



*St Mary Magdalen Parish*

*February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

*2021 Annual Review*

# Masses For The Week



## Readings for the Week of February 6, 2022

- Saturday**  
**February 5**  
**5:00pm**  
**Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**  
1 Kgs 3:4-13, Ps 119:9-14, Mk 6:30-34  
†Catherine Biondi by The Minerva Family  
†Ed Thomas by his wife and Family  
†Anna Chuc Nguyen by Tru and Yen Doan  
†Gloria Evans by her Family  
†Thomas Khiet Duong by Tru and Yen Doan
- Sunday**  
**February 6**  
**9:00am**  
**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 6:1-2a, 3-8, Ps 138: 1-5, 7-8, 1 Cor 15:1-11, Lk 5:1-11  
†Bob Dodde by Mary Lynn Gregorski  
†Martine Badiane by Coly Family  
†Sophie and Albin Roys by The Gorkowski Family  
Evelyn Pham by her Family  
†Florence & Gordan Campbell by Gorkowski Family
- Monday**  
**February 7**  
**8:00am**  
1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Ps 132:6-7, 8-10, Mk 6:53-56  
†James Andrie by Pat Andrie  
† Mary Rose and Edwin Zarzecki by Laurie Zarzecki Emelander
- Tuesday**  
**February 8**  
1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Ps 84:3-5, 10-11, Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday**  
**February 9**  
**8:00am**  
1 Kgs 10:1-10 Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40, Mk 7:14-23  
†Bob Dodde by Dorsie Lee  
†James Wittkowski by Carol and Family
- Thursday**  
**February 10**  
**8:00am**  
Saint Scholastica, Virgin  
1 Kgs 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40, Mk 7:24-30  
†Ruth Rene by Joan Derr
- Friday**  
**February 11**  
**8:00am**  
Our Lady of Lourdes  
1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19 Ps 81:10-11b, 12-15, Mk 7:31-37  
Peace for people of Ukraine, Russia and Belarus by a parishioner
- Saturday**  
**February 12**  
**5:00pm**  
1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7b, 19-22, Mk 8:1-10  
†Charlyne Dyer by St Mary Magdalen Parish
- Sunday**  
**February 13**  
**9:00am**  
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Jer 17:5-8 Ps 1:1-4, 6 1, Cor 15:12, 16-20, Lk 6:17, 20-26  
†Bob Dodde by Robert Goodenough  
†Wava Mieras by Bob and Sue Reeder  
†Stanley and Clara Jankowski by the Gorkowski Family

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**MASSES & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE**

**Mass**  
Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm  
4<sup>th</sup> 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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**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**  
Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ

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

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Josh Lemke, Alex Beauchamp, Thomas Church,  
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Daniel Yonker, Carl Simmons,  
Louis Carlson II, Cpt. Andrea Shefferly,  
Gage Dionne, Larry P. Meeusen



## State of the Parish Update

1st Half of Fiscal Year (July 2021—June 2022)

July 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2021

### Income

Offertory Revenues	255,144
Faith Formation Tuition	2,625
Food Pantry Donations	984
Youth Ministry Fundraising	2,192
Rental Income	4,782
Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Rebate	
(Assessment = \$119,516)	25,195
Other Revenue	<u>6,004</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$296,926</b>

### Expense

Wages & Benefits	200,930
Supplies	2,978
Fundraising Expenses	747
Program Expenses	35,801
Assessments/Tuition Subsidy	49,768
Operations & Maintenance	<u>66,920</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$307,376</b>

## St. Mary Magdalen Foundation

*provided funds for the following:*

Video Screen and Projector in BAC	2,244
Worship Screen Project in Church/Chapel/FC	7,374

## Special Collections

*Special collections are how we, as a parish community, go beyond our own parish needs to give to the community at large.*

Catholic Services Appeal	155,442
Benevolent Fund envelopes	5,265
Maintenance Fund envelopes	5,782
Flower Fund envelopes	1,039
Holiday Food Basket donations	984
Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)	140
Haiti Relief—Catholic Relief Services	1,381
Sisters of Divine Savior Mission Appeal	3,821
Retirement Fund for Religious	2,010
World Mission Sunday	<u>1,196</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$177,060</b>

## Parish Outreach

A percentage of the income you entrust to us is given to support our sister parish in Haiti and people in need within our local community.

St. Agnes—Haiti	7,000
Feeding America—Food Truck	4,050
Emergency Assistance & ACCESS	1,507

*Thank you for your generous Stewardship of Treasure in support of St. Mary Magdalen parish! Through your financial gifts, together, we are able to serve the needs of our local faith community and reach out to others in need both locally and globally. May God continue to bless us and our families in the days and months ahead!*

*Please remember our Church, St. Mary Magdalen in your bequests.*

## Christian Services

How your contributions support Christian Services:

- ◇ Helping those who have difficulty putting food on the table every day. We sponsor a Feeding America food truck every month. Over the past year we averaged 147 families per month.
- ◇ Offering Coffee & Donuts after the 9:00 and 11:00 Masses on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month.
- ◇ When a loved one passes away there is nothing better than a good home cooked meal, which is what we offer the family. For families that are unable to meet the cost of the luncheon, the parish can absorb it.
- ◇ The church has 5 different seasons, Ordinary time, Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. With each of these seasons we change the décor. We purchase the flowers and other decorations with the memorial donations you give at Christmas and Easter.
- ◇ During the holidays it can be hard for some families to be able to put a nice meal on the table. We help by giving them a holiday basket with all the trimmings using the groceries that you donate as well as the meat and produce we purchase.
- ◇ We receive names of students needing help from Kentwood Public School s. Those names are put on the Giving Tree and you have an opportunity to purchase a gift. We also support several agencies asking for specific items, like gloves and travel size toiletries.
- ◇ Every year around the feast of St Mary Magdalen we celebrate with a festival. In years past it has been a 3 day event, but with the current circumstances we have cut it down to 1 day. This is a time we want to come together and celebrate who we are as a parish community. Your contributions help purchase the food and entertainment we provide. Our goal is to break even on costs and have a good time.
- ◇ With such an active parish, it takes a lot of volunteers to make things happen and every year we like to say 'thank you' to everyone who has helped in any way by inviting them a nice appreciation dinner.

Ruth

Grand Rapids Right to Life is hosting a private screening of the film [Created Equal](#) on Thursday, February 10, at 7:00 PM, at Celebration Cinema North (2121 Celebration Drive NE in Grand Rapids). This documentary tells Thomas' story in his own words. Tickets are \$5 each and must be purchased in advance. Checks made to GRRTL may be mailed to;

GRRTL  
PO Box 901,  
Grand Rapids, MI 49509-0901.

Tickets may be purchased online at [www.grrtl.org/film](http://www.grrtl.org/film).

For more information or if you need help purchasing or printing tickets, please contact Pam Kosten at 616-656-4453 home, 616-481-8285 cell.

## Music Ministry

The use of funds for the music program this year has mainly fallen under the following three categories:

**Maintenance:** An organ or piano must be tuned regularly to keep the instrument in good, working condition. We have 3 pianos (sanctuary, chapel, practice room) and an organ we maintain. In addition, we had the sound engineer come out when there were problems with the system.

**Music purchases:** This includes music for the liturgy. COVID changed the makeup of a lot of choirs, including ours. I have had to add music to our library that reflects the voicing of our choir (mainly Soprano and Altos; baritone instead of bass and tenor). We also pay a copyright licensing fee to project the words to the songs on the TV. In an effort to save money and time, I search for public domain arrangements, hymns, or arrange a song myself. I have purchased a number of more contemporary Catholic songs and psalms (written from the early 2000's to now ) to help update our repertoire as well.

**Musician fees:** This year I hired a cellist at Easter and a trumpeter for Christmas. I would love to invite more musicians in the future (or have more volunteers from the parish!).

Thank you for your support. I appreciate your generosity to our parish this past year.

Emily



## Financial

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ORDINARY TIME—SUNDAY GIVING

<u>Date</u>	<u>Contributions</u>	<u>Budget (Under)</u>
January 29 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 14,500	\$ 12,000 \$2,500
Year To Date	\$ 309,779	\$372,000 (\$62,221)
Vietnamese Mass January 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$1,050	

122 envelope contributions and 69 electronic contributions

Maintenance Fund envelopes: \$185

Benevolent Fund envelopes: \$125

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in support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish!***

## Youth Ministries

Hello everyone!

Just a small column from me today, but an important one. In the same spirit as other bulletin columns, I wanted to thank you for your consistent generosity when it comes to youth ministry.

Due to your support, we're able to offer so many opportunities to our kids for growth in their faith and in their community. Your contributions of time, money, prayer, and (of course) pop cans directly benefit our students. Thanks to you, this past year we were able to send four students to the National Catholic Youth Conference this past fall and six students on last summer's mission trip. We were able to put on a high school retreat and are currently preparing HS leaders for our middle school retreat. We were able to offer bonfires for middle school and high school students throughout the summer and ongoing high school formation throughout the school year, and we have also been able to grow our young adult ministry. This is not to mention the scholarships that we're able to offer each year due to donations from the Men's Group, Women's Guild, and Knights of Columbus.

On a personal level, I am so, so thankful for your continued support of youth ministry. We would not be able to do any of these things without your investment. Thank you so much for giving of your time and talent over this past year and always!

Peace,  
Allison

### Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

Our next High School Leader meeting for the Middle School Retreat is on February 6th in the Family Center from 12:30pm—3:30pm. We look forward to seeing you!

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Information on our summer Mission Trip to Cincinnati AND registration forms for our Middle School Retreat, LOST, can be found the Gathering Area.

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Our next Young Adult meeting is Monday, February 7th, from 7:30-9pm in the BAC. We'll be continuing *Sanctuary*, our discussion on mental health.

### Hello from Saint Mary Magdalene Rosary Makers,

We are still meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 A.M. in room 1 for those that want to learn to make rosaries or just want to make them for an hour and craft them with us.

We shipped 3,250 rosaries and various religious articles to missions all over the world. That number has dropped from prior years so we would love to teach you this craft so that you can make them at your home and at your leisure. We thank those that have donated to our group especially our Men's Group who have been our greatest supporters. Thanks to the children from Saint Paul the Apostle school for their participation in making rosaries too. Mary our Mother is making this happen so help us to spread her prayers throughout the world!

## Faith Formation and Homebound Ministry

Hello Everyone,

In keeping with the theme of this week's bulletin, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of you for your generosity in supporting the ministries that fall under the Faith Formation budget.

Formation is achieved in many ways, not just in our 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade formation classes, adult classes and Bible study groups, but also through sacramental preparation, RCIA, retreats and even some social events.

Please know that through your faithful stewardship we are able to prepare parents and godparents for the baptism of their children. We gather couples together to prepare not only to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage, but to live the sacrament. Through our classes we offer children and adults a foundation of knowledge of our faith upon which we can build inviting them to continue to grow in faith. We come together to study and be formed in the Word. We welcome new people into the Roman Catholic Church, and invite and prepare the baptized to celebrate the sacraments. We hold retreat times for elementary and middle school students both of which invite older students to participate as leaders offering them a chance to grow in faith as well as leadership skill. We celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony with a retreat for married couples. We also gather together during Advent and Lent to support and encourage one another in our seasons of preparation.

These few lines cannot begin to scratch the surface of what the Formation Ministries strive to offer and accomplish. Nor can it convey our appreciation as a staff for your support through your faithful stewardship, but please know the depth of our gratitude.

Blessings,  
Molly Wisdom

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Hello everyone,

This Friday, Feb. 11th, we will celebrate the feast of our Lady of Lourdes which is also the World Day of the Sick. On this special day, Pope Francis' message focuses on Saint Luke's quote: "*Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful*" (Lk 6:36). He encourages us to have a merciful heart like our heavenly Father and to express our tender care and closeness to the sick.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your prayerful support and financial contributions so that the Ministry of the Sick and Homebound may fulfill its mission in offering God's closeness, his blessing, and his Word, as well as His very self in the Eucharist to the vulnerable members. Special thanks to all ministers who perform this task on our behalf.

Holy Communion brings great joy and healing to the sick. I cannot forget their sincere appreciation when receiving Communion. An elderly always said: "With Jesus, today will be the best day". During the pandemic restriction, another lady even told the director of her care facility: "It is fine to have no family visit, but let the Eucharistic minister in, I desire to receive Jesus". Let us keep in our prayers all our brothers and sisters who are sick, especially those on our prayer list

Blessings,  
Sr. Mai Do

**Lectors for the Week of February 6<sup>th</sup>**

Saturday, 5pm Joan Miller  
 Sunday, 9am Chris Maday  
 Sunday, 11 am Michelle Martin  
 Sunday, 5pm Mark O’Gorman

**Lectors for the Week of February 13<sup>th</sup>**

Saturday, 5pm Joan Miller  
 Sunday, 9am Stephen Herman  
 Sunday, 11 am Peggy Jacobs  
 Sunday, 5pm Jean Abner

**Cantors for February 6<sup>th</sup>**

Saturday, 5pm Michelle Sequin  
 Sunday, 9am Barbara Kozachik  
 Sunday, 11 am Emily Rushmore  
 Sunday, 5pm Mary Thompson

**Cantors for February 13<sup>th</sup>**

Saturday, 5pm Emily Rushmore  
 Sunday, 9am Emily Rushmore  
 Sunday, 11 am Sandy Soresi  
 Sunday, 5pm Kathy Miller



If you have a need for prayer, please use our website, [www.stmmagdalen.org](http://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.*

Albright, Les	Jacobs, Peggy	Petrlich, Alice	Wingeier, Pat
Asplund, Diane	Kastenholz, Jean	Reynolds, Sue	Witgen, Max
Bunker-Lloyd, Lynda	Kastenholz, Mark	Rhoades, Michelle	Wittkowski, Michael
Church, Robert	Kaminski, Marilynn	Ringeisen, Kathleen	Young, Sharon
Downey, Sally	Kulczyk, Ray	Ringeisen, Richard	
Fraher, Kathy	Le, Bao Tien	Rings, Michael	
Gabourie, Tom	LeMeiux, Therese	Sobczak, Ed	
Galic, Slava	Maly, Gene	Sobczak, Bobbie	
Garber, Michele	McGovern, Judy	Stephan, Janet	
Garety, Katie	Nawrocki, Barbara	Stephan, Ron	
Glennie, Paula	Nelsen, Andrea	Terpak, Dorothy	
Hermann, Jeremiah	Nelson, Dorothy	Toohey, Paul	
Ivos, Zdravko	Nguyen, Truc	Waldron, Karen	
Jacobs, Ed	Partridge, Therese	Wedge, Matthew	
	Pelletier, Tim	Wilson, Laurie	



**Upcoming Events for the Week of 2/6 to 2/12**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 8:30am Rosary 9:00am Mass 10:00am Coffee & Donuts 11:00am Mass 12:00pm Baptisms 12:15pm Children Choir 12:30pm HS Leader mtg 5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass 7:30pm Young Adult Mtg	9:00am Rosary Making Group 9:30am Morning Bible Study 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Festival Meeting	8:00am Mass 9:00am Scripture Class 6:15pm Faith Formation	8:00am Mass 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:00pm Adult Choir	8:00am Mass	3:45pm Confession 5:00pm Mass 6:00pm Couples Retreat