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January 15th, 2023
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time,

Year A



For the Week of January 15, 2023, Year A, Cycle I

Saturday

January 14 Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

5:00pm †Ed Thomas by wife & family Andrie family by Pat Andrie

†Mary Magdalen by Tru & Yen Doan †Mary Nguyen by Tru & Yen Doan

Sunday Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 15 Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

9:00am †Tom Maurer by Arlene Dale

11:00am The people of our parish Family Simic by Anita Simic

†Sloban Simic by the Simic family

5:00pm Dillon Miklusicak by Anna Rose Masson

Monday

January 16 Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22

8:00am †Lena Tognocchi by the Minerva family †Jimmy Meehan by the Shefferly family

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbott

January 17 Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 & 10c; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday

January 18 Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110: 1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3:1-6

Egan family by Pat Andrie

Thursday

January 19 Heb 7:25- - 8:6; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

8:00am †Pope Benedict XVI by the Parish

Friday

January 20 Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8 & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mk 3:13-19

8:00am Toni VanDyken by Anita Simic

Saturday Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

January 21 Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 3:20-21

5:00pm †Pope Benedict XVI by the Parish †Arthur Allwood by Joan Derr & family

Sunday Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 22 Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17: Mt 4:12-23

9:00am †Tom Maurer by Arlene Dale †Rick Havenhil by family

†Thomas Kiet Duong by Tru & Yen Doan †Anna Chuc Nguyen by Tru & Yen Doan †Our Grandparents by Tru & Yen Doan Peace in the New Year by Tru & Yen Doan

11:00am †Peggy MacKinnon Daugherty by MacKinnon family Family Simic by Anita Simic

Toni VanDyken by Anita Simic

5:00pm The people of our Parish



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St. Mary Magdalen Parish

MASSES & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Mass Saturday

5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm

4th Sunday 1:00pm in Vietnamese

Mon, Wed - Fri 8:00 am

Adoration

1st Friday of the month

8:30am to 6:30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday

3:30-4:45 pm

Or by appointment if necessary

Baptism

1st Sunday of the month

12:00 pm

Call Parish Office,

prep necessary

Wedding

6 months preparation necessary.

Call Parish Office

Funeral

Call Parish Office

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Council Representatives

Pastoral Council

Patricia Snyder Financial Council LỊCH THÁNH LỄ VÀ BÍ TÍCH

Thánh Lễ

5:00 chiều Thứ Bảy

Chủ nhật 9:00 sáng, 11:00 sáng và 5:00 chiều

Thứ Hai, Thứ Tư-Thứ Sáu

8:00 sáng

Chầu Thánh Thế

Thứ sáu đầu tiên của tháng

8:30-6:30 chiều

Giải tội

3: 30-4: 45 chiều Thứ Bảy

Hoặc lấy hẹn nếu cần thiết

Rửa tội

Chủ nhật đầu tiên của tháng

12 giờ trưa

Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ, để chuẩn bị

trước

Lễ cưới

6 tháng để chuẩn bị trước

Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ

Lễ an táng

Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ

Nếu quí vị nói Tiếng Việt, xin liên lạc với Sơ Mai Do

Dt: 616-455-9310

Email: mdo@stmmagdalen.org

For prayer requests, you may submit them online on our website, www.stmmagdalen.org, or call the office, 616-455-9310.

Lectors for the Week of January 15st

Saturday, 5pm Joan Miller Anthony Bielecki Sunday, 9am Sunday,11 am Stephen Herman Theresa Taggart Sunday, 5pm

Lectors for the Week of January 22nd

Saturday, 5pm Mark O'Gorman **Kodi Schulist** Sunday, 9am Sunday,11 am Bernardo Abner Sunday, 5pm Laura Moore

Cantors for January 15th

Kathy Miller Saturday, 5pm Sunday, 9am Anne Click Sunday,11 am Hue Nguyen Mary Thompson Sunday, 5pm

Cantors for January 22nd

Saturday, 5pm **Emily Rushmore** Michelle Seguin Sunday, 9am Sunday,11 am Michelle Seguin Sunday, 5pm **Emily Rushmore**



Hello Young Adults,

United will be meeting Thursday nights (see schedule below) from 7-8:30pm in the BAC. We are a community that includes folks with & without disabilities and gather for fellowship and spiritual growth. If you have any questions, please reach out to Molly Wisdom, mwisdom@stmmagdalen.org.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

January 26 February 9 and 23 March 9 and 23



Thank you very much for your thoughtful cards, best wishes, encouraging words, and kind gifts to me, personally, & to my church staff. Your thoughtfulness & generosity helps to lift us up, to continue our ministry here for the Lord & the people of God in the New Year. I'm also grateful for your faith & all the committed benefactors & volunteers of St Mary Magdalen Church. May our good Lord repay you abundantly & continue to watch over you, your loved ones, & our faith community in the New Year of 2023.

Father Peter Vu & St Mary Magdalen Staff



Women's Guild Meeting

The St Mary Magdalen's Women's Guild meeting will be on Thursday, January 19th, at 11:00am. We will be meeting at East Garden, 6038 Kalamazoo Ave SE. All women of the parish are welcome to attend.

Music Ministry



We have a need for more worship screen help at the 9am Sunday Mass. There currently is only one person serving at this specific time. Training is available.



Children's choir has resumed. Children in grades 1st through 8th are invited to join us every Sunday after the 11am Mass at 12:20pm in the Family Center Room 1. The next time we sing is on February 12th at the 11am Mass.

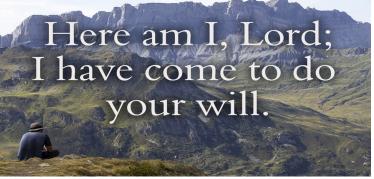
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Ordinary Time

because every moment COUNTS

We are in Ordinary Time now, but in the first readings for the next two weeks, we will continue to hear words and themes from this past season of Christmas: God restoring Israel, glory, God revealing himself, light in the darkness, and salvation for all peoples. The lectionary readings continue to unfold God's plan of salvation for us. The readings will then dovetail into the calling of the disciples and passages from the Sermon on the Mount, which is an instruction on and an invitation to make present God's kingdom on earth in our daily lives. Our music will reflect these themes and challenges until Lent begins on February 22nd, Ash Wednesday.

Emily



Christian Services

We had nine people, that provided 11 chilies for last week's 16th Annual Chili Cook Off. We had 59 people vote on their favorite. The one with the most votes was declared the winner. That was Donielle and Heidi Xu. Congratulations!! Everyone had a good time.



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Thank you to everyone who came out on Tuesday, January 10th, to decorate the church for Ordinary Time. You all made light work of a big task. We will be decorating for Lent on Monday, February 20th.



Help is needed for our Wednesday Suppers. A couple of people have stepped down and a couple have upcoming surgeries and traveling. The time frame is 3:00/3:30pm until 7:00pm. If you are available to help any time in that time frame, please give me a call at (616)455-9310 ext 105

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We have a parishioner who had an accident recently and needs a ride to church. Preferably on the weekend, but would be ok if it is a daily Mass. She lives in the Kalamazoo Avenue and Whistle Stop area (by the old library). This could be long term, but even short term help would be appreciated. Please contact the office if you are able to help her with a ride.

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The Parish Festival/Summer Events committee will start meeting soon. We would love to have an event every month under the tent and we are looking for new ideas and help. If you would like to be part of our committee, please contact Ruth in the office, (616)455-9310 or rbush@stmmagdalen.org, and keep watching the bulletin for upcoming meeting dates and times.

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Did you know that St Mary Magdalen has a golf league? This is a fun league that doesn't require much skill. We've had new golfers as well as experienced golfers. If you would like more information contact Mike Bush at MLBgolf@gmail.com



Homebound Ministry

Hello everyone,

In the past couple of weeks, we have had to say farewell to his holiness, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.

We remember him as a great teacher, a scholarly theologist and a Holy Father. His legacy for us and for the coming generations are his teachings through his many books and his prolific writings regarding Biblical themes and the catholic faith. One of his fabulous Apostolic letters and encyclicals to the Church is "God is love" written in 2015.

Pope Benedict affirms "God's love for us is fundamental for our lives" (#2). Christian love does not stop at "Eros" - possessing love but reaches to "Agape" - giving love. He defines that love is giving, seeking the good for others and being present for others. Jesus is a forever model of love for us when he gave himself up for humans to save us. Each time we come to share the Lord's table, Jesus calls us to love and to give ourselves as he does for others.

Accordingly, God's love moves us to love our neighbor. He emphasizes that a Christian charity has to be inspired by God to serve others. Jesus is our only motivation for our works of charity. We love our neighbor simply because we love Jesus in them and love them as Jesus does. Therefore, he concludes that charity must be free from parties and ideologies but "a heart which sees".

More detail of this encyclical can be found in https://www.vatican.va/content/benedict-xvi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf ben-xvi enc 20051225 deus-caritas-est.html

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is from the 18th to the 25th of January. Let us earnestly pray together for the unity of all Christians that we all act in worshiping and serving one God the Almighty.

Prayers For the Christian Unity

Eternal Father,
we praise you for sending your Son
to be one of us and to save us.
Look upon your people with mercy,
for we are divided in so many ways,
and give us the Spirit of Jesus to make us one in love.

We ask this gift, loving Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Source: Catholic online)

Holy Communion request

Please contact Sr. Mai Do or the parish office if you or your loved ones are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion. We will send a minister bringing our Lord to you weekly, biweekly or monthly.

CORDIAL INVITATION

Dear Saint Mary Magdalen Parishioners,

It is my pleasure to extend to you a cordial invitation to attend the upcoming Tet celebration. The event will be held on Sunday, January 22, 2022, at 2:30 PM, right after the 1 PM, Vietnamese Mass. The event location will be at:

The Fa<mark>mil</mark>y Center St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church 1253 52nd Street SE, Kentwood, MI 49508

Tet holiday, Vietnamese Lunar New Year, is a time to commemorate the Vietnamese national heritage, to exchange gifts and New Year wishes.

Tet is the time to send off the old year and bring in the New Year with great hope and gratitude. It is a time of reflection of the past year and contemplation for the new year.

We are looking forward to having your company. If you have any questions, please contact me at the number listed below.

In Christ,

Chuck C. Nguyen

Nguyễn C. Chie 616-318-6533

THU MÒI

Kinh giri quí cộng đoàn giáo xứ St Mary Magdalen,

Lời đầu tiên <mark>xin đ</mark>ược thay mặt Cha Chánh Xír và <mark>B</mark>an Tổ Chức Tiệc Tán N<mark>iên Qu</mark>í Mão giá những lời c<mark>húc sức khỏe, thành công đến quí cộng đo</mark>àn và quí quyển.

Một năm âm lịch sắp qua đi với bao thăng trắm, đổi thay, cộng đoàn chúng ta tại giáo xử đã trải qua những thách thức, cũng không ít cơ hội, và những thành công đã đạt được trong sự quan phòng của Thiên Chúa.

Buổi tiệc tân niên năm nay được tổ chức với thông điệp gắn kết các thành viên trong cộng đoàn lại với nhau, đồng thời đem đến làn gió đầu xuân đến với giáo xứ chúng ta mang theo những hồng ân mới và nhiều ấn súng mới từ Thiên Chúa chúng ta.

Giáo xứ St. Mary Magdalen xin trân trọng kính mới quí cộng đoàn và quí thân hữu cùng tham gia bữa tiệc tân niên Quí Mão.

Tiệc tần niên Quí Mão sẽ được cử hành vào Chủ Nhật, ngày 22 tháng 1 năm 2023 vào lúc 2:30 chiều, ngay sau thánh lễ tiếng Việt. Địa điểm như sau:

The Family Center St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church 1253 52nd Street SE, Kentwood, MI 49508

Chúng tới rất mong có sự hiện điện của quí vị. Mọi thắc mắc xin liên lạc với số điện thoại ghi phía đười.

Trong Chúa Kitô,

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Nguyễn C. Chiec 616-318-6533

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week ending January 8th Fiscal YTD 7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023

Offertory Regular \$9,043 Offertory Actual \$298,526

Electronic Giving \$ 800 Offertory Budget \$315,900

Total Collection \$9,843 Over/(Under) (\$ 17,374)

156 envelope contributions and 13 electronic contributions

Benevolent Fund: \$ 185 Maintenance Fund: \$ 382

Thank you for generous contribution in support of St. Mary

Magdalen Parish and your faithful Stewardship of Treasure!

To donate online please visit: stmmagdalen.org/donate

Faith Formation

Thank You!

I would like to thank all of the students that were a part of the Children's Christmas Program this year! Together they brought to life the story of the Nativity as it was beautifully told through the loving eyes of Mary's cousin, Elizabeth. I would also like to thank Ketri Herrmann, Hue Nguyen, Mary Thompson and my daughters for their help behind the scenes!

Middle School Retreat 2022

High School Leader meetings begin soon!

If you are a high school student and would like to be a leader for the Middle School Retreat in February, come to the meetings in the Family Center, Sunday afternoons from 12:30pm-3:30pm January 29, February 5, 12, & 19.

Please note that due to the Lunar New Year Celebration, the leader meeting for January 22nd has been cancelled allowing families to celebrate together.

Women's Ministry Gathering Monday, January 23, 2023

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

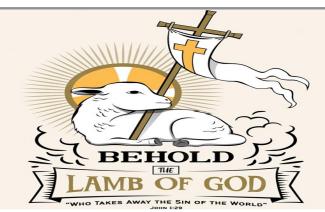
Women of the parish you are invited to join us in the Chapel beginning at 7:30 am to pray the Rosary, followed by morning Mass at 8 am. From there we will quietly gather in the Family Center and enter into a Litany for Life.

All are invited to stay for hospitality and fellowship following the prayer.

Please join us for any or all of the prayer opportunities offered this day. If you are unable to join us in person, please offer prayers by visiting https://www.usccb.org/prayers/litany-life. Please see the insert in this week's bulletin for information regarding upcoming events.

Couples Retreat Saturday, February 11, 2023 6 PM to 9 PM

This retreat is an evening of dining, reflection and conversation that focuses on marriage as a sacrament. Couples will have the opportunity to mingle with friends, share an intimate dinner and embark on a journey that will reaffirm the vows that they made. Registration available in the Gathering Area.





Josh Lemke, Alex Beauchamp, Thomas Church, Egan Simmons, Lindsey Garrett, Paul Beauchamp, John Beauchamp, Steve Jacobs, Sean Branagan, Jon Fraher, Daniel Yonker, Carl Simmons, Devon Roche Louis Carlson II, Cpt. Andrea Shefferly, Gage Dionne, Larry P. Meeusen, Stephen Galdys, Zachary Ralston

If you have a need for prayer, please use our website, www.stmmagdalen.org, under Christian Services, or call the office at

616-455-9310 to submit a prayer for either the bulletin or the prayer chain. If you have any questions or are in need of assistance, please call the office so we can help.

Note: Names will stay on the list until the end of the month, if you are still in need of prayer, please let the office know.

Arby, Christopher Asplund, Diane Bunker-Lloyd, Lynda Campione, Dolores Church, Robert Crowley, Robert DeLing, Richard Downey, Sally Fraher, Kathy Gabourie, Tom Galic, Slava Gorkowski, Henry Glennie, Paula Gwizdak, Micheal Heartwell, Tom & Sue Lawson, Norma Hekman-Terpstra, Nelly

Hermann, Jerimiah Herrmann, Benny Herrmann, Marilyn Ivos, Zdravko Jacobs, Ed Jacobs, Peggy Jelens, Dan Kaiser, Marvin Kastenholz, Jean Kastenholz, Mark Kaminski, Marilynn Knight, India Kulikowski, Joseph Kulczyk, Ray Le, Bao Tien

Minerva, Antonina Nawrocki, Barbara Nelson, Dorothy Nguyen,Truc Oliver-Schauer, Mary Partridge, Therese Pelletier, Tim Petrlich, Alice Reynolds, Sue Rhoades, Michelle Ringeisen, Richard Rings, Michael Roberts, Sandra Sobczak, Ed

Sobczak, Bobbie Stephan, Janet Stephan, Ron Terpak, Dorothy Toohey, Paul Waldron, Karen Wedge, Matthew Wilson, Laurie Wingeier, Pat Witgen, Max Wittkowski, Michael Young, Sharon

Upcoming Events for the Week of 1/15 to 1/21

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	<u>Wednesday</u>	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2nd Sunday in Ordary 11me 8:00am Blood Drive 9:00am Mass w/CLW 10:00am Coffee & Donuts 11:00am Mass w/CLW 12:00pm Coffee & Donuts 12:15pm Children Choir 5:00pm Mass 6:00pm Cookies and Coffee	8:00am Mass	3:30pm CORE Mtg 7:00pm Boy Scouts	8:00am Mass 9:00am Scripture Study 5:15pm Family Dinner 6:15pm Faith Formation	8:00am Mass 11:00am Women's Guild 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:15pm Adult CHoir	8:00am Mass	3:30pm Confession 5:00pm Mass