

December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent





# For the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Advent December 04, 2022, Year A, Cycle I

Saturday Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

December 3 Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

5:00pm †John Kibler by St Mary Magdalen Parish

Sunday Second Sunday of Advent

December 4 Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

9:00am †Paul Dan Le by his family †Carrie Maurer Crowley by her family

Marilyn Kaminski by her family

†Gene Maly by Loretta Saunders

5:00pm The People of our Parish

Monday

December 5 Is35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26

8:00am †James Andrie by Pat Andrie

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Nicholas, Bishop

December 6 Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 & 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

December 7 Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10; Mt 11:28-30

8:00am All those in Need of Prayer

Thursday Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

December 8 Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

9:00am †James Andrie by Pat Andrie

Friday Memorial of Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

December 9 Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Mt 11:16-19

8:00am †John O'Neal by Donna Valente

Saturday Memorial of Our Lady of Loreto

December 10 Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

5:00pm †Ed Thomas by wife & family

Sunday Third Sunday of Advent

December 11 Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10.; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

9:00am †Deborah Maurer Kid by her family †Tom Maurer by Pamela Lewis

11:00am The People of our Parish

5:00pm †MaryJane Aalders by Bob Aalders & Patricia Tawney †Douglas Rings by Patricia Tawney & Bob Aalders

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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 Thể

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 December 4th

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

Lectors for the Week of December 11th

Bill Kelly Saturday, 5pm

Anthony Beilecki Sunday, 9am Paula Ward Sunday,11 am Sunday, 5pm Laura Moore

Cantors for December 4th

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

Cantors for December 11<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm **Emily Rushmore** Anne Click Sunday, 9am Sunday,11 am Bedi Komera Sunday, 5pm **Mary Thompson** 



# DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

Office of the Bishop

December 3/4, 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are blessed by the presence of twelve religious orders whose members serve within our diocese. Next weekend, Dec. 10 – 11, we have an opportunity to show our appreciation for their ministry by donating to the annual Retirement Fund for Religious appeal. Our diocese has always generously responded to this appeal — providing \$219,184 in support last year.

Religious men and women were responsible for starting and staffing many of our Catholic schools, hospitals, and social service programs. The Church continues to serve children, the sick, and the marginalized through these ministries. For many years, religious members served for little or no pay. As a result, religious orders face a profound shortage of retirement savings. They need assistance in providing care, medicine, and other necessities for their members.

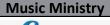
Many religious continue to serve even after they reach retirement age. We are grateful for those who have given their lives to the Church. Please join me in supporting them. You can make your gift through your parish's second collection next weekend.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak

Bishop of Grand Rapids





Happy Advent! You may have noticed changes before and during the Mass this past weekend, the First Sunday of Advent.

- Chant playing before Mass for a prayerful atmosphere
- Melodic Kryie sung by Cantor and Congregation
- No Gloria
- New Alleluia melody
- Chant playing after Mass to continue a prayerful atmosphere in the sanctuary

Music is a common thread. It's been beautiful hearing some of the newer songs embraced at Mass (*Christ In Me, Arise* and *This is Jesus*, for example)! Other songs weren't quite a match for our parish(*Come, You Sinners*), and that's okay. I appreciate your willingness to continue to learn and adapt. There is always a delicate balance between singing music that the congregation knows and introducing new music. I believe most of the upcoming advent season is made up of songs that are familiar to the parish, but these may be new or less known. If you like to know the music, please check them out on YouTube or in the hymnal ahead of time!

O Come, Divine Messiah Gather 401

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates (Weissel) Not in Gather. Traditional hymn tune.

*Emmanuel* (Ambrosetti) Not in *Gather*. Contempory. Sung yearly on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent



Even if you have not participated in the Children's Choir yet this year, those interested in singing with the choir at Christmas can join us for the upcoming rehearsals:

December 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm in room 1. The choir is for grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>.

We could use your help with the Worship Screen minisitry!

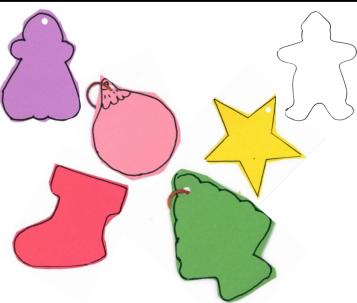
Please contact Emily Rushmore by email at erushmore@stmmagdalen.org if you are interested in learning more or are available to help. It's a simple ministry with a great impact. Training is provided.



Vigil Mass Wednesday, December 7th at 5pm Mass Thursday, December 8th at 9am & 5pm



# **Christian Services**



The Giving Tree is up! Many ornaments have been taken, but more have been hung. Please take an ornament and purchase the suggested gift, recommended cost of \$20-\$25. The angels are for nursing home residents, ginger bread men are for homeless Vets, pink ornaments are for Catholic Charities of West MI, stockings are for the Jail Ministry, the Christmas trees are for individuals from our Parish families or the needs of students from Kentwood Public Schools, the stars are for various gift cards.

Please return the un-wrapped gifts by December 11<sup>th</sup>. At that time the gifts will be sorted . Any gifts not received by the 11<sup>th</sup> will then be purchased by a committee member so that everyone's wish is met. Thank you for all your generosity.



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.

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. This is a big task so we

will need lots of help.





other necessities for babies. The HELP Pregnancy clinic will distribute the supplies to mothers who need help with a pregnancy. We are very grateful for our very generous parish in helping with donations. We are so proud to be part of such a charitable parish.

If you are interested in joining the fun and becoming a Knight, scan the QR Code above for a free membership.





# **Christmas Flower Envelopes are now available!**

Please check the baskets by the two main doors, Door A (the Gathering Space) & Door B (the Parish Office). You may return them to any of the collection boxes.

Thank you for your support & generosity

# THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Another successful Bazaar is in the books. It took a church to make it happen.

We are sincerely grateful to all who chipped in, from the crafters, bakers, non Guild and step in helpers, staff, shoppers, and the very popular Men's group. Many wonderful comments especially from another church member saying, there is something special about this church. Thank you for helping perform a community service, enabling us to give to our charities. Yes, we are most grateful. The Women's Guild

baby cloths, and various



#### St. Mary Magdalen Foundation

The St Mary Magdalen Foundation is a separate entity from St. Mary Magdalen Parish that is designed to be free from any parish financial obligations or claims. It is intended to help the parish and parishioners financially with input from the Parish Council and Christian Services as well as anonymous input from other parishioners.

*Currently, the funds are used to support the operational expenses* of the tent during the spring thru the fall seasons when it is up. Also, funds have been used to enhance the Sunday liturgies with the installation of the video screens in the church and around the gathering space.

As we enter a new liturgical year with Advent and prepare for our joyous Christmas season, we take time to celebrate another year of the gift and blessing of our lives and faith journeys. Together, we help to build the kingdom of God here on earth. It is in the sharing of our gifts that we are able to do so by being good stewards of our God-given time, talent and financial resources.

Please prayerfully consider making an end of year monetary contribution to the foundation. All donations are tax deductible and will help share the message of the Beatitudes in our local community. Donations are payable to the St. Mary Magdalen Foundation.

For more information, contact Larry Cadorniga at lcadorniga@stmmagdalen.org or call the parish office at (616)455-9310.

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week ending Novem	ber 27 <sup>th</sup>	Fiscal YTD 7/1/2022—6/30/2023			
Offertory Regular	\$ 8,784	Offertory Actual	\$ 235,752		
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,324	Offertory Budget	\$ 257,400		
Total Collection	\$ 10,108	Over/(Under)	(\$ 21,648)		

142 envelope contributions and 19 electronic contributions

\$70 Benevolent Fund: Maintenance Fund: \$ 230

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**

Hello Everyone,

On Tuesday, we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Nicholas, who was born into a wealthy family, but sadly lost his parents at a young age. He used his inheritance to help people in need and is an enduring example of kindness and generosity. What a great way to spend the Second Week of Advent then to be generous in remembrance of St. Nicholas. There are many ways to be generous. We can be generous with our works by offering praise, support, and love to one another. We can be generous in our actions in offering others a helping hand, a prayer of intercession, a kind look. We can also be generous with our treasures in giving to those around us in need. Now these are all things that we do on a regular basis because we live by Jesus's example, but as we prepare to celebrate his birth, let's take the opportunity to go that extra mile and intentionally be kinder and more generous in remembrance of the life that St. Nicholas lived. Blessings.

Molly Wisdom

#### A PRAYER FOR CHILDREN

On St. Nicholas' Feast Day

God, we pray that through the intercessions of St. Nicholas you will guide and protect our children.

Keep them safe from all harm and help them grow to become loving disciples of Jesus in your sight.

Give them strength to always mature into deeper faith in you, and to keep alive joy in your creation.

Through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

### Amen.

—by Father David R. Engbarth, St. Nicholas Church, Aurora, Illinois

# 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 10<sup>th</sup> 1–5PM.

\*Middle School & High School volunteers are needed to help during the drop off. Please contact MWisdom@stmmagdalen.org if you are able to help.

#### 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, December 7<sup>th</sup>, FF Class 6:15-7:45 PM Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, FF Class 6:15-7:45 PM Wednesday, December 21<sup>th</sup>, NO FF CLASS Wednesday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, NO FF CLASS

Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 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 12/4 to 12/10

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 Garety, Katie Gorkowski, Henry Glennie, Paula

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 Lawson, Norma Heartwell, Tom & Sue 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, Kathleen 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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent 8:30am Rosary 9:00am Mass w/CLW 10:00am Ornament Party 11:00am Mass w/CLW 12:00pm Ornament Party 12:00pm Cornament Party 12:50pm Baptism 12:15pm Children's Choir 5:00pm Mass Wreath Pickup	8:00am Mass 7:00am YA Mtg.	7:00pm Ladies Advent Night 7:00pm KofC Mtg 7:00pm Boy Scouts	8:00am Mass 9:00am Scripture Study 5:00pm Vigil Mass 5:15pm Family Dinner 6:15pm Faith Formation	Immaculate Conception 9:00am Mass 3:30pm Core Team Mtg 7:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	1:00pm Parent Drop Off 3:30pm Confession 5:00pm Mass