Church of St. Mary Magdalene

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 19, 2023



As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

"Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. "As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means "Sent"). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing.

His neighbors and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, "Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?" Some claimed that he was.

Others said, "No, he only looks like him."

But he himself insisted, "I am the man."

"How then were your eyes opened?" they asked.

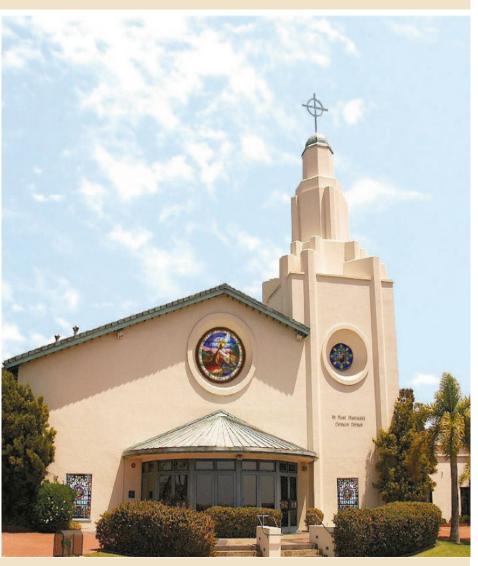
He replied, "The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So I went and washed, and then I could see."

"Where is this man?" they asked him. "I don't know," he said. (John 9:1-12)

Rev. Edward P. McNulty Pastor

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<u>Mass Schedule</u>
Tuesday - Saturday mornings 7:45am

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9am, 11am, 6pm

Holy Day 7:45am, 6pm

• <u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u> • Saturday 4:00pm - 5:00pm or by appointment

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Lenten and Holy Week Events Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent 7:00pm Palm Sunday Saturday, Åpril 2 5:30pm 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm Sunday, April 3 Holy Thursday Mass 7:00pm Thursday, April 6 **Good Friday Stations of the Cross** 2:00pm Friday, April 7 Good Friday Liturgy 3:00pm Friday, April 7 Easter Vigil Saturday, April 8 8:00pm Easter Day Masses Sunday, April 9

9:00am & 11:00am No 6:00pm Mass

St. Mary Magdalene Mission Statement

We, the Eucharistic Community of St. Mary Magdalene, are called to conversion in Jesus Christ.

Our community life and worship are based on the Bible, the Sacraments, and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Living the love of Christ impacts our moral, intellectual, and

religious life, and makes us a caring community that brings hope to our families, neighborhood, and society.

- PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday-Friday:8:00am - 4:30pm (closed from 12:00pm-1:00pm)
- TO BECOME A REGISTERED PARISHIONER Stop by the Parish Office during regular business.
- FUNERAL PRE-PLANNING Arrangements for a funeral liturgy may be made in advance. Contact the Parish Office.
- MINISTRIES/ORGANIZATIONS To become involved in a parish ministry, call the ministry contact • SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM found on page seven of this bulletin.
- EUCHARISTIC ADORATION HOLY HOUR
- the Church.
- Religious Education Classes are held on Sunday mornings at 10:15am. Contact Director Religious the of Education for more information.

- SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Call the Parish Office at least nine months in advance.
- SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday, from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the church or call the Parish Office for an appointment.
- SACRAMENT OF THE SICK In event of serious illness or medical emergency, anointing of the sick and Eucharist may be arranged by contacting the Parish Office.
- Baptismal preparation classes

are required of all parents and godparents. Call the Parish Office for an appointment.

• First Fridays 4:00pm-5:00pm in • RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Those who are interested in becoming Catholic, or those baptized Catholics, who wish to become fully initiated in the Church, should call the Parish Office



No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your past or present situation, No matter what your personal history, age, background or race, No matter what your own self image or self-esteem. You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected at St. Mary Magdalene Church! We are so happy to have you here!

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 18 7:45 AM - Cyril Flavin 5:30 PM - John Weeks

Sunday, March 19 9:00 AM - Agnes Flavin ♥ 11:00 AM - Bill and Regina Jenkins ♥ 6:00 PM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene

Tuesday, March 21 7:45 AM - Skip Malthaner ♥

Wednesday, March 22 7:45 AM - Mike Ferguson +

Thursday, March 23 7:45 AM - William Gomez, Sr. +

Friday, March 24 7:45 AM - Greg Gonion +

Saturday, March 25 7:45 AM - Mike Wise 5:30 PM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene

Sunday, March 26 9:00 AM - Vickie Pope ♦ 11:00 AM - Bob and Steve Wise ♥ 6:00 PM - Delphine Turner ♥

Living God's Word

We pray to God as the ineffable light, calling forth from the darkness of fear and prejudice and hatred men and women who choose to live in the light of Christ. We pray God to remove our attraction to the darkness, replacing it with a love for the Light.

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MUSIC MINISTRY

Our Liturgical Music

Entrance: BB 449 Amazing Grace

Responsorial Psalm: *The Lord is kind and merciful.*

Presentation of the Gifts: BB 135 Gracious God

Mass Setting: BB 923-932 Mass of Spirit & Grace

Communion Hymn: BB 406 / 129 Open My Eyes / In These Days Of Lenten Journey

Recessional Hymn: BB 739 Lead Me, Lord

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

A Scriptural Reflection

Reflecting on God's Word

Most of us can recognize times when we are "in the dark" and occasions when we carry darkness in our hearts, just as there are moments when we feel enlightened and find that our vision is clear. It is quite another thing to become identified with darkness or with light. The first words of today's reading from the Letter to the Ephesians stand out for their boldness: "You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord" (Ephesians 5:8).

We get a glimpse of what it means to be light in the Lord both from Samuel, who finally sees as God sees, and in the courageous behavior of the man born blind after Jesus has healed him. Samuel anoints Israel's greatest king, David, and the man born blind comes to faith in Jesus as Lord.

The man born blind is one of those strong figures found in John's Gospel. Like the woman at the well, we never learn his name but we come to know his heart. His speech is straightforward, whether speaking to his neighbors, the Pharisees, or Jesus. You can hear the gradual dawning of faith as he responds to those around him, from the simple "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see" to "He is a prophet," to his answer to Jesus' question about having faith in the Son of man standing before him, "I do believe, Lord" (John 9:15, 17, 38).

In the beginning God spoke. Those first words have never stopped bringing about what they said: "Let there be light" (Genesis 1:3).

-James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

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- Mon: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29/ Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Tue: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
- Wed: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
- Thu: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
- Fri: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Sat: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a,8b-9, 10, 11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38
- Sun: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



Dear Parishioners,

This weekend all parishes in the Diocese of San Diego will be asked to participate in the Annual Lenten Collection. This collection raises funds for the Church in places other than the United States, places like Latin America, where the Church is still recovering from numerous natural disasters, and places like the Holy Land, the birthplace of our faith. Envelopes for this collection have been placed on the counter at the entrance of the church and we invite you to be as generous as possible. You may indicate on the envelope if you would like to designate your contribution to one or more of the four causes included in this collection.

Don't forget our Parish Lenten Penance Service which will take place on Tuesday, March 28th beginning at 7:00pm We will have a number of priests from the neighboring parishes with us to assist with this celebration.

I would like to thank those who have so generously responded to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). We are currently working toward our goal of \$57,000. If you have not yet made a pledge to the ACA it is not too late and no pledge is too small. Additional ACA brochures and pledge envelopes are available on the counter inside the main entrance to our church. We would like to see as many families participate as possible.

This past Friday, March 17th we celebrated the great feast of St. Patrick and so I thought it might be good to remember a little about who he was. One commentary on the lives of the saints states: "Patrick was born around 385 in Scotland, probably Kilpatrick. His parents were Calpurnius and Conchessa, who were Romans living in Britain in charge of the colonies. As a boy of fourteen or so, he was captured during a raiding party and taken to Ireland as a slave to herd and tend sheep. Ireland at this time was a land of Druids and pagans. He learned the language and practices of the people who held him. During his captivity, he turned to God in prayer. He wrote "The love of God and his fear grew in me more and more, as did the faith, and my soul was rosed, so that, in a single day, I have said as many as a hundred prayers and in the night, nearly the same." Patrick's captivity lasted until he was twenty, when he escaped after having a dream from God in which he was told to leave Ireland by going to the coast. There he found some sailors who took him back to Britain, where he reunited with his family. He had another dream in which the people of Ireland were calling out to him "We beg you, holy youth, to come and walk among us once more." He began his studies for the priesthood. He was ordained by St. Germanus, the Bishop of Auxerre, whom he had studied under for vears.

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Later, Patrick was ordained a bishop, and was sent to take the Gospel to Ireland. He arrived in Ireland March 25, 433, at Slane.

One legend says that he met a chieftain of one of the tribes, who tried to kill Patrick. Patrick converted Dichu (the chieftain) after Dichu was unable to move his arm until he became friendly to Patrick. Patrick began preaching the Gospel throughout Ireland, converting many. He and his disciples preached and converted thousands and began building churches all over the country. Kings, their families, and entire kingdoms converted to Christianity when hearing Patrick's message. Patrick preached and converted all of Ireland for 40 years. He worked many miracles and wrote of his love for God in Confessions. After years of living in poverty, traveling and enduring much suffering he died March 17, 461. He died at Saul, where he had built the first church.

Fr. Ed McNulty Pastor STEWARDSHIP

Seeing Is Believing

People in Jesus' time thought blindness was caused by sinfulness. In today's Gospel, the Pharisees-the supreme rule-keepers-were far less concerned about the blind man than that Jesus broke the rule of the Sabbath. The rules governing what could and could not be done on the Sabbath seemed more important than rest from labor. When Jesus healed the blind man, the Pharisees labeled them both as sinners. We can be equally judgmental, ranging from annoyance if our grown children do not live their lives exactly as we do, all the way to condemnation of all those of a different religion or political persuasion. The angrier we are, the more blind we are to our lack of charity. Saint Paul says we live in the light of Christ and should try to produce "every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth" (Ephesians 5:9). Rules have their place, but things go amiss when we place the rules above everything else. That's a blindness we cannot afford.

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Join or donate to an organization that works for peace and justice. You can find a selection of such organizations listed on the United Sates Conference of Catholic Bishops Web site: <u>www.usccb.org/sdwp/</u>links.shtml.

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Annual Lenten Collection

Each year parishes in the Diocese of San Diego are asked to participate in the Annual Lenten Collection, which supports the Church in Africa, the Church in Latin America, and Catholic Relief Services. This weekend has been designated for the 2023 Annual Lenten Collection. Special envelopes are available for this collection on the counter in the back of the church. Please prepare to respond generously to this worthwhile collection.

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

Servants of the Lord. Thank you for giving of yourselves in this important ministry. You are much appreciated. Please check your in-box email and your SPAM. A request has been sent to you for 2nd quarter availability. Your responses are needed by Monday, March 20th so that the schedule can be finalized and sent.

NOTE: As a reminder, if you do not respond, you will not be put on the schedule this quarter.

If you have any question comments or concerns, please contact Anita Branch, Parish Secretary at (619) 276-1041 or office@stmarymagonline.org.

Thank you for serving for the Kingdom.

Birthline of San Diego

Thank you for your generosity of much needed items and financial support.

Lenten Opportunities

- + Morning Mass Tuesday Saturday at 7:45am
- **+ Personal Prayer Time.** The church is open Monday Friday from 7:00am 4:00pm.
- **+** Stations of the Cross. Fridays at 7:00pm.
- **+ Pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet.** After weekday masses stay and pray.
- **+ Almsgiving.** Offer to bring someone to Mass on weekdays or Sundays.
- **+** Minimize and give it away. 40 bags in 40 days.

This Friday!

Stations of the Cross

Shadow Pla

Presented by the High School Youth Ministry

The High School Youth Ministry will be presenting a shadow play of the Stations of the Cross. This week we will be praying in the Hall instead of the Church. Please come and pray with one another and support them in this prayerful work of art.

When: Friday, March 24, 2023 Time: 7:00pm Place: St. Mary Magdalene Parish Hall Cost: Priceless





Lenten Penance Services

Reconciliation is the perfect opportunity to seek the Lord's forgiveness. We invite you to attend our Lenten Penance Service on **Tuesday**, **March 28th**, **at 7:00pm** in the church.

Your Gift of Treasure for the Weekend of March 12, 2023

With gratitude for the gifts we have received, visitors and parishioners made a joyful return to the Lord of:

eGiving: \$ 1 Plate: \$ Envelopes: <u>\$</u>	7,949.00 1,360.00 1,983.00		
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Average Budgeted Income is the minimum amount needed each week for ministries & maintenance of our parish (liturgies, sacraments, utilities, repairs, ongoing maintenance, and salaries & benefits for our staff. Does not include major projects.)

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Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Schedule: March 26, 2023

Saturday, 5:30pm

Minister of the Word: Ray Hrenko

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Jo-Ellen Palreiro

<u>Sunday, 9:00am</u>

Minister of the Word: Diane Lehman

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Deacon Chris Bongato

Sunday, 11:00am

Minister of the Word: Anne Williams

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Deacon Chris Bongato

Sunday, 6:00pm

Minister of the Word: Stephanie Garcia

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Markcos Garcia

Religious Education

Public School & Homeschool Children (Grades K-5) Sunday mornings 10:15am - 11:30am

Preparation for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion is a 2 year program. Catholic School students do not need to register.

For more information contact: **Gerry Barlow**, Director of Religious Education <u>religioused@stmarymagonline.org</u> "With God all things are possible" MT 19:26

Coffee and Donuts Every Sunday after the 9:00am Mass

Join your fellow parishioners in the Conference Room for coffee and conversation.



Families are needed to keep this great community building event alive. We have volunteers through April. To help, scan the QR code and pick your week or contact the Parish Office at (619) 276-1041.

Communion for the Homebound

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If you have an incapacitated loved one who is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive The Holy Eucharist at home, please contact the parish office at (619) 276-1041.

Prayer for the Deployed Military

As a faith community let's pray for all those who serve our country during these troubled times.

We pray especially for those of our parish who are deployed or will soon be deployed. We also thank God for those who have returned safely.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, be their constant companion and strength in every adversity. May they always experience your presence, love and comfort.

Youth Ministry

<u>Middle School Youth Group</u> (Grades 6 - 8) (1st & 3rd Mondays 7pm-8pm, St. Francis Room) March 20th



Registration is open! Scan this code or register online at <u>stmarymagonline.org/youth-ministry</u>.

High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12) (2nd and 4th Mondays 7pm - 8:30pm - Youth Center) March 27th

High School Confirmation (Grades 9-12)

(Sundays) 7pm - 8:30pm



March 19th - Year 1 Blessing with sponsors at 6pm Mass

**March 24th is the Stations Of The Cross Shadow Play by the High School youth. All are invited to pray with us.

> For more information contact: **Kia Scott**, Director of Youth Ministry (619) 276-1041x132 youthministry@stmarymagonline.org

Reporting Allegations of Sexual Misconduct

The Diocese of San Diego treats all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy or Church personnel seriously and deals with them in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. Contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Acosta, (858) 490-8353 or <u>misconduct@sdcatholic.org</u> to report sexual misconduct including abuse or visit <u>www.safeinourdiocese.org.</u>

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* Community Announcements *

WE NEED FRESH FRUIT

Missionary Childhood Association

(Formerly known as the Holy Childhood Association)

Each year, the Missionary Childhood Association hosts a special Mass to recognize the generosity of our young missionaries in the diocese of San Diego. During the celebration, we give thanks and praise to God for all the prayers and sacrifices offered by children from Catholic Schools and Religious Education programs throughout the academic year. Students participate during the liturgy as lectors, choir, altar servers, and during the entrance and offertory procession. After Mass, we proceed to the Parish Hall to enjoy a luncheon and with our young missionaries.

Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 Time: 10:30am Place: Good Shepherd Catholic Church



FRESH FRUIT DONATION DROP OFF:

We need donations of fresh, whole fruit such as **bananas**, **grapes**, **apples** and **oranges** for this luncheon. **Donations are to be dropped off on Friday**, **March 17** at the Diocese of San Diego, Pastoral Center. If you can donate fresh fruit, please contact **Sr. Eva Rodriguez (619) 651-3024**, **Office for the Missions**, **Director** to you can set up a time to drop off your fresh fruit or for further information.

Beginning Experience Weekend



If you are grieving the loss of your marriage through **death**, **divorce or separation**, join us.

Date: April 28 - 30, 2023 Place: Prince of Peace Abbey Oceanside, CA

A trained team leads participants through a healing and growth program. If you are ready to move through your feelings of grief, into the light of a new beginning and hope, this weekend may be for you. For more information contact: <u>beginningexperiencesd@gmail.com</u>

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