

St. Mary Magdalene November 8, 2024

StMM's Serving 100 Project



We are still in need of everyone's support in reaching our **goal of 100** by purchasing one or more of the following items (listed below are the amount we still need):

- 50 **New, Warm, & Fuzzy Throw (twin size or smaller, NO silk, wool, or handmade)**
- 75 **New Diaper Bags (backpack style & neutral in color)**
- 73 packs of **Size 1 Diapers**
- 72 **Womens Deodorants**
- 73 **Men's Deodorants**
- 62 **bottles of Body Wash**

Items can be purchased from the QR code above or from our local stores. Collection bins are in the church and school lobby through 11/17.

A Note from Father Mike

Did you notice that there is a common theme in this weekend's readings? The prophet Elijah and Jesus, both teach us that we are all called to love and help one another. As followers of Christ, we are to live that out in our daily lives. So we may be asking ourselves, in what ways can we do this. A great and often overlooked way is to intercede before God for our deceased loved ones. Each November, the Church invites us to assist our loved ones that have passed on with our prayers and intercessions. Many of the saints lived out this invitation in their prayer life each day.

St. Gertrude the Great was a 13th century Benedictine nun who had a deep mystical prayer life. She reported having numerous visions of Jesus and the saints during her life. One of her most celebrated visions involved Jesus appearing to her and making a special promise regarding the release of souls from purgatory. In this vision, Jesus told St. Gertrude that each time we recited the following prayer, God would release some souls from purgatory. The promise of quantifiable relief for the suffering of souls in purgatory through prayer, motivated St. Gertrude and many other Catholics to pray often for their benefit. This vision and promise continues to inspire Catholics to pray diligently for the souls in purgatory centuries after St. Gertrude's lifetime.

*Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus,
in union with the Masses said throughout the world today,
for all the holy souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere,
for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home,
and within my family. Amen.*

Let us strive to offer this prayer daily, especially on Sundays if possible. It will help assist numerous souls on their journey through purgatory to be in the presence of God. These holy souls in their gratitude and appreciation for our help, will assist us with their prayer. This is a wonderful way for us to show our compassion for those in need.

In His Love,

Fr. Mike Coveyou

Giving Portal

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Upcoming Events

Nov 9 - Confessions 10:30am
Nov 9 - 5pm Mass
Nov 10 - 9am & 11am Mass
Nov 11 - Daily Mass 9am
Nov 11 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel
Nov 12 - Daily Mass 9am
Nov 12 - Gather & the Rock 6:15pm Church
Nov 12 - First Reconciliation Parent Meeting
6:30pm Media Center
Nov 13 - First Reconciliation Parent Meeting
10:30am & 7pm Chapel
Nov 14 - Daily Mass 9am
Nov 14 - Morning Rosary after Mass Chapel
Nov 15 - Daily Mass 9am
Nov 15 - Our Lady Rosary Makers 10am Room 4
Nov 15 - Healing Mass 7pm Church
Nov 16 - 10:30am Confessions
Nov 16 - 5pm Mass
Nov 17 - 9am & 11am Mass

Mass This Weekend

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

Music for Weekend Masses

Gathering: A Voice Cries Out 46

Responsorial Psalm: 146:Praise The Lord My Soul

Preparation: All The Poor and Powerless

Communion 1: The King Of Love My Shepherd 470

Communion 2: Psalm 63: My Soul Is Thirsting

Communion 3: Oceans

Sending Forth: City Of God 391

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Nov 17 - Apostello & the Way
Nov 17 - Youth Mass 6pm
Nov 18 - Daily Mass 9am
Nov 18 - Catholic Senior Org 10:30am Room 3
Nov 18 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Church
Nov 18 - Parent Confirmation Workshop 6:30pm
Chapel

Pictures of the Week



The Baptism of Charlotte Jo Prilenski on November 2nd



The Knights of Columbus Council #7186 congratulates Eric Heggen, Owen Ranck & Evan Doran for being our Soccer Challenge age group winners. Eric and Owen were able to participate in the State Challenge and earned first place.



CSO members toured the Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral on November 6th

Altar Flowers



This week's altar flowers are donated by Mike and Regina Gray in memory of Don Gray.

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

Centennial Raffle

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

Help at Christmas Eve Mass



We are seeking two couples from our parish community who are willing to represent the Holy Family at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass.

The goal is to have you dressed in costume and process in with the Priest at the beginning of

CENTENNIAL RAFFLE 100

Celebrate 100 Years and Win the Ultimate Deanery Experience!

JOIN THE CENTENNIAL RAFFLE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN EXCLUSIVE TRIPS FROM ACROSS OUR DIOCESE AND EXPERIENCE THE BEST EACH DEANERY HAS TO OFFER. EACH PRIZE PACKAGE INCLUDES **TOP-NOTCH ACCOMMODATIONS, DINING, AND UNFORGETTABLE ACTIVITIES.**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
WWW.CATHOLICCHARITIESRALEIGH.ORG/CENTENNIAL-SUNDAY-RAFFLE
FOR ALL 8 PRIZE DETAILS AND TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS!

TICKET SALES WILL GO LIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2024.
\$10/TICKET OR 3 FOR \$20.
PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR ANY UPDATES!
WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN ON DECEMBER 12, 2024



Healing Mass at StMM



The next diocesan Healing Mass will be held right here at

St. Mary Magdalene on **Friday, November 15th at 7pm!**

Holy Mass, Adoration, and Healing Prayer Service will be celebrated by Fr. Mike, Fr. Francis, and other priests and deacons from the diocese.

All are welcome to experience God's healing touch! God cares about you and your family's needs whether they are big or small. We encourage all to come with an open heart.

Prayer teams will be available for private prayer for individuals, couples, and families.

Praise and Worship will be led by the "WithYou" Music Ministry.

If you have any questions, or need more information, please contact Deacon Dev at lolo@stmm.net or call (770) 828 6935.

Psalm 103:2-4: "Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy."

Mass carrying the statue of the newborn Jesus to place into the manger/creche scene. If you are interested, please contact Jim Galkowski for more details at galkowski@stmm.net.

Job Opportunities at the Parish

We have a number of positions open at the Parish so wanted to share to the community for those interested in joining the staff in support of the Parish.

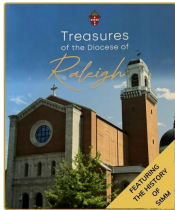
Communications Coordinator- Are you able to effectively communicate across many platforms and people? Are you able to be a social media presence and have talents in website design? The Parish is seeking applications for a newly created position of communications coordinator. This position is envisioned as a part time (20-24hrs), located on site (with remote hours a possibility).

Funeral and Bereavement Coordinator- A new position on staff is being recruited. This position is part time, irregular hours and may include evening and weekend time. This position will serve as the coordinator of Parish funeral and bereavement ministry. Duties include the acute intervention at times of death, and working with families through the process. Coordinating with parish staff, funeral directors, clergy, and others for arrangements. This role will have oversight of the columbarium to include contracts, niche engraving, purchase of urns and coordinating inurnments.

Financial Clerk- This is a new position to work on site in a part time position (up to 20 hours per week) which will assist with accounts payable, invoice reconciliation along with a wide variety of financial record keeping duties. This position will work with Fiscal Analyst to coordinate the business aspects of the Parish. Anticipated to increase in duties and hours as parish growth occurs.

Safe Environment Coordinator- We are seeking candidates to replace our retiring Safe Environment Coordinator. The position is based

Treasures of the Diocese of Raleigh



A beautifully illustrated book celebrating the 100th anniversary of our diocese and includes each parish and school. Makes a great gift for family and friends. Books are \$35.

Books are available for pick up in the Parish Office.

[Click here to purchase your copy now.](#) or

Don't want to pay online. Bring a check made out to "StMM" or cash.

Career Network Ministry



CNM Presents: Clearing the Way for Calling – Maximize Your Career Crossroad

St. Michael Conference Center
830 High House Rd
Cary, NC 27513

Thursday, November 14, 2024
8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

To RSVP [click here.](#)



Speaker: Lynn Fitzgerald

*Career Network Ministry: Empowering careers, embracing dignity:
Your path to success through faith and support. Join us!*

Joining us next week for the November Career Network Meeting at St. Michael the Archangel in Cary. Joining us will we welcome **Lynn Fitzgerald who will speak on "Clearing the Way for Calling: Three Actions to Take Now So That You Maximize Your Career Crossroad."**

Have you wondered **about God's calling on your life?**

So did Lynn. Lynn believed that finding your calling simply meant choosing a career and climbing the corporate ladder. **So imagine her**

in the parish offices and is part time (averaging 10-15 hrs with increased hours during August and September). Primary responsibilities include managing the program for all school and parish volunteers and staff members in adherence to the Diocese of Raleigh requirements. Candidates must be able to work independently and with a focus on the safety of all minors. Organization, communication, and collaboration skills are paramount.

If you are interested and want to learn more, please reach out to Jim at Galkowski@stmm.net

Hallow App



We are preparing to roll out the Hallow app to the St. Mary Magdalene community. More details are forthcoming, but if you already have the Hallow app, we encourage you to join the "One Nation Under God" challenge to pray in community for election week. While

in the app, select the Community icon to find and join our parish community on Hallow. Another way to find us is to scan the QR code on the Hallow banner in the narthex of the church. We look forward to praying with and for you!

Parish Athletics Spring Sports



Parish Athletics shopping weekend at Dick's Sporting Goods is here! Stock up on everything you need for the winter sport season with 20% off throughout the store tomorrow through Sunday. Bring this coupon or mention you are shopping for Parish Athletics to receive the discount!

Apex-Cary Spring Soccer 2025

Grades: Coed, Pre-K (3-year-olds) thru 8th grade.

Dates: March 22nd - May 17th.

Practice Locations: Apex or Cary, you pick.

Game Locations: Apex & Cary.

surprise when she advanced in her pharmacist career and decided that she had chosen the wrong ladder! ...

All this plus we will have time for some valuable **networking**, **so you won't want to miss this session!**

Dana

RSVP: <https://www.linkedin.com/events/cnmpresents-clearingthewayforca7252279411192795136/comments/>

Safe Environment

Returning Volunteers

All returning volunteers should have completed the annual Safe Environment Training module by September 15. The Diocese has started to "suspend" or "archive" those who are not compliant. If you missed the deadline and would like to volunteer, please contact Bertha Smith (bsmith@stmm.net).

New Volunteers

To become approved to volunteer, please go to the [StMM Safe Environment web page](#). See the *New Church and School Volunteers* paragraph for information and required paperwork. See the [Diocese of Raleigh Safe Environment Training calendar](#) for upcoming training dates. There are other meetings on the calendar, so look for "Safe Environment Training". To register, select the one you'd like to attend. Please contact Bertha Smith (bsmith@stmm.net) with any questions.

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

Cost: Pre-K - \$65; K - 1st grade - \$70; 2nd - 8th grade - \$80

Note: Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. Kindergarteners thru 8th graders have one weekday practice per week and weekend games.

REGISTER FOR SOCCER HERE

Apex Spring Baseball 2025

Grades: Coed. Pre-K (4-year-olds) thru 2nd grade.

Dates: March 29th - May 24th.

Practice/Game Location: Apex

Cost: Pre-K - \$65; K thru 2nd grade - \$70

Note: PreK thru Kindergarten plays T-Ball; 1st and 2nd grade play machine pitch. Pre-k players have a combined practice/game on Saturdays. Kindergarteners – 2nd grade have one weekday practice per week and games on Saturdays.

REGISTER FOR BASEBALL HERE

Forward In Hope - Grief Support Group to Begin



If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith

sharing group is for you. We recommend participants join us approximately six months after the loss of a loved one.

Sessions will consist of prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship. For more information about our fall sessions, please feel free to email stmmForwardinhope@stmm.net, call 919-657-4800 ext. 7280.

Catholic Senior Organization (CSO)

The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for women and men (60+) meets every third Monday of the month, September through May. Our next meeting will take place Monday, November 18, 2024, 10:30 AM until Noon, in Church meeting room #3. For more information, please contact Jim Schultz, 954-649-0194 or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com

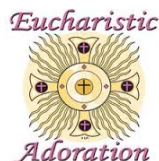
Advent Candle Sales



The Columbiettes are selling Advent candles blessed by Father Mike on Nov 23-24 after all Masses. Each boxed set of 4 candles is \$10 each (cash or check only), while supplies last. For more information email fr.hcmulhollandcolumbiettes@gmail.com or call Sandy Pitman 443-370-8136. Proceeds will go to charitable causes and the StMM parish and school.

Eucharistic Adoration Times

First Friday Adoration will be in the chapel on Friday, **December 6th 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.



Pope Francis encourages us to spend time in Eucharistic Adoration and allow our encounter with Jesus to transform us. If you are willing to spend an hour communing with our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament, please join Deacon Dev and your fellow parishioners in a spirit of Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, and Supplication followed by Benediction. Handouts will be available to help you participate in prayer and song.

Next Holy Hour: Tuesday, November 19, from 6:30pm - 7:25pm

Christmas Concert and Dinner



All are welcome to join us for dinner provided by the Knights of Columbus following the StMM Christmas Concert on December 6th by RSVPing [HERE](#)

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 StMMPrayerTeam@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 Kaitlyn, Ashton, Michael, Mark, Michael, Yazmin, Jessica, and Earl who have started their RCIA journey.

Please pray for the Montana, Christina, and Victoria who are starting their RCIA journey in two week.

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

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

receive the Eucharist and Confirmation? The next module of the RCIA process at StMM is starting in November 11, 2024. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Deacon Rick Stevens at stevens@stmm.net 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

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

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting

ALL PARENTS WHOSE CHILD WILL BE MAKING THEIR FIRST RECONCILIATION IN FEBRUARY, PLEASE ATTEND ONE MEETING:

11/12/24 6:30 pm during Gather in the School Media Center

11/13/24 10:30 am - 11:30 am Chapel

11/13/24 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Chapel

If you attended in the last two years, you can just pick up your materials but don't need to stay for the meeting.

Next Night of

GATHER
FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Jesus

Tuesday
Nov. 12

6:15 pm
Church

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



EDGE RETREAT

NOVEMBER 16TH-17TH

REGISTER THROUGH NEWSLETTER- CAMP WEAVER- 4924 TAPAWINGO TRAIL, GREENSBORO, NC 27406

[Click here to register for the retreat](#)



BE A YOUTH MASS VOLUNTEER!

Before Mass

- Altar Prep

During Mass:

- Altar Servers
- Ushers
- Lectors
- Eucharistic Ministers

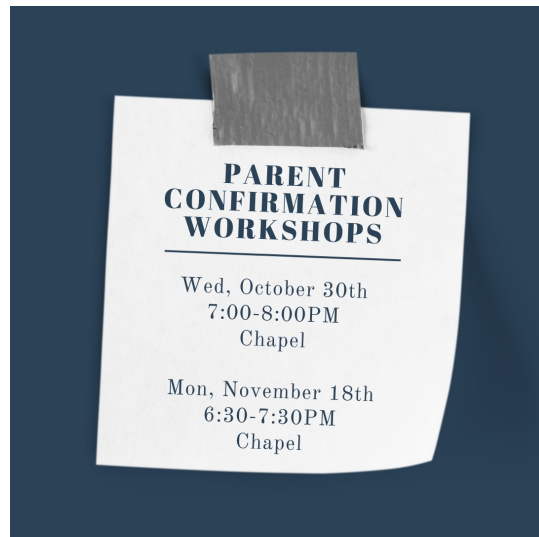
[Click here for the interest form for Youth Mass volunteers](#)



High School Mountain Retreat

FEBRUARY 7-9
CAMP CARAWAY
ASHEBORO, NC
REGISTRATION OPENS NOV. 1
9-12TH GRADERS

Registration for our Mountain Retreat is NOW OPEN! [Click here to register](#)



PARENT CONFIRMATION WORKSHOPS

Wed, October 30th
7:00-8:00PM
Chapel

Mon, November 18th
6:30-7:30PM
Chapel



[Camp Covecrest Interest Form](#)

Questions:

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

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

For **Confirmation**, contact the coordinator at StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com

School News

Interested in joining **St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School** for the **25-26 school year**? Tours are now open! Click [HERE](#) to visit us on campus to learn how we pray, learn, and care in our preschool, elementary, and middle school classrooms! Contact Lisa Portland, portland@stmm.net, with any questions!

The banner features the school's logo in the top left, which includes a cross and a stylized flower. To the right, the text 'TOURS OPEN' is written in large, outlined letters, with '25-26 School Year' below it. On the left side, a maroon box contains the text 'Serving PreK3 through Eighth Grade'. In the center is a photograph of four students in school uniforms (grey shirts and maroon shorts) standing outdoors with backpacks. A circular logo with a cross and flower is overlaid on the bottom right of the photo. At the bottom left of the banner, the text 'We pray. We learn. We care.' is displayed.

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