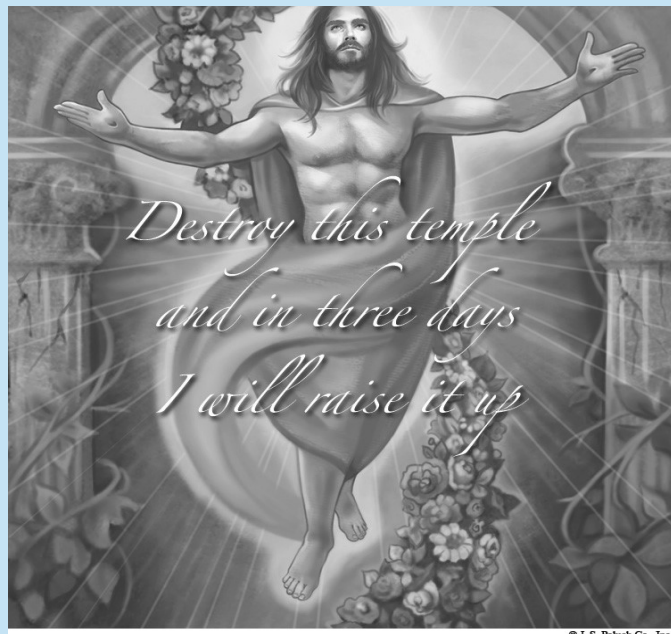


# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

## 3rd Sunday of Lent



### KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH

There's no better way to deepen our Lenten practice than to review the Ten Commandments. The first three, having to do with our right relationship to God, get the most ink. The one we busy people probably have the most problem with is keeping holy the Sabbath. If we take this commandment literally, babies will go undiapered and dishes will stay on the table, or perhaps meals will not be served. The sick will go unattended and nothing that has anything to do with physical labor will be done. Is mental labor really work? How about changing that dirty diaper (poor baby!)? We need to depend on God to discern how to observe real Sabbath time in our lives. The point of this commandment is that God has given us a great gift: one whole day per week when we are free to rest, worship God, sing, feast, love, and rejoice. As Psalm 19 proclaims: "The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul" (19:8). Our Sabbath rest is a great gift, to be received from God with joy, not with nitpicking.

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## March 7, 2021

### 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.

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday-Thursday.....9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Friday.....9:00 AM-12:00 PM  
After hours by appointment only

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE  
In CHAPEL**  
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 AM

**CONFESSIONS**  
Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**  
Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM  
Sunday Masses - 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM;  
6:00 PM

**EXPOSITION OF BLESSED  
SACRAMENT:**  
Sundays, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM

**SOCIAL APOSTOLATE MINISTRY**  
Hours: Wednesdays, 5:30PM-6:30PM  
Facility Entrance on W. Metairie Ave. to  
right of church.

**GIFT SHOP & PRAYER GARDEN**  
Saturdays.....2:00 PM-5:00 PM  
Sundays.....8:00 AM-12:00 PM  
Phone:.....734-5833

\*\*\*\*Special Lenten Services \*\*\*\*

**Parish Mission**  
March 8th, 9th, and 10th  
6:30 PM-7:45 PM-Church  
Confession  
March 10th, 17th, and 24th  
5:00 PM-6:30 PM  
**Way of the Cross 7:00 PM**  
Every Friday of Lent

**BAPTISMS:** Every 3rd Sunday after 10:30 AM Mass. Pre-Registration for Baptism Seminars is now required by calling 733-0922.

**Archdiocesan Policy on Infant Baptism:**  
[www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptism](http://www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptism) OR may be found on the Parish website.

**1st RECONCILIATION/1st COMMUNION & YOUNG  
ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAMS:**

**RCIA & ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAMS:**  
Contact 733-0922 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 on 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**  
**March 7, 2021**  
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**FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP**

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

**Weekly Collection (2-28-21)                      \$6,832.75**

**Weekly Budget    \$9,500.00**

**Second Collection (Catholic Charities) \$1,295.00**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

***BURIED IN CHRIST***

***Mary Bondio***

***Robert Turk***

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, March 8, 2021**

**8:30am** Sr. Enda Eileen Byrne, MSC

**Tuesday, March 9, 2021**

**8:30am** Ana DeLatorre

**Wednesday, March 10, 2021**

**8:30 am** Sr. Enda Eileen Byrne, MSC

**Thursday, March 11, 2021**

**8:30 am** Barbier, Blancher & Newell Families

**Friday, March 12, 2021**

**8:30 am** Marie LeBlanc

**Saturday, March 13, 2021**

**8:30 am** Bertha & Jacob Roth

**4:00 pm** Jack and Rosalie Couch, Donald Bock  
James Maunoir, Norma & Lance Hubble,  
Ian Michael Racine, Joan Ferry, Sr. Enda  
Eileen Byrne, Aimee Marus, Gloria  
Venezia, Jenny Gulizo, Vette Amadeo  
Taylor, Randy Shiplett, Lloyd Gravois Sr.,  
James Haddican, Louise Paternostro, Don  
Kennedy, Joe Paci, Joyce Martello, Bernard  
& Dean D'Archangelo, Shirley Legaux,  
Barbara Chifici, Ernie Harvey

**Sunday, March 14, 2021**

**8:30 am** Jud Mitchell/Lacinak Family

**10:30 am** Vida Bourgeois, Viola Marcotte Juneau,  
Joan Condon, Gloria Venezia, Sp. Int JA,  
Ronald Hale, Linda Sciambra, Donald  
Villarrubia, Michael Murphy, Hiep Dang,  
Linda Boesch, Louise Paternostro, Barbara  
Chifici, Joyce Martello, Carol Dittman  
Temes, Eugenia Anticich, Nancy Guy and  
J.D. Flanagan

**6:00 pm** SMM Parishioners

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Chuck Calvo, Rebecca Canady, Dennis Coughlin,  
Jr., Rosemarie Entringer, Carol P. Ramos, Debbie  
Simmons, Brenda Simon, Carter Bilbe, Residents of  
St. Anthony Nursing Home & The Atrium

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Monday, March 8, 2021**

Lenten Mission **6:30-7:45 PM**

**Tuesday, March 9, 2021**

Marion Servants-Discipleship Ctr. **9:30-Noon**  
Lenten Mission **6:30-7:45 PM**

**Wednesday, March 10, 2021**

Lenten Night of Reconciliation **5:00-6:30 PM**  
Social Apostolate **5:30 PM**  
Lenten Mission **6:30-7:45 PM**

**Thursday, March 11, 2021**

Parent Sacramental Mtg. **6:30 PM**  
Come, Lord Jesus-Discipleship Ctr. **7:00 PM**

**Friday, March 12, 2021**

Lenten Seafood Fry-Drive through **5:30-8:00 PM**  
Way of the Cross **7:00 PM**

**Saturday, March 13, 2021**

Spring Cleaning in Church **9:00-12:00**  
Confessions in Church **2:30 PM-3:30 PM**  
Mass **8:30 AM & 4:00 PM**

**Sunday, March 14, 2021**

Mass **8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM**  
Adoration **11:30-12:30**

\*\*\*\*Daylight Saving Time begins\*\*\*\*

**Second Collection-Catholic Relief Services**

### LENTEN FAITH FORMATION

The SMM Adult Faith Formation invites you learn more about the Holy Eucharist during this Lenten season with a 2-night presentation called *Presence, The Mystery of the Eucharist*. The first session, *The Story of the Eucharist* looks at how the Eucharist was prefigured in the Old Testament as well as in Jesus' miracles and teaching; this session will be held on **Tuesday, March 16, 2021**. The second session, *Bread for the Journey*, focuses on the necessity of the Eucharist for our spiritual nourishment and explores the different parts of the Liturgy of the Mass; this session will be held on **Monday, March 22, 2021**. Both of these sessions will be from **6:30 pm – 8:00 pm** in the Discipleship Center. Masks are required as well as social distancing. There is no charge to attend these sessions, but pre-registration is required by calling the **Parish Office** at **(504) 733-0922**.



**FRIDAYS in LENT**  
**7:00 PM in Church**

## NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

I pray that your Lenten journey has been a time of drawing closer to Christ and responding to his invitation to conversion. As we identify an area of our life that needs change, we can be assured of God's help for us to face our weakness and experience a change of heart. Lent should include standing before our merciful God and asking for his forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, better known as Confession.

Please be reminded that a priest will be available in every church in the Archdiocese of New Orleans for the next 3 Wednesdays (**March 10, March 17, and March 24**) from **5:00 PM -6:30 PM**. The heart of Jesus is open and he invites you to know and accept his mercy.

Whether we have been to Confession recently, or perhaps it has been many years, now is the time to know that his heart is open and eager to forgive. Let us remember one another in prayer as we continue this journey through Lent to the new life of Easter.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

*Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond*

### LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, March 10 from 5-6:30 PM  
Wednesday, March 17 from 5-6:30 PM  
Wednesday, March 24 from 5-6:30 PM  
Good Friday, April 2 from 12:30-2:30 PM

### MEN'S CLUB LENTEN SEAFOOD FRY

Please join the St. Mary Magdalen Men's Club for a Lenten fish fry on Friday, March 12th -5:30 PM-8:00 PM. This will be drive-thru orders only. We will be serving fish, shrimp or combo platters– served with hot potatoes, coleslaw, and bread for only \$10.00 per plate! We hope to see you there!

### ANNUAL SPRING CLEANING



On Saturday, **March 13th** beginning at 9:00 AM, the Altar Society invites you to come help them do their annual spring cleaning of the church & chapel. Bring rubber gloves (if you use them), a small wisk broom or pastry brush and soft rags for polishing. Students needing service hours are particularly welcome. Call the rectory office for more information.