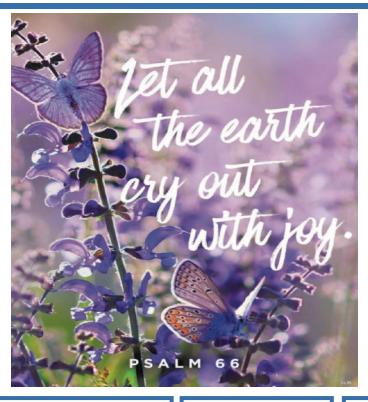


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Parish Mission Statement

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 MASSICHAPEL 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

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Monday ~ Thursday 8:30 am ~ 4:30 pm **Closed Friday &** Saturday Sunday ~ 9:00 am ~

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JULY 13, 2025

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, July 14, 2025

USA: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

9:00 am...Bob Puchan

Tuesday, July 15, 2025

St. Bonaventure,

9:00 am....Harlan Breck

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Weekday

9:00 am.....Tom & Helen Westrick

Thursday, July 17, 2025

Weekday

9:00 am.... Morning Prayer

Friday, July 18, 2025

St. Benedict, Abbot

9:00 am.....Tom Busher

Saturday, July 19, 2025

Weekday

4:30 pm....Members of the

Ilchak Family

Sunday, July 20, 2025 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am.....Chester Ferrato & John Crowley

11:00 am...Karen Schutz Seibert

Readings for the Week of July 13, 2025

Sun.: Dt 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20;

Lk 10:25-37

Mon.: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tues.: Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24

Wed.: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27

Thur.: Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30

Fri.: Ex 11:10-12:14; Mt 12:8-1

Sat.: Ex 12:37-42; Mt 12:14-21

FROM FR. STEVE...

Greetings everyone! Did you know on Sunday, August 3rd, 2025 The Fest will mark out its 25th Anniversary? Happy 25th Fest! Twenty-Five years of bringing together thousands from across our Diocese to the Center For Pastoral Leadership for an inspiring day of faith, family and funall for FREE! May God grant the Fest another 25 more! The theme this year for the Fest is, "United...in faith, hope and love." For so many across our region, The Fest is a highlight of their summer and an opportunity to strengthen their faith and affirm their family values. Right after The Fest, the fun does not stop. Monday, August 4th is Vacation Bible School at Saint Mary Magdalene Parish! Our VBS Team is proud to present: "Lego Vacation Bible School-Building Your Faith With God." Vacation Bible School is for ages 4 years old to those going into 5th Grade. Vacation Bible School runs from August 4th to the 8th from 9AM to Noon. Since we are on the month of August, we are having a SVDP Society Chicken Dinner on Sunday, August 17th starting after the 11AM Mass. Proceeds go to our Saint Vincent DePaul. So many of you are so generous supporting our SVDP especially with your donations of turkey and hams during the holiday. But we do not have an event to help financially support them. More information forthcoming. Also, want to go to the Vintage Wine Festival in Kirtland the weekend of August 1st & 2nd and would like to make \$40 for Saint Mary Magdalene Parish? Well, you can do that as a volunteer! Many are needed for the event and most of the positions are 5-hour shifts endorsed to the organization. There are plenty of positions which accommodate children and adults. Underage children are not permitted on the field and cannot come in contact with the wine and are to be accompanied by an adult for food and bathroom breaks. Interested? Contact Valerie Varga at valerievarga@vahoo.com. Mass Schedule for the Feast of the Assumption, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are 4:30PM on August 14th and 9AM & 7PM on the 15th. I didn't mean to skip over the month of July; but here is some of the stuff happening in July. The 4th of July Mass is at 9AM with The Sacred Heart Novena afterwards. The week of July 7th the final section of pews will be completed. Sunday July 13th is our Pool Party with burgers and dogs at Manry Park from 6PM to 8PM. On the weekend of the 19th & 20th is Saint Mary Magdalene Weekend where we will be remembering our Patroness. At the end of the 11AM Mass we will have a Eucharistic Procession. After the Eucharistic benediction, our KofC will be offering a light cookout of hot dogs, chips and drinks. Thank you KofC! On July 22nd at 6PM is our Concert in the Grove with the East Coast Custard Food Truck. God bless and have a great week!

PARISH NEWS

SAVE THE DATES!!

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

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

July 23-26 SVdP Rummage Sale & Food Tent

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

July 22nd

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

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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., July 13th Café

9:20-10:50 am

Rm. 104

Sun., July 13th

Pool Party 6-8:00 pm

Manry Pool

Thurs., July 17th

AA Meeting 6-7:30 pm

Rm. 104

Thur., July 17th

KofC 4th Degree

6-9:00 pm

Gym



PARKING LOT RESURFACING

We are excited about SMM's Parking Lot being resurfaced.

The process will begin the week of July 14th weather permitting! The better the weather the quicker this improvement will get done.

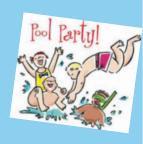
Please be patient as this is a major undertaking and will be such a much needed improvement.

Please join us at

SMM's Pool Party! Sunday, July 13th,

6-8pm ~Manry Pool 30100 Arnold

Serving Hot Dogs & Hamburgers!



Please bring your own beverages.
This will be a fun-filled evening that is free to children/families of all ages.

PARISH NEWS

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

June 29, 2025

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 6,352.00

Capital Improvement: \$ 747.00

1% Need Program: \$ 75.00

Automatic Giving: 06-23-2025 ~ 06-29-2025 \$ 2,871.00

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

July 6, 2025, 2025

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 6,529.00

Capital Improvement: \$ 1,630.00

1% Need Program: \$ 613.00

Automatic Giving: 06-30-2025 ~ 07-06-2025 \$ 8,135.00



Thank You St. Mary Magdelene

for your support of The Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Fundraiser Drive.

Through your kindness and generosity, a total of \$2131 was raised and presented to Birthright of Lake County which will be used to provide formula, diapers, clothing and essentials for babies and young children.

Thank you again for making this a success.



FESTIVAL NEWS...

A huge **THANK YOU** goes out to all who were instrumental in the success of our Parish Festival! Thank you to the festival committee, all the fabulous security members, the hundreds of volunteers, the vendors, the entertainment, maintenance and the list never ends. Most importantly *THANK YOU* to all who bought raffle tickets and attended the Festival. Your commitment and support of SMM makes our Festival possible.

After all the invoices are paid, the Festival profited \$30, 719 which is twice as much as last years profit!

Plans are already in the works for 2026!!!!

SAVE THE DATE ~ MAY 28th, 29th, 30th and May 31st.



PARTICIPATING



St. Vitus Parish, established in Aug. 1893 as the first American Slovenian Roman Catholic parish in the state of Ohio and diocese of Cleveland, will have its annual summer picnic on JULY 13,

2025, Sunday, on Slovenska Pristava, Harpersfield, Ohio.

The event will begin with a NOON Mass, celebrated by Rev. John C. Retar, pastor, St. Vitus Parish. Immediately after the Mass, a delicious dinner of breaded chicken and pork, along with side dishes of red skin potatoes, two types of salad, side veggie dish, roll/butter and side pastry dish will be served. Note: Yes, you can have one or more take-out dinners). The cost is \$20 for adult and \$15 for child 12-year-old or younger. The refreshment area and kitchen will also be open, providing a multitude of side food and beverages. The famous "cevapcici" dinners will be served AFTER the dinner in the grill area. For your listening and dancing entertainment, the Jeff Pecon Orchestra with Joey Miskulin will perform along with Festa Band.

Best of all: No admission or parking fee. There will be the bountiful basket raffle, 50/50 raffle and main raffle. The swimming pool will be open with a nominal fee. This is also a KSKJLife "matching grant" event with a maximum of \$1,000 matched by the Home Office of KSKJLife, sponsored by local KSKJLife lodge, Christ The King Lodge #226. KSKJLife was established over 130 years ago to provide for the spiritual, fraternal, social, educational, and temporal needs of Slovenian immigrants to the USA. KSKJLife is domiciled in Joliet, IL. Net proceeds from this event are for operating needs of parish, especially repair work on 90-to-100 metal church organ pipes (out of 1,500 such organ pipes of the church historic Holtkamp pipe organ), upgrading the church sound system, and installing a flower bed and "znamenja (religious way shrine by the new hall. Enjoy a family orientated fun day on SPristava!

DIRECTIONS: I-90 E to the Geneva, Ohio exit (Rte 534). Make a right-hand turn. Go to South River Road (about 1/2 mile). Make a right-hand turn at South River Road. Go to Brandt Road (about 1,000 feet). Make a right-hand turn. Slovenska Pristava is about 500 feet. Open parking area.

savers

Knights of Columbus is having a Savers Drive. Please drop off any clothing, shoes, purses, linens, etc., to the Parish Office in a garbage bag. (No electronics please)

<u>Deadline for drop-off: August 9, 2025.</u> Thank you for your continued support!!



All are invited to honor the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the Feast of Saint Joachim and Ann, July 25, 2025, by attending the annual pilgrimage sponsored by the Cleveland District of the First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, 21281 Chardon Road, Euclid, Ohio:

10:00 am ~ Confession

11:00 am ~ Mass with Bishop Roger Griese, OSB

Noon ~ Pork Tenderloin luncheon served by the Trinitarian Sister and \$100 Raffle

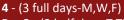
2:00 pm ~ Eucharistic exposition, Rosary, and Benediction

RSVP for Luncheon and Raffle by Saturday, July 10th! Lunch-\$35/Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each. Make checks payable to Okres Cleveland District and mail to FCSLA Cleveland District/8361 Lorraine Dr., Strongsville, OH 44149/440-724-2573 or mtangeloff@att.net

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July 20th – 3:00 pm In-person at 6 locations throughout the Diocese and 5:00 pm Virtual meeting; The July topic is "Taking Care of Yourself While Grieving".

For details, visit: https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx. You can view our local Grief Resource Guide and our monthly Bereavement e-newsletter Bulletin there as well. For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

PARISH NEWS

The FEST 2025 • Sunday, August 3

Celebrating 25 Years of Faith, Family and Fun!

The FEST: The BEST One-Tank Trip this Summer!

Looking for the perfect family day – without going far? **Join us on Sunday, August 3, 2025**, for **The FEST** at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe, from **12 noon to 10:00 pm**.

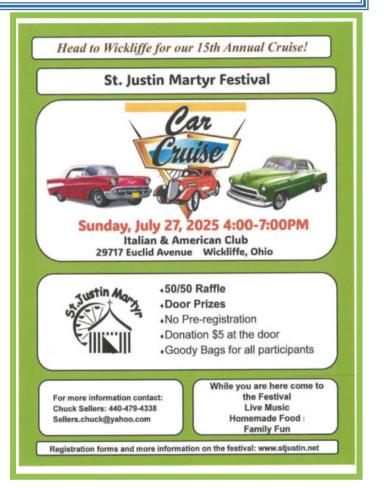
The FEST is a FREE day of **faith, family, and fun**, featuring **national Christian artists** including **Seph Schlueter, Ben Fuller, Danny Gokey, and Maverick City Music**! This is an amazing line up of inspiring music!!! AND there's something for everyone:

- **Kid-friendly fun** inflatables, a dog show, water tag, BMX stunt show, along with faith-based crafts and activities.
- Special zones like the **Marc's Moms Station** and the **Man Cave.** Great displays and information along with incredible chances to win prizes!

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End the day with a beautiful outdoor Mass at 8:00 pm followed by a spectacular **American Fireworks** display. **It's all FREE** thanks to our generous sponsors: **Marc's, Barons Bus Lines, Journey Home Restoration** and the **Diocese of Cleveland**. Get the full schedule and details at: **www.theFEST.us** It's the perfect family day....and in Wickliffe, Ohio. Join us!





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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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