### ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JANUARY 19, 2025 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time FATHER THEO TRUJILLO, PASTOR

# **"DO WHATEVER HE** TELLS YOU."

**JOHN 2:5** 

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### **SPIRITUAL LIFE**

### Mass Readings/Lecturas

www.usccb.org

### Mass Schedule and Mass Intentions

Español (es) Polish (pl) Filipino (tl) Brazilian (pt) PLB - Mass is celebrated in the Parish Life Building

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#### Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m. and

7 p.m. (es)

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. and noon Tuesday 7 p.m. Young Adults Friday 7 p.m. (pt)

Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m. (pt in PLB), 11 a.m., 1 p.m. (es) 6 p.m.

### **Other Masses**

Polish: Filipino: Brazilian: Last Sunday of the month at 3 p.m. First Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. Fridays at 7 p.m. in the church and Sundays at 10 a.m. in the Parish Life Building.

### **Livestreamed Mass**

8:30 a.m. daily Mass

9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Spanish) Sunday Mass

Watch on Facebook at <u>facebook.com/SMMsimpsonville</u>

and on our website at www.smmcc.org/livestream

### Please Pray for...

Joan Galle, Paul Felton, Angela Ripandelli, Rick Agron, Leonard Byrne, Coleen McDonald, Philomena Reed, Florence Jackson, Brenda McCleary, Mary Radziewicz, Nancy Scala, Janice Reed, William and Marie Wilson, Ailani Urrego, Alejandro Leyton, Romeo Madeo, Connor Idi, Michelle Marckini, Bob Cardone, Thomas E. Provencher, Jim McKenna, Adrienne Garrett, William Finnell, Jr., Rocky A. Valez, Lori Brockman, Joe Mihalchick, Mike Becker, Bill DeRosa, Patricia Esparza, Onely Salas Cruz, Bessie J. Andersen, Polly Kanto, Jeffery Kipio Perez, Ruben and Rebeca Garcia, Donna Regan, Mary Ols, Ivonne Rivera, Ray Sleiman, Patricia O'Brien, Bill & Joanne Boozer, Maria Flores, Timothy Millhiser, Roger McClure, Sharon Harris, Harry Helvik, Carolyn Anderson, Paul Beaver, Carol Barnes, Michael Stankay, Marty Howat, Janet and Mike Canino, María del Carmen Copetillo, Clementina Argumedo, Shirley Walter, Donna Lee, Dee Helvik, Jimmy Martin, Scott Morris, all who are sick and suffering in our community.

Names will remain on the **Please Pray for** list for one month. To request a name be added or kept for another month, please contact the parish office.

### **Reading a Printed Bulletin?**

Visit our bulletin web page at <u>www.smmcc.org/bulletin</u> for live links or scan the QR codes.



### Reconciliation

Saturdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, and from 3:30-4:45 p.m.

### **Childcare During Mass**

Childcare is available for children 4 and under in the Conner Ministry Building on Sundays for the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses.

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, January 18, Vigil 5:00 p.m. † Ginny Schultz 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Parish Sunday, January 19 7:30 a.m. † James Burras and Bernie Burras 9:00 a.m. + Jose and Helen Santiago 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. † Ginette Moulv 1:00 p.m. † Yolanda Perez 6:00 p.m. † Margaret Timothy

> Monday, January 20 - Thursday, January 23 Communion Service 8:30 a.m. and noon

#### Friday, January 24

8:30 a.m.	† Albert Berlingieri
Noon	† Loreto Paglia
7:00 p.m.	No intentions for this Mass
Saturday, January	/ 25
8:30 a.m.	† Genevieve "Jean" Rekowski
5:00 p.m.	† Leonard Weiner
7:00 p.m.	St. Mary Magdalene Parish
Sunday, January	26
7:30 a.m.	Patti Borden
9:00 a.m.	† Johann Radcliffe
10:00 a.m.	No intentions for this Mass
11:00 a.m.	† Mary Bezek
1:00 p.m.	† Narciso Perez
3:00 p.m.	† Piotr Pankiewicz
6:00 p.m.	† Elba del Carmen Mercado Jarquin

### **SPIRITUAL LIFE**

### El Evangelio de hoy

Estemos listos o no lo estemos, hemos llegado al Tiempo Ordinario. Se ha terminado la Navidad. Ahora, el Evangelio de cada domingo nos va ir presentando la imagen de Jesús en su vida pública. Jesús nos presenta el Reino de Dios con una fiesta, una boda. Y con esto cambia el sentido de lo puritano y se rompen algunos protocolos de la Ley. Las tinajas llenas de agua esperaban, sin saberlo, convertirse en el primer milagro de Jesús de transformar el agua en vino. La nota de alegría, de festejar y disfrutar es una noticia alegre. Jesús, nos muestra que, a pesar de lo duro de la vida, del sufrimiento y los fracasos, existe una esperanza. ¿Cómo podemos ponerle una chispa de alegría a nuestra fe? ¿Se te ocurre algo para disfrutar con Jesús en la fiesta de su Reino?

Asimismo, existe la otra enseñanza, la de María, la Madre de Jesús, que estuvo atenta en aquella fiesta y se dio cuenta que no había vino. Ella supo poner el problema en manos de Aquel que lo resolvería. Y dio la siguiente instrucción: "Hagan lo que él les diga" (Juan 2:5); e inmediatamente, desapareció totalmente de la escena, dejando en Jesús todo el protagonismo. ¿Qué debo aprender de María? Que ella nos lleva a Jesús y que cada vez que haga una buena acción, las personas le reconozcan a Él y yo desaparezca.

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### Pray the Rosary with Us!

Monday - Friday at 6 p.m. live on <u>Facebook</u> www.facebook.com/SMMSimpsonville

After the daily noon Mass and after the 8:30 a.m. Saturday Mass.

For Respect Life on the first Thursday of the month after the 8:30 a.m. and noon Masses.

#### All are invited to join us!



### Guy Trigaux Diana Frechette Salvador Esteva

May they rest in the arms of the Lord and rejoice in the glory of heaven, and may their families find comfort in their faith.

### Adoration Chapel

Please consider taking a weekly hour to be with Jesus. It will be the best hour of your week.

If you cannot commit to the same hour each week, consider becoming a substitute.

Click/scan the QR code to sign up for a weekly hour.

Contact <u>adoration@smmcc.org</u> if you have any questions.



### Do Whatever He Tells You

I once ran out of pizza at my kid's birthday party.

Everyone told me it wasn't a big deal but come on. It was a disaster. I had invited all these people over. They showed up with presents and sang "Happy Birthday" and stood around patiently while my kid ripped through his cache of gifts. The very least they were expecting was to be fed sufficiently.

I'll tell you what, I sure could have used the Blessed Mother that night.

I love the story of the wedding at Cana because it's such a silly little miracle. I don't mean to be disrespectful – of course it's an incredibly important moment in Christ's public life. But it's not healing a leper. It's not raising the dead. It's not even walking on water. It's saving a young couple from embarrassment.

I think sometimes we forget, or even refuse, to bring small concerns and inconveniences to God because we think we should be able to handle them on our own. What a ridiculous attitude that is — as if we could handle anything on our own. It's so fitting that Mary, ever the observant Mother, is the one to bring the matter to Jesus' attention. He asks her what this problem has to do with him. She doesn't answer him, because, between you and me, I don't think he's asking her. I think he's asking us. All she does is tell the waiters what I consider to be the best piece of advice in all of Scripture: "Do whatever he tells you."

I'm so quick to throw up my hands and feel sorry for myself when I encounter a barrier in my life. What I should be doing is taking the matter to God, and then doing whatever He tells me.

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman—©LPi

### **SACRAMENTS - FORMATION**

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#### Altar Servers



Training has been rescheduled for Monday, January 20, from 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. in the church.

If you have any question, please email altarservants@smmcc.org.

### Monaguillos

La capacitación ha sido reprogramada para el lunes 20 de enero, de 10:15 a.m. a 11:45 a.m. en la iglesia.

Envía un correo electrónico a altarservants@smmcc.org si tienes alguna pregunta.

#### **Baptisms**

For more information regarding Baptisms, contact the Sacraments Office at sacraments@smmcc.org or call 864-288-4884 ext. 4224.

### **Bautismos**

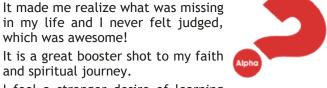
Para obtener más detalles con respecto a Bautismos, llame la Oficina de Sacramentos al 864-288-4884 ext. 4224 o por correo electrónico a sacraments@smmcc.org.

### Weddings

Please contact the Sacraments Office at 864-288-4884 ext. 4224 or sacraments@smmcc.org at least six months prior to the wedding date.

### **Matrimonios**

Para definir los detalles de la boda, por favor, comuníquese con la Oficina de Sacramentos al 864-288-4884 ext. 4224 o por correo electrónico a sacraments@smmcc.org con seis meses de anticipación.



and spiritual journey. I feel a stronger desire of learning

which was awesome!

in my life and I never felt judged,

- more about my Catholic religion.
- I was renewed and encouraged spiritually; I now look forward to coming to church.

Feel Like Something's Missing?

Come experience the Good News that over 1,000

parishioners here at St. Mary Magdalene have had with

Alpha is for everyone, from questioning skeptics to those looking to reinvigorate their faith, Catholic or not. Come and See!

Morning and evening Alpha sessions are available. Evening sessions start Wednesday, January 22, at 6:30 p.m., and morning sessions start Thursday, January 23 at 9:15 a.m. All Sessions are held in the Parish Life Building.

Dropping children off for Christian Formation or preschool is also a perfect opportunity to join us.



Scan the QR code to register or learn more at www.smmcc.org/alpha.



El grupo de jóvenes adultos invita a todos los adultos solteros de 18 a 32 años a participar en sus reuniones los viernes de 7 a 9 p.m. en el

edificio de ministerios Conner, donde se dan las catequesis.

Si desean más información, envíen un correo electrónico a jovenesadultos@smmcc.org. ¡Los esperamos!



### FORMATION

#### The Youth of the Parish are Invited to Join One of Our Youth Ministry Groups. We Meet ...



High School Life Teen meets Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

Middle School EDGE meets Fridays at 7 p.m.



Programa en español Jóvenes sin Fronteras se reunen los viernes a las 7 p.m.

5th Grade Students Journey meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

If you would like to learn more about Youth Ministry, please contact <u>joem@smmcc.org</u> or visit our web page at <u>www.smmcc.org/youth-ministry.</u>

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### Young Adult Ministry

Are you between 18 and 35 and looking to grow in faith, build fellowship and find ways to serve? Then join us!

The Young Adult Ministry meets for Mass on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the church (parent's room).

After Mass, we may have a book or Bible study, lively discussion and fellowship. We also have monthly social events.

Come and get to know us! Let us be part of your faith journey.

Sign up to receive communications from us at <u>smmcc.flocknote.com/YoungAdults</u> or contact us at <u>youngadult@smmcc.org</u>. Follow us on Instagram at smmccyoungadult.

Save the Date

## **CATHOLICISM 101**

### **CHURCH HISTORY**

MONDAYS AT 7 P.M. IN THE PARISH LIFE BUILDING

FACILITATOR: DEACON ROGER SCHONEWALD THIS NEW SERIES STARTS FEBRUARY 3

Catholic saints are part of our rich Catholic heritage. They offer examples of how to live a virtuous and holy life, but usually not without their own struggles.

As we move into this Jubilee Year, let's take time to learn about the saints throughout Church history.



### **Preschool Registration**

**Preschool Information Session** - Coffee and Questions, an information session about our preschool program is coming up on Wednesday, January 22, at 10 a.m. in the Parish Life Building. During this meeting with the director, you will hear an overview of our preschool program and receive information about the online registration process. RSVP for Coffee and Questions at www.smmcp.org.

**2025-2026 Registration** - The preschool will begin accepting online registrations for new students from registered parish families on Monday, January 27, starting at 8 a.m. For more information about registration, please visit the preschool website, www.smmcp.org or contact Katie Jupena at 864-288-4884 ext. 4250.

### **MINISTRIES IN ACTION**



#### SHINING THE LIGHT ON THE DARKNESS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Saturday, February 8, 2025 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church Parish Life Building 2252 Woodruff Rd., Simpsonville, SC 29681

"It is a call to take action ... If we close our eyes and ears, if we do nothing, we will be guilty of complicity." - Pope Francis

Join us as we listen to expert speakers to learn how to recognize how traffickers work, how to protect our families, friends and strangers from traffickers, how to ensure we are not inadvertently aiding the traffickers, and the Catholic role in efforts to help those impacted.

This program is recommended for adults, high school, and mature middle school students.

There is no cost for this event and childcare is available, but we ask that you RSVP by February 3. Light refreshments will be provided.

To learn more about this event and to RSVP, please scan the QR code or visit www.smmcc.org/rsvp-traf.



This event is sponsored by Respect Life Ministry (respectlife@smmcc.org).

#### 40 Days Fall Campaign Closing Comments

The Fall Campaign of 40 Days for Life ended November3, 2024, with a total of 331 confirmed lives saved worldwide, 3 abortion workers converted and left their jobs, and 2 more facilities closed. But the battle is not over. Abortions continue when a heartbeat is not detected. Therefore, we still need prayer warriors to pray at the abortion facility. A baby was saved since the campaign ended because of the continued prayers and presence. Our prayers make a difference.

Please consider participating in 40 Days 365 so we can continue to have a presence at the facility, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Visit <u>www.40daysforlife.com/greenville</u> and sign up. Thank you for your commitment to Life!



### Get Involved!

Whether you want to share your time in prayer or formation, or share your God-given talents with your parish, we have a ministry for you!

Visit: <u>mwww.smmcc.org/ministry-locator</u>.



### **MINISTRIES IN ACTION - PARISH LIFE**



### Volleyball Signups Open

Registration for Coed Volleyball is now open. The league offers an 8-game schedule, plus a single elimination tournament for ages 14+ (high school/adult).

Please visit <u>SMMCCsports.org</u> to register and to learn more. The deadline for registration is February 19. Don't wait until the last minute! Register today!

### Thank You for Making a Difference



The Giving Tree Ministry extends our heartfelt thanks to the parish community for the generous gift and donations to the many parishioners who turned out to help with the large volunteer effort.

Through the extraordinary work of this parish community, we served 97 families from our Parish and local area as well as many homeless men and women.



### HIS WAY AT WORK

Are you a business owner? His Way at Work empowers business owners to transform their workplace cultures with God's love. Find out more about how you consecrate your business to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and join other local business owners as they lead with God-centered leadership.

St. Mary Magdalene is hosting a consecration Mass for business owners interested in joining His Way at Work.

Monday, January 27, at 7 p.m.

There is a social and informational meeting afterward in the Parish Center.

Owners can find out more about the organization, what membership entails and register at hwaw.com.

# **AVAILABLE NOW!** PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Leslie Wallace from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.

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### **PARISH LIFE**

#### Are You Receiving Our Emails and Texts?



Are you signed up to receive email or text notifications from St. Mary Magdalene?

Text smmcc to 84576 or go to smmcc.flocknote.com to JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST.



### Columbarium Garden

If you are considering the St. Mary Magdalene Columbarium Garden as your final resting place, please schedule an appointment with our columbarium representative who can help you with this process and answer any questions you may have.

Email <u>columbarium@smmcc.org</u>, call (864) 537-4232 or visit our web page at <u>www.smmcc.org/columbarium</u>.

### **Overflow Parking**

#### If you attend 11 a.m. Mass on Sundays ...

You may now park in the designated areas at Eastminster Presbyterian Church.

#### Para los que vienen a misa a la 1 p.m. los domingos ...

Pueden estacionarse en las áreas designadas en la iglesias Eastminster Presbyterian y Advent Methodist.



### We are on Social Media

Find us (SMMSimpsonville) We are on Facebook and Instagram Follow us, like us!

And don't forget to share our posts.

### Welcome to the Team!



We are excited to introduce you to Chris Domyan, our new Director of Business Administration.

Chris, his wife Meighan, and their three girls (Anna, Chloe, and Grace) vacationed in the Carolinas for many summers and found the hospitality and friendly environment appealing.

The idea of moving South started to take shape as the girls grew up and moved away from their home in Pennsylvania. But it was when their youngest daughter graduated college and married, that they decided to finally make the move.

Chris holds degrees from DeSales University and Villanova University. He was the Director of Business Administration at a Catholic High School and served as Director of Financial Support Services for the Diocese of Allentown. He is truly a product of Catholic education.

"I was immediately interested when I learned that an opportunity became available at St. Mary Magdalene. When I interviewed with Fr. Theo and other committee members, I sensed a thriving environment and felt a call to serve here. Continuing my career in a place where the mission is to spread the Gospel, is all that I could ask for," says Chris.

Chris enjoys hiking, pickleball ... really, all sports. And as a true Pennsylvanian, yes, a Penn State fan.

Please join us in welcoming Chris to St. Mary Magdalene.

### **Contact Information**

Has your contact information changed?

Please contact Beth at <u>bsnyder@smmcc.org</u> if you have a new address, phone number or email address.

### Cambio en datos

¿Ha habido algún cambio en sus datos?

Por favor, póngase en contacto con Beth al correo electrónico <u>bsnyder@smmcc.org</u> si usted tiene una nueva dirección, número de teléfono o correo electrónico.

### **PARISH LIFE**

### Your Offertory

We thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to give back a portion of your goodness to us.



### Offertory for Fiscal Year

July 2024 - June 2025 as of January 5, 2025

Mass attendance for January 11 & 12: 5,249

Current Week Actual	Current Week Budget	Current Week Actual/Budget
\$82,886	\$76,222	109%
Year to Date	Year to Date	Year to Date
Actual	Budget	Actual/Budget
\$2,153,787	\$2,216,695	<b>97</b> %

### We are thankful for the gifts and for the givers!



#### **Pastoral Staff**

**PASTOR** Fr. Theo Trujillo

PAROCHIAL VICAR Fr. Max Tria Fr. Ramyro Gomes Armond

DEACONS Dcn. Joe Ciavardini Dcn. Roger Schonewald

### **Parish Offices**

**Regular Office Hours** Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

You can also reach us by phone and by email. Please visit our Parish staff directory at <a href="http://www.smmcc.org/staff">www.smmcc.org/staff</a>.

It is always helpful if you make an appointment with us. As a large parish serving our parishioners, ministries and community, please note that while the main parish office may be open, other departments keep different hours.

### We Are a Tithing Parish

Saint Thomas Moore Catholic Church

and Newman Center

Thanks to your generosity ...

we're giving back to the community.

The Outreach Tithe Committee is helping 15 charities this quarter, including a \$1,500 gift to the Saint Thomas Moore Catholic Church and Newman Center, serving the students at the University of South Carolina, under the direction of the parish pastor, Fr. Rhett Willams.

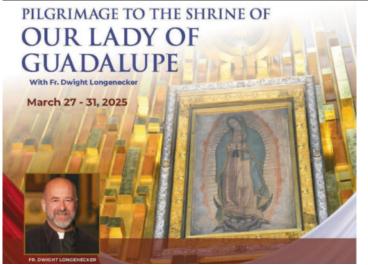
If you would like us to consider a charity, you can email us at <u>outreachtithe@smmcc.org</u>.

### 2024 Tax Letters

The 2024 tax letters will be sent out via email by the end of January. Be sure to let us know if your email address has changed.

To update your email address, please contact Beth in the office at <u>bsnyder@smmcc.org</u> or call 864-288-4884, ext. 4234.

### IN THE COMMUNITY



Witness how the Sisters of Mary provide education and vocational skills training to children at Girlstown, attend daily Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and visit the pyramids at Teotihuacan in Old Mexico City, and Tepeyac Hill, where St. Juan Diego received the apparitions of Mary.





### 5-Week OCIA Virtual Study

For those in the OCIA and Faith Formation Ministries

January 27 - February 24, 2025

Register: https://charlestondiocese.flocknote.com/signup/182579







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