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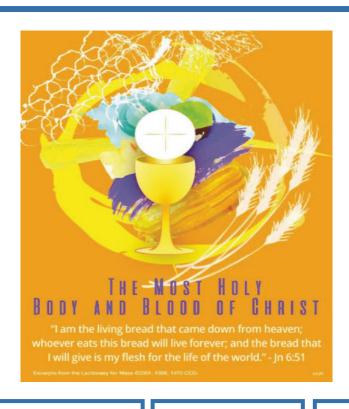
# **Parish Mission Statement**

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.

BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 22, 2025

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND



#### **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, June 23, 2025 Weekday 9:00 am...Linda Crowley

<u>Tuesday, June 24, 2025</u> The Nativity of St. John the Baptist 9:00 am....Bob Puchan

Wednesday, June 25, 2025 Weekday 9:00 am.....Jane Makar

Thursday, June 26, 2025 Weekday 9:00 am.... Morning Prayer

Friday, June 27, 2025
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
9:00 am.....Tom Busher

Saturday, June 28, 2025 Weekday 4:30 pm.....Matthew Kajfez

> Sunday, June 29, 2025 Saints Peter & Paul

8:00 am.....Tom Rock

11:00 am...Anne Podrasky (Bd.) Vicky Shedlock (Bd.)

# Readings for the Week of June 22, 2025

Sun.: Gn 14:18-20; I Cor 11:23-26;

Lk 9:11b-17

Mon.: Gn 12:1-9; Mt 7:1-5

Tues.: Jer 1:4-10; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Wed.: Gn 15:1-12; 17-18; Mt 7:15-20

Thur.: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or Gn 16:6b-12,

5-16; Mt 7:21-29

Fri.: Ez 34:11-16; Rm 5:5b-11;

Lk 15:3-7

Sat.: Gn 18:1-13; Mt 8:5-17

#### FROM BOB SOEDER



#### The Way to Fitness - Liturgical Aerobics!

Not long ago I attended a Chapter Meeting of the American Guild of Organists (I've been a member for well over 30 years). The group is comprised of musicians from a variety of Christian denominations. I was sitting at a table with some of my colleagues. During a break, we traded a few jokes and humorous anecdotes. One of them said, "I'm thinking of becoming Catholic so I can get in better physical condition." I inquired, "Why would your physique improve by becoming Catholic?" He answered, "Catholics do aerobics every Sunday in Church. Stand, sit, kneel, stand, sit, kneel... "I let out a little chuckle – and made some kind of a wise-crack. However, as I thought about it, to someone on the outside looking in, "stand, sit, kneel..." may seem a bit bizarre. But, unlike many other denominations, the Catholic Mass calls us to a number of postures, all reflective of particular moments in the prayer – the purpose of which being twofold: (1) Physical response helps us to enter more deeply into the celebration by using all of our senses and (2) it increases our sense of unity in that we're all engaging in similar actions together.

Now that we're in the process of re-introducing kneelers into our Church, this is a good time to talk about "stand, sit, kneel." I've included a chart in this bulletin from our Diocesan Office for Worship. It shows all the postures that the Church requires of us during Mass. If you're a liturgy nerd like me, you can check out more info at: <a href="https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/files/resources/cdcposturechartduringmasswdocumentation.pdf">https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/files/resources/cdcposturechartduringmasswdocumentation.pdf</a>

For now, let's look particularly at kneeling and standing. Kneeling takes place *during the Eucharistic Prayer* (after the Holy, Holy, Holy until the end of the Great Amen). After the Great Amen, we stand and *remain standing* (*including "Lord I am not worthy..."*) until the last person has received Holy Communion. Once the Communion distribution has ended, each person may sit or kneel as they choose for personal reflection and thanksgiving.

So, you may be thinking, "What if I can't kneel either because of a physical limitation, or in the case of the front rows where there are no kneelers?" Fr. Breck is permitted to make pastoral decisions for the best practice in our particular parish. Where there are kneelers, if you are unable to kneel, you may "sneel," which is sitting on the edge of your seat and leaning forward. Where there are no kneelers, you may be seated. Because of the physical layout of the Church, standing (especially in the front rows) while others are kneeling would greatly hamper the view of the sanctuary for those behind them. In addition, the drastic differences in posture (between kneeling and standing) would more illustrate disunity than unity.

So as we forge ahead to engage in "Liturgical Aerobics," may we all continue to grow as a parish family – in the body, mind and spirit that is St. Mary Magdalene Church!

Godspeed,

**Bob Soeder** 

# **PARISH NEWS**

# \*\*\*\* SAVE THE DATES!!

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

Concert in the Grove—6:00 pm July 22nd

August 4-8th **Vacation Bible School** 

Oct. 8th **Bus Trip to Marian Shrines** 

#### 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 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.

#### 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

#### This week at SMM

Sun., June 22nd Café

9:20-10:50 am

Rm. 104

Mon., June 23rd

**Lunch Packing** 

9-10:00 am

Multi-Purp.

Wed., June 25th

**K** of **C** Officers Meeting

6-8:00 pm

Multi-Purp.

Thurs., June 26th

**AA Meeting** 

6-7:30 pm

Rm. 104



# Rosary Rally



American Croatian Lodge (Outside Front Lawn) Location:

> 34900 Lakeshore Blvd. Eastlake, Ohio 44095

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When: Noon - 1:00pm

Saturday, July 5, 2025

Why: To Honor our Lady and heal our country

through the Rosary

Please join us as we practice our freedom of religion publicly and pray for the United States of America and its leaders and to heal our Country through the Patriotic Rosary.

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# **CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

June 15, 2025

**Sundays & Holydays:** \$ 5,037.00

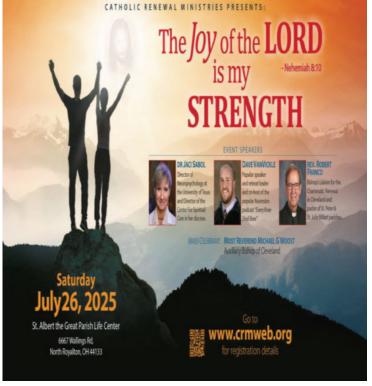
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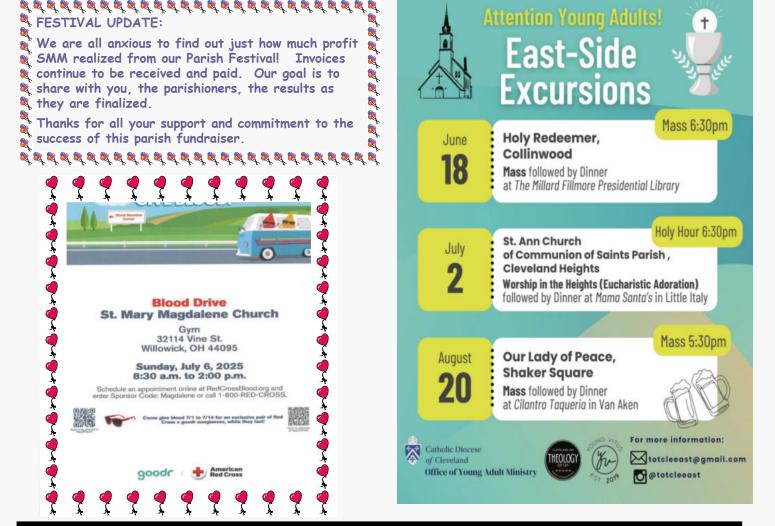
Automatic Giving: 06-09-2025 ~ 06-15-2025 \$ 2,179.00







# **PARTICIPATING**



# **Global Rosary Relay for the Sanctification of Priests**

The Annual Global Rosary Relay for the Sanctification of Priests will be held on June 27, 2025 on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This is a world wide event with the rosary being prayed for 24 hours at designated locations around the world. Our rosary location here is at Noon at Our Lady Lourdes Shrine 21281 Chardon Rd, Euclid, OH 44117. Please join us at the Shrine. The rosary will be broadcast at that time on AM1260 the Rock. This event is sponsored by Worldpriest <a href="https://www.worldpriest.com/">https://www.worldpriest.com/</a>

#### The Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart Diocesan Center will have the annual Mass of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7 pm on Friday June 27th at St. Therese Church, 5276 E 105th St., Garfield Hts., with Fr. Eric Orzech as celebrant. All are invited to attend the special Mass to make public reparation to the Sacred Heart and ask Jesus' help for all families, our Church, and our world. Rosary will be prayed at 6:30

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We also need wonderful people, like you, to volunteer and staff the many activities and events that make up The FEST. All of us working together, by God's grace, will make all the difference. Check out the ways you can help by going to: <a href="www.theFEST.us/volunteer">www.theFEST.us/volunteer</a>. Join us as we come together – united as one – on Sunday, August 3 for an Inspiring day of faith, family and fun – all for FREE – The FEST. Complete details can be found at: <a href="www.theFEST.us">www.theFEST.us</a>.

# **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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