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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.

MEMORIAL DAY

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LOSS OF
THESE
HEROES.

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 Parking Lot!

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 25, 2025

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, May 26, 2025 St. Philip Neri 9:00 am...William Miller Parish Office Closed



Tuesday, May 27, 2025 Easter Weekday 9:00 am....Maria Catan

Wednesday, May 28, 2025
Easter Weekday
9:00 am....Libby Condon

Thursday, May 29, 2025
Easter Weekday
9:00 am.... Morning Prayer

Friday, May 30, 2025
Easter Weekday
9:00 am.....James & Rita Fowler
Anniversary

Saturday, May 31, 2025
The Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
4:30 pm....Lillian Hocevar

Sunday, June 1, 2025 The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 am.....Clara Trawicki

11:00 am....Don Barrish

Readings for the Week of May 25, 2025

Sun.: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rev 21:10-14,

22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Mon.: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:14a

Tues.: Acts 16:22-24; Jn 16:5-11

Wed.: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thur.: Acts 1:1-11: Eph1:17-23 or

Heb 9:24-28;10:19-23; Lk 24:46-56

Fri.: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Sat.: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16;

FROM FR. STEVE....

Happy Memorial Day weekend everyone as we remember and honor persons who have died while serving in the United States military. Enjoy the long weekend. I hope it safe, restful, fun and peaceful weekend for you. Mass on Memorial Day is at 9AM. Also, The Parish Office is closed on Memorial Day. Next weekend is going to be very busy here with our festival. Again, we need a lot of help. If you signed up, thank you very much. As you pray for good weather, please pray for God's safety and protection and that everyone has a good time. Thank you, Festival Committee, for all your hard work and commitment to making our festival a good time for everyone. Right after festival, we will be finishing the last section of pews. So weekday Mass, June 2nd, 3rd and 4th will be in Room 104. Thank you for your cooperation and patience. You are very kind. Once the section is completed, I hope we can do our best to be in compliance with the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (the manual for the Mass), 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 these instructions. Our new picture of the pope is coming soon! In his Address of the Holy Father to the College of Cardinals (May 10, 2025), the Holy Father shared why he chose the name Leo. It was because of the encyclical Rerum Novarum, written by Pope Leo XIII. He said: "I thought to take the name Leo XIV for a few reasons. But principally, Pope Leo XIII, in his historical encyclical Rerum Novarum, addressed the social questions of his time during the Industrial Revolution. Today, the Church offers her patrimony of social doctrine to respond to another industrial revolution: the growth of artificial intelligence, which presents new challenges for the defense of human dignity, of justice, and work." Just as the industrial revolution raised new questions about the nature of work, so too does the advent of artificial intelligence. Pope Leo XIV wants the Church to be ready to help guide the world through the coming years. Let us be open to learning from him, and above all, praying for him! Lastly, looking ahead, on October 8th we are planning a Bus Trip with Padre Pio Pilgrimages to visit two of Ohio's Historic Marian Shrines. Stay tuned for more details. God bless!

PARISH NEWS

SAVE THE DATES!!

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May 29-June 1st Festival

June 8th Confirmation

July 13th Manry Pool Party 6-8:00 pm

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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.

Due to SMM's Parish Festival and the parking lot being inaccessible, SMM's Food Pantry will be closed:

Translate May 27th

Tuesday, May 27th
Thursday, May 29th

The Foot Pantry will reopen on Tuesday, June3rd from 6:30-7:30 pm



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

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CONTRIBUTION REPORT

May 18, 2025

Sundays & Holydays: \$5,690.00 Capital Improvement: \$979.00

1% Need Program: \$ 190.00

Automatic Giving:

5-12-2025 to 5-18-2025: \$ 2,368.00

This week at SMM

Sun., May 25th

Café

9:20-10:50 am

Church

Beginning on Tuesday, May 27th, all parish activities will be on hold as the Festival set-up will be in full swing.



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!!



FYI: The SMM Parking Lot will be unavailable for the Masses on May 31st & June 1st. Use the Vine Street lot or East 321st.

PARTICIPATING



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' most popular booths at our Family Festival.

Your donations makes this happen!!!!

Please be so kind as to whip up some mouthwatering 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 furst year of membership free. Please contact Tom Masterson at (440) 487-0467 with any questions.



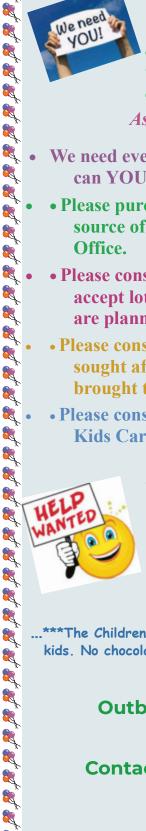
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33rd Annual Homecoming Festival – May 29 – June 1, 2025 **Volunteer Opportunities**

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.
- Please consider donating new stuffed animals and wrapped candy for the Kids Carnival games.



We need

YOU!

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!

..***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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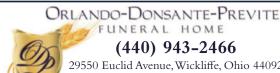
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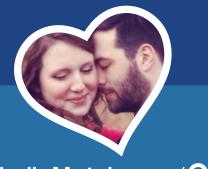
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