Pastor Fr. Louis J. Richard
Associate Fr. Michael Richard
Pastoral Associate Sr. Carmelita Latiolais, S.E.C.
Deacons: Tam M. Tran, William Vincent, Francis Cao
Director of Parish Renewal & Evangelization Mr. John Listi
Weddings & Christian Formation Director Ms. Renella Livers
Funerals & Cemetery Manager Mrs. Eileen Boudoin
Business Manager Deacon David Vaughn
Receptionist Mrs. Marguerite Landry
Director of Music & Church Organist Mr. Tommy Guidry
Christian Service Center Director Marcelo Davis & Kelli Davis
Maintenance Mr. Malcolm d’Augereau
Housekeeper Mrs. Kim White
Life Teen Youth Ministers John Listi, Katie Landry, Dustin Bertrand, Andrea Delhommer

St. Mary Magdalen Parish Mission Statement
We, the Catholic Community of St. Mary Magdalen
• Embrace our baptismal commitment to Christ
• Live a life of faith, service and worship
• Seek to transform the world through prayer & evangelization

Mass Schedule

WEEKEND
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 3:00 PM (Vietnamese), 5:30 PM

WEEKDAYS
Monday - Fridays: 6:30 AM

Reconciliation
Saturday: 2:30 - 3:30 PM
Sunday: 4:45 - 5:15 PM
Also before weekday Mass. Other times by request.

Baptism
Please call the parish office to schedule.

Baptism Preparation
Please call the parish office to schedule. Classes are held 2nd Monday every other month.

Anointing of the Sick
Please call the parish office to schedule.

Marriage
Please contact the parish office at least SIX months before marriage date.

Funeral Arrangements
Please call the parish office after contacting the Funeral Home.

We welcome you to St. Mary Magdalen Parish. If you are new to the parish please introduce yourself before or after Mass. Please pick up a census form located in vestibule or call the parish office.

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From the Pastor

Vocation: To brighten up the World

Jesus leaves no doubt in the Gospel today about our role. “You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world.” Being Christian is not supposed to be boring! On the contrary, Jesus gave us the mission to bring flavor to the world, and to brighten things up when they seem dark and dismal.

Joy and gratitude are meant to be at the heart of the Christian experience. This is the good news we proclaim. It’s not something to be whispered in a private corner. Jesus tells us to be a like a city set on a mountain, and a lamp radiating light from a lampstand. We have a mission to brighten up the world with our hope and confidence in Christ.

We are light of the world if we make it possible for people to see God at work in us. We are light of the world if we help the lost find their way, if we are willing to go to the mountaintop or sit on the lampstand, wherever those in darkness need to see.

Fr. Loui

Word for the Day

In a world so torn apart by rivalry, anger, and hatred, we have the privileged vocation to be living signs of a love that can bridge all divisions and heal all wounds. Fr. Henri Nouwen
The Blessed Mother Candle
For the Intentions of Mollie Charpentier

The Sanctuary Candle
For the continued prayers for Orphaned Souls

Our prayers and sympathy are with the families of Deceased Members of St. Mary Magdalen Parish

In the Waters of Baptism We Welcome
Matthew William Angelle
Evangeline Dowling Reynard
Piper Rae Harrington
Adelyn Margaret Hollier

VC and Mount Carmel School Registration Information
Vermilion Catholic High School will begin accepting applications for 2017-18 school year beginning January 30, 2017.

For more information, please visit www.vermillioncatholic.com
Or call the school office at 893-6636

Mount Carmel School

ON-LINE APPLICATIONS
For all new students for the 2017-2018 School Year.
For more information contact the school at 898-0859 or
Email: mmcneil@mceschool.com
Website: http://www.mceschool.org

Lent at St. Mary Magdalen - Rice bowl, 40 Cans for 40 Days of Lent, Christian Service Center
Pope Francis calls us to live a life of mercy. Our community responds in many wonderful ways to living the corporal works of mercy. Ash Wednesday March 1st, 2017 will be the first day of Lent.

Rice Bowls will be available in church. Families are invited to use at mealtime prayer, making sacrifices, and adding financial gifts to the bowls. See insert in the rice bowl or www.crsricebowl.org for suggestions or for Daily Reflections sent to your phone. http://www.crsricebowl.org/about/how-to-practice-lent

40 cans for the 40 days of Lent The Lay Carmelite Community #1906 is inviting people to join in their service project of collecting 40 cans for the 40 days of Lent. The Christian Service Center will receive these cans. Last year this project was a great success. For more information contact Judy Broussard jglb@cox.net 652-3657.

Christian Service Center Volunteers are always welcome at the Center. Also there are food bins at the doors of church. Each weekend we invite you to bring a dry good item to place in the bins. Dry goods most needed by the Center: Canned soups, meats, chili, fruit, vegetables, tuna, dried beans, coffee, tea, pastas, rice, evaporated or powdered milk, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and jelly, vegetable oil, flour. For more information contact Marcelo mdavis701chevis@gmail.com or Kelli Davis kellimari-as@gmail.com or 893-9756.

Sign up for Best Lent Ever from Dynamic Catholic and receive daily emails and reflections BestLentEver.com
Deepen your faith and commitment to Jesus Christ at an ACTS Retreat!

April 27-30th 2017 Men
August 24-27th 2017 Women
December 7-10th 2017 Men
February 1-4th 2018 Women

Registration Forms for Men's Retreat April 27-30th
Available at the Office In the back of church on the parish website
https://www.stmarymagdalenparish.org

Women's Retreat Aug. 24-27th Registration information will be available soon.

Special Needs Retreat March 11, 2017
The retreat will be in the Ministries Building from 10a.m.-2:00p.m.
The retreat is for individuals ages 15-adults with Developmental Disabilities. 11:00a.m. Mass will be celebrated.
There is no cost to attend this special day. Lunch will be provided.
Contact Tommy Laperouse at 337-898-2744 or Susan Boudreaux 522-3636.

Parish Lenten Mission
Meet and listen to Mark Price and some amazing men of the Bible. These are Bible-based theatrical presentations that many say are more thought-provoking than any have ever seen. Mark Price brings key figures of history to life as they speak to you about their lives and experiences with Jesus.

Monday, March 27, 2017-Simon Peter
Tuesday, March 28, 2017– Saint Joseph
Wednesday, March 29, 2017– Mark Price
6:30 PM Each Night

Children’s Church
Ages 4-6
9:00AM Mass Weekly
Call for more information 893-0244 or contact:
Terrent Broussard terrent.broussard@gmail.com

Baby Bottle Campaign
Desormeaux Foundation
Through this campaign you can help provide counseling, pregnancy tests, ultrasound exams (with consultation), adoptions, parenting and nutrition workshops, assistance with baby items and mothers items, Medicaid applications, Gabriel Angels, chastity programs, post abortion healing and some financial assistance. All services are free for the those who need our services and/or qualify for the maternity home.
Empty Baby Bottles will be distributed after all Masses on February 11-12th. The following weekend please return your baby bottles in containers placed at the doors of the church before or after Mass.

Catholic Daughter’s Valentine’s Day Project
On Saturday, February 11th and Sunday, February 12th, at all masses, the Catholic Daughters will have a table set up on the plaza in front of church for everyone to sign Valentine’s Day cards for the elderly. Cards will be provided. All we need is you and your signature and/or a message of hope and encouragement. These cards will be delivered to area nursing homes in our parish for everyone to feel a little extra loved this Valentine’s Day. We thank you for participating in this annual project.
Vermilion Catholic High School Students Attend Right to Life March

For the past three years, students from Vermilion Catholic have taken a religious and historical pilgrimage to our nation’s capital to participate in the Right to Life March. This year’s group included Father Michael Richard, Principal Mike Guilbeaux, thirty-four students and seventeen parents. The trip included much more than visits to the famous historical sites of Washington DC.

Sabrina Hagan, a VC parent who has traveled with the group twice, states that, “This trip is a time to renew your faith and for some it can be a spiritual awakening. Each place we visited was an opportunity to explore our Catholic faith and the history of our country.”

The group began each day by celebrating Mass in one of several beautiful and historically significant churches. Some of the locations included the Heart of Mary Chapel inside the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Mount St. Mary Seminary, and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which was the first cathedral built in the United States.

During their jam-packed week, the students were able to visit the St. Elizabeth Seton Shrine, the new St. Pope John Paul II Museum, and the Franciscan Monastery. The Gettysburg Museum and Battlefields, the Holocaust Museum and Arlington Cemetery also proved to be highlights of the trip. This year four of our students were chosen to participate in a ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Senior, Ann Veazey, also traveled with the group for a second time this year. She is a co-founder of the school’s Pro-Life Club. For her, the Right to Life March, traveling from the Washington Mall to the steps of the Supreme Court, was the highpoint of the whole week. “Last year in the middle of the blizzard, thousands of people stayed, thousands of people marched, thousands of people took a stand for the unborn, the ones with no voice. It was an opportunity that I am so grateful for.” said Ann.

Vermilion Catholic thanks its many supporters who help to make this remarkable experience possible for our students!
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