

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



O LORD, BE MY HELP

Today we encounter readings that draw us into the mystery of suffering and death. In the past few years we have witnessed the devastation of life and property through earthquakes and hurricanes. So many lifted their lament to God, simply asking, "Why?" This is an honest expression of anger toward a God who we believe is the giver of life. When we lose a loved one, we can wonder why the presence of Christ is not enough to make that person rise, even from death, as did the little girl in today's Gospel passage. Again we raise our voices and ask, "Why?" At moments such as these, let us make the prayer of the psalmist our own: "Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; O LORD, be my helper." Let us pray that our mourning will one day be turned into dancing.

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July 1, 2018

St. Mary Magdalen Parish Mission Statement

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church is called to foster a welcoming community, to form disciples for Jesus Christ and to joyfully evangelize. **Unifying Vision:** Walking together with Christ, igniting the Spirit within, living God's Call.

PARISH OFFICE

Parish Fax: (504) 733-0869

Parish Website:

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday.....9:00AM - 4:00PM

Friday.....CLOSED

After hours by appointment only

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

In CHAPEL

Monday-Friday, 6:30 AM & 8:30AM

Saturday, 8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4 PM

Sunday Masses - 8, 9:30 & 11AM; 6PM

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Sundays, 12:15-1:15PM

1st Monday, 9:15-10:15AM (Sept-May)

In Church, be sure to visit:

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

ADULT PARISH LENDING LIBRARY

CHILDREN'S CORNER/LIBRARY/PRAYER CENTER

SOCIAL APOSTOLATE MINISTRY

Hours: Wednesdays, 5:30PM-6:30PM

Facility Entrance on W. Metairie Ave. to right of church.....734-5833

GIFT SHOP & PRAYER GARDEN

NEW Hours: Mon. & Fri.....1:00PM-5:00PM

Saturdays.....1:00PM-5:00PM

Sundays.....8:30AM-12:15PM

Phone:.....734-5833

Call Parish Office for further information

BAPTISMS: Every 2nd Sunday before/during 11AM Mass & 3rd Sunday at 12:15PM. Pre-Registration for Baptism Seminars is now required by calling 733-8980.

Archdiocesan Policy on Infant Baptism:

www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptismOR may be found on the Parish website.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:

Must have 2 consecutive years of Catholic religious instruction prior to reception of these sacraments. Contact Parish Religious Education for further information.

WEDDINGS: Contact Parish priest at least 6 to 8 months prior to planned date of marriage. FOCCUS Survey by appointment only. Weddings Celebrated Friday evenings; Saturday mornings, early afternoons or evenings. Church Fee: \$300; Chapel Fee: \$100.

FUNERALS: You are encouraged to celebrate funerals in our Church or Chapel. Wakes & visitation also possible.

CARE OF THE SICK: Communion brought to Homebound weekly by Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. Anointing of Sick available on individual basis by appointment.

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN
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HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

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Shari Mader & Caren Favaloro, Co-Directors

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 2

6:30 AM Living Intention for Richard Wroblewski

Tuesday, July 3

Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle

6:30 AM Gus Barbier

Wednesday, July 4

8:30 AM Croy Family

Thursday, July 5

6:30 AM Ronco Family

Friday, July 6

6:30 AM Peter & Ursula Bonanno

Saturday, July 7

8:00 AM Cindy Spence

Saturday, July 7

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil

4:00 PM Jack & Rosalie Couch, Aimee Marus, Kevin Reynolds, Joe Paci, Bobb W. Hunley, John & Clare McDermott, Hazel & Harold Howat, Norma & Lance Hubble, Dee Broussard, Dot Leonard, Dean D'Arcangelo, James Maunoir, Joan Ferry, Abadie Family, Ronald Romagossa, Walter Howat, Albert Temes, Sr.

Sunday, July 8

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Jud Mitchell & Lacinak Family

9:30 AM SMM Parishioners

11:00 AM Rosalie Couch, Dr. Gordon Landry, Madeleine Landry, Effie Sarti, Harris Miller, Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen, Lori Lambert, Willie Arnouville, Joanne & Walter Gallinghouse, Jr., Ian Racine

6:00 PM Richard & Genevieve Ducote, Hal Ducote

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Mark Lucich, Sherry Gaffney, Ray Talbot, Norvin Schexnaildre, Joyce Chiusano, Richard LeBlanc, Marsha Robert, Rose Keller, Leah Conlin, Abigail Robertson, Patrick Mulhern, Marilyn Reynolds, George "Mickey" Krause, Tommy Keller, Brenda Simon, Jena Serigne, Deborah Woodward, Kevin Pineo, Rosemarie Entringer, Teresa Lacour, Mary Ann Meaux, Gayle Songy, Jerry Fender, Jonathan Robertson, Judy Massa, Kevin & Kenneth Teen, Gracelynn Chaplain, Celine Wild, Carol P. Ramos, Dominic Manthey, Deavon Dill, Lauretta Erwin, Larry & Clara Leslie, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Hector Benoit, Kevin Colton, Gail LeJeune, Russell Palmer, Ann Robert, Nancy Fitzsimmons, Gaynell Robin, Linda Speciale, Rose Mary Pizza, Baby Sean, Daphne Dufour, Dave "Brother" Dupuy, Janice Liang, Macy Guidry, Matt Niclosi

FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP

In gratitude for God's gifts we gratefully appreciate:
Envelopes (6/17) \$ 6386.00
Loose Collection \$ 1827.02
Total \$ 8213.02

Thank you for your generosity!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's Independence Day week, and there is a link worth tracing between the Declaration of Independence and the language of liturgy. One of the signers of the Declaration on that July 4 long ago was Charles Carroll, probably the wealthiest man in the colonies and one of the few Catholics on the political scene. As a flourish to his signature, he sought to distinguish himself from other prominent citizens bearing the same name by penning "Charles Carroll of Carrolltown"—a defiant "come and get me if you dare" postscript aimed at the British. Carroll's brother John was a priest and patriot who in 1789 was given the task of organizing the Catholic Church in this country. By 1791 he had assembled a synod, or assembly of delegates, to launch that task formally. Archbishop Carroll wanted to gain acceptance of our faith by American people who mistrusted our customs and could not comprehend our liturgy. He made the amazing proposal to Rome that our liturgy should be prayed not in Latin, but in the vernacular, English. His wish was denied, but one hundred sixty years later, his deep desire helped the American bishops and scholars at the Second Vatican Council to win the vote in favor of the vernacular not just for the United States, but for the Church throughout the world.



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JULY 4TH BLESSING

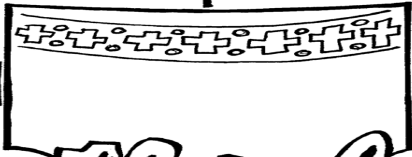
God, source of freedom, this day is bright with memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being. Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in honor that belongs to every life on earth. Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship and to find safety only in the common good of all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN.



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 July 1, 2018**

You changed my mourning into dancing; O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks. — Psalm 30:13

Fear is useless;



Trust is needed

Readings for Sunday, July 8:

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5). **Psalm** — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123). **Second Reading** — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10). **Gospel** — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

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Prayer to Saint Michael, the Archangel

St. Michael, Archangel defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

FOR THE CHILDREN

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus cares about our minds, bodies and hearts. How does Jesus help us to feel well in our mind, body and heart?

CHILDREN'S CORNER

JULY: Month of St. Mary Magdalen, Patroness. **Prayer Center Theme** is:

St. Mary Magdalen you were a good friend to Jesus. Please help me to be more like you by.....

Put written intentions in prayer pig; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEEDS INSTRUCTORS

SMM Parish School of Religion, which meets on Monday evenings from 6:45-8:00 PM is in need of religion instructors (grades 1—11). Qualifications for instructors: baptized, practicing Catholic willing to share their faith with our young people. If interested, please contact Mrs. Linda Earle, Director of Parish Religious Education at 733-8980 or at learle@smm.nocoxmail.com.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

St. Mary Magdalen School is accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year for students in Pre-K through 7th grade. Please call the school office at (504) 733-1433 or email vrodri-guez@smmcougars.org to schedule a private tour or to receive registration information. Forms are also available on our website at: www.smmcougars.org



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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

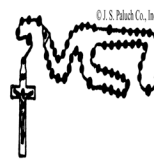
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Someone who has been thinking about converting to Catholicism, but has not taken the initial step? Someone who is already Catholic but feels that they have not progressed in or fully understand their faith and would like to pursue it further? Our journey of faith will begin in August and continue through Easter. If you are interested in joining the **RCIA Program** or have further questions, please call Susie at 733-8980.



1st SATURDAY DEVOTION SERVICE—July 7

The Prayer Warriors of St. Joan of Arc invites everyone every 1st Saturday of the month from 10AM-12Noon in SMM Church for a special program praying for the conversion of Greater New Orleans, our Country & our world to our Lord Jesus Christ. The service will consist of Eucharistic Devotion, Confessions, Holy Rosary, devotional prayers requested by Our Lady of Fatima, Holy Mass, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and other intercessory prayers. Fr. Chris is the group's spiritual director and will be the Celebrant of the mass. For more information please contact Cindy Hemelt (883-5783) or Marylyn Comesana (559-0965).



Our Lady said, "I am wholly in the rosary. Seek me there & find me there. I am with you. Let not your hearts be troubled or afraid."

The Secret Power of the Rosary by Barbara Kloss

EVANGELIZATION

"You have to be holy in your position as you are, and I have to be holy in the position that God has put me. So it is nothing extraordinary to be holy. Holiness is not the luxury of the few. Holiness is a simple duty for you and for me. We have been created for that." —St. Teresa of Calcutta

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, July 2

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 9:00 AM

Tuesday, July 3

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Wednesday, July 4-*Independence Day*

Rectory/Parish Offices CLOSED

Thursday, July 5

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Friday, July 6

Saturday, July 7

Rosary after Mass in Chapel 8:30 AM
 St. Joan of Arc Prayer Warriors in Chapel 10:00 AM
 Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM
 2nd Collection - Building & Maintenance Fund

Sunday, July 8

2nd Collection - Building & Maintenance Fund
 Family Mass 9:30 AM
 Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 12:15-1:15 PM

PARISH ADVOCATES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

SMM would like to introduce Shirley Bertucci and Cindy Graham as our Parish Advocates for Persons with Disabilities. In keeping with the mission of the Archdiocesan Commission, we at SMM want to ensure that individuals with disabilities and their families are full, active participants in all aspects of our church community. If you or a family member is a person with a disability and:

- *Would like to know about accessibility at SMM
- *Have questions or concern about inclusion in our parish
- *Have suggestions about how we can improve participation in the life of our parish as a person with a disability,

we want to hear from you.

Please contact Shirley Bertucci at 504-554-5024 or shirlb2c@cox.net or Cindy Graham at 504-733-3638 or grahmo@cox.net



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The only Mass celebrated on Independence Day, **Wednesday, July 4th** will be at 8:30 AM in the Chapel. The Rectory/Parish Offices will be **CLOSED** in observance of this federal holiday.

JUST THE BEGINNING

The American Revolution was a beginning, not a consummation.

—Woodrow Wilson

FOUNDING PRINCIPLES

Equal rights for all, special privileges for none.

—Thomas Jefferson



SPECIAL PARISH EVENTS

Saint Mary Magdalen FEAST DAY CELEBRATION *Service Awards & Ministry Recognition* Sunday, July 22, 2018 at 11:00 AM Mass



St. Mary Magdalene

All involved in any Ministry at SMM are particularly invited to attend this Mass to be recognized for their generous contributions to our parish.

Following Mass ALL are invited to attend a **JAZZ BRUNCH** in Massett Hall in honor of our Patroness and all SMM Volunteers. ***Please join us for this special celebration!***

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, July 25 at 7:00 PM** in the Convent Bldg. Meetings are open to all parishioners, however, parishioners who wish to address the Council must submit, in writing, the topic of discussion along with their name and telephone number. This information should be submitted to the Council Chairperson, c/o the Rectory, at least 15 days prior to the meeting. Minutes of all meetings are available for review on the website or at the rectory.

PRAYER DURING HURRICANE SEASON

"Through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, may we be spared all loss of life and property during this hurricane season, we pray to the Lord."
Hurricane season began June 1.