

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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LISTENING AND RESPONDING

There are three interwoven themes in today's readings: listening to God, faith vs. good works, and losing our life in order to find it. How are they related? The Suffering Servant of Isaiah undergoes much distress and ridicule, but is able to bear it because he has listened to the promptings of God day after day. The psalm tells us that God listens, too. God hears our prayers for help and is always ready to save us. As our faith deepens, so does our desire to do the works of justice and charity that build up the reign of God. God directs our actions in ways we often cannot see, and we don't always see the results. We are called upon in faith to trust that what we do is enough, and that willingness to listen to God's promptings will lead us in the right way.

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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 LIIFE 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
St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
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Shari Mader & Caren Favaloro, Co-Directors

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 17

6:30 AM Special Intention for Dr. A.J. Giorlando
8:30 AM Poor Souls

Tuesday, September 18

6:30 AM Earl Roth
8:30 AM DeeDee Enright

Wednesday, September 19

6:30 AM Barbier, Blancher & Newell Families
8:30 AM Cindy Spence

Thursday, September 20

6:30 AM Andrew Max Davis
8:30 AM *Prayer Service—NO Intentions*

Friday, September 21

Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
6:30 AM Karl Lane
8:30 AM John Onofrio

Saturday, September 22

8:00 AM In Thanksgiving

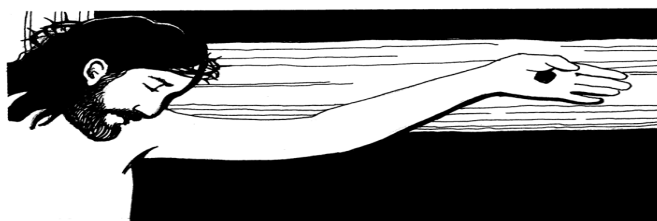
Saturday, September 22

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil
4:00 PM Jack & Rosalie Couch, Joan Ferry,
Joe Paci, Norma & Lance Hubble,
Vetter Amadeo Taylor, Aimee Marus,
Dot Leonard, James Maunoir, Dean
D'Arcangelo, Geraldine Waguespack

Sunday, September 23

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Cindy Spence
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners
11:00 AM Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen, Seymour
Abadie
6:00 PM Clyde Thompson



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, 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, Richard Moss



BURIED IN CHRIST

Robert Joseph Brown



**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 16, 2018**
The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced. — *Isaiah 50:7*

RESPECT LIFE

USCCB RESPECT LIFE TOPICS...

Abortion/Adoption/The Unborn

Pro abortion groups are lamenting the possible overturning of Roe & what it will mean for their "choice"... "...it's more likely that more and more women will turn to shady online pharmacies to buy abortion pills through the mail—a practice that is already occurring with surprising frequency and effectiveness around the world...women turned to mail-order abortions because a clinic-based abortion was too expensive, or because state restrictions around abortions—like waiting periods and ultrasound laws—were too onerous. Some just preferred the privacy and convenience of doing their own abortion at home."

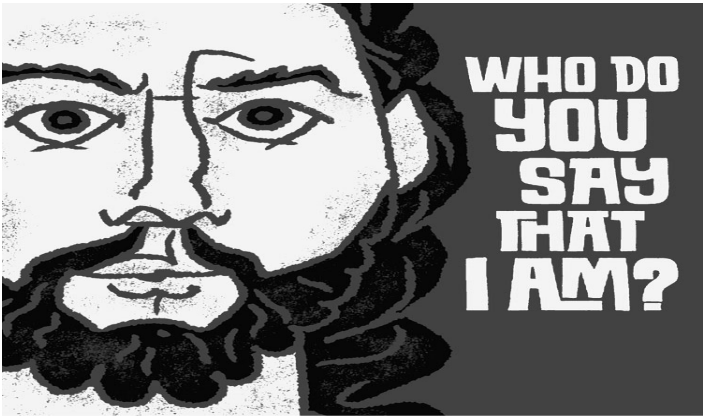
FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP

In gratitude for God's gifts we gratefully appreciate:
Envelopes (9/02) \$ 6281.00
Loose Collection \$ 2047.50
Total \$ 8328.50

Thank you for your generosity!

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

A PRAYER FOR EVERY FAMILY
 by St. John Paul II
 God, from whom all fatherhood in heaven and earth descends, Father, who are Love and Life, ensure that every human family on earth shall become, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, "born of woman," and through the Holy Spirit, the source of divine charity, a true shrine of life and love for the generations which are always renewing themselves. Ensure that Your grace shall guide the thoughts and the works of spouses toward the good of their families and of all families in the world. Ensure that the young generations shall find firm support in the family for their humanity and their growth in truth and love. Ensure the love, reinforced by the grace of the Sacrament of Matrimony shall show itself to be stronger than any weakness and every crisis through which our families pass at times. Amen.



Readings for Sunday, September 23:
First Reading — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20). **Psalm** — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54). **Second Reading** — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3). **Gospel** — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).
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FOR THE CHILDREN

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For hundreds of years Israel waited for the Messiah, the Anointed One. The word in Greek is the "Christ." At our Baptism, we are anointed with chrism and take on the fragrance of Christ. We become part of the Body of Christ and are strengthened for our mission.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

SEPTEMBER: Month of Family.

Prayer Center Theme is: *Thank you*

God for my family and please help me

to be a more loving member of my family by... Put

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



SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Please keep our Student Council in your prayers as they are inducted this week. Each SMM class has adopted a Spiritual Baby. Please join the students in praying that all babies may be born healthy and happy into loving homes. We are looking for prayer partners for our PK classes. If you are interested please contact the school office at 733-1433. **ALSO:** **Saturday, September 29th**, is Kendra Scott gives back to SMM day. 20% of all sales from 10:00-1:00, at the Magazine Street location, will go back to SMM to benefit the 7th grade class' trip to Washington, D.C.

ARE YOU EDUCATING YOUR CHILDREN IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

When a child is baptized into the Catholic Church, it is the parents responsibility to raise and educate that child in the Catholic faith. In order to help parents with this education, each parish offers a **School of Religion Program** (Grades 1-12) for those children attending a public or private school. Religion Classes for students are held every Monday evening beginning **September 10, 2018** from 6:45 PM -8:00 PM. Call Linda Earle, CRE at 733-8980 for further info about registering your child for these classes.



Take
up
your
cross



This weekend we will join parishes across the country as we celebrate the ministry of our parish catechists at the annual **Catechetical Sunday Mass** on **Sunday, September 16**. The theme of this year's Catechetical Sunday: **"Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ"** tells us of our own opportunity for renewal in Christ. Our parish offers many catechetical opportunities throughout the year. Come help us celebrate all of those who serve in this ministry.

St. Mary Magdalen Parish Catechists

School: Terri Pistorius, Saige Brouillette, Nicolle Bowman, Shari Mader, Nettie O'Hara, Kori Vinju, Sheila Condon, Adrienne Steen, Denise Grab, Donna Barrois, Amy Paulin, Ann Levy, Melanie Gaumont, Paul Wertz, Pat Muhs, Lisa Babin, Bronwyn Myer, Mary Anne Rodgers, Sean Murphy, Brett Wingham, Caren Favaloro & Valerie Rodriguez. **Before/**

After School Care: Caren Favaloro, Shari Mader, Diane Conover, & Alexis Matise. **Parish School of**

Religion (PSR): Stephanie O'Callaghan, Cheryl Schillaci, Marilyn Choppin, Stacy Pecoraro, Fay Mannino, Pat Wilkinson, Karen Hollingsworth, Pat Helmstetter, Susan Gaillot, Terry Heller, Debbie Hancock, Ann Marie Alberado, Maria Steen & Linda Earle **R.C.I.A./Adult Confirmation Staff:** Maria

Steen, Claire Noble, Nancy Dicharry, Doris Melito, Mike Earle, Charlotte Bouregois & Susie Sullivan.

Baptismal Seminar Staff: Nancy Dicharry, Casey Klamen, Chuck Attaway, Michael Borne, Lorraine Mylie & Shirley Bertucci.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Pastoral Council will hold their next meeting on **Monday, October 15** 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 contact information. 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 after they have been accepted at the rectory and on the parish website. Written committee reports shall only be available for review at the rectory office during regular business hours.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, September 17

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 9:00 AM
Parish School of Religion Classes, 6:45PM-8:00 PM
PSR Mass & Parent Meeting in Church 7:00 PM

Tuesday, September 18

Marian Servants® of Our Father's Love in Convent Bldg, 9:30AM-12Noon
Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM
Boy Scout Meeting, Rm. 1 7:00 PM

Wednesday, September 19

Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM
ALPHA Pilot Program in Convent Bldg 6:30 PM

Thursday, September 20

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Friday, September 21

Saturday, September 22

Fair Set-up on Backfield 8:30 AM
Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM
Family Day Blessing at Mass
Darro Caravan Raffle Ticket Sale after Mass

Sunday, September 23

Family Day Blessing at Masses
Darro Caravan Raffle Ticket Sale after Masses
Family Mass 9:30 AM
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 12:15-1:15 PM
CYO Mass at 6PM followed by Meeting in Lodge

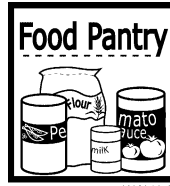
DARRO CARAVAN FUND RAISER

Darro Caravan of the Order of Alhambra will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses NEXT weekend for a shadow boxed frame of a Duece McAllister signed white jersey. This organization caters to God's Special Children by holding five dinner/dances and a day at City Park with a picnic. There is no cost to those who attend as Darro Caravan covers ALL expenses. The raffle will help us funding these experiences.

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.

SOCIAL JUSTICE



SOCIAL APOSTOLATE NEWS

The Social Apostolate is deeply appreciative of all food & monetary donations they receive thru-out the year. They ask however, that any food donated NOT have an old expiration date—by law, they have to throw those donations away as they cannot be given to those in need.

SPECIAL PARISH EVENTS

FAMILY DAY BLESSING

There will be a blessing of all families at Masses next weekend, **September 22 & 23.**

2018 SEAFOOD FESTIVAL NEWS

"SMM Celebrates the Tricentennial"

October 5, 6 & 7

RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle tickets for the SMM Fall Festival are available at all church entrances or at the Rectory Office. Returns can be put in an envelope and deposited in any regular Sunday collection or dropped off at the rectory. The fair is the major fundraiser for the parish, and we need your support to make this a successful event!

FESTIVAL T-SHIRTS

Festival T-shirts may be ordered thru the rectory office. Sizes: Child\$10; Adult\$12; Plus\$14; Aprons\$12 ea.

P.O.P TICKETS

Pre-Sale Megabands \$50 ea (\$60 @ festival); Session bands \$20 ea (\$25 @ festival). May be purchased thru either school or rectory office during regular business hours.

FAIR SET-UP DAYS

Saturdays, Sept. 22 & 29 at 8:30AM

Refreshments & FREE lunch served to all set-up workers!

FAIR CLEAN-UP DAY

Please mark your calendars **NOW: October 8 at 8:30 AM.** We need lots of help to take down & clean up before students return to class on Tuesday.