

ST. MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF EUCHARIST, FAITH, PRAYER AND SERVICE

***May 16, 2021—The Ascension of the Lord
(Seventh Sunday of Easter)***



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ST. MAGDALEN PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Vice Chair: Marilyn Jacobson

Secretary: Douglas Wernke

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Votive Candles: Six day candles-\$3 each.
Votive candles-\$.50 each.

Bulletin Announcements: Call parish office or email
no later than **NOON, Tuesday.**

Mass Intentions: Available days August 2021.

Monthly Postings & Calendar: Deadline **May 20th**
for June 2021.

Rent/Use of Hall Call office at least 4 weeks prior to event.

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Sunday Mass Observance:

Sunday 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday 9:00 AM

Friday 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday 1/2 hour before Mass

Any time by appointment

Sacramental Preparation:

Sacrament of Baptism:

By appointment.
Call parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage:

By appointment. Preparation at
least 6 months in advance.
Call parish office.

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St. Magdalen Parish
would like to extend a warm welcome to
all who are visiting or are new to the area.
If you are not registered
at St. Magdalen and consider this your Parish,
please contact or stop by the Parish Office.



The Ascension of the Lord—16 May 2021 (Seventh Sunday of Easter)



LTP™—Reflecting & Living on the Word Mark 16:15-16

***“Go into the whole world and
proclaim the gospel to every creature.
Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved;
whoever does not believe will be condemned.”***

Jesus came not only for us humans but “to every creature.” Therefore, as we take up the task of doing God’s work in the world after the departure of Jesus we must remember to take that joyful news to all of God’s creation in every way we can. Just as St. Francis would preach to the birds and considered even the sun and the moon his brother and sister, so too must we make an effort to connect to all of the wonders God has done for us through the mission of our lives.

How can you proclaim the Gospel to parts of creation other than human beings?

**Think about a news story that
did not happen close by.
How can you bring God’s love
to the situation from so far away?**

We can preach in many far-reaching ways. Have the family walk through each room of your home, pausing to talk about how you can live out God’s instructions in every space of your life. Make sure to include all of creation in your reflection. For example, in the dining room someone may notice that cloth napkins could be used instead of paper towels or paper napkins to help save trees.

**Do you say prayers for others each night?
If you have a back yard,
do you have a birdfeeder?**

Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families 2017-2018

EACH OF US IS A
MASTERPIECE
OF GOD’S CREATION.

“Everyone is in need of reassurance,
and if we, who have touched ‘the Word of life’
(1 John 1:1) do not give it, who will?”

How beautiful it is to be Christians who offer
consolation, who bear the burdens of others
and who offer encouragement: messengers of life in a
time of death!”

Pope Francis, 2020 Easter Vigil Homily
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Growing in Faith™

Why are Christians asked to evangelize?



Before Jesus ascended to Heaven, He instructed His disciples, “*Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature*” (Mark 16:15). The Gospel, or “good news,” to which Jesus referred is His Resurrection and victory over death. God became man and died for our sins, then rose from the dead. Thanks to Jesus, we have hope for a new life on Earth and eternal life in Heaven if we follow Him.

*“There is no salvation through anyone else,
nor is there any other name under heaven
given to the human race
by which we are to be saved”.*
(Acts 4:12).

Think of it another way: If you discovered a way to eliminate hunger in the world or found a medicine to cure all diseases, you would want to share what you know with everyone who will listen.

Jesus’ death and Resurrection offers something more amazing: eternal life. Once we have heard and believed the Good News, we can’t keep it to ourselves. We must tell everyone about it.

~GIF, May 2018 Issue

What is Ascension Day?

Ascension Day is the celebration of Christ ascending into heaven after His death, burial and resurrection. It’s observed primarily in Catholic and Anglican churches, and occurs on the Thursday 40 days after Easter. It is also called the Feast of Ascension.

The story of Jesus’ Ascension is told in Luke 24:50-53, Mark 16:19 and Acts 1:3, 9. Putting these together, we find after His resurrection, Jesus appeared several times to His disciples and others. During this time, He spoke to them further about the kingdom of God and the coming of the Holy Spirit, for whom they were to wait (Acts 1:2-9). After 40 days of these appearances, He was taken up to heaven (Acts 1:9-11). As the disciples watched Him go, two angels appeared and declared to them that, just as He ascended, Jesus would return in glory.

According to one of the early church fathers, Augustine of Hippo, the Feast of Ascension originated with the Apostles. It may be one of the oldest feasts practiced by the Church, possibly going as far back as AD 68. There is no written evidence, however, of the church honoring Ascension Day until Augustine’s time in the 4th century. Churches around the world have observed Ascension Day Feasts for centuries, including ceremonies and traditions including processions, prayer vigils, and Catholic masses.

It reminds us that the glorious and triumphant return of Christ is near. It is a reminder of the Kingdom of God within our hearts, and of the ever-present Holy Spirit, watching over and protecting us as we spread the light of Jesus’ truth throughout the world. The fact that Jesus was resurrected from the grave and ascended to the right hand of the Father is the source of our hope (1 Peter 1:3). We know that those who belong to Him by faith will one day be with Him in heaven.

Excerpted from <https://www.gotquestions.org/Ascension-Day.html>

THIS WEEK AT ST MAGDALEN May 16th—May 23rd

**Sunday, May 16, The Ascension of the Lord:
Seventh Sunday of Easter
(World Day for Social Communications)**

- Mass, 10:30 AM

Monday, May 17:

- Office Closed
- Girl Scout, Schuelke, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, May 18, St. John I, Pope & Martyr:

- Office Closed

Wednesday, May 19:

- Mass, 9:00 AM

Thursday, May 20, St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest:

**Friday, May 21, St. Christopher Magallanes,
Priest & Companions, Martyrs:**

- Mass, 9:00 AM

Saturday, May 22, St. Rita of Cascia, Religious:

Sunday, May 23, Pentecost Sunday:

- Mass, 10:30 AM

OUR PARISH

Week Ending May 9th:

Support

Adult: \$1,725; Loose: \$280;
Vigil Candles: \$2; Religious Ed: \$30
Mass Stipends: \$40; Parking Lot: \$2,850

CFSA 2021 — One Faith. One Family.

Goal: \$15,400 Pledged: \$15,790
Participation: 46 of 119 Collected: \$15,120
Received: none Overage: +\$390

*Thank you for generously sharing your treasure!
Funds raised above our goal, stay within the parish!*

THOUGHTS, PRAYERS & BEST WISHES

Good Samaritan & Lennox Assisted Living Residents

Judy Buchanan, Connie Cook
Pat Crevier, Joanne Ellison
Louella Godes, Betty Morrison
Joseph Stastny and Dennis Uttech

Health Challenges

Ellen Renz, Ruby Nordman, Fr. Rader
and Fr. Dana Christensen

For the homebound, our country and its leaders,
for respecting life in all stages,
for the Pope, all priests and religious,
and the safety of our First Responders and
American Troops.

*For those celebrating birthdays & anniversaries
during the month of May!*

Information, Activities & Events



Catholic Daughters Spring Brown Bag Raffle



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas
are holding a Spring Brown Bag Raffle
over the next two weeks (May 16-May 23)
for the Court's spring fundraiser.

Raffle items:

\$50 gift cards from Sunshine, Fareway & HyVee,
\$100 downtown Sioux Falls gift card, quilts,
and home décor.

Pictures of the raffle items are located in the church lobby.

Price: 6 tickets for \$5

Winners will be notified by phone.

Thank you for your support!!!



Diaconate Ordination—15 May 2018 Cathedral of St. Joseph

Prayers for those who will receive
Ordination to the Permanent
Diaconate!!



A Novena for Life
honoring the Feast of the Visitation
May 22–30 | Sign up: respectlife.org/visitation



The Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Monday, May 31st



CFSA 2021 One Faith. One Family. Goal: \$15,400



*Thank you, thank you and thank you
to those who have already responded!*

If you have not returned your pledge card, please fill it out and return it as soon as possible. **If you are unable to participate financially, fill out your card (return it) by mail or in the offering basket.**

Our goal is 100% participation through prayer, financially, and /or through volunteering.

Any funds received above our goal will remain in our parish!

If you have questions regarding CFSA—where to send your pledge card, payment options or payment methods, please contact the office.

AREA & DIOCESAN EVENTS

May 31 - Memorial Day Mass: St. Michael Cemetery will celebrate Memorial Day Mass at the cemetery on May 31 at 9 AM. The host parish will be the Cathedral of Saint Joseph. Please bring your lawn chair. Gates will open at 8 AM at 3001 N. Cliff Ave. in Sioux Falls. In case of inclement weather, Mass will be held at the Cathedral.

Jul 6—Summer Grief Series: Catholic Family Services will be offering a Summer Grief Series for adults. This will be a 4-week series beginning Tuesday, July 6. Questions or you would like to register, please call 605-988-3775.

Counseling Services

Catholic Family Services counseling—Are you dealing with difficult events in your life? We have professional, caring counselors who are available to provide individual, marriage and family counseling. Please call us 605-988-3775 to schedule an appointment.

Traditional Latin Mass available

The Traditional Latin Mass, or the Extraordinary Form of the Mass, is offered every Sunday at 2pm at St. Dominic Parish in Canton. The Latin Mass is also offered on most holy days of obligation and principal feasts of the Church Year at 7:30pm. St. Dominic Church is located at 800 E. Walnut Street. For more information and to confirm Mass times, please call 605-764-5640 or email Father Lawrence at frmartinlawrence@sfcatholic.org.

Job Opportunities

Broom Tree Retreat Center near Irene, SD now has the following openings available: **Part-time Cook** at the Retreat Center – If you love to cook and serve, this job is for you! We offer flexible scheduling including late morning, afternoon, and early evening hours with some weekends in addition to a competitive wage and discounts on facility rentals. If you would like to join our dedicated staff, please contact Kris Sees, Administrator, at 605-263-1040 or ksees@sfcatholic.org for more information. Learn more about us at www.broom-tree.org.

Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls is seeking an active, practicing Catholic who is detail oriented to serve in the full-time position of **Parish Accounting Services**. The ideal candidate will be responsible for maintaining accounting principles and practices to ensure accurate and timely financial statements for parishes and other diocesan entities. Activities of the position include general ledger preparation and related reconciliations, completion of financial reporting, payroll, year-end tax filing and providing technical support for parish bookkeepers on accounting software program. The position offers the option of working remotely from a parish office located outside of the Sioux Falls area. Interested candidates should send their resume and cover letter to the Director of Human Resources, Twila Roman at troman@sfcatholic.org or 523 North Duluth Ave, SF, SD 57104.

St. Mary Parish in Sioux Falls is currently seeking a part-time **Director for the Youth** (K-6) Faith Formation program. The candidate will work in collaboration with the Adult Faith Formation Director providing dynamic programming for parish youth. For more info, contact Fr. Paul Rutten at (605) 332-6391 or via email at frpaul@sfcatholic.org or Susie Egge at (605) 334-1912 or via email at faithformation@stmarysf.org. Mail a resume and a cover letter to the parish office 2109 S 5th Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57105.

Wear Red for Pentecost Sunday!

Come to Mass next weekend (May 23rd) to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit!

The main sign of Pentecost is the color red.

It symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit.

Priests wear red vestments, and today, the custom has extended to us, the lay people of the parish, to wearing red clothing in celebration as well.

DAILY READINGS/MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., May 17	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-7; John 16:29-33
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Tues., May 18	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; John 17:1-11
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Wed., May 19	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68: 29-30, 33-36; John 17:11-19
9:00 AM	+Luann Hoogestraat by Paula Kroeger
Thurs., May 20	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Ps 16: 1-2, 5, 7-11; John 17:20-26
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Fri., May 21	Acts 25:13-21; Ps 103: 1-2, 11-12, 19-20; John 21:15-19
9:00 AM	Lloyd Tooley by Lisle Stabrawa
Sat., May 22	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; John 21:20-25
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Sun., May 23	Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor: 12:3-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27, 16:12-15
10:30 AM	+Norman & +Kaylee Figueroa by Lisle Stabrawa

Mass Intentions are available for **August**.

Suggested donation is \$10. Call or stop by the office to request a Mass.

St. Magdalen Liturgical Team: May 23rd, 10:30 AM

Lector: Andrea Kribell

Cantor: Cheryl Ziegler

EM: Theresa Crumb

Sacristan: Liz Schmidt

Ushers: Darin & Connor Eich

Altar Servers: Noah Buhta & Talen Eich

Retreats/Recollections

BROOM TREE Silent Retreat Schedule:

Women: Jun 17-20, Aug 12-15, Sep 16-19

Men: Aug 19-22, Sep 23-26, Oct 21-24



Day of Recollection Schedule:

Aug 17-*The Gift of Forgiveness*—Directed by Teresa Henrickson

Special Retreat:

Oct 15-17-*Undone: A Healing Retreat*—Directed by Father Scott Traynor

To register/info, call 263-1040, www.broom-tree.org, or broomtree@sfcatholic.org.



26th Annual Bishop's Fishing Tournament

Your participation in these fishing tournaments helps support the funding of seminarian education and formation in our diocese. Their education averages \$45,050 per seminarian per year, which is why these fishing tournaments are so important.

3 OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE

VIRTUAL FISHING TOURNAMENT
JUNE 5 THRU JUNE 14
ANY PUBLIC BODY OF WATER
IN SOUTH DAKOTA

MONDAY
BIG STONE CITY
JUNE 7
LAKE SIDE PARK

MONDAY
PIERRE
JUNE 14
OAHÉ DOWNSTREAM
RECREATIONAL AREA

For more information, map and directions, and to register online or by mail/in-person, see ccfesd.org/events/bishops-charity-fishing-tournament/