St. Justin~St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Community

We Walk By Faith, Not by Sight

4th Sunday of Lent
March 14, 2021

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

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MASSES RESUMED

FACE MASKS & DISTANCING ARE REQUIRED.

DUE TO SANITIZING ALL DAILY MASSES WILL BE HELD AT THE ST. JUSTIN CAMPUS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

LENTEN FAST & ABSTINENCE

The Season of Lent runs from Ash Wednesday up unto the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the evening of Holy Thursday. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fast and Abstinence. All Friday's during Lent are days of Abstinence.

The law of fasting binds Catholics from the completion of their 18th year to the beginning of their 60th year., i.e. from the day after their 18th birthday to the day before their 59th birthday. Fasting allows only one full meal that day, but it doesn't prohibit one from taking in some food in the morning and evening, observing—as far as quantity and quality are concerned—approved local custom. The order of meals is optional; the full meal may be taken in the evening instead of midday. In addition the quantity of food to be taken at the two lighter meals should not exceed the quantity taken at the full meal. The drinking of ordinary liquids does not break the fast.

RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE!

PLEASE KEEP HOLDING ITEMS TO DONATE FOR RUMMAGE SALE.

WE WILL LET YOU KNOW JUST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHEN WE CAN ACCEPT THEM AGAIN! THANK YOU!

OUR SICK

Ellen Cianfarani, Catherine Culbertson, Mary Dayton, Larry Druar, Bob Esler, Marie Ferguson, Annette Funk, Theresa Hamel, Pete Kauffman, Becky Kohagen, Allison Kot, Ken Kuhr, Tom LaBrie, Cheryl Loftis, Nancy & Richard McLean, John Mitts, Pat Pepin, Barbara Potter, Tom Regan, Patricia Schofield, Joyce Socia, Grace Stefanik, Judi Sullivan, Patricia Sullivan, Wayne & Gloria Sunman, Doug & Esther Thurau, Jenna Toppi, Estelle Williams, Matthew Willis, Ralph Wittla

To keep our List current and relevant, this listing will be revised every June 1st and December 1st. To add, remove or continue a name, please contact the parish secretary at 248-542-8060, or notify us in writing.

Weekly Schedule

Monday - March 15

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
  For: Don Detloff
  From: Carole Detloff

Tuesday - March 16

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
  For: Those On Our Sick List

Wednesday - March 17
St. Patrick, Bishop
St. Patrick's Day

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
  For: Ed & Mary Sullivan
  From: Carole Detloff

Thursday - March 18
St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

- **NO Mass**

Friday - March 19
St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Day of Abstinence

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
  For: Minnie DeNardis
  From: Dorothy Martin
- 7:00PM Stations of the Cross at St. Justin

Saturday - March 20

- 9-11:00AM REP at St. Justin
- 12:00PM Confessions at SMM
- 4:00PM Mass at St. Justin
  For: Minnie DeNardis
  From: Fr. Robert H. Williams

Sunday - March 21
5th Sunday of Lent

- 9:00AM Mass at SMM
  For: Erica Brozowski
  From: Darlene Forbes

- 11:00AM Mass at SMM
  For: Living & Deceased Priests In The Archdiocese of Detroit

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

March 14, 2021
4th Sunday of Lent

Is there something to Lent that goes beyond our own spiritual house cleaning and spiritual refinement? Yes, there is! It has to do with listening and learning so that we can take up the task of the Gospel with greater clarity and fortitude. While the spiritual refocusing of Lent is necessary, the fruit of this Lenten conversion has much more to do with learning how we can be a better Church than it does about our eternal salvation. Salvation is a gift that flows out of God's unconditional Mercy and cannot be merited. The spiritual maturity we can experience as a result of our Lenten disciplines serves to reduce the anxiety and apprehension we may experience as messengers of good, but very challenging, and unsettling, news.

St. Oscar Romero said that, "a church that doesn't provoke any crises, a gospel that doesn't unsettle, a word of God that doesn't get under anyone's skin, a word of God that doesn't touch the real sin of the society in which it is being proclaimed, what gospel is that?" When we listen to those descriptive and provocative words, do they resonate with anything in our experience? As messengers of the Gospel, we are called to bring an unsettling message to the world. If our main concern is protecting our self-interests, then we are missing something huge! Many really struggle with being rejected, dismissed, or perceived as someone who is speaking out of turn. There is a counter cultural message that must be preached that clearly sides with the poor, marginalized, victimized, oppressed, neglected, disregarded, and lost souls throughout the world. There is a widespread misery among the peoples that is all too often allowed to fester with no one coming forward to offer a change or resolution.

The Church can speak to the needed structural changes that will allow people to earn just wages, feed their families and share abundantly and equally in the gifts of God's good earth. Such a vision is not some optimistic fairy tale, but the vision of the Creator himself. Lent reminds us, as St. Oscar Romero also states, that, "we are workers, not master builder, ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own." We are not called to labor simply for the benefit of the here and now but of the "what is to come." Our myopic vision can be replaced by a more far reaching Lenten vision that is much greater and deeper in scope. As long as we are carrying the right blueprints with us and our thoughts extend beyond ourselves, then even the little things we do and the simplest prayer we utter go a long way. They give witness to our preference for the light of Christ and not the darkness of error and sin.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Awake, O Sleeper!

This morning came a little earlier than I would have liked — Daylight Savings Time always does. Sometimes that morning sunlight seems more intrusive than illuminating. You're still half-lost in sleep, and that sun is demanding of you a lot more than you're ready to give.

I've said it, and I'm sure you've said it, too. "Just five more minutes." You hit the "snooze" button on your iPhone once (maybe twice? Show of hands?) and turn away from the window.

So many kings of the Old Testament were steadfast in their sleepy ways, rejecting the light their God tried to share with them. Likewise, John tells us that, though Light — Christ — was sent into the world, the world preferred darkness.

Sometimes it seems, when reading through Scripture, that all throughout salvation history, God has been trying to pull back the curtains, to rouse us from our defiant slumber. And we resist Him. Time and time again, we resist Him.

Light brings a certain responsibility with it. It seems to compel productivity. Furthermore, there's no hiding in the light. Any photographer worth his salt knows how to manipulate it, highlighting the good and casting some merciful shade on the bad.

As we enter into the fourth week of Lent, we're getting so close to the main event. Can we handle the light that will come on Easter morning, bursting into the tomb as the stone is rolled away? Can we keep ourselves from hitting the "snooze" button on our souls, and sit up to face the dawn of a new day?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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SJ-SMM Collection Summary
February 14, 2021

Non Offertory Collections	
Holy Day	$15
Fuel	$255
Votive	$26
CCSEM	$50
Other Collections	$50
Total Non Offertory	$396
Offertory Collection	
Envelopes	$2,349
Loose	$288
Total Offertory	**$2,637**
Weekly Budget for Offertory	$3,774
Over (Under) Budget This Week	($1,137)
Collections year to date	$94,781
Collections budget year to date	$124,528
Over (Under) budget year to date	($29,747)

Food Pantry

Our SMM-SVDP Food Pantry
is in need of:
Noodles
Pork & Beans
Canned Meats
Tuna Fish
Jelly
Boxed or Canned Potatoes
Jello & Pudding
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Any monetary donation
is greatly appreciated.

Prayer During A Health Crisis

Compassionate and Loving Father,
In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of your presence.
In You allow us to find hope and healing.
Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands.
Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit of wisdom.
Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart.
Wrap your arms around our world
and hold us in your love.
Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.
We ask this in Your Name.

Amen.
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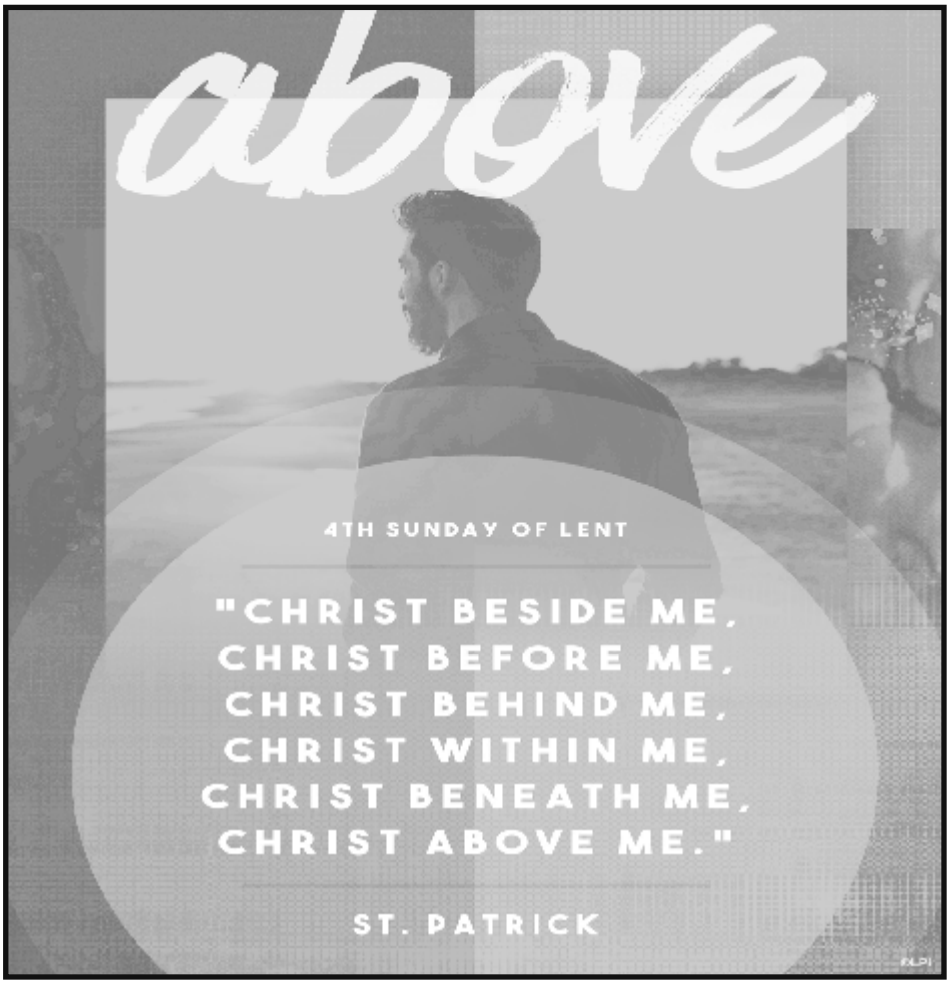
Right to Life-LIFESPAN Car Caravan

For all those who participated in last month's Car Caravan for Life, thank you for coming. If you could not attend, be sure to get a copy of the LIFESPAN News and see some of the great pictures of the event. At one point, near Campus Martius, cars filled with LIFESPAN members and friends lined both sides of Woodward, north bound and south bound, with our Love Life flags flying. We had close to 100 cars in our caravan! What a sight!



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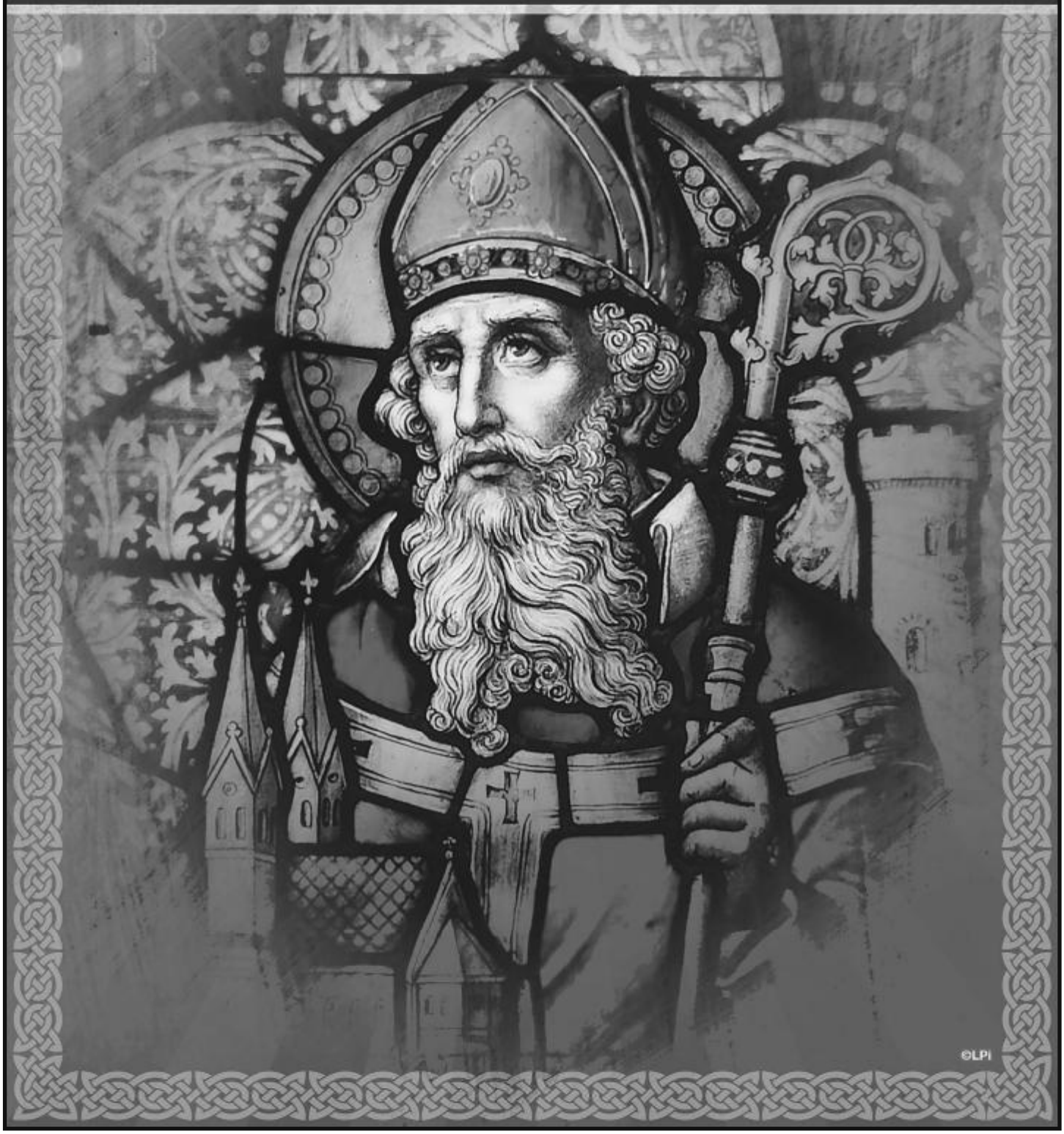

Readings for the Week

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-5

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

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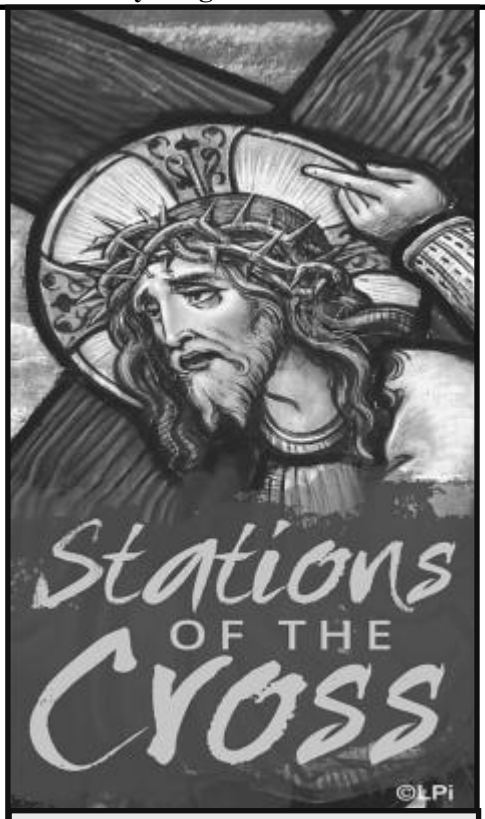

One of the most common and familiar Lenten spiritual practices is praying of the Stations of the Cross.

All parishioners are invited to attend this pious devotion at the St. Justin campus each Friday evening during Lent at 7:00PM.

In Loving Memory

Domenica "Minnie" DeNardis

February 28, 2021

The faith community of St. Justin-St. Mary Magdalen extends their thoughts & prayers to the family & friends of Minnie who recently entered into eternal life.

May She Rest In Peace!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Just A Friendly Reminder to all Knights.

Meetings are held every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. at the SMM campus at 7:30PM

March 21, 2021 5th Sunday of Lent

	Lector	Ministers	Servers	Ushers
4:00PM at St. Justin	assigned	assigned	assigned	
9:00AM at SMM	assigned	assigned	assigned	Darlene Forbes Robert Suszek Bill Tillman
11:00AM at SMM	assigned	assigned	assigned	Tim Butler Ken Funk Chris Gariepy Ken Kuhr

ST. JUSTIN~ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Weekday Mass Schedule
Monday 9:00AM
at St. Justin
Tuesday 9:00AM
at St. Justin
Wednesday 9:00AM
at St Justin
Thursday
No Mass
Friday 9:00AM
at St. Justin

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturdays 4:00PM
at St. Justin
Sundays @ 9:00AM & 11:00AM
at SMM

Holy Days of Obligation
(To be determined based on day of week.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Private Confessions)
Saturdays 12:00 (noon) at SMM
No Saturday Confessions at St. Justin

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Monday of each month
7:00PM - 8:00PM
in the SMM Daily Mass Chapel

Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Third Monday of the month
following Daily Mass at St. Justin

Perpetual Help Devotion
Tuesday 8:30AM before Daily Mass
at SMM
Wednesday following Daily Mass
at St. Justin

Sacraments

Baptisms
Arrangements must be made through the rectory.

Marriages
Arrangements must be made through the rectory at least six months prior to the date of marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick
Celebrated at 9:00AM Mass on the first Monday of the month at St. Justin and first Friday of the month at St. Mary Magdalen.

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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through our actions
of evangelization, fellowship, education
and serving others.

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