FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
2 APRIL 2017

Mass Schedule

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

WEEKDAYS
Monday - Fridays: 6:30 AM
DURING LENT:
Mon. Tues. and Thurs. 12:05 PM

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 2:30 - 3:30 PM  
Sunday: 4:45 - 5:15 PM

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.

Pastor Fr. Louis J. Richard  
Associate Fr. Michael Richard  
Pastoral Associate Sr. Carmelita Latiolais, S.E.C.  
Deacons Tan 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 Directors Mr. Marcelo & Mrs. Kelli Davis  
Maintenance Mr. Malcolm d’Augereau  
Housekeeper Mrs. Kim White  
Life Teen Youth Ministers Mr. John Listi, Ms. Katie Landry,  
Mr. Dustin Bertrand, Ms. 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

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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Abbeville, LA 70511-1507  
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FROM THE PASTOR

“Untie him and set him free!”

I’m so grateful to Mark Price, our Mission preacher this past week. He beautifully brought to life the biblical characters of St. Peter and St. Joseph. More than that, he showed us a journey of faith that is part of each of our lives, where we come to believe and love the Lord more dearly.

Today’s Gospel shows us Jesus’ call to deeper faith in Him. He loved his friend Lazarus very much. When he gets to the tomb, Jesus ordered that Lazarus be untied and set free. What does that mean for us? Freedom for Jesus is seeing and living out the relationship which Jesus has been “sent” to offer us. “Now many of the Jews who had come out to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.” Just like Lazarus, we too must be brought out of our tombs of death and unbelief.

Last week Jesus healed a blind man. When a person is blind, she or he cannot do all the things they would like to be able to do. When one is dead, the things of life are denied them. There are many forms of death and of blindness for us. As Light, Jesus does not say that everything will be clear as day. It takes time. As Resurrection, Jesus does not take away all forms of death and confinement, but keeps calling us to “Come out and live.”

Being a believer is not an easy way out. Lazarus got his “wake-up call” to come back into the human experience for a while. He was set free to be, once again, the person God created him to be.

WORD FOR THE DAY

“I will never understand all the good a simple smile can accomplish”.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

March 26, 2017

1st collection $ 11,932.73
2nd Collection: Catholic Relief Services $ 2,290.25

2nd Collection: This Week– Insurance
Next Week–Bishop’s Services Appeal

AFTER 7 and 9 AM MASSES TODAY

Thank you to the Come Lord Jesus groups for hosting our monthly coffee and doughnuts social today.

LENT

- Daily Mass Monday-Friday 6:30 AM
- Noon Masses 12:05 PM - Mon, Tues, Thurs
- Way of the Cross - Fridays 5:30 PM
- St. Theresa Masses - Mondays, Tuesdays—6:00 PM Wednesdays, Fridays—12:05 PM

Acts of the Apostles Lenten Reading Guide

2-Apr-17 Sunday Readings
3-Apr-17 Acts of the Apostles Chapter 23
4-Apr-17 Acts of the Apostles Chapter 24
5-Apr-17 Acts of the Apostles Chapter 25
6-Apr-17 Acts of the Apostles Chapter 26
7-Apr-17 Acts of the Apostles Chapter 27
8-Apr-17 Acts of the Apostles Chapter 28
9-Apr-17 Palm Sunday

MEMORIAL DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS

Please place memorial donations for Easter flowers in envelopes, available at doors of church. Place envelopes in the collection or drop at parish office. Memorials will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin if received by Monday, April 3rd.
DON’T MISS THE
HOLIEST WEEK OF THE YEAR 2017

PALM SUNDAY APRIL 9TH, 2017—Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. Blessed Palms will be available at all weekend masses Sat. 4 PM, Sunday 7,9,11AM 3:00, 5:30 PM. Palms are distributed on Palm Sunday to celebrate Christ’s triumphal entrance into Jerusalem when palm branches were placed in His path before His arrest and Crucifixion on Good Friday. Begin walking the Holy Week journey with Christ on Palm Sunday, April 9th, 2017.

HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 13TH, 2017— AT 6:30 PM The Mass of the Lord’s Supper and Washing of the Feet will be followed by Solemn Adoration of the Eucharist. Holy Thursday is the day that Christ celebrated the last supper with His disciples, just four days after His triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. This holy night also commemorates the Institution of the Sacrament of the Eucharist. After the procession through the church, the altar is stripped bare, and all bells in the church are silent until the Gloria is sung at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday.

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 14TH, - AT 3 PM, the Passion of our Lord is commemorated. In a solemn ceremony, we remember the passion, suffering, and death on the cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ. In this beautiful celebration, we are invited to remove our shoes and kiss the wood of the cross. We spend this day in fasting, prayer, repentance and meditation on the agony and suffering of Christ on the cross.

EASTER VIGIL APRIL 15TH - AT 8 PM The blessing of the Easter Fire, receiving our RCIA Catechumens and Candidates and renewal of our Baptismal vows. Christ is raised from the dead! Our baptism parallels Christ’s own Death and Resurrection, as we die to sin and rise to new life in the Kingdom of God.

NEW MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY TO BE RECEIVED AT THE EASTER VIGIL

Shelly McCoy  Kaylen Bourgeois  Nick Cedar  Hieu Mai  Kadence Touchet

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 16TH - 7, 9, 11 AM, No 3 PM (Vietnamese) No 5:30 Mass

Christ is Risen!
Thank you to all who participated in the CRS Rice Bowl Project

You are invited to return your rice bowls by Palm Sunday, April 9th. There will be marked boxes at the doors of church.

**KC JAMBALAYA FUNDRAISER TODAY**

KC Council #2281 is hosting a Jambalaya Fundraiser today Sunday, April 2, 2017.

Pickup 10AM-2PM at Pere Megret Center. Tickets are $7 and some are available for purchase today.

For more info: Ed Hebert 967-9719 or John Listi 893-0244 johnvlisti@gmail.com

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**VOCAL ENSEMBLE BAROQUE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA PERFORM APRIL 9TH - 7:00 PM**

The Baton Rouge Early Vocal Ensemble (BREVE) will perform a free concert at St. Mary Magdalen. On **Sunday, April 9 at 7:00 PM**

The Baton Rouge Early Vocal Ensemble is dedicated solely to the music of the Renaissance and Baroque eras (c.1450-1750).

Breve will perform with a Baroque Chamber Orchestra from Baton Rouge and Acadiana and will sing:

- *Miserere* in C minor by Jan Dismas Zelenka
- Lenten-appropriate excerpts by Johann Adolph Hasse
- *Mass in D Minor, Troisième Leçon de Ténèbre* (3rd Lesson of Tenebrae) by François Couperin

[earlymusicbreve.org](http://earlymusicbreve.org)
2017 Summer CCD Registration
Grades (1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th)
First week
Monday, June 5th—Friday, June 9th
8:00am—12noon
2nd Week
Monday, June 12th—Thursday, June 15th
8:00am—12noon
Location: St. Theresa Holy Family Center
Please visit our website at www.stmarymagdalenparish.org for registration forms.
Forms are also available at the front entrance of church.
Students who made their 1st Communion in May 2017 do not have to attend this Summer Session.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS SCHOLARSHIP
Applications are being accepted for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court of St. Mary Magdalene Elda Dill Catholic Girl of the Year.

Applicants must be Catholic female high school seniors. Catholic senior girls who attend Vermilion Catholic, Public school or home school and are parishioners of St. Mary Magdalen may apply.

Applications must be postmarked by no later than April 7, 2017. Requirements for applying and submitting are included on the application. Applications can be obtained from Vermilion Catholic or by contacting Eileen at St. Mary Magdalen Parish Office (893-0244).

VOCATIONS RETREAT APRIL 7-9
ST. JOSPEH ABBEY
All young men 16 years and older are invited to a weekend retreat to discern God’s call for your life. Contact Rev. Kevin Bordelon 261-5690 for information.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND
Pope Francis has asked us to support the Good Friday Collection, which assists Catholics in Israel and helps maintain the holy shrines and care for refugees. Please be generous.

MISSION TRIP TO PUERTO RICO JULY 17-22, 2017
Contact John Listi for information 893-0244 johnvlisti@gmail.com. Spiritual Director, Fr. Michael Richard and Mission Director, John Listi.

"SPIRIT FEST"
Christian Service Center APRIL 8TH, 10AM-1PM
1. Easter Baskets with food provided by local churches will be given away
2. Games/activities, resources are planned
3. Prayer opportunities will be offered
For more information call us 337-893-9756 or mail cscabbeville@gmail.com

VC-Carmel Booster Spring Barbeque
Sunday, April 9, 2017 VC-Carmel is hosting a Barbeque Dinner
11:00AM—12:30PM, $8.00 per dinner to support the athletic department. Pickup dinners at VC Parking Lot.
Please call Vermilion Catholic School (893-6636) or Mount Carmel (893-4591) for more information.
### Date/Mass Times | Celebrant/ Deacon | Lectors | Eucharistic Ministers | Altar Servers
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**Saturday, April 8th**
4:00 pm | Fr. Louie Deacon Tran (S) | Tammy Landry (Voice/Speaker) Ada Duhon (Narrator) | Fr. Louie Deacon Tran (S) Tim Landry Tommy Laperouse | Matthew Romero Madison Meaux

**Sunday, April 9th**
7:00 am | Fr. Louie | Allen McLain (Narrator) David LaCour (Voice/Speaker) | Fr. Louie Patricia Delcambre (S) Pending | Ryan McLain

9:00 am | Fr. Louie Deacon Cao (S) (Voice/Speaker) | Gene Sellers (Narrator) Mike Guilbeaux | Fr. Louie Molly Charpentier (S-Only) Kenneth Choate Anne Guilbeaux | Nicholas Cao Austin Cao Anna Grace David

11:00 am | Fr. Michael Deacon Matt Hebert (Voice/Speaker) | Andy Veezey Jude Broussard (Narrator) | Eileen Boudoin(S) Phyllis Berberich Jeff Melancon | Incense will be used Zachary Broussard Ross Cao Celeste Broussard Michael LaCour Pending Pending

5:30 pm | Fr. Michael Deacon Vincent (S) (Voice/Speaker) | Letty Gallet Denise Orellano (Narrator) | Fr. Michael Sharlene Monic Robert Gallet | Zachary Broussard Haden Beasley Emory Quackenbos Andre LeBlanc