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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.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



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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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, September 8, 2025
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 am...Sandra Zelianakas

Tuesday, September 9, 2025 USA: St. Peter Claver, Priest 9:00 am....Frances Ponikvar & & Frances Sokach

Wednesday, September 10, 2025 Weekday 9:00 am.....Ray & Loretta Adams

Thursday, September 11, 2025 Weekday 9:00 am....Morning Prayer

Friday, September 12, 2025 Weekday 9:00 am.....Maryanne Hansbrough Anointing Mass

Saturday, September 13, 2025 St. John Chrysostom 4:30 pm...Dec'd Members of SMM Parish Anointing Mass

Sunday, September 14, 2025 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 am....Jim Neelon 11:00 am...Cheryl Walter

Readings for the Week of September 7, 2025

Sun.: Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm9-10,12-17;

Lk 14:25-33

Mon.: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30;

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Tues.: Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-16 Wed.: Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26 Thur.: Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38

Fri.: I Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42

Sat.: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49

FROM FR. STEVE...

Happy Home Opener Weekend! I sure hope our Cleveland Browns' Season is high on wins and low on agita. I hope you enjoy the game and the season! Speaking of agita and other ailments, this week we will be having our Anointing Masses on Friday, September 12th at 9AM and on Saturday, September 13th at 4:30PM. Fr. Chris Cotone will be assisting me at the 4:30PM Mass. Fr Chris is an amazing young priest. He is a parochial vicar at St. John Vianney Parish. Speaking of clergy, Cleveland Native, Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, President of the USCCB, has written to all the bishops in the United States asking them to take up a special collection to assist the Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children and live with dignity in dire conditions. This second collection will be taken up next weekend. If you will not be here next weekend but would like to donate, you can send your check to Catholic Relief Service, Holy Land Response P.O. Box 5278, Tipton, IA 52772-0517. Speaking of helping others, our KofC Magnificat Council #4498 is facilitating a Christian Relief Household Cleaning Supplies Collection from September 13th to October 12th. This collection will be distributed to our new neighbors relocating to the Cleveland Catholic Diocese so they can maintain a safe and healthy home. Items needed are stuff like toilet bowl cleaner, toilet brushes, glass cleaner, dish soap, sponges, all-purpose cleaner, paper towels and disinfectant wipes or spray. Donations of cash would also be acceptable to purchase needed items. Any questions, contact Mike Weikart at 440-487-8467. If you are attending their Pasta Dinner, please know they will gladly accept your donations. Next Sunday, September 14th is the first day of classes for PSR. Classes begin at 9:15am and end at 10:45am. The Maria Goretti Network, a peer support group for those affected by any type of abuse, is launching a chapter in the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and we will be hosting the meetings. This group provides support for both victims and their family and friends by helping them journey toward recovery and forgiveness through dialogue and prayer. Meetings will take place on the first Monday of each month in Room 103 (the Fr. Kaminski Room) from 7:30-9 p.m., beginning October 6, 2025. Two lay leaders will facilitate the sessions, Sue and Lisa. Fr. Damian Ference and I are serving as Spiritual Advisors. Both men and women are welcome. For more information, please visit: www.mgoretti.org or email: smmcle@mgoretti.org. Saint Mary Magdalene has partnered with My Catholic Will so you can create a will for free! No cost, no confusion, and no obligation to leave a gift. Creating a will is easier than ever. In just 15 minutes, you can protect your family and reflect your faith through a free Catholic-aligned will at MyCatholicWill.com/smmwillowick. Use referral code SMMWILLOWICK. God bless and have a great week! Go Browns!

PARISH NEWS

SAVE THE DATES!!

DAIVE THE DAILES.		
Fill the Cruiser		
K of C Spaghetti Dinner		
Ladies Luncheon		
Pet Blessing		
Coast to Coast Rosary		
Bus Trip to Marian Shrines		
Blanket Sunday		
Hallway Harvest		
Cabbage Roll Dinner		
Craft Show		
1st Sunday of Advent		
Feast ~ Immaculate Conception		
Holiday Bake Sale		
77th Anniversary Dinner		
Night at the Races		
Lourdes Novena		
Ash Wednesday		
Evening of Confessions		
St. Patrick's Party		
Fish Fry		
Easter Sunday		
1st Communion 4:30 pm Mass		
1st Communion 11:00 am Mass		
May Crowning		
Spring Bake Sale		
Confirmation		

Remembering 9/11 All gave some ... and, some gave all. God Bless all those who lost their lives on September and may God continue to protect & bless their familles left behind.

Parish Festival

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May 28-31

SMM'S Night at the Races will be running on Saturday, February 7, 2026.

Hope to see you there!!!



This week at SMM

Sun., Sept. 7th	Café	
	9:20-10:50 am	Rm. 104
Mon., Sept. 8th	Lunch Packing	
	9-10:00am	Multi-Purp.
Mon., Sept. 8th	Liturgical Ministry Evening	
_	6-8:00 pm	Gym
Tues., Sept. 9th	Prayer Shawl	
_	1-2:30 pm	Rm. 104
Wed., Sept. 10th	K of C 4498	
	6-8:30 pm	Multi-Purp.
Thurs., Sept. 11th	AA Meeting	•
	6-7:00 pm	Rm. 104
Thurs., Sept. 11th	Choir Rehearsal	
	7-8:30 pm	Church

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

September 8th & 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. Special Needs! Peanut Butter and Jelly

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

PARISH NEWS

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE

DELAYED ONE WEEK

DUE TO THE

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY!



Tuesday September 9, 2025 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Room 103

Join in the friendship while we knit or crochet and pray for people who need prayer shawls, lap throws, chemo caps, etc. You do need to donate your own supplies but we can provide patterns.

We gladly accept items from those who are unable to attend. For more information contact Liz at 440-725-0113.

Anointing of the Sick Weekend...

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will have Prayer Shawls, Lap Throws, Chemo Caps and other items available to the congregation in the gathering area the weekend of September 13th and 14th in conjunction with the Anointing of the Sick. We encourage you to pick up any items you feel would be of comfort to anyone who is going through sickness, depression or any type of physical, spiritual, mental or emotional distress. Members of the Ministry say a pray over their work each time they knit or crochet. All items will be blessed before the 4:30 p.m. Mass. Items will not be priced, but donations will be accepted and given to SMM.



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

All Souls Cemetery – Pre-Planning Seminar

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour, educational pre-planning seminar on **Wednesday**, **September 24th**, **2025**, **at 5:30 pm** in the **main cemetery office** at **All Souls Cemetery**, **Chardon**. Please join us to learn more about the necessary steps of burial pre-planning, types of burials (including cremation), and the Rite of Christian Burial. We kindly ask that you **RSVP** to this event to All Souls Cemetery – 10366 Chardon Rd., Chardon, Oh. **216-641-7575 ext. 4** or email **bstrauchon@clecem.org**. Visit **clecem.org for** more information.

PARTICIPATING



Christian Refugee Relief Household Cleaning Supplies Collection

Sponsored by K of C Magnificat Council #4498 and St. Mary Magdalene Parish

When: From 9/13/2025 to 10/12/2025

We are collecting basic household cleaning supplies for distribution to our new neighbors relocating to the Cleveland Catholic Diocese.

The following items are suggested to maintain safe and healthy homes.

*Disinfectant (wipes or spray) *All-purpose cleaner *Paper towels *Glass cleaner *Sponges and scrub brushes *Dish soap *Kitchen or bathroom cleaners *Paper towels or cloths *Toilet brushes *Toilet bowl cleaner *Brooms *Mops *Buckets *Anything else that comes to mind

Donations of cash would also be acceptable to purchase needed items.

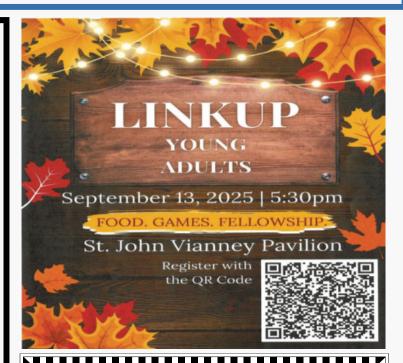
Any questions, contact Mike Weikart @ (440) 487-8467.

Thank you for whatever you can do.





Divorce Recovery for Catholics, an 8 Week Support Group designed to meet the needs of those who are divorced or separated will begin Tuesday, September 9 and conclude on October 28, 2025, at St. Bede Parish, 9114 Lake Shore **Blvd., Mentor.** The group meets from 6:30-8:30 PM with a caring, trained facilitator. Our goal is to provide a place where we can share support and encouragement while offering direction and guidance for those that are struggling with separation/ divorce. Sessions are tailored to meet the needs of the participants and provide the tools for coping and moving on. For more information or to register, please call Karen at 440-352-8282 or email kjubeck@st-gabriel.org There is no charge for this program, all materials are provided, and it is open to people of all faiths.



The Knights of Columbus Council #4498
The Willowick Police Department
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Saturday, September 13, 2025 8:00 am – 4:00 pm ~ Petie's Restaurant (Shoregate Shopping Center)

All Donations to Restock the St Mary Magdalene Food Pantry



Catholic Renewal Ministries' Traveling Healing Mass for September will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Parish on Friday, September 19th, 7:00 pm. Fr. Chris Stein will be the

celebrant. Praise and worship will begin at 7:00, and the liturgy will start at 7:30. Healing prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer. The church is located at 6850 Mayfield Rd., in Gates Mills, OH 44040. For more information, please contact CRM at 440-944-9445. All are Welcome. Come, Sing and Praise God with Joy!

PARISH NEWS







A SACRAMENTAL INVITE

We know you as parents only desire the best for your child. We are here to help them grow in faith through the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. If you would like to register your child for any of these sacraments just stop in the <u>Parish Office for a registration form</u>. Children must be in second grade or older for Reconciliation and First Communion and 8th grade or older for Confirmation. Public School students must also register for PSR. For more information email Fr. Steve Breck @ FrBeck@smmwillowick.org.



From September 24 – November 2 you are invited to join with other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Additionally, you are invited to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7am to 7pm during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside **Preterm** - 12000 Shaker Blvd, Cleveland, 44120 or **Planned Parenthood** - 25350 Rockside Rd, Bedford Hts, 44146, or **Signature Health** – 54 South State St, Painesville, 44077.

Join us at the Kickoff Rally at St. John Vianney on Monday, September 22, at 7pm, 7575 Bellflower Road, Mentor, 44060. Please contact John Noall at <u>clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com</u> or 216-245-9744 for more information.

WEBSITES:

www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland www.40daysforlife.com/painesville www.40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights





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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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