
St. Mary Magdalene June 7, 2024

A Note from Father Chris

“For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister ...”(Mark 3:35) Jesus this weekend proclaims our unity in God, especially when there is struggle. We are stronger together. The gathering of God’s people at the Mass is a blessing to the us and to the whole world.

This weekend we welcome Fr. Peter Igwilo from Cross Catholic Outreach and hear about the power of being united with our brothers and sisters in need.

A special thank you to the McKee family (Abbie, Don and Matt) for all their years of service to the parish. We wish them many blessings on their move back to Ohio.

With great love and gratitude,

Fr. Chris

[Giving Portal](#)

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Farewell Dinner for Father Chris June 15th RSVP

Please join us Saturday June 15th starting at 5:30pm for an Italian Dinner in the Dining Hall of the Activity Building. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children (under 12). Tickets can be purchased using this link: [Farewell Dinner For Father Chris](#) then selecting your meal options. NO tickets will be available at the door that evening. Limited to first 600 ticket sales due to space constraints.

Upcoming Events

June 7 - First Friday Adoration 9:30am - 7pm
 June 8 - No Confessions
 June 8 - 5pm Mass
 June 9 - 9am & 11am Mass
 June 10 - Daily Mass 9am
 June 10 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
 June 12 - Daily Mass 9am
 June 13 - Career Network Ministry 8:30am Room 4
 June 13 - Daily Mass 9am
 June 13 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Chapel
 June 14 - Daily Mass 9am
 June 15 - Confessions 10:30am
 June 15 - 5pm Mass
 June 15 - Farewell Dinner for Father Chris 6:30pm Dining Hall
 June 16 - 9am & 11am Mass

Send off for Father Chris June 16th

The Columbiettes invite all parishioners to join us on Sunday June 16th following the morning Masses, in the Church Piazza for donuts and drinks for a farewell to Fr. Chris as he completes his time at StMM. Come express your appreciation and well wishes to Father Chris before he transfers to St. Francis parish in Raleigh in late June.

Mass This Weekend

Click [HERE](#) to Stream our 9am Mass

Music for Weekend Masses

Gathering: Gather Us In 321

Responsorial Psalm 130: With The Lord is Mercy

Preparation: Great Are You

Communion 1: Here I Am, Lord 389

Communion 2: Morning by Morning

Communion 3: Restless

Sending Forth: How Can I Keep From Singing 447

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Pictures of the Week



The Convalidation of Lauren and Jacob Hamby and baptism of their daughter Adelynn on May 25th



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Marriage Blessing of Victoria and Timothy Hoff on April 13th



The Baptism of August Reed Koenighain on May 18th



Denise DeBlois received Confirmation and Holy Eucharist on Pentecost Sunday May 19th



Gimena Aguilar, Youssuani Aguilar, and Cassidy Harabin who received Confirmation, Dominic Finello, Hailey Ashbaugh, Oletha (Mo) Moody who received Confirmation and Holy Eucharist and Ben Barrangou who received Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist on Pentecost Sunday, May 19th.



Whitney and Michael Woodbridge's convalidation on June 1st





Eucharistic Procession after Mass to the Mary Garden on Corpus Christi



The Columbiettes celebrated Mass and dedication of the St Mary Magdalene painting with Father Chris. The auxiliary gifted the painting to the parish with appreciation and gratitude to Father Chris for his spiritual patronage and support.

Altar Flowers



This week's altar flowers are donated by Sammy and Stephanie Wray in loving memory of Zara Ann Wray.

Take this opportunity to consider donating flowers to St. Mary Magdalene to beautify the altar and church for weekly Mass to honor our Lord. These flowers will be donated in honor of or in memory of your loved one. Click [here](#). For questions, please contact floralministry@stmm.net

Welcoming volunteers for Floral Ministry. Join us on Fridays at 10am. All are welcome.

Welcome Fr. Peter Igwilo

Sacraments



BAPTISMS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email sansone@stmm.net. First time parents must attend a baptism class. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

CONFESSIONS - Confessions are usually, but not every week, at 10:30am on Saturdays in the Church. See "Upcoming Events" section for schedule.

WEDDINGS - See the Guidelines on the Website - then email weddings@stmm.net

Safe Environment New

Please welcome Father Peter Igwilo who will speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.

Helping Hands Ministry Food Drive

Helping Hands Social Ministry is sponsoring a food drive for the Holly Springs Food Cupboard this month. On June 8-9, we will distribute a list of the items needed to support the Food Cupboard. Food items should be returned to Mass on June 15 -16. If you prefer to donate money instead of specific food items, [click here](#) to donate through our giving portal The Portal will be open until June 19. Thanks for helping to feed the children of Holly Springs!

Career Network Ministry June 13th



Thu, Jun 13, 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM EDT

CNM Presents: Soft Skills - Your Secret Weapon For Building

Your Brand

Apex, US

[View event](#)

TOPIC: SOFT SKILLS: YOUR SECRET WEAPON FOR BUILDING A POWERFUL BRAND YOU!

Date: Thursday June 13th

Time: 8:30am-10:30am

Location: St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church (RM 4)

Annual Process

To All Diocese of Raleigh Level C Volunteers and Staff

On July 15th 2024, the system for safe environment training renewal and criminal background screening will be fully revised. Everyone (clergy, volunteers, and staff) who entered our database in 2023 or earlier, will be asked to verify the data we have in our system. You will receive an email from: Tech support noreply@dioceseofraleigh.safeenvironment.org. You will be asked to verify your profile data and *renew your safe environment training* via a new online system. **Please be sure your email address is correct by contacting Bertha Smith (bsmith@stmm.net).** Thank you for being active in ministry!

CPO Collection Baby Items

StMM will be hosting it's summer kids clothing and baby item drive on June 8th & 9th. Let us love the children and support them with our generosity. **New & USED** children's clothing **sizes 0 – 6T only (greatest need 3T-6T)**, children's shoes sizes 0-12, **baby diapers (sizes 4 – 6)**, baby wipes, **new & used socks & underwear 2T - 6T**, and new & used children's picture and toddler books will be collected before and after all Masses at the CPO box truck on June 8th & 9th. Please NO TOYS! Thank you for remembering the children.

The Lord taking a child placed it in their midst and putting his arms around it he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." (Mark 9 : 36-37)

Gabriel Project

The Gabriel Project ministry has been blessed to serve pregnant mothers in need of support- over 20 families in the past 18 months. Two of the mothers welcomed their little ones earlier this year and currently we are walking with five mothers. These women and their families have expressed gratitude for the support they receive from St. Mary Magdalene angels/volunteers. The lovely family from Afghanistan recently said "Thank you for walking with us- sisters". Another mother texted "Thank you to Ms. Ann and Gabriel Project for supporting my decision to make myself a better mom and individual. I appreciate you all very much."

We need your assistance and prayers to enable us to continue to serve pregnant women. Please consider helping by sharing your time, talent or treasure. Currently we need the following used items: 2 double strollers, 1 high chair and 1 infant-toddler convertible car seat. Interested in

RSVP: <https://www.linkedin.com/events/cnmpresents-deboronzio7200188047076773888/about/>

Blood Drive June 22nd

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive, Saturday, June 22nd, 8:30am to 1:30pm in the parking lot at St. Mary Magdalene School.

Keep Blood Bank shelves full. You may need blood someday. Currently, the shelves are depleting and we need your help.

Please signup to donate using the following link:

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/226330

Eucharistic Adoration Times

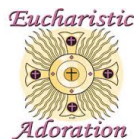


The 3rd Tuesday of each month, please join Deacon Rick for Eucharistic Holy Hour and Evening Prayer.

This sacred time is an opportunity for a deep, personal encounter with Christ: Pope Francis recommends Eucharistic Adoration as a foundational spiritual practice. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by evening prayer (Vespers) in the Liturgy of The Hours which represents the official prayers of the Church. We give thanks for the day and praise God. Adoration continues followed by Benediction.

Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, June 18th, from 7-8pm

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, **June 7th from 9:30am - 7pm**. All are encouraged to pay a visit to the church throughout the day and spend some time in prayer. Can you help by committing to 1 hour a month to spend with our Lord? **We really need help in the 3-4 and 4-5 hours.**



Please contact Anita Becker at ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM or 919-280-8931 if interested.

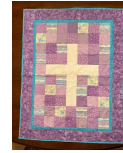
RCIA



Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic? Are you wanting to participate fully in the sacraments instituted by Christ? Are you a baptized Christian and desiring to

learning more or have a used item to donate contact us at gabrielproject@stmm.net

Prayers & Squares Ministry



The Prayer Quilt Ministry is founded on the idea that there is power in prayer to comfort in times of need. The ministry makes quilts for anyone who is in need of this prayer and comfort. The quilt is blessed and prayed over by the parishioners. If you would like to request a prayer quilt for someone please contact Lorraine Morris at lcmorris0707@gmail.com

Prayer Team



For companionship in your trials and joys of life, our team of prayer warriors are here to walk with you. It is a sincere privilege to help lift our parish family through intercessory prayer. As we pray for one another's needs, it helps us all to hear how loved ones are continuing on their journeys.

Please feel encouraged to share updates of your prayer intentions via email to StMMPayerTeam@stmm.net.

Request Prayers

All are welcome to join our team in lifting the prayers of our parish family, in whatever ways you like to pray best. Parish intentions are shared weekly, drop us a note if you would like to learn more about this ministry. * [Share Prayer Updates via email](#). *

Join the Prayer Team

RCIA Prayer Corner

Please pray for Stephen, Stephany and Elaine who have started their RCIA journey.

Please pray for all of those who are considering starting the RCIA journey.

receive the Eucharist and Confirmation? The next module of the RCIA process at StMM is starting on August 5, 2024. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at rcia@stmm.me and let's have a conversation. We can help you start the process. Be assured by Christ's very own words: "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and the door will be opened to you".

Faith Formation



Religious Education

2024-25

Grades K – 4 & Parents	Grades 5 & 6	Middle School – Grades 7 & 8	High School – Grades 9 & 10 Pre-Confirmation	High School – Grades 11 & 12 Post Confirmation
Parent Enrichment	Parent Enrichment	Sunday Evenings	Sunday Evenings	Sunday Evenings
Tuesdays	Tuesdays	7:15 – 8:30 pm	7:15 – 8:30 pm	Time & location determined by small group
6:15 – 7:30 pm	6:15 – 7:30 pm	StMM Gym	StMM Church	
StMM Church & School	StMM Gym	Youth Mass 6:00pm on Sundays when the Middle School and High School Faith Formation Programs Meet (Refer to the Faith Formation Calendar)		

[Click Here for the 2024-25 Faith Formation Calendar](#)

IS YOUR CHILD IN NEED OF
SACRAMENTS AND IN
THIRD GRADE OR ABOVE?

We can create a sacrament plan for
First Reconciliation & First Communion
Set up an appointment this Summer
(919) 657-4800 ext. 7280 or will@stmm.net

For Baptism, please call or email
(919) 657-4800 ext. 7303 or sansone@stmm.net



PROGRAMS OFF FOR SUMMER BREAK

**Registration Opens online
July 1st**

www.stmm.church/religious-ed/

Questions K-4: will@stmm.net
Grades 5-8: ritchie@stmm.net

GATHER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Gather meets Tuesdays
from 6:15 - 7:30 pm
Please consider
joining our Core Team
email: will@stmm.net



Questions:

For **GATHER**, contact Suzanne Will at will@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7280

For the **ROCK** contact Sarah Ritchie at ritchie@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7307

StMM Middle and High School Youth Ministry

JOIN OUR CORE TEAM FOR EDGE AND THE WAY



APPLY TODAY!

It takes an army of adult volunteers to run our youth ministry! If you want to join, or you're Interested In learning more, please fill out the Interest form below

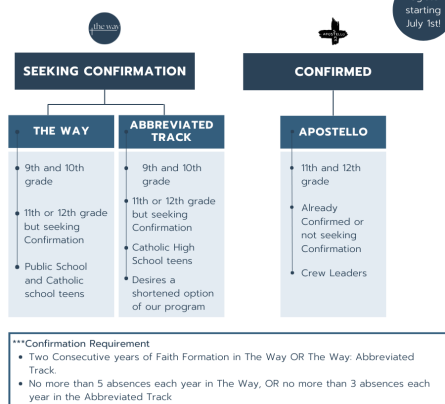
CREW LEADER APPLICATIONS OPEN



Core Team Interest Form for EDGE, The Way, Abbreviated Track, and Apostello: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdny1wY2eZ8-YrIVCG2iTGPhA6gidrt_hoRxA52orhGk4Y8DQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

Crew Leadership Program Application for 11th and 12th Graders: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSciCY-oVrTkTWnjqUI6q2tLQyIB-6U0t9iWVUljnj2aviJ6_g/viewform?usp=sf_link

STMM HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION WHICH IS RIGHT FOR ME?



SAVE THE DATE



BEACH RETREAT
AUGUST 16-18



MOUNTAIN RETREAT
FEBRUARY 7-9



Registration Opens July 1st! Which High School Program is Right for Me?

Save the Date for our High School Retreats! Registration link will be available on the E-News July 1st!

Questions:

For **EDGE**, contact Sarah Ritchie at ritchie@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7307

For **Apostello and the Way**, contact Niki Bordelon at bordelon@stmm.net or 919-657-4800 x7309

For **Confirmation**, contact StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com

School News

School Employment Opportunities

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School invites you to join our school community as a substitute teacher. We offer competitive compensation, a great work environment, and a flexible work schedule to fit your life. If you are interested in learning more about this exciting opportunity, please contact Kate Lawson at the school

at lawson@stmm.net.



Aftercare Employment Opportunities

Hiring in Aftercare. Must be 18 years or older. Aftercare is looking for someone who enjoys children and who can commit to five days a week: Monday through Friday. We've got a great team and would welcome new people with open arms. Hours are 2:30pm to 6pm. Please email Kate Lawson at lawson@stmm.net if interested.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School is accepting applications for the 24-25 school year in PreK4 and grades 6th-8th. Applications are closed for K-5th grade. If you are interested in a Catholic education for your child(ren), apply [HERE](#) or contact Lisa Portland (portland@stmm.net) to schedule a tour!

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