

St. Mary Magdalene September 27, 2024

Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Our Diocese

Treasures of the Diocese of Raleigh



Help StMM Church & School reach our goal of helping hundreds of families with the following donation drives to support those in need. birth choice



Donations collected from October 1st to November 17th.

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SERVING

** Children's Blankets

BLANKETS

We are partnering with Children's Blankets of Love. By donating blankets, we hope to bring comfort, security, and hope to children who are chronically ill at Children's Hospitals locally and statewide.

DIAPER BAGS

We are partnering with BirthChoice of Raleigh to give expectant mothers in need a gift of a diaper bag, diapers, and wipes for her newborn baby.

HYGEINE ITEMS

@STMARYMAGDALENEAPEX

We are collecting deodorant and body wash to give to resident senior citizens at PruittHealth Nursing Home.

Limited number available!

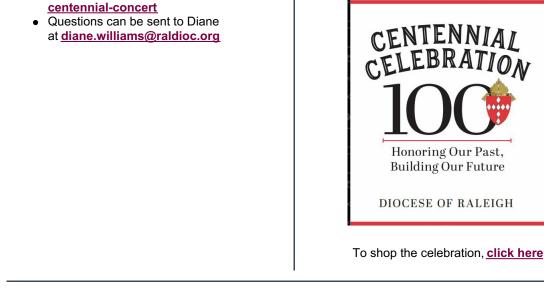
Click here to purchase your copy now. Pick up in the Parish Office during the week.

For Bishop Zarama's Letter, click here.

Concert Oct 25th at Holy Name of Jesus

October 25, 2024 7pm-8pm Concert: Praise God in His Holy Place

- Dr. Peter Laytona from the National Shrine joining us with his choir
- There will be a special surprise at the end of the concert!!
- All are invited and RSVP is required - there are no tickets
- Link: <u>https://dioceseofraleigh.org/rsvp-</u>



A Note from Father Mike

Friday, October 4, we remember one of God's servants St. Francis of Assisi. A son of a prominent and prosperous merchant in the town of Assisi. Francis enjoyed a privileged youth, spent in many worldly pursuits. His encounters with poor beggars and lepers awakened his conscience and brought it to life. After a period of time, he was inspired by the poor and he decided to devote his life to a form of poverty in imitation of Jesus Christ. His life has been an inspiration to many over the years. Pope Benedict XVI stated that St. Francis was a "giant of holiness, a great saint, and a joyful man." He has taught the Church that the secret of true happiness is to become saints, close to God. Francis was moved by compassion for living things, especially animals. As we celebrate this great saint, we are called to be good stewards of God's creation. In honor of St. Francis, we will be blessing animals next Friday Oct 4 from 5:00 - 6:30pm in the church entrance patio area.

In His love,

Father Mike Coveyou

Giving Portal

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Upcoming Events

Sept 28 - No Confessions Sept 28 - 5pm Mass Sept 28 - Altar Server Training 6pm Church Sept 29 - 9am & 11am Mass Sept 29 - Youth Mass 6pm Sept 29 - Apostello, EDGE & the Way Sept 30 - Daily Mass 9am Sept 30 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel Sept 30 - Respect Life Meeting 7pm Room 1 Oct 1 - Daily Mass 9am Oct 1 - Gather & the ROCK 6:15pm Church Oct 2 - Daily Mass 9am Oct 2 - Frassati Young Adult 7pm Chapel Oct 3 - Daily Mass 9am Oct 3 - Morning Rosary 9:30am Oct 3 - Development of Church Series with Deacon Dev lobo@stmm.net 6:30pm Church Oct 4 - Daily Mass 9am Oct 4 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am - 7pm Church Oct 4 - Rosary Makers 10am Room 4 Oct 4 - Pet Blessing 5pm -6:30pm Church Piazza Oct 5 - 10:30am Confessions Oct 5 - 5pm Mass Oct 5 - Altar Server Training 6pm Church Oct 6 - 9am & 11am Mass Oct 6 - Youth Mass 6pm Oct 6 - Apostello, EDGE, & the Way Oct 7 - Daily Mass 9am Oct 7 - Family Rosary 6:30pm Chapel

Mass This Weekend

Click HERE to Stream our 9am Mass

Music for Weekend Masses

Gathering: Glory and Praise (Praise 6pm) 556 **Responsorial Psalm: 19**: The Precepts of the Lord

Preparation: I Trust in God Communion 1: Ubi Caritas - Hurd 328 Communion 2: Reckless Love Communion 3: All The Poor And Powerless Sending Forth: Who You Say I Am

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Pictures of the Week



First Meeting of Walking with Purpose

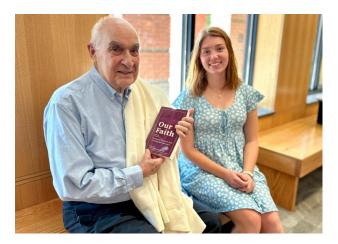


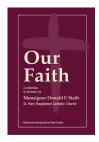
Joanne and Chris Clarke's Convalidation on September 23



Frassati Young Adult Group volunteered at Brown Bag Ministry

Collection of sermons by Monsignor Staib now published





A new book, "Our Faith: A collection of sermons by Monsignor Donald F. Staib," has been published and is available at Amazon, the online bookseller.

The book is a result of a two-year project by StMM parishioner and school alumna Claire Curliss, who is a current senior at Cardinal Gibbons High School.

Working with Monsignor Staib, Claire preserved the entirety of Monsignor Staib's sermons for the StMM church archive and then selected, edited and published this collection in book form. The project was recently recognized with the Girl Scout Gold Award, the organization's highest national honor.

The new 333-page book is a second edition that makes 70 sermons more widely available. They were chosen with an emphasis on relevance to StMM parishioners and those involved in the Faith Formation programs, to those interested in the history and growth of the parish, and to the perspective or background of Monsignor Staib. They were selected from more than 1,200 sermons, spanning decades,

that were preserved for the church archive.

The book is available at a cost of \$15 – and all proceeds benefit St. Mary Magdalene Church. You can purchase "Our Faith" at: https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0DCQB7C63/

Itar Flowers



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

Father Francis on Divine Mercy Radio



Click here for recording

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 guilt for someone please contact Lorraine Morris at Icmorris0707@gmail.com

acraments



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

StMM 4th Grade on Divine Mercy Radio

We are so excited to announce that our 4th grade class will be on the Divine Mercy Radio on September 30th and October 1st!! Yay!!! Below are the times and ways that you can listen!

St. Mary Magdalene's School will air these dates and times: Sept 30 - Monday - at 6pm Oct 1 - Tuesday - at 3pm

To VOTE for your favorite praver group: DMR Website: https://www.catholic540.org/ DMR Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/DivineMercyRadio

They can listen live 3 ways: ON AIR - 540 AM ON APP - Download our app from your app store - DIVINE MERCY RADIO NC ONLINE - https://www.catholic540.org/listen

Pet Blessing October 4th

Finance Counci

Do you have talents to share in financial management and interested in being considered for openings on the Parish Finance Council? If so, please contact <u>financecouncil@stmm.net</u> for more information

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/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 <u>StMM Safe Environment web page</u>. See the New Church and School Volunteers paragra ph for information and required paperwork. See the <u>Diocese of Raleigh Safe Environment</u> <u>Training calendar</u> 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 (<u>bsmith@stmm.net</u>) with any questions.

Frassati Young Adult Group

The Frassati Young Adult group provides a community for those in their 20s and 30s. Email us at **frassati@stmm.net** for more information and to be added to our email list. Our upcoming events are:

Wed, Oct 2



FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

Blessing of the Pets

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH 5:00-6:30PM StMM CHURCH ENTRANCE



Respect Life Ministry

Respect Life ministry -Fall meeting Sept. 30 7pm in Room 1. Please join us to plan activities and outreach to promote a culture of life. If you have any questions, email Paula at **pshils@bellsouth.net**.

Seeking Help for Ukrainian Refugees

We are still seeking a couple that would be interested in sponsoring another family of 3 to emigrate under the Uniting for Ukraine immigration program. The Parish helps out in supporting the families once they are approved to emigrate, but sponsors are needed to make application for these individuals. More details can be obtained from galkowski@stmm.net

Thank you all who so generously offered items to help the new Ukrainian families to settle into a new life here in the US. We received numerous items that will go a long way to start them in their new apartments.

Altar Server Training



"Serving at the Altar is a privileged way to draw closer to Jesus" – Pope Francis

Altar serving is a great way to learn more about the Mass and to take an active role in the Church family. All who are 3rd grade and up and have received their First Sacraments are 7-7:30pm Adoration in Chapel 7:30pm TBD in Room 3 Wed, Oct 16 7-7:30pm Adoration in Chapel 7:30pm "The Armor of God in the Modern Day" in Room 3 Wed, Nov 6 7pm Trivia with Deacon Dev in Room 3

Monarch Monday



BECOME A MONARCH MONDAY SPONSOR TODAY!!

We are happy to announce that St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School's Monarch Monday campaign is back for the 2024-2025 school year! **Sponsorship opportunities are open to businesses and families!** Click <u>HERE</u> to become a Monarch Monday sponsor.



Knights of Columbus Membership Drive



Knights of Columbus Membership Drive – Are you looking for a way to get involved with Saint Mary Magdalene's Church, School, and Community? A great way to do this is with the Knights of Columbus.

We are a fraternal men's organization dedicated to the needs of the StMM community and guided by our Pastor and KofC Brother Mike. Brother welcome to join the altar server ministry!

A training session for new servers for all Masses will be held on **Saturday, October 5th at 6pm** in the Church. If any existing servers need a "refresher," they are also welcome to join.

Please RSVP to Andree Genez at <u>stmmaltarservers@gmail.com</u>. Parents are encouraged to attend!

StMM School Employment Opportunities

Long-Term Middle School Grades 6 and 7 Math Substitute Teacher Position Available Please contact Peggy Lane

(Lane@stmm.net) and Nancy McElroy (McElroy@stmm.net) with your interest and resume. Approximate dates needed are from October 2024 - mid-February 2025. Thank you for your consideration!

Full Time (40 hours/week) Grade 1 Teacher Assistant Position Available

Please contact Peggy Lane (<u>Lane@stmm.net</u>) and Nancy McElroy (<u>McElroy@stmm.net</u>) with your interest and resume. Thank you for your consideration!

Mulholland Columbiettes Auxiliary



Are you a Catholic woman 18 years of age or older, looking for a way to give back to your community and grow in faith? Would you like to make new friends with other Catholic

women, serve together and pray together? Then the Columbiettes is for you. We are a band of sisters, a network of women in communities throughout the US doing good works in service of God and our neighbors. We also have fun! We Knights will be available after Mass on the weekend of September 28th after each mass to discuss membership. For more information - <u>https://kofc7186.org/</u>. If you are interested in

joining, sign up here

- <u>https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html</u> or contact Steve Fitzhenry for more information <u>stevefitzhenry@outlook.com</u>.

Forward In Hope - Grief Support Group to Begin



If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christcentered 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.

Healing Mass at StMM Rescheduled for Nov 15th



The Healing Mass has been rescheduled to **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.

If you have any questions, or need more information, please contact Deacon Dev at **lobo@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." meet monthly at StMM and have many activities to participate in. Come to our information table and meet us after all Masses September 28-29.

Check out our website, or contact us at <u>fr.hcmulhollandcolumbiettes@gmail.com</u> or

Sandy Pitman at 443-370-8136. Website: <u>https://frhcmulhollandcolu.wixsite.co</u> <u>m/columbiettes7186</u>

Fall New Member Luncheon

Calling All New Parishioners!

We are very excited to have you as new members of our community! If you registered as a member from May 2024 through now, we would love to have the opportunity to officially welcome you after 11am Mass, Sunday, October 27th. We will gather in the Activities Building for food, fellowship, and fun for the kids!

Please register here to attend <u>https://forms.gle/EU6LnNpjr49STXGr7</u>

Registration will be open through October 23rd.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Petersen at <u>I.a.petersen@gmail.com</u>.

We look forward to officially welcoming you to the St. Mary Magdalene family!

Essay Contest Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus STMM 7186 Essay Contest – 8th-12thGraders (Due 11-8-24). The K of C sponsors an annual essay challenge to encourage today's youth to be more connected to their community and faith.

In an essay of 500-750 words, what are the two most important virtues for an elected leader to possess, and why? How can you determine if the leader has these virtues?

There is a monetary award for the winner. StMM parents should contact Joe Beira's for more information - jbeiras@hotmail.com

Eucharistic Adoration Times

First Friday Adoration will be in the church on Friday, **October 4th 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 <u>ALANITABECKER@AOL.COM</u> or 919-280-8931 if interested.



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, October 22nd, from 6:30pm - 7:25pm

Discerning God's Will with Deacon Dev



10/1, 10/29, 1/7 2/4, 3/4, 4/8

OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS DURING GATHER'S PARENT ENRICHMENT PROGRAM.



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**.



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. * <u>Share Prayer</u> <u>Updates via email</u>. *

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.



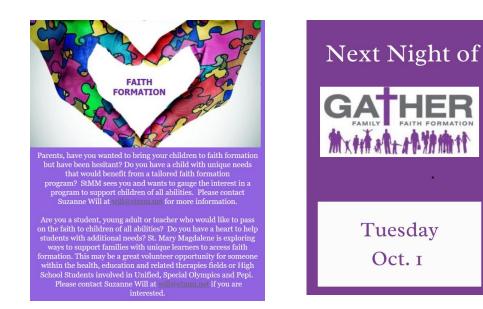


Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic? Are you wanting to participate fully in the sacraments instituted by Christ? Are you a baptized Christian and desiring to

receive the Eucharist and Confirmation? The next module of the RCIA process at StMM is starting in November 2024. Now is a great time to start. Will you join us? Please contact Kathy and Scott Strednak at <u>rcia@stmm.me</u> 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



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



NOVEMBER 16TH-17TH REGISTER THROUGH NEWSLETTER- CAMP WEAVER- 4924 TAPAWINGO TRAIL, GREENSBORO, NC 27406

Click here to register for the retreat



Jesus-

6:15 pm

Church

- Ushers • Lectors
- Eucharistic
- Ministers

Click here for the interest form for Youth Mass volunteers

EDGE SUNDAY SCHEDULE

| 6:00 pm | Youth Mass begins in the Church |
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| 7:00pm | Teens transition to the school cafeteria for snacks |
| 7:15pm | Teens find small groups in the school gym for announcements |
| 8:30 pm | Parents park in the school lot and walk into the school building to pick up their teens from the gym |

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| Apostello Meets in the Chapel |
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| Youth Mass begins in the Church |
| Teens make nametags and eat snacks in Church Narthex |
| Teens find small groups in Church for large group session & announcements |
| The Way goes to small group locations for Relational Ministry Night |
| Abbreviated Track Session stays In Church |
| Pick Up in Parking Lot |
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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 <u>StMM.confirmation@kristoffs.com</u>



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



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