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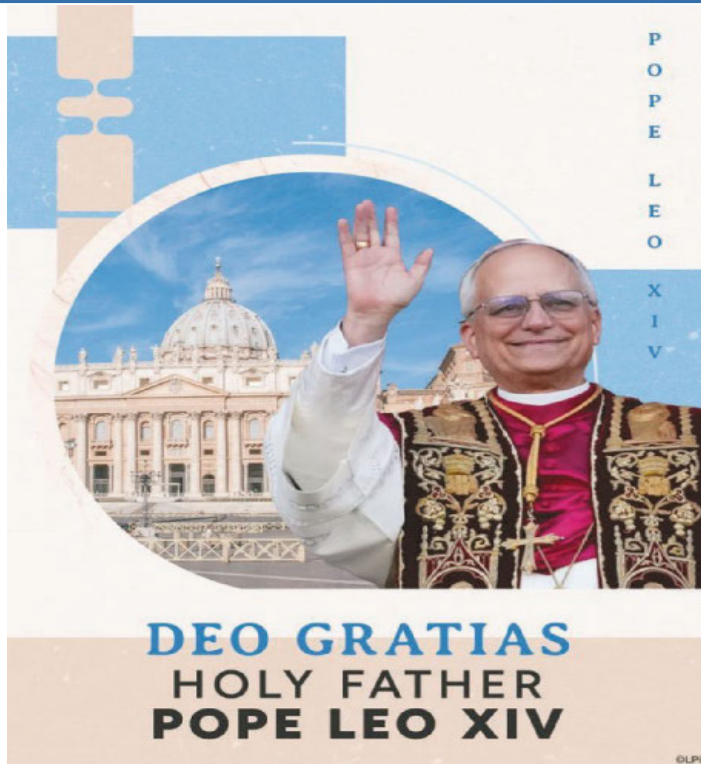
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Parish Mission Statement

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 18, 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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12:00 to 1:00

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, May 19, 2025

Easter Weekday

9:00 am....Joe Crowley

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Easter Weekday

9:00 am....Jim & Kathleen Crowley

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Easter Weekday

9:00 am.....Rosalind Guhde

Thursday, May 22, 2025

Easter Weekday

9:00 am..... Morning Prayer

Friday, May 23, 2025

Easter Weekday

9:00 am.....Tom Busher

Saturday, May 24, 2025

Easter Weekday

4:30 pm.....Patricia Zadell

Sunday, May 25, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am.....Ray & Loretta Adams

11:00 am.....Joseph Sterk

Readings for the Week of May 18, 2025

Sun.: Acts 14:21-27; Rev 21:1-5a;
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Mon.: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-46

Tues.: Acts 14:19-24; Jn 14:27-31a

Wed.: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

Thur.: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

Fri.: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

Sat.: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

FROM FR. STEVE....

Thank you very much for supporting our Mother's Day Weekend Bake Sale. The bake sale made a profit of \$1,130.00! That's fantastic! Thank you, Marge Tressler and your team for organizing the sale. Also, thank you bakers! Super job! Speaker of super job, we completed two more sections of the Church. Any pews without kneelers in these sections will get them the week of May 18th. Please know Weekday Mass resumes in the Church on May 19th. Again, sorry for the inconvenience. The last section will be finished on the week of June 1st, right after the festival. With that, thank you for your support with our parish festival! I hope you like the new changes. Our festival committee has been working hard to make sure we have a fun and safe festival for all. Thank you for signing up to volunteer. We need your help and still need more volunteers. Also, thank you for supporting the parish raffle. So far, sales have been great! Please know our Memorial Corner is open for you to write your loved one's name that has gone home to the Lord. The Memorial Corner is located by the chapel at the East 321st Street Entrance. We do have a book of prayer intentions for you. This book is in the parish office on the counter. Can you believe Memorial Day is near? Our Memorial Day Mass is at 9AM. After Mass, I am hoping to go try the new ride, Time Twister, at Waldameer Park. Parish office is closed on Monday, May 26th. Looking for some summertime fun? Our Pool Party is at Manry Park is Sunday, June 13th from 6PM to 8PM and our Concert in the Grove is Tuesday, July 22nd at 6PM. What a fun way to celebrate our feast day with a concert! This year, we welcome back Dr. Neil Brofman's Band. Yes, Dr. Brofman is treating us to East Coast Custard. Thank you, Dr. Brofman! If you are thinking about becoming Catholic and being received in the Church for Easter Vigil 2026, now is the time to join OCIA! If you are interested, please contact me. 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 29-June 1st Festival
June 8th Confirmation
July 13th Manry Pool Party 6-8:00 pm
July 22nd Concert in the Grove
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

June 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 9:00am to 10:00am to make sandwiches.

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

FESTIVAL HOURS

May 29th ~ June 1st

Thursday, May 29th 6-10 pm

Friday, May 30th 6-10 pm

Saturday, May 31st 2-10 pm

Sunday, June 1st Noon-9:00 pm



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 11, 2025

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 4,671.00

Capital Improvement: \$ 3,274.00

1% Need Program: \$ 381.00

Automatic Giving:

5-5-2025 to 5-11-2025:
\$ 3,474.00

This week at SMM

Sun., May 18th	Café 9:20-10:50 am	Church
Wed., May 21st	SVdP Meeting 7-8:30 pm	Rm. 103.
Thurs., May 22nd	AA Meeting 6-7:30 pm	Rm. 104
Thurs., May 22nd	Choir Practice 7-9:00 pm	Church



The FEST 2025...Join us for the 25th 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. 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



SMM FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER & SMM PARISHIONER

**PRE-FESTIVAL WRIST BANDS
ARE AVAILABLE IN THE Parish
Office through May 22nd.**

**After May 22nd all wristbands will only
be issued the days of the festival. You
can stop in the Office from May 17th–
through May 22nd to avoid the lines at
the Festival. Office hours are :**

Sunday, May 18th	9 to Noon
Monday, May 19th	8:30 to 4:30
Tuesday, May 20th	8:30 to 4:30
Wednesday, May 21st	8:30-4:30
Thursday, May 22nd	8:30 to 4:30

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

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

SMM Festival Committee

PARTICIPATING

First Bann of Marriage

Angelica Ban
and

Nicholas Vitantonio

St. Mary Magdalene Church

June 7, 2025



It's Baby Bottle Time!



The Knights of Columbus are once again sponsoring a collection to benefit 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 collection box located in the Gathering Area.

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



FESTIVAL BAKERY NEEDED



Cafe Magdalene is one of SMM's most popular booths at our Family Festival.

Your donations make this happen!!!!

Please be so kind as to whip up some mouth-watering desserts and drop off at the Parish Office from Thursday, May 29th through Saturday, May 31st.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity!!


FOR QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL:

KAREN TABAR AT 440-667-5788



The Knights of Columbus exist to protect the Catholic Family by strengthening the Catholic man. We empower men to become better husbands, better fathers and better disciples of Jesus Christ. All practicing Catholic men, eighteen and older, are invited to join our council. You can join online today by visiting kofc.org/join. When prompted for a "Preferred Council Number please enter Council #4498. User promo code "BLESSEDMEGIVNEY" to receive your first year of membership free. Please contact Tom Masterson at (440) 487-0467 with any questions.

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33rd 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 5-13-2025 we have received \$ 14,655.00 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.



We are hoping you can find some time to help in any area of the Festival!!! We are especially in need of volunteers in our:

Kids Tent! ***

Parish Food Tent!

Beer Tent!

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***The Children's Carnival Games is looking for donations of bags of candy to use as prizes for the kids. No chocolate please ~ it tends to melt. We would be ever so grateful for any contribution. Please drop off at the Parish Office.

Outback Ray Amazing Animal Show ~ Saturday 3-4 pm

Polka Mass—Sunday ~ 11:00 in the Church

Contact Parish Office—440-943-2133—with any questions.

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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