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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 3, 2026



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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
Office Closed from
12:00 to 1:00

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CELEBRATING

Monday, May 4, 2026

Easter Weekday

9:00 am...Mark Breck

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Easter Weekday

9:00 am...Natalie Smith

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

Easter Weekday

9:00 am.....Donita Morley

Thursday, May 7, 2026

Easter Weekday

9:00 am.....Morning Prayer

Friday, May 8, 2026

Easter Weekday

9:00 am....Emma & Joseph Andrews

Saturday, May 9, 2026

Easter Weekday

4:30 pm....Martha Yakel

Sunday, May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am....JoAnn Schaefer

11:00 am....All Living & Deceased
Mothers of SMM

Readings for the Week of May 3, 2026

Sun.: Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

Mon.: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

Tues.: Acts 14:19-28; 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...

Happy Month of May everyone! This Sunday is our last Families In Faith Breakfast until this coming Fall. Thank you Rich Schutz and your helpers for providing such a delicious and nutritious breakfast for our families. Also, thank you, PSR Teachers, Mike & Pam Nadolski, for helping me with the planning and set-up. Even though PSR is coming to an end, I hope to see our children and their families on the weekend and at our Vacation Bible School the week of July 13th! Registration is underway! Registration closes on June 20th. Registration fee before June 8th is only \$25 per child. Our VBS theme is "Be A Hero!" Join forces with Jesus and meet amazing Bible heroes through amazing bible stories, awesome games, cool crafts, fun songs and delicious snacks! See flyer for more details. Helpers are needed. Anyone entering 6th grade through adult are welcome to join us to assist. May is the Month of Mary. For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day *in* May, but the entire month. Our parish May Crowning is Monday, May 11th at 6:30PM. Hopefully we will have nice weather so we can celebrate May Crowning outside. On Saturday, May 16th at 10AM at the Cathedral of Saint John the Evangelist, Bishop Malesic will ordain six men to the priesthood! You met one of them at our Parish Mission, Deacon Chuck Cairne. Deacon Chuck will begin his priestly assignment at Saint Anthony Padua and Saint Francis DeSales in Parma. Congratulations to Deacon Chuck and his classmates and please continue to pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life! Our parish festival is on the last four days of May. Thank you for volunteering. We are still in need of volunteers. Sign-ups are available in the gathering area. Thank you for support. Lastly, May is also Mental Health Awareness Month. Since 1949, this national campaign has aimed to educate, encourage, and provide resources. Catholic Social Teaching calls us to exercise a fundamental option for the poor and vulnerable, putting first the needs of those who struggle the most. Issues with mental health are not a sign of weakness; they are opportunities to encounter Christ's healing love through prayer, community, and professional care. Let us be disciples that listen without judgment, support without hesitation, and walk with one another in hope. If you or someone you love is struggling, you are not alone. Dial 988 for 24/hour crisis assistance. Visit the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) for more information. In Lake County, visit <https://namilakecountyohio.org>. In Geauga County visit <https://namigeauga.org>, and in the Greater Cleveland Area visit <https://namigreatercleveland.org>. "Cast all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you." (1 Pt 5:7). Plus, our Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland, offers a robust colettaarray of services to assist those dealing with mental health issues. God bless and have a great week!

PARISH NEWS

SAVE THE DATES!!

- May 11th May Crowning @ 6:30 pm
- May 9th & 10th Spring Bake Sale
- May 12th Mass Book Opens—Rm. 104
- May 18th Confirmation
- May 28-31st Parish Festival
- July 13--17th VBS
- July 29 ~ Aug. 1 SVdP Rummage Sale

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.



Food Pantry Hours:

Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 pm
Thursdays 10:30-11:30 am

PLEASE NOTE....

The Food Pantry will be closed on Tuesday May 26th and Thursday, May 28th.

LUNCH PACKING

May 11th

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 & Jelly 

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

This week at SMM

Sun., May 3rd	Café 9:20-10:50 am	Rm. 104
Mon., May 4th	Maria Goretti Meeting 6--9:00 pm	Multi-Purp.
Wed., May 6th	Catholic War Vets 6:45-8:45 pm	Multi-Purp.
Thurs., May 7th	AA Meeting 6-7:30 pm	Rm. 104
Thurs., May 7th	Spiritual Book Club 7-8:30 pm	Rm. 103
Thurs., May 7th	Cantor Rehearsal 7-8:30pm	Church
Sat., May 9th	Spring Bake Sale 4:30-5:30 pm	Church
Sun., May 10th	Spring Bake Sale After Masses	Church

MASS BOOK ~ 2027

The Mass Book for 2027 will be open on Tuesday, May 12th, from 10:00 am to Noon in Room 104.

The Mass schedule is:

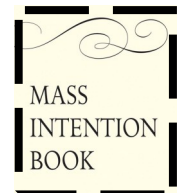
- ~ Saturday ~ 4:30 pm
- ~ Sunday ~ 8:00 am & 11:00 am.
- ~ Weekday Mass is 9:00 am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday.

Because of the number of requests we receive and the fixed number of masses available for scheduling in any year, we will implement the following policy:

1. You may schedule three (3) intentions beginning on May 12th~ One Weekend and Two Weekday Masses. This insures that a greater number of parishioners will have an opportunity to participate in this devotional practice.
2. After Labor Day, when most people have had a chance to schedule their intentions, any remaining unscheduled Masses will be made available for a second round of requests.

Please note that you may remember any number of people for your Mass intention.

Questions? Call the SMM Office @ 440-943-2133



PARTICIPATING

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

April 26, 2026

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 7,829.33

Capital Improvement: \$ 2,800.00

1% Need Program: \$ 105.00

Automatic Giving:

4-20-2026 to 4-26-2026

\$ 3,309.00

*Congratulations to all our
First Communicants*

Easter Vigil ~ Saturday, April 4th

Ryan Lovick

Saturday, April 24th 4:30 pm Mass

Brady Harper

Mary Brazalovics

Zachary Ezzo

Lucy Gilbert

Jameson LeRoy

Nina Males

Cora Ann Triplett

Brewer Ursick

Jack Ursick

Sunday, April 26th 11:00 am Mass

Brody Beachler

Bryce Bleic

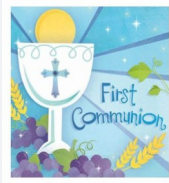
Ella Engelking

William Griffin

Camryn Jacobs

Nikola Medic

Benjamin Robert Van Hise



Vacation Bible School

JOINING FORCES WITH JESUS!

Calling All Heroes!

Meet amazing young heroes from the bible. Their small acts were used by God to do amazing things. If you age 4 to entering 5th grade, you can be a Hero too!

July 13th – 17th 9:00 a.m. until Noon

Registration:

Before June 8th \$25, after June 8th \$35 per child
Registration closes June 20th, forms in Church Office
Fee includes VBS T-shirt

Awesome Games - Cool Crafts - Fun Songs
Delicious Snacks - Amazing Bible Stories

Additional Information
Call: 440.943.2133

St. Mary Magdalene 32114 Vine St., Willowick

Helpers entering 6th grade through adult are needed to assist with VBS activities. Call office for information.

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 asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior: <http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org>

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting ~ Tuesday, May 12, 2026 ~ 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Room 104

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 call Liz at 440-725-0113.

PARISH NEWS



SMM FESTIVAL

VOLUNTEER & SMM PARISHIONER PRE-FESTIVAL WRIST BAND PICK UP DATES!!!

(All wrist bands must be picked up prior to
May 24, 2026)**

Wrist bands available for pick-up:

- * Monday-Thursday ~ 8:30-4:30 in the Parish Office
- * Sunday ~ 9:00 am ~ Noon in Parish Office
- * After weekend Masses in Gathering Area
On May 2-3, May 16-17, May 23-24
- * May 13th from 4:30 ~ 7:00 pm in Parish Office

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

PLEASE CHECK THE ABOVE DATES

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

SMM Festival Committee



NEXT WEEKEND~May 9th & 10th

Calling all bakers! Our Spring Church Bake Sale is coming up, and we need your delicious talents. If you enjoy baking cookies, cakes, pies, breads, or sweet treats, we'd love your help. Please consider donating a homemade item to make our sale a success!" All proceeds go directly to the church.

To help make serving and selling easier, please bring your baked treats individually wrapped or prepackaged to Room 103 in the Parish Center on Friday May 8th from 9am-3pm. Or on Saturday May 9th from 9am to 11am.

When you buy from our bake sale, you're not just satisfying your sweet tooth, you're helping our church community thrive as all proceeds will go directly to SMM.

Also, we're always grateful for helping hands! If you'd like to volunteer your time to support our bake sale, please reach out to the parish office ~ 440-943-2133.

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 the 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** and **Hannah's Home** 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 Baby Bottle Collection Box located in the Gathering Area.

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

PARISH NEWS



34th Annual Homecoming Festival – May 28 – May 31, 2026

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! [To volunteer go to www.smmwillowick.org and click on Events. You will find Festival Volunteer Form there.](http://www.smmwillowick.org)

As of April 21, 2026, we have received \$ 12,080.00 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 80 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(er) stuffed animals for the Kids Carnival games.



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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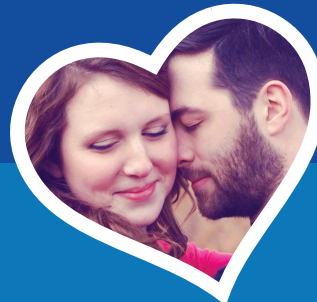
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