



REJOICE AND BE
GLAD, *FOR YOUR*
REWARD Will Be
GREAT IN HEAVEN

Matthew 5:12

St. Mary + Magdalen



January 29th, 2023

*The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary
Time, Year A*

Masses For The Week



For the Week of January 29, 2023, Year A, Cycle I

Saturday
January 28
5:00pm

Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Mk 4:35-41
†Tom Morony by Monica Dean

Sunday
January 29
9:00am
11:00am
1:00pm
5:00pm

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
†Tom Maurer by Arlene Dale
†Gene Maly by Loretta Saunders
Thoi Nguyen family by Nguyet Dung
Joseph Vu Hoang by Son Vu
†Mickey Serino by Bob & Anne Click
Family Simic by Anita Simic
Thanksgiving by Nguyet Dung

Monday
January 30
8:00am

Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24; Mk 5:1-20
Volunteers of St Mary Magdalen Parish

Tuesday
January 31

Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest
Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-27, 28 & 30, 31-32; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday
February 1
8:00am

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
†Pope Benedict XVI

Thursday
February 2
8:00am

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32
All those in need of prayer

Friday
February 3
8:00am

Memorial of St Blaise, Bishop
Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc; Mk 6:14-29
The People of our Parish

Saturday
February 4
5:00pm

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mk 6:30-34
†Bill Derr by Joan Derr & family
Mary Rose & Edwin Zarzecki by Laurie Zarzecki Emelander

Sunday
February 5
9:00am
11:00am
5:00pm

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
†Catherine Biondi by the Minerva family
All those in need of prayer
The People of our Parish



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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

LỊCH THÁNH LỄ VÀ BÍ TÍCH

Thánh Lễ

Thứ Bảy 5:00 chiều
Chủ nhật 9:00 sáng, 11:00 sáng và 5:00 chiều
Thứ Hai, Thứ Tư-Thứ Sáu
8:00 sáng

Chầu Thánh Thể

Thứ sáu đầu tiên của tháng
8:30-6:30 chiều

Giải tội

Thứ Bảy 3:30-4:45 chiều
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

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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 29th

Saturday, 5pm Jeanine Bryant
Sunday, 9am Chris Maday
Sunday, 11 am Judy Haisma
Sunday, 5pm Luisa Ortiz

Lectors for the Week of February 5th

Saturday, 5pm Mary Roberts
Sunday, 9am Mark O'Gorman
Sunday, 11 am Arlette Uwarugira
Sunday, 5pm Jeanine Bryant

Cantors for January 29th

Saturday, 5pm Kathy Miller
Sunday, 9am Emily Rushmore
Sunday, 11 am Bedi Komera
Sunday, 5pm Mary Thompson

Cantors for February 5th

Saturday, 5pm Michelle Seguin
Sunday, 9am Barbara Kozachik
Sunday, 11 am Kodi Schulist
Sunday, 5pm Allison Hawkins



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week ending January 22 nd	Fiscal YTD 7/1/2022—6/30/2023
Offertory Regular \$ 11,523	Offertory Actual \$ 320,628
Electronic Giving \$ 1,297	Offertory Budget \$ 339,300
Total Collection \$ 12,820	Over/(Under) (\$ 16,672)

133 envelope contributions and 17 electronic contributions

Benevolent Fund: \$ 230 Maintenance Fund: \$ 260

Thank you for generous financial support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish and your faithful Stewardship of Treasure!

To donate online please visit:
stmmagdalen.org/donate

SPECIAL PROJECT—NEW DISHWASHER FOR KITCHEN

Thank you to all who have so generously supported the New Dishwasher Fund! Due to your financial gifts, we have placed an order for a new dishwasher for our Family Center Kitchen. There is a 6-8 week lead time on the order, so we hope to have it installed during the Lenten season.

A special thank you to the Men's Group and the Women's Guild who have also generously donated to help offset the cost of the new equipment. This upgrade will go a long way to ensuring that our kitchen facilities are able to provide wonderful hospitality for the events that we host throughout the year.

We all
HAVE THE
duty to

DO GOOD

POPE FRANCIS

AT THIS TIME OF YEAR, WE SEND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO DONORS SO THAT YOU WILL HAVE A RECORD OF YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS. WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY TO ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH OVER THE PAST YEAR. YOUR GIVING MADE POSSIBLE A NUMBER OF VITAL IMPROVEMENTS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR STATEMENT MAILED OR EMAILED TO YOU, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE, LMOORE@STMMAGDALEN.ORG, MMASON@STMMAGDALEN.ORG, OR (616)455-9310

Music Ministry



This week's gospel is the introduction to the Sermon on the Mount, which begins with the beatitudes, or the qualities one is to have in the kingdom of God.

Oftentimes we take each of these virtues as piecemeal, but we are supposed to develop all of them. One cannot say they will be meek but not pure in heart, or hunger and thirst for righteousness, but don't want to be a peacemaker. Indeed, the structure in which Matthew wrote could be read as:

Blessed are the poor in spirit and mourn, and who are meek and hunger and thirst for righteousness and are merciful, are pure in heart and a peacemaker, because the kingdom of heaven will be theirs and they will be comforted, they will inherit the earth and be filled. They will be shown mercy and see God and will be called children of God.

I love this reading because it gives us the image of what to strive for, what virtues to build.

God asks us to walk in his ways, but he doesn't leave us to do it alone. He not only teaches us in scripture but in the actions of his own Son, Jesus. The music I chose reflects that desire to continual conversion, asking God to show us the way, and in turn, turning around and sharing that light we receive from God with the world.

Emily



Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Christian Services



Last week we celebrated the Vietnamese Lunar New Year. Nearly 200 people attended this festive event. There was a dragon dance, singing and lots of food. Children and elders received the traditional orange, while the children also received a lucky envelope with money. Thank you to the Vietnamese community for including us in this annual celebration and wonderful event.

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There is a basket in the Gathering Area where you can place your blessed palms from last year. These palms will be burnt to be used for Ash Wednesday, February 22nd.

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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 Ave and Whistle Stop area (by the old library). This could be long term. Please contact the office if you are able to help by giving her a ride.

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Did you know that St Mary Magdalen has a golf league? This is a fun league and 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 MLBgold63@gmail.com

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Please continue to save those pull tabs off of pop and beer cans. We give the tabs to AmVets Post 23 who cash them in and purchase Christmas gifts for the Veterans Home on Monroe.



Homebound Ministry

Hello everyone,

Very soon, we will enter February. Pope Francis asks us to dedicate this month to pray for parishes that by *"placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need"*. I find it a fitting time to review the mission of the parish.

A Parish is a community of believers, present in the diocese and in the Church. We do not live alone but together with others; we worship and act in the name of God and of the Church. That is why our Holy Father emphasizes the crucial aspect of communion. That is the great witness of God's presence among us and draws more people to God.

The Canon Law (# 2179) especially addresses the mission of the parish. Firstly, it aims to gather and to guide Christians to worship one Trinity God. Second, it imbues its members with God's Word and the importance of salvation. Finally, it equips its faithful with the strength and courage to go out to proclaim the Good News.

Let us pray for Father Peter Vu and our parish family, that together we grow in unity and love, and to bring God's light to the world.

In Christ,
Sr. Mai Do

Care Notes Ministry

Care Notes are small booklets that offer helpful and supportive information relating to issues such as loss, grief, relationships, depression, etc. Now, they are available in our Gathering area on the last three levels of the stand. Come, check and feel free to take some booklets that might help you and your loved ones find strength, comfort and healing from those uplifting messages. Please contact Sr. Mai Do if you need further care and support.

Words of Thanks

Thank you everyone for joining our Lunar New Year celebration and sharing your delicious foods. A special thanks to the teamwork: Chuck & Diem Nguyen, Binh Nguyen, Vien & Mat Taliana, Dung & Nu Nguyen, Trang & Huy for your talents, time, and generous support. We really enjoyed this special event.



You are invited to The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Time: 3:00 pm, during Eucharistic Adoration

Place: In the Chapel

Date: February 3th, 2023 - First Friday of the month



DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS
Office of the Bishop

January 29, 2023

Dear friends in Christ,

Please join Catholics around the nation in the celebration of Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 29 - Feb. 4, 2023. When it comes to Catholic education in our diocese, we have much to be proud of. West Michigan is home to 31 Catholic elementary and secondary schools serving more than 6,400 students. Enrollment is steadily increasing post-pandemic and data shows that our swift response to COVID restrictions prevented the significant learning losses we are seeing among students across the nation.

Most importantly, Catholic schools continue to offer young people opportunities for a daily encounter with Jesus Christ within the context of the highest-quality education. I am thankful for parents who chose to send your children to Catholic schools. To those of you who work and volunteer in our schools, thank you for sharing your talents, time, and Catholic faith with our students. Without you, the ministry of our Catholic schools would be greatly diminished.

I encourage every Catholic in the diocese to support our Catholic schools. If you are considering Catholic education, I invite you to find a Catholic school near you by visiting CatholicSchools4U.org, or by calling our Office of Catholic Schools at (616) 246-0590. If tuition is a barrier to enrollment, assistance is available in the form of scholarships offered through the diocese, parishes and schools.

Please know of my continued prayers for you and your family!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

See your child SHINE in faith, learning, and friendship at SJV!

Come see the difference an SJV education can make! St. John Vianney Catholic School wants to welcome your family in the 2023-24 school year. Now enrolling pre-kindergarten through 8th grade. For more information, visit our website at stjohnvianney.net/school, or call (616) 532-7001 to schedule a tour.



ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH

Faith Formation

Middle School Retreat 2023

High School Leader meetings begin this Sunday!
If you are a high school student and would like to be a leader for the Middle School Retreat in February, come to the Sunday meetings in the Family Center from 12:30-3:30pm on January 29th, February 5th, February 12th, & February 19th
Retreat Weekend is February 24th - 26th.

Couples Retreat

Saturday, February 11, 2023

6 PM to 9 PM

This retreat is an evening of dining, reflection and conversation that focuses 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.

Hello Everyone,

We are asking parents of all middle school and high school students to encourage their kids to come to the Middle School Retreat in February. Some of you may be asking, what is the Middle School Retreat? This is a retreat planned by a group of high school seniors, (with the help of a dedicated adult team), and led by other high school students, whose mission it is to encourage faith growth and strengthen relationships and community. Over the course of two days (Friday night to Sunday morning), the middle schoolers and high schoolers watch skits by our Core Team, listen to witness talks, engage in conversation in small share groups, jump around at SONG TIME!, play games, and eat awesome food. Middle schoolers are invited to engage with the retreat theme and with their faith throughout the weekend. It's our biggest youth ministry event at St. Mary Magdalen and, for many of our students, the most exciting. Many of our young adults come back specifically to help out at this event, which is a testament to its importance and to the impact the retreat has had in their lives.

If you have not been part of the retreat experience and have questions about the weekend, please contact me at MWisdom@stmmagdalen.org or (616) 455-9310 ext 103.

Look for more information next week!

Blessings,
Molly Wisdom

You're Invited! Join Us to Pray the Rosary

Time: 8:30 am

Place: Chapel of St. Mary Magdalen Church

When: February 5th, (we gather the **first** Sunday of each month)
Special Intention Book available for prayer requests.

Thank You!

To all those who gathered to pray the Litany of Life and offered generous donations to Help Pregnancy Aid.

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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.

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| Arby, Christopher | Hekman-Terpstra, Nelly | Le, Bao Tien | Sobczak, Bobbie |
| Asplund, Diane | Hermann, Jerimiah | Minerva, Antonina | Stephan, Janet |
| Bunker-Lloyd, Lynda | Herrmann, Benny | Nawrocki, Barbara | Stephan, Ron |
| Campione, Dolores | Herrmann, Marilyn | Nelson, Dorothy | Terpak, Dorothy |
| Church, Robert | Ivos, Zdravko | Nguyen, Truc | Toohy, Paul |
| Crowley, Robert | Jacobs, Ed | Oliver-Schauer, Mary | Waldron, Karen |
| DeLing, Richard | Jacobs, Peggy | Partridge, Therese | Wedge, Matthew |
| Downey, Sally | Jelens, Dan | Pelletier, Tim | Wilson, Laurie |
| England, Christine | Kaiser, Marvin | Petrlich, Alice | Wingeier, Pat |
| Fraher, Kathy | Kastenholz, Jean | Reynolds, Sue | Witgen, Max |
| Gabourie, Tom | Kastenholz, Mark | Rhoades, Michelle | Wittkowski, Michael |
| Galic, Slava | Kaminski, Marilyn | Ringeisen, Richard | Young, Sharon |
| Gorkowski, Henry | Knight, India | Rings, Michael | |
| Glennie, Paula | Kulikowski, Joseph | Roberts, Sandra | |
| Gwizdak, Micheal | Kulczyk, Ray | Sobczak, Ed | |
| Heartwell, Tom & Sue | Lawson, Norma | | |

Upcoming Events for the Week of 1/29 to 2/4

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am Mass w/CLW 10:00am Coffee & Donuts 11:00am Mass w/CLW 12:00pm Coffee & Donuts 12:15pm Children Choir 12:30pm MSR Leader Mtg 1:00pm Mass-Vietnamese 5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	7:00pm Boy Scouts	8:00am Mass 9:00am Scripture Study 5:15pm Family Dinner 6:15pm Faith Formation	8:00am Mass 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:15pm Adult Choir	8:00am Mass 8:30am Eucharistic Adoration 7:00pm PreCana Class	9:00am PreCana Class 3:30pm Confession 5:00pm Mass