

# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

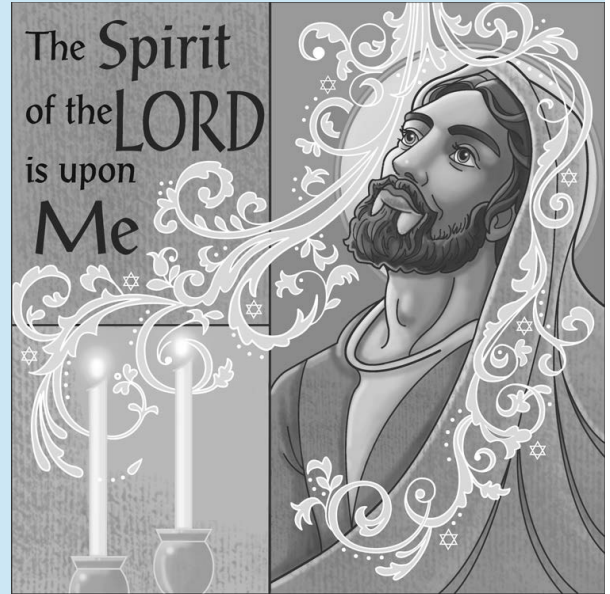
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## 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time. When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep." The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.

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## January 27, 2019

### 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** (504) 733-0922  
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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**

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**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/Policy](http://www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/Policy) on Infant Baptism OR 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**  
**Metairie, Louisiana**  
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**HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?**

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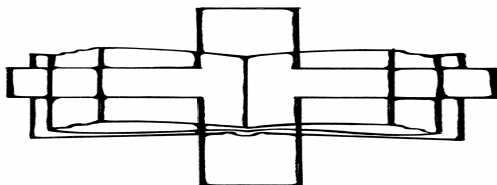
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**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, January 28**

6:30 AM Mike Bevis  
8:30 AM Claire & George Cook, Sue Chandler

**Tuesday, January 29**

6:30 AM John Coyle  
8:30 AM Cindy Spence

**Wednesday, January 30**

6:30 AM Special Intention for J.A.  
8:30 AM Marie S. Dupont

**Thursday, January 31**

6:30 AM Eric Joseph Harvey  
8:30 AM Penny Nobles

**Friday, February 1**

6:30 AM Rayford Chatelain  
8:30 AM Errine M. Ferro

**Saturday, February 2**

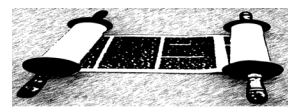
*Feast of Presentation of the Lord*  
8:00 AM Marilyn Woolley

**Saturday, February 2**

*4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil*  
4:00 PM Joe Paci, Joan Ferry, Living Intention for Jodi & Kevin Bonnette & Family, Aimee Marus, Jack & Rosalie Couch, James Maunoir, Dee Broussard, John & Clare McDermott, Hazel & Harold Howat, Walter Howat, Barbara P. Chauvin, Bobb W. Hunley, Anita & Wallace Bradford, Gus Chappetta, Sr. Imbrigulio & Stiegman Families

**Sunday, February 3**

*4th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00 AM Prat Family  
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners  
11:00 AM Lou Martello, Sr., Ian Racine  
6:00 PM Richard & Genevieve Ducote, Hal Ducote, Dewey & Alice Ponthier, Vernon 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, 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, Gay Foto, Riley Joseph Growl, Kenneth Blanke

## FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP

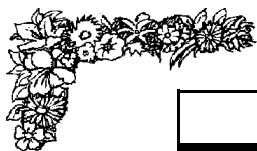
*In gratitude for God's gifts we gratefully appreciate:*

<b>Envelopes (1/13)</b>	<b>\$ 6238.00</b>
<b>Loose Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2231.07</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8469.07</b>
<b>2nd Collection-Bldg &amp; Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 3864.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## CHURCHES IN LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION

The annual national Collection for the Church in Latin America (CLA) will be the weekend of **February 2 & 3**. The 2019 campaign highlights the faith of Latin America and the many opportunities we have to *share faith* with them. We also recognize the tremendous benefit of having our Latin American brothers and sisters in the Church and the revitalization their fervor brings to the faith. In addition to offering our help and support to the Catholics of Latin America, we have much to learn from them. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops invite you to aid our faithful brothers and sisters in the Catholic Church of Latin America.



## BURIED IN CHRIST

*Eric Joseph Harvey*



**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 27, 2019**

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me to  
bring glad tidings to the poor.

— Luke 4:18a

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

**ST. ANTHONY NURSING HOME VOLUNTEERS** meet every Friday morning at the nursing home in our own neighborhood to bring spiritual comfort to the residents living there. Fr. Chris celebrates Mass one Friday per month for the residents of the home with the assistance of the volunteers. On the alternating Fridays, a team of

Eucharistic Ministers and volunteers hold a Rosary and Communion Service. If you were to join a Friday visit to St. Anthony's, you would see the heartwarming generous dedication of these ministers from our parish to this particular and sometimes forgotten group in our community. The faces of the residents glow with joy and appreciation for the loving smiles and company of these volunteers and the opportunity to receive the Eucharist. Here is a quote often credited to St. Teresa of Calcutta. "In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love." Please pray for these volunteers and the residents they serve. Also, please pray and consider joining the St. Anthony's Nursing Home Volunteers in this special ministry. Call the rectory for further information.

## REMINDERS

All contributing parishioners will receive their 2018 statement of contributions to the Church in the mail. 2019 Donation envelope box sets for those parishioners who requested them are available for pickup from the rectory office, Mon.-Thurs., 9AM-4PM.

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### Readings for Sunday, February 3:

**First Reading** — I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19). **Psalm** — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71). **Second Reading** — If I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]). **Gospel** — No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown (Luke 4:21-30).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997,

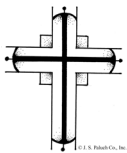
## FOR THE CHILDREN

### CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

#### *Living the Word*

#### 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah's prophecy in today reading at Mass describes the work God has called Jesus to do. What work is God calling each of us to do? It does not have to be a specific job, just some way we are called to make Christ present in the world.



#### CHILDREN'S CORNER

**JANUARY:** Month of Remembering Baptism. Prayer Center Theme is: **The Sign of the Cross:** *In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

*Jesus as I say these words that were spoken as I was baptized, help me to....* Put written intentions in prayer pig; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.

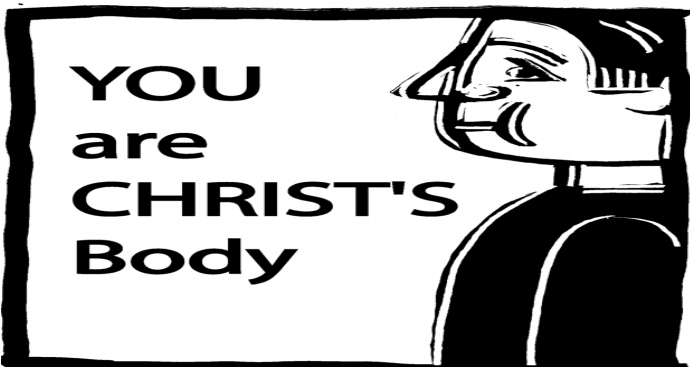
#### SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

SMM middle school students volunteered at Second Harvest Food Bank in January. The students sorted and repacked food, and packed snack bags for at-risk youth. The students had fun while serving the community! Continue to keep our 7th graders in your prayers as they await their high school acceptance letters. Registration for new students begins on February 4th. Call the school office for a private tour.

#### SMM PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religion Classes for students attending public or private school are held every Monday evening from 6:45 PM -8:00 PM. Call Linda Earle, PCL at 733-8980 for further information about registering your child for these classes.

## EVANGELIZATION



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## Catholic Schools Week



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**"Be it known to all who enter here that Jesus Christ is the reason for our schools to exist. He is the ever-present teacher, the model of the faculties, and the inspiration of its students."** The American Bishops, in their monumental document on education, **To Teach as Jesus Did** stressed that the means for placing Jesus at the center of our schools is through:

1. Proclaiming the **MESSAGE** of Jesus;
2. Building and living **COMMUNITY**;
3. Developing attitudes and practices of **SERVICE**;
4. Promoting **PRAYER** and **WORSHIP**.

Our schools provide an environment where Catholic dogma, values and the spirit of faith permeate the total school community. Students are offered opportunities for daily prayer, celebrations of the liturgical year (Advent, Lent, the Paschal Season, devotions to the Blessed Mother), and the reception of the Holy Eucharist at mass. Service projects, social justice activities, and pro-life programs are other expressions of the faith life of the school.

*Office of Religious Education, N.O. Archdiocese*

## SPIRITUALITY

#### 1<sup>st</sup> SATURDAY DEVOTION SERVICE—Feb. 2

The Prayer Warriors of St. Joan of Arc invites everyone every 1<sup>st</sup> 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).

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Monday, January 28**

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Come, Lord Jesus in Discipleship Ctr 9:00 AM  
Parish School of Religion Classes, 6:45PM-8:00 PM

**Tuesday, January 29**

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

**Wednesday, January 30**

Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM

**Thursday, January 31**

Come, Lord Jesus in Discipleship Ctr 7:00 PM

**Friday, February 1**

**Saturday, February 2**

Rosary in Chapel 8:30AM  
Stroke Scan Plus in Massett Hall  
St. Joan of Arc Prayer Warriors in Chapel 10:00 AM  
Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Church in Latin America  
Blessing of Candles & Throats at Mass

**Sunday, February 3**

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Church in Latin America  
Blessing of Candles & Throats at Masses  
Family Mass 9:30 AM  
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 12:15-1:15 PM

### ***Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service***

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, our buildings and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen.

## SPECIAL PARISH EVENTS

### PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEAST

On **Saturday, February 2**, we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple. This feast is also called Candlemas, in which candles for home and Church use are blessed. We will keep this tradition by blessing candles at all Masses **February 2/3**. You may bring a candle from home or purchase a candle at Church before all Masses (\$2.00/boxed set of 2).



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### FEAST OF ST. BLAISE THROAT BLESSING

The protection of St. Blaise is sought with this blessing each winter. A general blessing of throats will be given on **February 2/3** at all weekend Masses.



**St. Blaise**  
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### DAY OF RETREAT

The Marian Servants® of Our Father's Love is sponsoring a reflection day here at SMM on **Tuesday, February 5** with international Catholic evangelist Andi Oney. The topic is "Mary's Life in the Holy Spirit: A Model for Us". We will begin with mass at 8:30am and end at 2:30pm. Lunch will be provided. Suggested donation \$35. To register, please contact Patsy Ricau @pricau@cox.net or 504-813-4327.

## MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

### PARISH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



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Our parish will be honoring those parishioners who will be celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 70th, 75th, etc. wedding anniversary any-time during 2019. Couples will be honored at **9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, February 10** followed by a breakfast reception in the Rectory. To register for this special event, please call 733-8980 **no later than Monday, February 4.**

*Respect Life*



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