



*The Catholic Community of the East End of Pittsburgh*

ST. BEDE CHURCH  
509 South Dallas Avenue  
Pittsburgh PA 15208

MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL CHURCH  
7705 Bennett Street  
Pittsburgh PA 15208

ST. JAMES CHURCH  
718 Franklin Avenue  
Wilkinsburg PA 15221

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm St. James  
Sunday 9:00 am Mother of Good Counsel  
11:00 am St. Bede

Monday - Saturday 9:00 am St. Bede

*Mass occupancy is limited.*

Mass is also available on *Facebook* and *YouTube*.

**Novenas** 9:30 am St. Bede

Monday: Miraculous Medal Perpetual Novena  
Wednesday: Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

## Confession & Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday 9:30 - 10:30 am St. Bede

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment.

*St. Bede Church is open daily 8:00 am - 12:00 pm*

## Baptisms, Weddings, and Funerals

by appointment only.

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## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If you pull up the weeds  
you might uproot the  
wheat along with them.  
Let the weeds and the  
wheat grow together  
until harvest."

Matthew 13:29-30

July  
**19**  
2020

*"With God All Things Are Possible!"*

Website: [saintmarymagdalenepgh.org](http://saintmarymagdalenepgh.org)



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All our churches are accessible.

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**New Parishioners** Welcome! To register, please call or email the parish office. Registration forms are also available on the welcome page of our website:

[saintmarymagdaleneppgh.org](http://saintmarymagdaleneppgh.org)

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE

Anyone who volunteers in the parish or school is required by the diocese to be compliant with all Safe Environment clearances.

Please contact Melissa Viator at 412.661.7222  
or [mviator@stmaymagpgh.org](mailto:mviator@stmaymagpgh.org)  
with questions or for assistance.

### PROTECTION OF GOD'S CHILDREN

Report suspected child abuse  
At the 24-Hour Child Abuse Hotline: 800.932.0313  
If a child is in imminent danger, call 911

## Stewardship

### Offertory

July 5 \$15,622.00  
July 12 \$5,399.00

### PSP 2020

Goal \$153,393.00 Received \$84,096

**Music Ministry Collection:** To help support the Music Ministry of our parish, there will be a quarterly collection beginning in August. A Music Ministry envelope is in the August packet. Contributions may be made online at Faith Direct: [faithdirect.net](http://faithdirect.net). Our church code is PA994.

These contributions will be used as needed to purchase music, improve the sound systems and other miscellaneous expenses.

**Mass Intentions** are available now until the end of the year. Requests may be made in person at the parish office or by mail. When mailing in a request, please include the \$10 stipend. If it is not included, the request will be placed on hold until the stipend is received. No Mass requests will be taken over the phone. Contact Terri price at the parish office with any questions.

## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

are due no later than 9 am on Monday  
for the next week's bulletin.

Larger announcements must be submitted  
a week prior to the Monday deadline.

[bulletin@stmarymagpgh.org](mailto:bulletin@stmarymagpgh.org)

## As a Faith Community,

we pray for all who request prayers.

*Gail Britanik, Amy Corpuz, Mary Lou Laird,  
Patricia Marino, Dee Pryor, Emily Reiling,  
Marion Reynoso, James & Rose Smith,  
Arlene Trichtinger, and Janet Wennersten*

We pray for those who request prayers for any reason. We also pray for those affected by the coronavirus, COVID-19: those who are ill; healthcare and essential workers; religious and government leaders; and everyone impacted in any way.

If you, a family member, or friend would like to be on our prayer list, please call Cathy at the parish office or email [craffaele@stmarymagpgh.org](mailto:craffaele@stmarymagpgh.org).

The names are also published on the website.

## Mass Intentions July 18 - 26

Saturday Vigil Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4 pm	Margaret Hutchinson ( <i>Judith Stagg</i> )	BURKE
SUNDAY SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27 Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43	9 am	Jesse Scatorchia ( <i>Mary Grace &amp; Judy Prata</i> )	TAYLOR
	11 am	Helen Louise Norbut (Daughter, Helene Norbut)	HAWKINS
MONDAY Weekday	9 am	Joey Cannon ( <i>Jim Carroll &amp; Aphie</i> )	TAYLOR
TUESDAY Weekday	9 am	Jerry Sweeney ( <i>Jim Carroll &amp; Aphie</i> )	HAWKINS
WEDNESDAY Feast of St. Mary Magdalene	9 am	Robert Posch ( <i>The Posch Family</i> )	BURKE
THURSDAY Weekday	9 am	Mary Cannon ( <i>Sr. Daniela Bronka</i> )	TEMU
FRIDAY Weekday	9 am	Elizabeth Bender ( <i>Emily Castilla</i> )	BURKE
SATURDAY Feast of St. James, Apostle	9 am	George Pavlic ( <i>Faculty &amp; Staff of St. Anthony's School Programs and Foundation</i> )	BURKE
Saturday Vigil Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4 pm	Paul Polinsky ( <i>Carolyn Sobotka</i> )	HAWKINS
SUNDAY SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME First Reading: 1 Kings:3:5, 7-12 Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30 Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52	9 am	Theresa Scatorchia ( <i>Mary Grace &amp; Judy Prata</i> )	BURKE
	11 am	Temporal and Spiritual Wellbeing of Eric Schorr ( <i>Dorothy Gloninger</i> )	TAYLOR

### Prayer for the Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene July 22

O God, whose Only Begotten Son entrusted Mary Magdalene before all others with announcing the great joy of the Resurrection, grant, we pray, that through her intercession and example we may proclaim the living Christ and come to see him reigning in your glory.

Amen.

### Social Ministries & Community Outreach

Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting on Wednesday, July 22, at 7 pm via Zoom. The topic being discussed is to develop a plan for between now and the end of the year. For more information, contact Anne Scheuermann, Social Ministries and Community Outreach Coordinator at 412.241.1309 or [ascheuermann@stmarymagpgh.org](mailto:ascheuermann@stmarymagpgh.org)

For the Zoom link, visit the calendar on our website: [saintmarymagdalene.org/calendar](http://saintmarymagdalene.org/calendar)

### Letter Writing

Watch for a new letter writing topic and suggested letters, prepared by our St. Mary Magdalene Social Justice and Peace Committee, next weekend. Consider taking part in this monthly activity to speak the values and teachings of our faith to policy makers.

The letters will be available on the Social Ministries page of our website:

[saintmarymagdalene.org/social-ministries](http://saintmarymagdalene.org/social-ministries)

## PASTOR'S NOTE



### Weeds and Wheat!

Growing up on Sinton Avenue in Carrick, my dad always had a beautiful garden in our back yard. There were various tomatoes, peppers, and lettuce, that lined the garden next to our side patio. Weekly, my dad and I would weed the garden. Life is like that, there is good and bad in any family, business, and organization...

and even in gardens. It is a part of life that we must endure.

This weekend we celebrate the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings this weekend focus on good and evil. In the first reading from the Book of Wisdom, we read how a wise teacher explains the way of God with the world. God patiently steers people along the path of life by instructing them and giving them plenty of opportunities to change their ways and grow stronger in faith. In the second reading to the Romans, Paul assures us that we have the Holy Spirit to intercede for us when we pray. The Holy Spirit helps us in our human imperfection. In the Gospel of Matthew, we continue to read Jesus teaching in parables. This week we read the Parable of the Sower and the Seed and the Mustard Seed. Using weeds and wheat growing together until harvest time, Jesus affirms that the Kingdom of Heaven contains both saints and sinners and challenges us to live together and influence others for the better. The mustard seed and yeast imagery focuses on how something small (such as our faith) can grow into bigger and better things.

We can continue the work of Jesus by spreading the seeds of the Kingdom. When we love our neighbor, feed the hungry, or share our faith, we plant seeds. Every act of love we perform for Christ even if it seems little, is transformed through the Spirit into something greater. We sometimes can lose patience with the slow process of the Kingdom. God is always working among us with mercy and kindness and we are encouraged to trust in God's purpose and plan.

### Weeds and Wheat!

#### St. Mary Magdalene Statue

Just in time for our patron saint's Feast Day, this coming Wednesday, July 22, I am pleased to announce that we now have a beautiful St. Mary Magdalene Statue at each of our three campuses. Special thanks to a parishioner for purchasing these statues. They will be blessed this weekend at all of the weekend masses.

Schultheis Roofing Inc repaired several missing shingles on top of St. James Church roof. They also inspected the entire main roof area and will be giving a full analysis of any future repairs or suggested life of the roof which we know will eventually need repaired.

We have upgraded the altar and pulpit candles to oil filled. This will help burn cleaner eliminate the dripping and wax build up. Special thanks to Bob Seeger for adjusting the candle stands and for Melissa Viator for making this project a possibility.

Caruso Heating and Plumbing completed the installation of new air conditioning wall units on the first and second floor offices of the Parish Administrative Center.

Ed Lynch Contracting has begun work on updating the second floor of St. James Rectory. Upon completion, our new Parochial Vicar, Fr. Matt Hawkins will move in and live at the rectory with me. Currently Fr. Matt is staying at Holy Rosary Rectory with Fr. Taylor.

#### Looking Ahead

Confirmation retreat will be held Saturday, August 29 at St. Bede Church.

Confirmation will be held with two sessions: Sunday, September 27, at 2pm at St. Bede Church and Sunday, October 11, at 2pm at St. Bede Church.

#### Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Colton Michael Kinkela** who is being baptized this weekend.

Congratulations to our **Second Graders** who received their **First Holy Communion** last Sunday. It was a beautiful celebration. The second session for First Holy Communion will be held on Sunday, August 16 at 2pm at St. Bede Church.

#### Happy Anniversary!

Happy 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to my sister and brother in law Eric and Linda Burke Schueler celebrating their anniversary this Monday, July 20.

#### Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to my mom, Marge Burke, celebrating her birthday this Tuesday, July 21.

Happy St. Mary Magdalene Feast Day this Wednesday, July 22, and St. James Feast Day is Saturday, July 25!

#### Something to Think About...

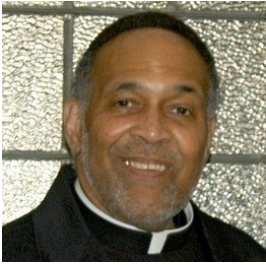
*All it takes is one good person to restore hope!*

Pope Francis, Laudato Si

With God, All Things Are Possible!

Fr. Tom Burke, Pastor  
[tburke@diopitt.org](mailto:tburke@diopitt.org)

## Father Taylor's Reflection



Some years ago, our churches had banners saying "Open Wide the Doors. This was a statement of welcome to all who might enter. The church has to be inclusive as we are all sinners and potential saints.

The gospels are full of stories showing Jesus much more generous and forgiving than many of us. The gospel parables today and last Sunday emphasize this.

I remember in my early years churches turning away families and individuals because of who they were and where they came from. This included racial bigotry. My family and I experienced these attitudes. As church, we must at all times look for reasons to invite and include. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has emphasized this time and time again.

Last Sunday, we had the opening Mass for St. Benedict the Moor Parish. The church closed, along with others, due to the pandemic. Bishop Zubik celebrated Mass along with Fr. Tom, Fr. Matt and myself. We look forward to sharing much with our sisters and brothers at St. Benedict.

## Advisory Councils

### Parish Pastoral Council

Patricia Albacete  
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Lois Campbell  
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Anne Kovalan-Santoni  
Peter Lahoda  
Teresa Maynor  
Joan Price  
Janice Reed  
Dante Romito  
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Gloria White

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Christopher Benec  
Linda Burke  
Michael Myers  
Michael Polite  
Judy Prata  
Bill Rawlings  
Mara Sullivan  
Victor Thorpe

## Minutes

Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Council meeting minutes are on our website.

If you wish a paper copy of the minutes, please contact the Parish Office at 412.661.7222.

## Cultural Action Team

We invite you to join a new St. Mary Magdalene Parish team. With sensitivity, openness, and creativity, the multi-ethnic team plans to look at the wonderful varying races and cultures in our parish, and examine how we can better our interrelationships through understanding and acceptance of differences.

This is an exciting and unique opportunity to shed the outer mantle and see the beauty within each of us. Let's walk together in God's Love.

For more information contact Linda Atkins at 412.880.8253 or [lindadanza@verizon.net](mailto:lindadanza@verizon.net)

## Information

Our churches are open for weekend Masses with limited occupancy: Saturday, 4 pm at St. James and Sunday, 9 am at Mother of Good Counsel and 11 am at St. Bede.

The parish website will be updated as information is available, [saintmarymagdalene.org](http://saintmarymagdalene.org).

Bulletins are available at the Parish Office, Holy Rosary Rectory and St. James Rectory.

## Mass Online

Sunday Mass is live streamed on Saturdays at 4 pm on Facebook and is available on YouTube at 5:30 pm. The Mass continues to be available for viewing on both sites.

Facebook: Saint Mary Magdalene Parish, [@smmppgh](https://www.facebook.com/smmppgh)  
YouTube: [St. Mary Magdalene Parish PGH](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCStMaryMagdaleneParishPGH)

## Faith Sharing on ZOOM!

Join fellow parishioners on ZOOM on **Sunday, July 19 and 26, from 2 to 3 pm** and on **Thursday, July 23, from 7:30 to 8:15 pm** for an informal time of faith sharing. The link to the meeting and the topic is sent by email and is also in the calendar on our website:

[saintmarymagdalene.org/calendar](http://saintmarymagdalene.org/calendar)



Radio Program, with Fr. Tom Burke as host, highlights elementary and secondary schools; colleges; youth ministry programs; and more, and is broadcast every other Sunday morning on KDKA-AM.

Fr. Tom's next program is on August 2.

See the homepage of our website, for the link to podcasts of the programs: [saintmarymagdalene.org](http://saintmarymagdalene.org).

## The St. Mary Magdalene Global Solidarity Committee

is forming at our parish. It will be a part of our Social Ministries and Community Outreach Committee similar to our Health Ministries and Social Justice and Peace Committees.

If you are interested in learning more about it, please call Denise Charron-Prochownik at 412.352.0627 or Joyce Rothermel at 412.780.5118.

**Pasta Products** are requested for our parish pantries during the month of *July*. Please bring donations to one of the churches. If you bring them to the Parish Office, 509 S. Dallas Avenue in Point Breeze, it is preferred that they be brought between 10 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday. If not, they can be left on the front or back porch.

Thank you for your continued support.

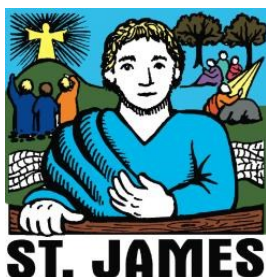
## St. Bede School's Angel Fund Support a Student in Need

Our vibrant school community is truly blessed and very grateful for over 90 years of support from St. Bede's parishioners. Parishioners have participated in our fundraising efforts, contributed financially to our school, and have supported our mission. We are asking for your continued support during these unprecedented times.

This past spring, parents and faculty members were able to raise funds in support of our families that have faced financial hardships during this pandemic. As the new school year approaches this need continues. Please help up assist these families by contributing to our Angel Fund.

Donations may be placed in the church collection basket, or by mailing envelopes to the school office (6920 Edgerton Avenue, 15208) or parish office. Any donations will be appreciated.

If you would like to "adopt a student" for the entire school year, please contact the school office at 412.661.9425. We need your support to continue providing an excellent, faith-based education for our students.



**ST. JAMES**

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Feast Day July 25

## Sr. Thea Bowman Catholic Academy's



mission is to provide a stimulating climate of academic excellence with high expectations for student achievement in order to be leaders in a diverse and global community.

STBCA offers a quality pre-school program that provides many interactions with elementary and middle school mentors, as well as opportunities with all specials classes: music, art, technology, gym, and library for PreK-8<sup>th</sup> Grade!

To learn more about the school and registration for the 2020/2021 School Year, go to [sistertheabowman.org](http://sistertheabowman.org) or call the office at 412.242.3515 (office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 9 am to 12 pm).

## St. Bede School's



mission is to educate students academically and spiritually and to teach the students what it means to be a caring, compassionate human being.

St. Bede's School has been, for nearly 100 years, an environment where children build wisdom and values from our foundation of faith, family and community.

St. Bede School is accepting registrations for the 2020-2021 school year, PreK-8th grade.

To register or for more information, go to [www.saintbedeschool.com](http://www.saintbedeschool.com) or call the main office 412.661.9425 (office hours: Monday to Thursday, 9 am to 1 pm).

## GOLDEN APPLE AWARD



Congratulations Sr. Daniela!  
Our 2019-2020  
Golden Apple Award  
Recipient

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