

**August 1, 2021**  
**18th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

# Saint Mary Magdalen

*Witnessing to the Resurrection*

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

**Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. 8:30 am–4:30 pm**

**Wed. 1:00 pm–4:30 pm**

#### **SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION**

##### **Weekend Liturgy:**

**4:30pm Saturday 9am & 11am Sunday**

**Weekday Liturgies: Tues., Thurs., Fri. 9am**

**Wed. 6:45pm**

**Penance/Confession: Saturday 3:30-4:15pm**

**Infant Baptism: Contact Erin Wolfe.**

**Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact the office at least nine months prior to wedding date.**

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

### NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**1 Kings 19:4-8** The prophet Elijah lived about 800 years before Christ. Because he was loyal to God, he fell into disfavor with King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. He had to flee for his life to Mount Horeb (also known as Mount Sinai). Today's passage takes place at the beginning of his flight.

**Ephesians 4:30-5:2** This part of the letter to the Ephesians contains practical advice for Christian living. The author says that actions which cause division in a community are simply unacceptable. In today's reading, mutual forgiveness is seen as essential for any group that calls itself Christian. There is an echo here of part of the Lord's prayer.

**John 6:41-51** This passage from John shows the reasons why the Jewish religious authorities rejected Jesus. The religious leaders were so distracted by arguments among themselves that it did not occur to them to refer to what God intended.

**Reflect:** Do I take time each day to listen to what God wants to say to me?

## MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

### Monday, August 2

Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21

### Tuesday, August 3

Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

9:00 am +Connie Meyer

### Wednesday, August 4, Saint John Vianney, Priest

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28

6:45 pm +Gwen Maes

### Thursday, August 5

Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23

9:00 am +Larry Buslepp

### Friday, August 6, The Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10

9:00 am +Terry Taylor

### Saturday, August 7

Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20

### Sunday, August 8

#### NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

4:30 pm +Jan Jandasek and Keith Dunn

9:00 am The People of St. Mary Magdalen

11:00 am +Ben and Ann Lindamood



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HEALING OF:

Farook Al-Sabagh, Chuck Barnes, Brandon Bitterle, Jack Bitterle, Jeanie Browne, Lucas Cauley, Stacy Church, Sr. Maryetta Churches, Jim Coffman, Keith Craffey, Joyce Dalessandro, John Davidson, Karoline DeRosia, Cienna Ditri, James DuBay, Jennifer Duncan, Marie Edwards, Ron Fuller, Mary Lea Gehring, Judy Gentner, John Hammang, Mary Ann Hargrave, Denis Hobbins, Emily Hofsess, Sr. Joyce Hoile, Benjamin Holden, Kathy Jagusch, Mary Keating, Judy Kelly, Michael Kokitka, Maria Kottke, Herb Langer, Barbara Lewis, Nancy Little, Geraldine Martin, Marilyn Myszkie, Marianne Nason, Stan Osdras, Stella Paweski, Kathy and Tony Riccardi, Lawrence Rychlick, Linda Santioni, Marino Sarti, Dave & Judy Scharf, Aleah Schroeder, Andy Snook, Betty Socia, Marny & Gene Stuart, Cindy Sultana, Marylyn Trader, Michelle Turner, Scott Ulmer, Tom Zremski, Dave, Diane, Dr. Bill, Jaxon, Kyle, MKE, Raheem, Sarah, Madeline, and Zari

*May they be fully restored to good health and comforted at this time.*

### Important Note About our Prayer List

The names of the sick will run in this column for 6 weeks, at which time they will be removed. To add, re-list, or remove a name, please call the parish office at 810-229-8624. Many people have recuperated so we appreciate updates to be current. Thank You!



## FROM FR. PAUL

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This week, we see Jesus continuing to teach the multitudes that have come to hear Him, even as He tries to go to other places. The crowd who ate of the miraculous loaves go searching for Jesus, and they find Him on the other side of the Sea of Galilee. When they find Him, He offers them something even more miraculous than feeding 5,000 with 5 loaves and 2 fish. Instead of making another multiplication of mere bread, Jesus deepens their understanding of who He really is and what He has come to do. He tells them to stop working for bread which satisfies only for a time, but to work for "food that endures for eternal life." When they press Him on this point, He says to them, "I am the bread of life." The Eucharist that we celebrate is that spiritual food; food that satisfies deeper and more completely than any mere meal. May our celebration and reception of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist raise us to the heights of Heaven, expand our hearts, and bring us into authentic communion with God and one another.

**Thank You** – I want to offer a huge thank you to Deacon Dave Scharf for his years of service and to all who helped put on the wonderful reception we had for him last weekend. Deacon Dave, we hope and pray that this next chapter in your life will be filled with peace and blessing.

**New Daily Mass Schedule** – August is here, which means that our daily Mass schedule changes this week! From now on the Mass schedule will be:

Monday: no Mass

Tuesday: Mass at 9:00 AM

Wednesday: Adoration from 5:45-6:45 PM; Mass at 6:45 PM

Thursday: Mass at 9:00 AM

Friday: Mass at 9:00 AM

May the Lord bless and keep you!

Fr. Paul

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## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is celebrated for those who suffer serious illness. You may celebrate by appointment by calling Fr. Paul or you may attend the **Mass of Anointing on the last Wednesday of the month at 6:45pm beginning August 25.**

"He summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two.... They anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them" (see Mark 6:7-13). After Jesus ascended into heaven, the Church continued to be a sacrament of healing: "Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven" (James 5: 14-15).

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER

## MARRIAGE BANNS

*August 1 — August 7*



Sunday	Volunteer
Monday	Lee O'Connell, Larry Maes
Tuesday	Cass and Ros Wodarski Mary Ann Hargrave
Wednesday	Renee Shinska
Thursday	Jim Hynes, Kathy Riccardi
Friday	Julie Wendell, Mary Bidinger
Saturday	Volunteer



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Andrew Swain  
&  
Chiara Lazzereschi*

## HOLY HOUR

We have a holy hour in our worship space *every Wednesday evening from 5:45pm to 6:45pm*. It is good to have some time to come together and pray as a community – to pray for our parish, and for whatever else might be on our hearts. This is a simple holy hour with the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar. Please come and sit with the Lord!

### What is a Holy Hour?

A Holy Hour is spending some time in silence with the Lord. Just as Mary, Martha's sister, sat at the feet of Jesus listening to him, a Holy Hour is time set aside so that we too can sit with Jesus. Please join us as we pray for our parish and our world.

See the Adult Formation page on our website to find out more information about some ideas for how to spend that time.

## CURRENT PARISH GUIDELINES

- ◆ Weekend Liturgies are celebrated in the main worship space. Weekday Liturgies are celebrated in the day chapel. Masks must be worn by those who are not vaccinated or not fully vaccinated against Covid-19.
- ◆ No drive up reception of Holy Communion.
- ◆ The parish staff has normal work schedules and the parish office is open.
- ◆ Gatherings and meetings are held in person and online. Masks must be worn by those who are not vaccinated or not fully vaccinated against Covid-19.

***If you have any condition that will compromise your immune system (or if you care for someone with such a condition) PLEASE STAY HOME! There is no obligation to attend Mass if you have a good reason to stay home.***

## FINANCE

### WEEK OF 7/25/21

ENV/CASH	\$ 12,115
DEBT REDUCTION	\$ 6,251
EFT/ONLINE	<u>\$ 10,017</u>
TOTAL	\$ 28,383

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Your parish contributions are appreciated and very important, especially during this time. Sunday contributions may be placed in the chest by the baptismal font in the Worship Space, mailed to the parish office or consider online giving.

### PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE TO GIVE ONLINE

[www.saintmarymagdalen.org](http://www.saintmarymagdalen.org)

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Monday, August 2

- 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen-Carryout
- 7:30 pm K of C Business Meeting

### Tuesday, August 3

- 9:30 am Rosary-Chapel

### OFFICE CLOSED FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT

### Wednesday, August 4

- 9:00 am LESA Backpack sort
- 10:00 am Community Life Meeting
- 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 5:45 pm Holy Hour of Prayer
- 6:00 pm High School Youth Group Summer Fun-Outside

### Thursday, August 5

- 7:00 pm Baptism Class-Zoom

### Friday, August 6

- 1:00 pm Pain Sake Group

### Saturday, August 7

### Sunday, August 8

- 10:15 am Rosary
- 12:30 pm Lindamood Internment

### To Friends of Ann & Ben Lindamood:

The daughters of long-time members Ann & Ben Lindamood would like to invite their St. Mary Magdalen family to join in a Mass of Intention on Sunday, Aug. 8 at 11 am.

The internment of Ann & Ben's ashes will take place following Mass, outside at the Columbarium Bell Tower at 12:30 with a memorial service celebrated. For more information please email:

Kit Lindamood at KitRT12@gmail.com.



Please join us at the *St. Mary Magdalen Pavilion*

**Friday, August 13 at 11am**

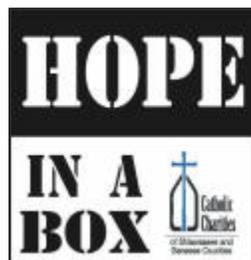
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Come catch up with all your Lunch Bunch friends!



### AUGUST NEEDS:

- Dish Soap
- Deodorant
- Razors
- Shaving Cream/Lotion
- School Supplies



## RELIGIOUS FORMATION

### Who is a Child's Primary Catechist?

For several weeks now, the Formation Program has been looking for a variety of volunteers. We have been asking for catechists, co-catechists, classroom aides, hall monitors, etc. (*If you are interested please let me know!*) One position you haven't seen us advertise for is that of primary catechist. That sounds like a pretty glaring oversight; how could we forget to recruit the primary catechist of all things?! It turns out the position is already filled.

Allow me to explain. In the Rite of Baptism for Children, the Church says, "To fulfill the true meaning of the sacrament, children must later be formed in the faith in which they have been baptized." Catechists are the men and women who undertake this important work, and the primary catechist does so first and foremost. So who fills this important role? The child's parents!

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that parents are primarily responsible for their children's education, and this first and foremost concerns their religious education (CCC2223, 2226). They are their children's first models of faith. The best way you can guess what your child's faith life will look like when they are older, is to look at your own.

Our parish's formation program strives to equip parents to live out this role. Let's face it: it sounds scary and many parents don't feel like they are capable of being that person for their children. If you feel that way, take comfort in this—God has called you to this vocation. He doesn't call the qualified, he qualifies the called! St. Mary Magdalen is a parish where you can always come and be nurtured in your vocation.



## WELLNESS

### The Red Cross needs our help!

There is currently a severe blood shortage. Due to a rise in the number of trauma cases, organ transplants and elective surgeries requiring blood products over recent months, the nation's blood inventory has been depleted. Also, appointments to donate often drop during the summer months because schools are out (no school blood drives) and families are traveling for vacation. The need for blood, however, never takes a vacation.

### Did you know?

- 1 Every 2 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood.
- 2 Cancer patients use nearly 1/4 of the blood supply.
- 3 Blood products cannot be manufactured.
- 4 Type O is the most needed blood group by hospitals
- 5 Blood can be donated every 56 days.
- 6 only 3% of Americans donate blood in a given year.

### Tips for successful blood donation:

To expedite donation, start a "Rapid Pass" on the day of appointment by using the link on the Red Cross site. Bring donor card, driver's license OR 2 other forms of identification.

1. Drink extra water before appointment (start hydrating a couple of days before).
2. Eat a healthy meal prior to donating and include iron-rich food and avoid fatty foods. Keep hydrating after your donation.

### Who can donate (basic requirements):

- \* Individuals who are at least 17 years of age (16 with parental consent) \* Weigh at least 110 pounds
- \* Be in general good health and feeling well.

**BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. MARY MAGDALEN  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 22**

Visit: [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org) or call: 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to schedule an appointment near you. All blood types are needed.

## CHARITY & JUSTICE

**Above all, the Dignity of the Human Person is about the right to abundant life:  
the right to reach the full potential of who and what God created each person to be and do.**

*(Shea, Mark P., The Church's Best-Kept Secret: A Primer on Catholic Social Teaching (p. 35).)*

Let us take a moment to think about the first pillar of Catholic Social Teaching, “The Dignity of the Human Person”, and racial equity. What can we, as children of God, do to open our eyes and those of our friends and family to see every human person as His children too.

When didn't we “love one another as I have loved you.”? When did we hear someone say something mean, hurtful, or disturbing about someone of another race, but did nothing? When did we miss an opportunity to help someone of another race but were hesitant? Unjust barriers have been placed on many of our brothers and sisters, their dignity reduced.

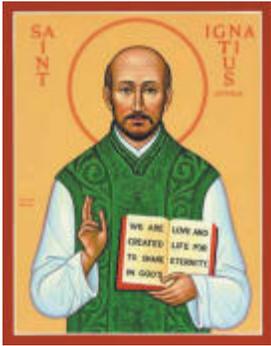
As children of God and disciples of Christ, we are called upon to recognize those deprived of their right to an abundant life, and facing inequality and racial injustice. With that recognition, we need to act to restore their human dignity. God wants everyone to reach their full potential and to feel the goodness and beauty of the world He created.

Each of us can do something to show we believe in the dignity of every person, because God created each of us and loves us all equally. Through reading, we can become informed about the types of indignities and injustices suffered by those forced to live in situations fraught with racial inequality. We can share our knowledge and concern with family and friends. We can join or start a book club. We can move the needle towards more racial equality by writing letters to our legislators and to editors of the newspapers we read expressing our concerns about situations that are unjust. Doing any one of these things can remove a barrier and open a door.

Most of all, we can pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us to be loving and respectful towards all God's people, recognizing that everyone, regardless of race, has the right to reach their full potential.

Holy Spirit, Come!





## ***Make the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises***

*If you always imagine God in the same way, no matter how true and beautiful it may be, you will not be able to receive the gift of the new ways He has ready for you.* ~Carlos Valles, S.J.

The Ignatian Spiritual Exercises is a pilgrimage of a spiritual search for the fulfillment of a desire for holiness. The exercise experience is about praying, searching, exploring and discovering; it is a journey with God. Christ Jesus is your companion as you learn to walk the life journey path as Jesus asks: ***“What are you looking for?”*** (Jn1:38) and ***“Come and see.”*** (Jn 1:39). Those who engage in the Spiritual Exercises discover a response to ***“What is God asking of me?”*** The Exercise experience is good for increasing openness to the movement of the Holy Spirit strengthening and supporting you in the effort **to respond ever more faithfully to the love of God.**

The full Spiritual Exercises may be done in the midst of ordinary daily life at home. It involves a daily commitment of 45-60 minutes in prayer and reflection centered on the themes of the Exercises and a weekly meeting with Linda Chevalier, Spiritual Director/ Companion for approximately eight or nine months. Linda will meet with you on a weekly basis at her home which allows for reflective conversation and confidentiality. The cost for the Spiritual Exercises is to offer a stipend, payable over the course of the retreat. You will have a discussion about the precise details during your first conversation.

If you feel drawn to make the Ignatian Exercises **contact Linda Chevalier :**  
**(H: 810-229-9734) or (C: 810-775-8713) or**  
**[chevalierlinda@att.net](mailto:chevalierlinda@att.net)**

## **LIVINGSTON COUNTY VICARIATE CATHOLIC COUNCIL ON AGING**

### **Regional 50+ Summer Celebration & Picnic Thursday, August 12**

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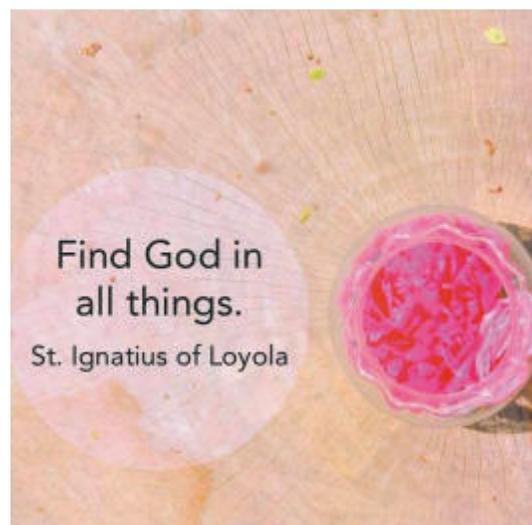
**11 am Mass; Picnic Lunch, Music & More at  
noon**

*To promote health and safety, this year’s picnic  
WILL NOT be a potluck.* Tableware, drinks, an assortment of salads and Sloppy Joe’s will be provided.

*Mass will be celebrated by Father Francis George,  
Pastor of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church*

***To assure sufficient food, please RSVP by contacting the STMM church office  
no later than August 5!***

***There is no cost for this activity; however, a goodwill donation will be accepted.***





The St. Mary Magdalen Knights of Columbus Council is hosting a charity Cruise-In Car Show, **Monday, August 23, 4:00 PM until dark**, to benefit Saint Joseph Home Care and Hospice of Livingston County, and the Blue Star Service Dogs of Pinckney, Michigan. Blue Star Service Dogs provide therapy for servicemen and servicewomen recovering from brain injuries, severe depression, and Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSD).

**Car Owner Registration is from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, and entry fee is \$15.00 No entry fee for spectators, but a free will donation will be accepted.** Burgers and hot dogs on sale by our Knights, and beverages by our local Boy Scout Troop. Entertainment by 'CruzN DJ' Paul Peters.

This annual event features some of the most distinctive examples of our region's contribution to the classic age of automotive styling and high performance. Come take a stroll with us back to the time when cars had 'muscles', 'fast backs' and a 'V8' was not just a vegetable drink.

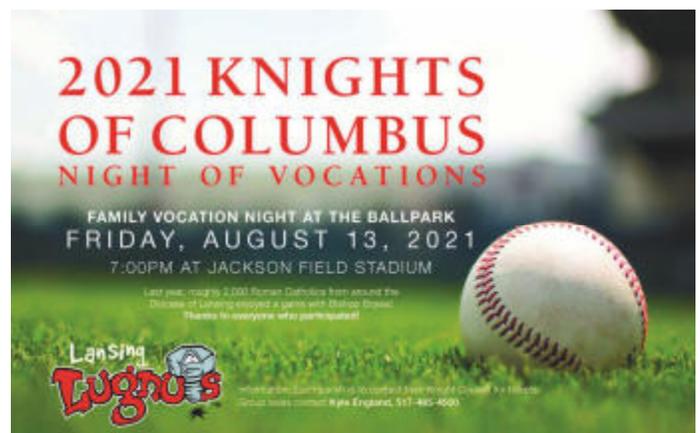


## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We begin our new fiscal year with the pledge to continue serving the parish and community. Our goal this year is to provide \$50,000+ support to our identified charities and groups, and hundreds of service hours from our membership to a variety of organizations that make a positive difference in the lives of many. Thank you, St. Mary Magdalen Parish, for your support of our work.

**Men of our parish, 18 years and older, put your faith in action and join us:**

Contact Ken Anderer, (810) 333-2130,  
kanderer65@gmail.com





# Saint Mary Magdalen Church Night!



Lugnuts vs. West Michigan Whitecaps — Friday, September 17th @ 7:05pm

- Come enjoy the game with your congregation and family + friends!
- Group Raffle - One lucky member from your group will win a special prize!
- Group recognition on the scoreboard and public address system during the game!
- Come watch the pre-game Faith All-Star Lineup!

## Ticket Order Form **Order Deadline: Tuesday, August 17th**

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Box Seat Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$11.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to: Josh Kenny  
Hurry! ...The absolute last day to order is: August 17th  
Please make checks payable to: St. Mary Magdalen Church  
For more information please contact:  
Josh Kenny at [youth@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:youth@saintmarymagdalen.org)



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