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SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

• WELCOME TO • OUR PARISH!

- St. Mary Magdalene Church
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- (440) 943-2133
- <http://smmwillowick.org>

• MASS SCHEDULE

• WEEKEND MASSES

- Saturday | 4:30pm Vigil
- Sunday | 8:00am & 11:00am

• WEEKDAY MASSES

- Monday | 9:00am
- Tuesday | 9:00am
- Wednesday | 9:00am
- Friday | 9:00pm

• MORNING PRAYER

- Thursday | 9:00am

• CHAPEL HOURS

- Daily | 8:30am to 9:00pm

• RECONCILIATION

- Saturday | 3:15pm - 4:00pm
- Other | By Appointment

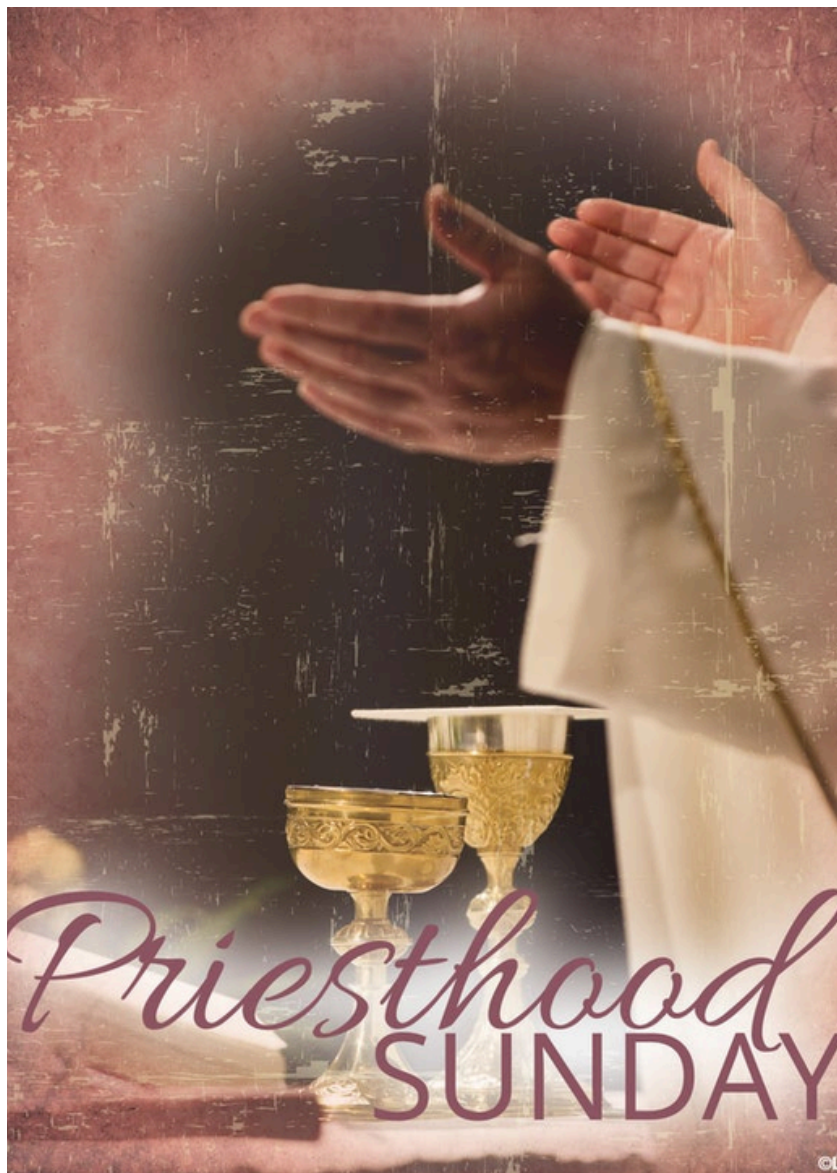
• OFFICE HOURS

• WEEKDAYS

- Monday | 8:30am to 4:30pm
- Tuesday | 8:30am to 4:30pm
- Wednesday | 8:30am to 4:30pm
- Thursday | 8:30am to 4:30pm
- Friday | Closed

• WEEKENDS

- Saturday | Closed
- Sunday | 9:00am to 12:00noon



OUR MISSION

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.



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From the Desk of Fr. Steve

The beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen on 24th was a great gift to the Church and in the United States. While many know him best for his TV presence, books, talks on tape and charismatic eloquence, he repeatedly said, "My greatest love has always been for the missions of the Church." Archbishop Fulton Sheen is known as the greatest National Director of the Pontifical Missions in the history of the Church, helping raise \$200 million (in today's money, \$2.1 billion) to support the growth of the Church. Under his leadership from 1950 to 1966, World Mission Sunday became a defining moment in the life of the Church in the United States. I know we can count on his intercession for World Mission Sunday 2026, which will take place on the weekend of October 17th & 18th, as we together reflect upon, pray for and take a collection to support the missions. Blessed Fulton Sheen, pray for us! With the pads popping, whistles blowing, time being added to the game clock and the air is getting crisp, that can only mean one thing, The 2026 KofC Football Fund Crazr Sweepstakes! Through Football Fund Crazr, the Knights of Columbus across the state of Ohio raised over \$240,000 for charitable programs. All thanks to the people, like you, who are willing to buy a few tickets. Thank you! This sweepstakes involves the final 10 weeks of the NFL regular season. Hopefully, the Browns will be in playoff contention. Hopefully. So, these are the games played between November 8th, 2026, and January 10, 2027. Winners are determined by the ticket holders with the four teams that scored the most or the least number of points in a given week. Over, \$25,000 in total prizes are awarded to over 230 winners. Each ticket is \$20. If interested be sure to see one of our knights for a ticket. They would be most happy to sell you tickets. Thank you for supporting our Magnificat Council. October is Respect Life Month. This year's theme is "Mary, Mother of Life", which reflects on the Blessed Mother's role as the mother of all the living and a model for protecting human life. May our annual observance help us understand more deeply and value the gift of human life in all stages of existence and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it. With that, with the assistance of our KofC, we will be having a Holy Hour for Life with Our Lady of Gaudalupe on Tuesday, October 13th at 6:30PM in the Church. The hour includes exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and benediction, recitation of the rosary and a Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe asking for her intercession. Lastly, next week, we begin the month of October with our Pet Blessing on Friday, October 2nd at 6:30 PM in the Parking Lot, Ladies Luncheon on Saturday, October 3rd at 11AM and the FIF Breakfast and the 4PM Coast to Coast Rosary on the 4th. God bless!

PRAYER AND READINGS

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Monday

Sept 28, 2026 | 9:00AM
Weekday
Stacey Zak

Tuesday

Sept. 29, 2026 | 9:00AM
Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael,
Archangels
John F. Troy

Wednesday

Sept. 30, 2026 | 9:00AM
Feast of St. Jerome
Dec'd Members of St. Vincnet de
Paul

Thursday

Oct. 1, 2026 | 9:00AM
St. Theresa of the Child Jesus
Morning Prayer

Friday

Oct. 2, 2026 | 9:00AM
Feast of The Holy Guardian Angels
Robert Portor
9:30 am - Sacred Heart Novena

Saturday

Oct. 3, 2026 | 4:30PM
Weekday
Richard Regovich

Sunday

Oct. 4, 2026: 27th Sun. in Ord. Time
8AM - George Schaefer
11AM - Larry Scherrer

If you would like to donate candy for *Shm's*
Family in Faith Spook-nasium, even on October 11th that
would be great!!

Please drop off your donation to the
Parish Office.



WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Sunday

Ez 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5

Monday

Jb 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday

Dn 7:9-10,13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab; Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Lk 9:57-62

Thursday

Jb 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12

Friday

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

Sundays & Holydays: \$ 4,147.00

Capital Improvemen: \$ 917.00

1% Need Program: \$ 15.00

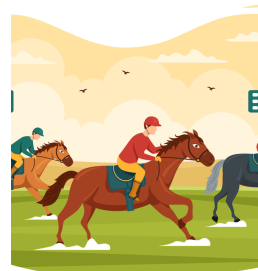
Automatic Giving: \$ 2,350.00

09-14-2026 to 09-20-2026

*thank
you!*

**FREE BLOOD
PRESSURE SCREENING**

Sunday, October 4th
9:00 am to 9:15 am
Rm. 103



**PLEASE NOTE
CHANGE OF DATE
FOR NIGHT AT THE
RACES...**

JANUARY 30, 2027

SAVE THE DATE

Oct. 3	Ladies Luncheon
Oct. 3-4	Blanket Sunday
Oct. 11	Spook-nasium of Fun
Nov. 8	Cabbage Roll Dinner
Nov 29	First Sunday of Advent
Dec. 1	Advent Communal Penance SJM
Dec. 5	Craft Show
Dec. 8	Feast of Immaculate Conception
Dec. 12	Breakfast with Santa
Dec. 14	Bereavement Dinner
Dec. 25	Christmas Day
Jan. 23	78th Anniversary Dinner
Jan. 30	Night at the Races***
Feb 3-11	Lourdes Novena
Feb. 10	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 26	Fish Fry
March 6	St. Patrick's Party
March 28	Easter Sunday
Apr. 24	1st Communion—4:30pm Mass
Apr. 25	1st Communion-11:00am Mass
May 2	May Crowning
May 29	Confirmation
June 3-6	Parish Festival

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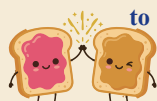
Lunch Packing

September 28

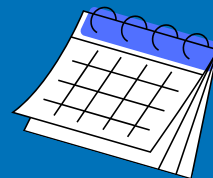
The Lunch Packing crew thanks you for your support over the years with this project of helping feed the needy at the West Side Catholic Center. We meet on the second and fourth Mondays from 9AM to 10AM to make sandwiches.

Donations Needed: Peanut Butter & Jelly
Donations can be dropped in the Parish Office or in the gathering area in the church.

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



This week at SMM



Sun., Sept. 27th, CAFE
9:20-10:50 am ~ Rm. 104

Mon., Sept. 28th ~ Lunch Packing
9-10:00 am ~ Multi-Purp.

Thurs., Oct. 1st ~ AA Meeting
6-7:30 pm ~ Rm. 104

Thurs., Oct. 1st - Cantor Practice
7-8:30 pm ~ Church

Thurs., Oct. 1st ~ Spiritual Book Club
7-8:30 pm ~ Rm. 103

Fri., Oct. 2nd ~ Pet Blessing
6:30 pm ~ Main Parking Lot

Food Pantry

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 pm - 7:30 pm

Thursdays: 10:30 am - 11:30 am



PARISH NEWS

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Celebrating Fr. Steve Breck on Priesthood Sunday

On this Priesthood Sunday, we are grateful for the opportunity to recognize and thank Fr. Steve Breck for his faithful dedication to his calling and, in particular, for the extraordinary leadership and service he has given to our St. Mary Magdalene parish community.

Since joining our parish in 2016, Fr. Steve has become a deeply devoted shepherd to the people of St. Mary Magdalene. His commitment to our parish extends far beyond the celebration of Mass. He has a genuine care and concern for all parishioners and a remarkable ability to be present to the many people, families, ministries, programs, events, and initiatives that make our parish such a special community.

Fr. Steve is an incredible spiritual leader who leads with faith, compassion, wisdom, and humility. Through his example, he continually reminds us of the importance of our faith and our responsibility to live it each day. His dedication to our parish is evident in the countless ways he gives of his time, energy, and heart to serve others.

Fr. Steve, thank you for saying yes to your vocation, for the many ways you have faithfully served our parish, and for the leadership you provide each and every day. We are blessed to have you as our pastor and shepherd, and we are grateful for all that you do for St. Mary Magdalene and for each of us. Please know how much you are appreciated, respected, and loved. Happy Priesthood Sunday!



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-  • Make a contribution at your parish the weekend of Oct. 3-4
-  • Scan the QR code below or donate at BlanketSunday.org
-  • Mail a check to SVDP at 1404 E. 9th St., Cleveland, OH 44114

October 4, 2026
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Divorce Recovery for Catholics, an 8 Week Support Group designed to meet the needs of those who are divorced or separated will begin **Wednesday, September 23** and conclude on **November 11, 2026**, at **St. Cyprian Church, 4223 Middle Ridge Rd, Perry, OH**. 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. To register, please go to our website divorced-separated.net or contact Karen Brenizer at 440-352-8282. There is no charge for this program, all materials are provided, and it is open to people of all faiths.

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>.

PARISH NEWS

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The Catholic Cemeteries Association's next Sunday Grief Support Group will be on Sunday October 18th. In-person will meet at 3pm, virtual at 5pm. In a welcoming and supportive setting, find fellowship among others who share their experiences and understand the pain of loss. Meetings will be held on the 3rd Sunday this month, at no charge to you. Please join us for an hour of listening, healing, and finding comfort with others who understand. For details, call Suzi Richter at 216-930-4866.



From September 23 – November 1, 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 Ht.s, 44146, or Signature Health – 54 South State St, Painesville

Join us at the Kickoff Rally at St. John Vianney Parish Center on Monday, September 21, at 7pm, 7575 Bellflower Road, Mentor, 44060 with Rachel Benda of Bethesda House of Mercy as the speaker. Please contact John Noall at clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com or 216-245-9744 for more information.

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

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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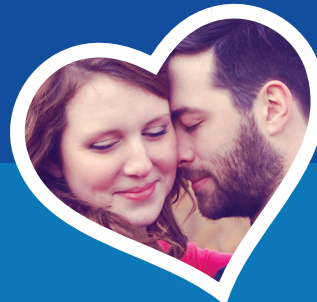
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