fraction of the love  
and sacrifices you've given me. You  
are deeply cherished, not just  
today, but always.  
Happy Mother's Day.



Have a Very Blessed  
Mother's Day!!!

From Fr. Steve Breck  
&  
The Staff of SMM

## It's Baby Bottle Time!



The Knights of Columbus are  
once again sponsoring a collection to bene-  
fit mothers and young children, up to age 5.

Please pick up a baby bottle in SMM's  
Church Gathering Area to collect your loose  
change, bills or checks.

Checks should be made out to K of C Council  
#4498.

All proceeds will be given to Birthright of  
Lake County on behalf of the parishioners of  
St. Mary Magdalene.

We will be collecting from Mother's Day to  
Father's Day.

You can return your donations to the collec-  
tion box located in the Gathering Area.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Mike Weikart at (440) 487-8467.



## 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 Masses. 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 re-  
quests.

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

# PARISH NEWS



## 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Homecoming Festival – May 29 – June 1, 2025

### 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 5-6-2025 we have received \$ 13,030.00 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.



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

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](mailto: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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