



November 27th, 2022
The 1st Sunday of Advent

A religious painting depicting the Virgin Mary in a white robe with a blue mantle, holding the Christ Child. They are surrounded by several angels in a heavenly, cloud-filled setting. The style is classical, with soft lighting and detailed shading.

Let us
walk in the
light of the
Lord

Isaiah 2:5



Masses For The Week



Saturday

November 26 5:00pm Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
†John That & Therese Tran by Hoa & Muoi Nguyen †Anthony Xuong Vu
†Brian Singleton by Barb & family †John Kibler by Harry & Jo Kendall

Sunday

First Sunday of Advent

November 27 9:00am Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44
†Agnes & Peter Nguyen by Elizabeth Nguyen †Mary & Paul Nguyen by Elizabeth Nguyen
Garland & Bethany Herblet by Mom †Anna Chuc Nguyen by Tru & Yen Doan
11:00am For all souls by Hue Vu
5:00pm †Patti Suttorp by Lynda Lloyd, Amy, & Eryn

Monday

November 28 8:00am Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11
†Anthony Xuong Vu

Tuesday

November 29 Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

November 30 8:00am Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22
†Anthony Xuong Vu †Gene Maly by Loretta Saunders

Thursday

December 1 8:00am Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 & 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
†Anthony Xuong Vu †MaryLee Waligora by Donna Valente

Friday

December 2 8:00am Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
All those in need of prayer

Saturday

Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

December 3 5:00pm Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
†John Kibler by St Mary Magdalen Parish

Sunday

Second Sunday of Advent

December 4 9:00am Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12
†Paul Dan Le by his family †Carrie Maurer Crowley by Tom Maurer
11:00am †Gene Maly by Loretta Saunders
5:00pm †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

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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
ĐT: 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 November 27th

Saturday, 5pm Bill Kelly
Sunday, 9am
Sunday, 11 am Marie Abner
Sunday, 5pm Luisa Ortiz

Lectors for the Week of December 4th

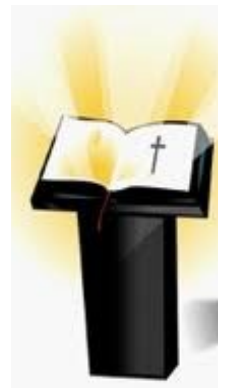
Saturday, 5pm Jeanine Bryant
Sunday, 9am Judy Haisma
Sunday, 11 am Deanna McGowan
Sunday, 5pm Mark O’Gorman

Cantors for November 27th

Saturday, 5pm Emily Rushmore
Sunday, 9am Kodi Schulist
Sunday, 11 am Emily Rushmore
Sunday, 5pm Emily Rushmore

Cantors for Decembr 4th

Saturday, 5pm TBD
Sunday, 9am TBD
Sunday, 11 am TBD
Sunday, 5pm TBD



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Thank you for generous financial support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish and your faithful Stewardship of Treasure during this past year! With the higher costs due to inflation and the war in Ukraine, discretionary income may be down in many of our households. Despite the challenging economic times, our parishioners continue to give proportionally, sacrificially and in a planned way to support the ministries and mission of St. Mary Magdalen Parish. For that, we are grateful!

As the End of Year season of giving approaches, we are reminded of all the blessings in our lives: the gift of life itself, our loved ones, our faith, our God-gifted talents and strengths as well as our financial resources.

A special Thank You to everyone who continues to give through the use of the Benevolent Fund and the Maintenance Fund envelopes. Due to your generosity we have been able to help those in need in Haiti (Sister Parish—St. Agnes de Dubois) and in our local community through the monthly Food Truck (Feeding America). As our facilities continue to age, we are faced with multiple repairs and replacement costs in order to maintain the beautiful buildings and grounds of our faith home. Thank you again for all those who supported the kitchen drain pipe repairs to replace all of the old cast iron piping that had deteriorated!

Not to be the bearer of bad news; however, another critical piece of kitchen equipment is nearing the end of its life expectancy. Our Family Center dishwasher is 25 years old and is showing signs of failure. The short term fix requires replacing a \$700 electronic switch as well as a \$2,500 motor not including installation costs. The long term and better solution is to replace the dishwasher all together. The estimated cost for a new one is \$5,500.

If you are looking to make an end of year donation, please prayerfully discern if you would like to designate some of those funds towards the "New Dishwasher" project.

Again, Thank You, Cảm ơn bạn, Dank je, Merci, Dziękuję Ci, Gracias, Asante, Salamat for your commitment and continued support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish!

To donate online please visit:
stmmagdalen.org/donate



WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIGHT THE ADVENT CANDLES?



We are looking for families, individuals or a group of friends who would like to light the Advent Candle at the beginning of Mass during Advent season. There is a poster at the back of church where you can sign up for the Mass you would like to light the candle. If you have any questions, please call Michelle Mason at 616-455-9310.

Music Ministry



With Thanksgiving fresh in our memories, it seems appropriate to acknowledge the long-serving musicians of the Saturday Night Ensemble. The Ensemble has played Saturday evening Masses for over 25 years. While the composition of the group has changed throughout the years (and with different directors), yet there remains a core group that continues to provide stability and talent to the group.

Our current members are Benny Hardouin (drums), Pat Guzzo (flute), and singers Kathy Miller (cantor), Michelle Seguin (cantor), Pat Ball, Wayne Westbrook, and Dang Mang. The ensemble also sings on Christmas and Easter day and they don't even take a break for the summer. (I've offered!) Please join me in showing them the appreciation that their dedication and commitment deserve. Thank you, guys! God bless you!

Christmas Choirs: Those interested in singing with one of the choirs at Christmas can join us for the following upcoming rehearsals:

Children's Choir: December 4th, 11th, and 18th at 12:30pm in room 1 of the Family Center.

Adult Choir: December 1st, 15th, and 22nd at 7:15pm in the church.

We could use your help with the Worship Screen ministry! Please contact Emily Rushmore by email at erushmore@stmmagdalen.org if you are interested in learning more or are ready to help. It's a simple ministry with a great impact. Training is provided.

Emily

TO BE GRATEFUL
IS TO RECOGNIZE
THE LOVE OF GOD
IN EVERYTHING

Thomas Merton

Christian Services



Mike and I recently went to 'grandparent's day' at our granddaughter's school. She had several questions to ask us and one of them was "who are you thankful for?"

My answer was grandpa. But we all are grateful for many things especially this time of year. One of the things I am grateful for is this parish. You are so generous and willing to help whenever help is needed.

Thank you for being such a caring and compassionate parish and I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

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The Giving Tree is up. Please select a tag, purchase a \$20-25 gift, and return the un-wrapped gift along with the tag, to the tree, by December 11th. We will then sort the gifts. It's very important that all gifts are returned by the 11th, because someone from the committee will have to go out and shop for any items that were not received, so everyone can have their Christmas wish.



Help will be needed on December 11th at 12pm, to sort these gifts in the Family Center, so all the families and agencies receive the correct items.

On Saturday, December 17th, the gifts and food baskets, that were sorted, will be ready for delivery! Please come to the Family Center at 10:00am to help. This is a great opportunity to do something nice, as a family, that helps other families.

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Our 16th annual chili-off will be Saturday January 7th at 6pm. This is a fun time and a great opportunity to try different chilies. Keep checking my bulletin for information as we get closer to this fun event! I want to have enough room for everyone.



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We have several events coming where a lot of prepping needs to take place several days/nights prior to the event. If you would like to help please let me know and I'll put you on the list. I'll let you know what the specific days and times that help will be needed.

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We will be decorating for Christmas on Tuesday, December 20th at 5pm. This is a big job and many hands will be needed to help transform the church. Please come to help.



To all the volunteers that helped with the upkeep of our campus, thank you! We had a small, but mighty crew that came out to mow the lawn, weed the flower beds, shovel yards of wood chips, trim bushes, and even cut down trees! Judge Bill Kelly, Ken & Barbara Kozachik, Charles Mason, Keith Ward, and Dave Druse were here whenever we asked.

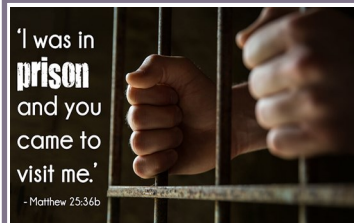
Thank you, thank you, thank you!

If anyone is available to help this winter, we always need help with shoveling. If you can stop by for an half hour on a random Sunday morning or if you are available on a more consistent basis, please let us know.

Any and all help is welcome.



The Widow/Widowers group will be meeting at 76th Street Truck Stop, 460 76th Street SW, in Byron Center (by US 131) on Monday, 11/28 at 1pm.



Help spread Christmas joy through the Prison and Jail Ministry Christmas Drive

Prison and Jail Ministry of the Diocese of Grand Rapids is seeking donations for their annual Christmas Drive. Consider visiting the imprisoned through collecting new white tube and crew socks for our local county jails, juvenile detention centers and shelters.

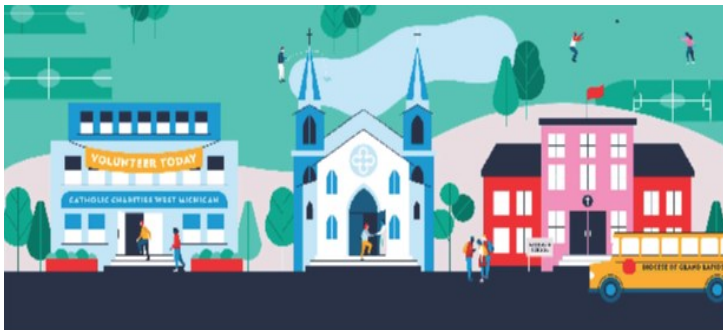
Please deliver all donations to Cathedral Square Center by Friday, Dec. 9 at 360 Division Ave S., Grand Rapids, MI 49503. For more information contact program director Tricia Worrell, tworrell@grdiocese.org or 616-475-1255



#GiveCatholicWM on GIVING TUESDAY

Here's how:

- 1 Choose the parish, school, or diocesan ministry you'd like to support on #GivingTuesday!
- 2 Decide on a monetary gift or a gift of your time. Financial gifts can be made between midnight and 11:59 p.m. at bit.ly.com/givecatholicwm.
- 3 Join in five Giving Tuesday challenges, made possible by the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan, and help your parish, school or ministry qualify to receive additional funds. Details at: <https://grdiocese.org/giving-tuesday-challenges/>.
- 4 Share on social media using #GiveCatholicWM about how you're participating in this global day of giving!



CREATE MOMENTUM with Giving Tuesday Challenge Grants!

The Catholic Foundation of West Michigan has generously agreed to sponsor this year's #GiveCatholicWM campaign with grants totaling \$10,000!

Five challenges throughout Giving Tuesday are intended to encourage participation, inspire the sharing of faithful, joyous stories, and spark good-natured competition. Rally your communities to take up the following challenges throughout the 24-hours of giving on Nov. 29 and compete to receive additional funds for your mission!

See challenge details here:
grdiocese.org/giving-tuesday-challenges

The Catholic Foundation of West Michigan is an independent, 501(c)(3) community foundation serving Catholics and endorsed by the Diocese of Grand Rapids and Bishop David J. Walkowiak. The Catholic Foundation manages charitable funds and distributes grants for a variety of Catholic ministries throughout West Michigan.

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Faith Formation

Hello Everyone,

Last weekend, many of you witnessed the Rite of Acceptance. This ritual celebrates the inquirers' movement forward in their journey, leading them toward full initiation into the Roman Catholic Church. They became either a catechumen (not baptized) or candidate (baptized Christian or Catholic). During the ritual, the doors of the Church were thrown open, and they asked to become part of our faith community. We called them by name, invited them in, and agreed to help them follow in the footsteps of Christ. The candidates and catechumen were later dismissed to break open the Word and help them grow in love and knowledge of God through the Sacred Scripture. Since they cannot yet join us at the Eucharistic table, they will be fed by God's Word. As they continue to prepare for full initiation, we, as their faith community, are responsible for helping them through prayer, support and guidance. Please pray for;

The Catechumens

Kanien Lindsay
 MaKenzie Lindsay
 Keira O'Gorman
 Tin Pham
 Tam Tran

The Candidates

Stephen Manning
 Ximena Ortiz
 Anthony Scharf
 Lance Winegar

God's Blessings,

Molly Wisdom

Ladies Advent Night 2022

Tuesday, December 6th, 7-9 pm

Ladies of the parish, this night is a wonderful opportunity to gather and enjoy each other's company, share delicious treats and prepare their spirits for the season of Advent.

Hostess and attendance information is available in the Gathering Area.

Children's Ornament Party!

Sunday, December 4th
 10-11:30 am & 12-1:30 pm

Christmas Drop Off

Parents, need some time to finish up your to-do list? Drop off the kids at the Family Center for fun & games. Saturday, December 10th 1-5PM.

Children's Christmas Presentation

Children are invited to be a part of a story about Christmas! The presentation will take place at 3:30 pm on Christmas Eve, just before the 4 pm Mass begins. Sign up in the Gathering Area to be a part of this reminder of what lies at the heart of our Christmas celebration. Rehearsal dates and times are available at sign up.

(Flyers containing details are available in the Gathering Area.)

Faith Formation News/Dates:

Wednesday, November 30th, FF Class 6:15-7:45 PM
 Wednesday, December 7th, FF Class 6:15-7:45 PM
 Wednesday, December 14th, FF Class 6:15-7:45 PM
 Wednesday, December 21th, NO FF CLASS
 Wednesday, December 28th, NO FF CLASS
 Wednesday, January 4th, FF Classes Resume



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

Upcoming Events for the Week of 11/27 to 12/3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The 1st Sunday of Advent 9:00am Mass w/CLW 10:00am Coffee & Donuts 11:00am Mass w/CLW 12:00pm Coffee & Donuts 12:15pm Children's Choir 1:00pm Mass-Vietnamese 5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass 1:00pm Widow/ Widower Mtg	7:00pm Boy Scouts	8:00am Mass 9:00am Scripture Study 5:15pm Family Dinner 6:15pm Faith Formation	8:00am Mass 3:30pm Core Team Mtg 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:15pm Adult Choir	8:00am Mass 8:30am Adoration	3:00pm RCIA Retreat 3:30pm Confession 5:00pm Mass Wreath Pick up after Mass

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