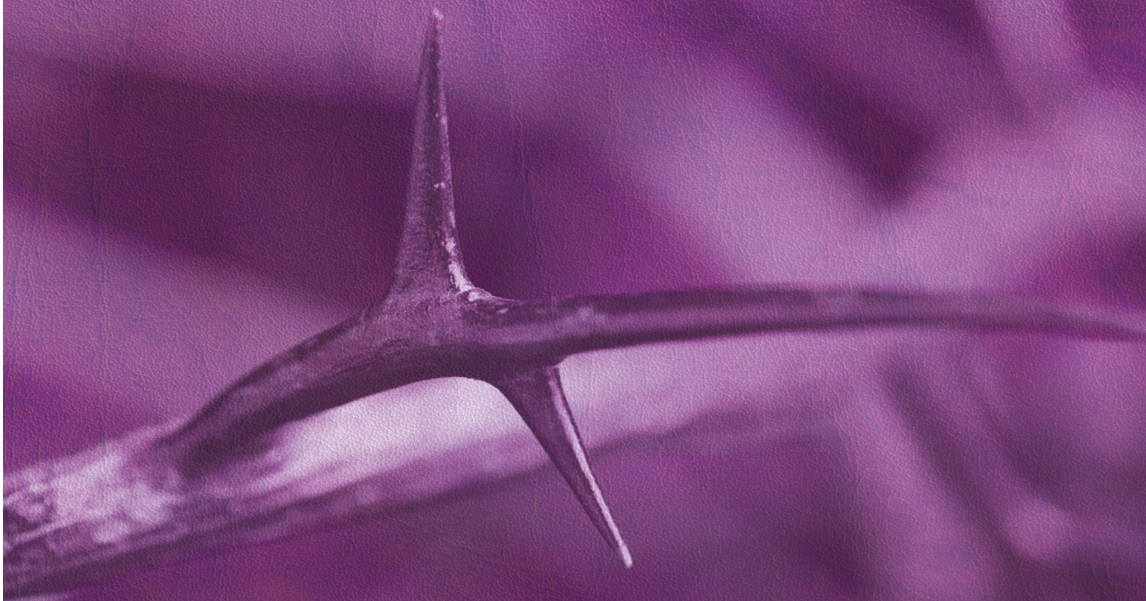


# LENT

PRAYER PENANCE ALMSGIVING

*The First Sunday of Lent*



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*St. Mary + Magdalen*



*February 26th, 2023*

# Masses For The Week



## For the Week of February 26, 2023, Year A, Cycle I

### **Saturday**

February 25  
5:00pm

Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32  
†Peter & Agnes Nguyen by Elizabeth Nguyen

Jacques Joseph Nguyen by Elizabeth Nguyen

### **Sunday**

February 26  
9:00am  
11:00am  
5:00pm

#### **First Sunday of Lent**

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 or Rom 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11  
Volunteers and Benefactors of St Mary Magdalen Parish  
The People of Our Parish  
All Souls in Need of Prayer

### **Monday**

February 27  
8:00am

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46  
Dorsie Lee by Morning Mass Friends

### **Tuesday**

February 28

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

### **Wednesday**

March 1  
8:00am

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32  
All those in need of prayer

### **Thursday**

March 2  
8:00am

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12  
All our ministry groups

### **Friday**

March 3  
8:00am

Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26  
The Bishop and Priests in the Grand Rapids Diocese

### **Saturday**

March 4  
5:00pm

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48  
†Edward Croskey by St Mary Magdalen Parish

### **Sunday**

March 5  
9:00am  
11:00am  
5:00pm

#### **Second Sunday of Lent**

Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9  
Mark & Jean Kastenholtz by St Mary Magdalen Staff  
All Souls 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  
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

### 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

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Patricia Snyder

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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 February 26<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Deanna McGowan  
Sunday, 9am Chris Maday  
Sunday, 11 am Kodi Schulist  
Sunday, 5pm Luisa Ortiz

#### Lectors for the Week of March 5<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Jeanine Bryant  
Sunday, 9am Mark O'Gorman  
Sunday, 11 am Peggy Jacobs  
Sunday, 5pm Marie Abner

#### Cantors for February 26<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Michelle Seguin  
Sunday, 9am Barbara Kozachik  
Sunday, 11 am Hue Nguyen  
Sunday, 5pm Mary Thompson

#### Cantors for March 5<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Michelle Seguin  
Sunday, 9am Michelle Seguin  
Sunday, 11 am Bedi Komera  
Sunday, 5pm Kathy Miller



## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### Week ending February 19<sup>th</sup>

Offertory Regular \$ 11,860

Electronic Giving \$ 2,543

Total Collection \$ 14,403

122 envelope contributions and 36 electronic contributions

### Fiscal YTD 7/1/2022—6/30/2023

Offertory Actual \$ 375,137

Offertory Budget \$ 386,100

Over/(Under) (\$ 10,963)

Benevolent Fund: \$ 65

Maintenance Fund: \$ 125

*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](http://stmmagdalen.org/donate)

## FACILITIES AND SPECIAL PROJECTS UPDATE

*Thank you for your continued stewardship of treasure in support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish! Without your support, our parish facilities would continue to deteriorate and our beautiful campus would suffer in being able to welcome and support all of the wonderful ministries we offer in our local community.*

*Due to your generosity, we were able to repair the clogged kitchen drain pipes in the Family Center as well as replace the aging dishwasher with a brand new one! Here is a high level view of other special projects that will need our immediate attention this spring:*

- 1) Church Bells—Amplifier ~ \$550
- 2) Family Center Audio/Video System—\$8,130
- 3) Updated and New Campus Signage—\$8,536
- 4) New Kitchen Floor ~ \$4,000—5,000

*Longer term capital campaign projects:*

- 1) Resurfacing and restriping the Church Parking Lot
- 2) Permanent Pavilion to replace the summer Tent

Please prayerfully consider supporting these special projects with donations to the Maintenance Fund. As with all things, we give thanks to God for the generous gift of our lives and blessings. We are thankful for this faith-filled parish community of St. Mary Magdalen and the generosity and stewardship of our collective time, talent and financial resources! May God continue to bless us always!

Lauro Cadorniga

**GET YOUR  
RED OF  
STUFF**

The Second Best Sale, sponsored by the Women's Guild, is scheduled for the first week in April. Please start saving your donations of clean clothing, housewares, small appliances, books, etc. for this event. More information and drop off dates will be announced at a later date. We thank you for any donations you are able to give to us.

## Music Ministry

During Lent, there are several changes to our liturgy and liturgical space. If you are a parent to children in the home, this is a great time to ask you child about what they noticed during Mass to open up to a greater conversation about the “why” of Lent. Here are some starting points:

- **Environment:** flowers are removed and decorations are sparse.
- **Vestments:** Green Ordinary Time stoles and linens are replaced with purple ones.
- **Music:** We replace the Gospel “Alleluia” with the Gospel Acclamation. We will not sing “Alleluia” until the Easter Vigil. Music takes on a more somber tone.
- **St. Mary Magdalen traditions:** We sing the *Kyrie*, we chant the *Agnus Dei* in Latin, & chant is played before and after Mass to promote personal prayer at these times.

Music is a powerful way to integrate the liturgical life with our home lives. I think it's important and can benefit everyone, but I think it's particularly helpful for people who may be struggling with prayer and busy parents of young children. Here are some songs from early Gregorian chant through contemporary Christian music:

- \*Parce Domine- chant
- \*Attende Domine- chant
- \*Miserere Mei, Deus- Allegri
- \*O Crux Ave- Morales
- \*St. Matthew Passion (BWV 244)- Bach
- \*Calvary- Mahalia Jackson
- \*Amazing Grace- various artists
- \*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say- various artists or Audrey Assad
- \*Wood and Nails- Porter's Gate
- \*Run to the Father- Matt Maher

I hope these suggestions are helpful.

Emily

*‘One does not live  
on bread alone,  
but on every  
word that comes  
forth from the  
mouth of God.’*

## Homebound Ministry

Hello everyone,

Station of the Cross is the great devotion of Holy Lent. This spiritual prayer draws us closer to our Lord Jesus, to follow Him on His journey to Calvary, to see how much He loved us and died for us. As we enter this Holy season, let us review a little of its history.

The station of the Cross began in the late 4th century when the faithful went to Holy Land to visit the Church of the Holy Sepulcher which was built in 335 AD atop Calvary and the Tomb of Jesus. During the Holy Week, people pray and process from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher.

The station of the Cross developed more after 1342 when the Franciscan friars took care of the holy sites in the Holy Land. The church granted indulgences for those praying at some particular stations relating to the Passion of Jesus.

When the faithful could not go to Holy Land due to Moslem oppression, in 1686, Pope Innocent XI permitted the Franciscan to erect the stations in their churches and to receive the indulgences through praying this devotion. In 1742, Pope Benedict XIV encouraged all priests to enrich their churches with the Way of the Cross with 14 stations as we see now in many churches.

Whenever we pray the Way of the Cross to meditate on the passion and death of our Lord, we receive a plenary indulgence. May we continue this beautiful devotion to follow our Lord closer and learn to love and sacrifice like Him.

In Christ,  
Sr. Mai Do

### Homebound Ministers Meeting

If you have volunteered to be the Ministers to the Homebound or Nursing Homes, please join our meeting on Sunday March 12, 2023 after 11am Mass (12:30 pm) to get updates about this ministry. If you're interested in volunteering for this meaningful ministry, you are welcome to join us. See you then.

### You are invited to The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

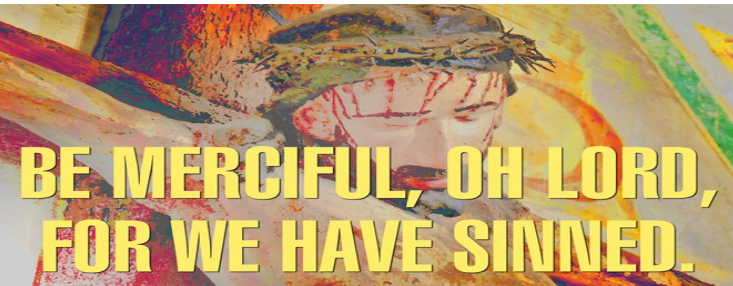
Time: 3:00 pm, during Eucharistic Adoration

Place: In the Chapel

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

### Pope Francis' prayer intention of March

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



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## Christian Services



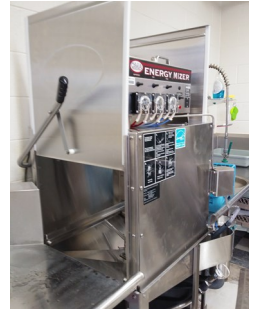
We are an active parish, which means that we have numerous activities around food. Our dishwasher is an essential tool for all of these activities and it was having issues such as stopping in the middle of the cycle and there was a potential for many things to go wrong.

With your generous donations we were able to

purchase a new dishwasher.

I hope you are able to attend some of our events, when our volunteers are able to clean the dishes without the frustrations they had in the past.

Again, thank you!



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I CAN, YOU CAN, WE CAN

40 CANS FOR LENT



The Knight of Columbus will be holding their annual 40 Cans for Lent food drive. They are accepting canned and non-perishable food. With these items we will fill our Holiday baskets and what is left we will give to the Green Apple pantry and The Little Free Pantry at the Kentwood Rec Department. For members of our community.

Please bring your items, either over the weekend or during the week, and place them in the grocery cart in front of the office.

Suggested items to help fill the Holiday baskets are:

muffin mix, canned fruit, cake mix/frosting, pie crust/pie filling, boxed potato/rice side dishes, canned vegetables, Jell-O, any type of canned protein.

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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](mailto:MLBgold63@gmail.com)

The First Sunday of Lent, Year A

## Join us for Stations of the Cross

### Every Friday during Lent at 7pm

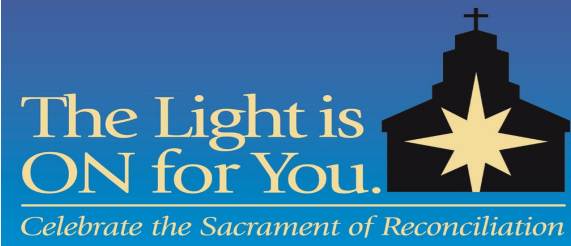
March 3<sup>rd</sup>-Knights of Columbus

March 10<sup>th</sup>-Women's Guild

March 17<sup>th</sup>-Sisters of St Paul de Chartres

March 24<sup>th</sup>-Women's Ministry

March 31<sup>st</sup>-Men's Group



As we begin the season of Lent, the Diocese of Grand Rapids will once again offer a special opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

**"The Light is ON for You: An Evening of Penance"**  
Thursday, March 23

5 - 8 p.m. in almost every parish of the diocese  
Visit [GRdiocese.org/penance](http://GRdiocese.org/penance) for details



Join us for Eucharistic Adoration in the chapel on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sign up for 30 minutes between 8:30am and 6:30pm.

*"God, may Your light guide my day, and  
your spirit bring me peace.  
Amen."*



The Widow/Widowers group will be meeting at Culver's, 245 54th Street SW, Wyoming, on Monday, 2/27 at 1pm.

## Faith Formation

Hello Everyone,

Next week during the 11am Mass, the parish is invited to witness an awesome thing. We will be celebrating the Rite of Sending Forth. The RCIA Catechumen, those who are not yet baptized, will sign their names to the Book of the Elect and receive the parish's blessing as they prepare to be presented to the bishop. Then the Candidates, those who are baptized but are preparing to make a Profession of Faith and celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, receive the blessings of the parish and are sent to celebrate the Call to Continuing Conversion. Then, later that afternoon, the Catechumen, Candidates, sponsors, godparents, and RCIA Team members will gather at the Cathedral to celebrate this ritual. The Bishop will greet them, bless them and welcome them to the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. Please continue to hold them in prayer as they embark on the final period of preparation before celebrating the Sacraments with us.

God's Blessings,  
Molly Wisdom

*Thank You!*

*I would like to thank all the couples who participated in our annual retreat celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony!*

*Whether couples had been married for just a few months or almost 60 years they spent the evening reflecting on their love stories and their covenants. Thank you to all who made the evening possible!*

*Washing of Feet*

On Holy Thursday we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper and rejoice in the gift of the Eucharist. As part of that celebration we also experience the washing of feet. This reminds us of Jesus' call to serve one another with love and humility not just in the ministerial priesthood of the ordained but also in the ordinary priesthood into which we are baptized as Catholics. We are calling forth people from the parish community to assist us in the celebration.

If you are interested in having your foot washed, please contact Molly Wisdom at the Parish Office.



Please Pray for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade students as they celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

(celebration happens during normal Faith Formation Class time)



### Family Fare Receipts

Unfortunately, we will no longer be accepting receipts from Family Fare. The program ends on March 1<sup>st</sup>.



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](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.*

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

**Upcoming Events for the Week of 2/26 to 3/4**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> 8:00am MS Retreat 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 1:00pm Mass-Vietnamese 5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass 1:00pm Widow/Widower's Lunch	10:00am Morning Bible Study 6:30pm Healing Rosary 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Men's Group	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 Stations of the Cross	9:30am RCIA Retreat 3:30pm Confession 5:00pm Mass