Church of St. Mary Magdalene

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**DECEMBER 4, 2022** 



In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: "A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him."

John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. (Matthew 3: 1-6)

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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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# 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 of Religious the Education for more information.

Call the Parish Office at least nine months in advance. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

• SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

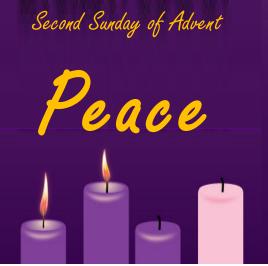
- Saturday, from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the church or call the Parish Office for an appointment.
- SACRAMENT OF THE SICK In event of serious illness or medical emergency, anointing of the sick and Eucharist may be arranged by contacting the Parish Office.

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





## Harmony

Have you ever known a moment when, just for a brief instant, you felt that all was right with the world? It is just such a moment, stretched into eternity, that the writer of Isaiah describes in today's first reading: the perfection of everything, centered in God's spirit, where knowledge, justice, and awe in God's presence reign. In such a paradise, everyone sees eye to eye and thinks in harmony with each other, as Saint Paul describes in his letter to the Romans. Even animals with a natural animosity toward one another coexist peacefully. John th<u>e</u> Baptist understood that such harmonious relationships do not simply happen. They are the fruit of living in right relationship with God and others.

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# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 3

7:45 AM - Cathy & John Dellenbach 5:30 PM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene Sunday, December 4 9:00 AM - Mildred Miller + 11:00 AM - Romelia Morales 6:00 PM - John Virgadamo + **Tuesday, December 6** 7:45 AM - Jack Malone \$ Wednesday, December 7 7:45 AM - Emma Udovich + **Thursday, December 8** 7:45 AM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene 6:00 PM - Deacon Kevin Helfers and Family Friday, December 9 7:45 AM - In Thanksgiving Saturday, December 10 7:45 AM - Jerry McCauliffe + 5:30 PM - Mildred Miller + Sunday, December 11 9:00 AM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene 11:00 AM - Carol Cunningham 6:00 PM - Nan DeCrescenzo +

## Living God's Word

Advent is about the very place from which all of our dreams begin—in God. It's where gorges of human pain and suffering are filled and where mountains of injustice are brought low. It's the way God begins to lead the people home to where it all began.

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# MUSIC MINISTRY

## **Our Liturgical Music**

Entrance: BB 41 On Jordan's Bank

**Responsorial Psalm:** BB page 34 Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever.

**Presentation of the Gifts:** BB 47 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

Mass Setting: Sheet Maranatha Mass

**Communion Hymn:** BB 46 A Voice Cries Out

**Recessional Hymn:** BB 44 O Come, Divine Messiah

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# A Scriptural Reflection

# **Reflecting on God's Word**

On most days since early October, the students in the college residence in which I live have been eagerly and insistently bouncing Christmas carols off walls and into hallways. It began with occasional songs on the piano. Soon after, the Christmas CDs were brought out, and a week later one of them came upon an old turntable and some Sinatra Christmas LPs. As they left for Thanksgiving vacation, they each reminded me that the radio would begin playing Christmas music all day long on the day after Thanksgiving. As a result of all this I've found myself wondering what it is that's driven these twenty-year-olds toward such early visions of Christmas sugarplums.

I've come to believe that beneath all the glitter draped and swagged with ribbons and bows over these days, deeper longings are at play, longings beyond desire for the newest iPod or the latest cell phone, longings for community or healed relationships, longings too for peace among nations and for some sort of equality among people.

Curiously, such deepened longings are never marketed by any hype. Yet like Christmas spirit, they just seem to sprout wherever the human spirit finds a niche. I suppose one could make the observation that a twenty-year-old's longing for Christmas is little more than leftover nostalgia for childhood Santas and once-upon-a-time daydreams. Maybe so. Yet Paul once wrote to the Philippian community that such urgings for goodness all begin with God and that ultimately "the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus" (Philippians 1:6). In other words, these deeper longings, they seem to be God's doing, and who are we to put them on a timetable?

-Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

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## **Readings for the Week**

- Tue: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
- Wed: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
- Thu: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
- Fri: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
- Sat: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Sun: Is 35:1-6a,10;Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11



#### Dear Parishioners,

Please keep in your prayers the over fifty of our parish youth who are on retreat this weekend preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. May the Holy Spirit continue to prepare their hearts to receive this wonderful sacrament.

December 8<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception therefore it might be helpful to remember that on December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX solemnly defined it as an article of faith "that, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ the Savior of the human race, the Blessed Virgin Mary in the first instant of her conception was, by a unique grace and privilege of almighty God, preserved from all stain of original sin." Explicit belief in this doctrine developed gradually through centuries of devotional and theological reflection on the holiness of the humble and obedient handmaid of the Lord whom all ages would call blessed. The second century saw her as the new Eve; the fifth, at the Council of Ephesus, vindicated her title "Mother of God"; by the eighth her personal sinlessness was acknowledged and the feast of her Conception, though not specifically as "immaculate", was being celebrated. The feast was introduced into the Roman calendar in 1476, and by the seventeenth century the Catholic world was agreed and increasingly enthusiastic regarding this singular prerogative of the Blessed Virgin. Thus in 1846, eight years before the definition, the bishops of the United States declared the Immaculate Conception as the patronal feast of our nation. There will be three masses celebrated on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The first, our regularly scheduled 7:45 am mass; 9 am school mass, and 6 pm evening mass.

The holiday season is a time when, in the exchange of gifts, we demonstrate our love for those who have touched us in special ways in our lives. Therefore, it is fitting that next weekend has been designated for the national collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. This appeal helps to ensure appropriate care and handicapped accessible housing for more than 37,000 Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who are now past age 70. The crisis in unfunded retirement became evident in the early 1970s. Catholic schools, operated primarily by religious orders, were educating more than 10 percent of the student population in the United States. Catholic hospitals were becoming the largest group of not-for-profit hospitals in the nation. But the salaries and stipends to religious were earmarked primarily for good works, new ministries, and training and education that prepared religious for ministries. For generations, the care of elderly members had been carried out by those entering religious life.

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Today, however, elderly religious far outnumber wageearning religious. Retired religious today receive on average one-third of the benefit paid to the average Social Security recipient. Most church and diocesan pension plans do not cover religious institutes, which are organized independently. Health care costs have skyrocketed and the number of elderly religious in assisted living or nursing facilities has risen dramatically. I invite you to be as generous as possible in giving back to those who have given their lives in service of the gospel.

Each year during the season of Advent the Church calls us do penance in preparation for the Christmas season. We try to better our lives so that we might be more fully prepared to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Most often in parishes, this call to repentance is fulfilled by individual confessions and a parish penance service. This year our parish penance service will take place at 7 pm on December 15<sup>th</sup>. I hope as many as possible will take advantage of this opportunity.

Fr. Ed McNulty Pastor



#### Advent Penance Service

#### Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 7:00pm

In preparation for Christmas, we have the opportunity to experience Christ in His sacrament of forgiveness. Please plan to attend our Advent Penance Liturgy.

#### **Religious Retirement Fund Next Week**

Lighten the load. An abbot writes, "Your gift helps ease our worldly burdens and allows us to continue living out our mission of seeking God and serving the Church." Donations to next week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection help hundreds of U.S. religious communities to provide for their aging members. Please give generously. Envelopes are available on the counter in the entrance of the church.

# **CCSA Thanks You**

Thank you for your generosity with much needed items.

2023 Calendars are available

in the vestibule of the church.



# **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** (Holy Day of Obligation)

On Thursday, December 8th we will be offering two Masses at 7:45am and 6:00pm for you to participate in on this Holy Day of Obligation.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

## Coffee and Donuts are Back!!

Coffee and Donuts are offered after the 9am mass on Sundays. Volunteers are essential to allow this ministry to thrive. So far we have 4 families who have been hosting this event; however, they cannot do it all. Consider assisting with this ministry and sign up to help with just one week. Use the QR code to pick your week to help. This would be an easy way for youth to obtain Complete details are posted on the service hours. bulletin board in the Conference Room or contact the Parish Office to participate.



## **Christmas Bulk Mailing This Wednesday**



Envelope stuffers are needed. Our Christmas bulk mailing will be this Wednesday, December 7th, after the morning Mass in the Conference Room. We would love it

if you would ioin us and other parishioners with this task. The more, the merrier. Goodies will be provided!

## **Advent Family Night**

Food, games, & crafts for families of all ages! Sponsored by our Youth Ministry.

When: Friday, December 9th Time: 6:00pm-7:30pm Place: St. Mary Magdalene Parish hall





# **Youth Ministry**

Middle School Youth Group (Grades 6 - 8) (1st and 3rd Mondays 7pm – 8pm - St. Francis Room)

Dec. 5th - Advent/Christmas Youth Group Dec. 19th - NO Youth Group - Merry Christmas!



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)

Dec. 12th - Advent / Christmas Youth Group Dec. 26th - NO Youth Group, Merry Christmas!

High School Confirmation (Grades 9-12)

(Sundays) 7pm - 8:30pm

Dec. 11th - Parent Night

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

## **Nativity Play**

St. Mary Magdalene's Religious Education Students will be performing a nativity play. Please support the children of the parish by joining us for this celebration of Christ's birth. All are welcome!

When: Sunday, December 18th Time: After the 11:00am Mass Place: Parish Hall



## Your Gift of Treasure for the Weekend of November 27, 2022

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

	\$ 15,645.00 \$ 6,849.00 \$ 1,455.00	
Total Offertory: Budgeted Income Difference: YTD Budget vs C		\$ 23,949.00 <u>\$ 12,745.88</u> <b>\$ 11,203.12</b> <b>\$ 22,279.48</b>
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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: December 11, 2022

## Saturday, 5:30pm

Minister of the Word: Dianne Slavey

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Jo-Ellen Palreiro

#### Sunday, 9:00am

Minister of the Word: Mary Kay Evanko

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Patty Flynn

#### 11:00am

Minister of the Word: Chris Bongato

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Maria Trapasso

#### 6:00pm

Minister of the Word: Larry Fulton

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Mary Ellen Dellefield

#### **Sing For Christmas Mass**

Join the Choir even if it's just for Christmas!

#### **Kids Choir**



Adult Choir

Date: Saturday, December 24th Time: 10:00pm Mass (9:30pm carols)

Date: Sunday, December 25th Time: 10:00am Mass

Date: Saturday, December 24th

Time: 5:00pm Mass



#### Rehearsals:

Wed. evenings, 6:00pm - 7:00pm, Dec 7th, 14th & 21st. (come to as many as you can) practice files available as well! For further information contact: Tess Nelson at <u>music@stmarymagonline.org</u>

#### COFFEE & DONUTS EVERY SUNDAY AFTER THE 9AM MASS



Join your fellow parishioners in the Conference Room for coffee & conversation!

# **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.

# **Culture Of Life**

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, December 10th at 9:30am in the Conference Room.

For more information contact <u>life@stmarymagonline.org</u> or <u>www.stmarymagonline.org/culture-of-life</u>



Back to Basics "The Mass" (a Word on Fire video series)

Why is the Eucharist celebrated at the Mass and considered the "Source and Summit" of the Christian Life? Come and find out.

#### When: Sundays

Dec.	11,	2022
Jan.	15,	2023
Feb.	12,	2023
Mar.	12,	2023
Apr.	16,	2023



Time: 10:15am - 11:30am

Place: St. Francis Room (south end of the parking lot)

Contact Gerry Barlow for information about this series at religioused@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 \*

# CCSA 2022 Christmas Gift Baskets And Gift Bags

With the holiday season fast approaching, CCSA has some great Christmas-giving opportunities:

- Christmas Gift Baskets for families in need of a Holiday meal
- Gift Bags for homeless individuals
- Extra Christmas Food Baskets for families who do not sign up for assistance, but come for service closer to Christmas.

The success of these programs depends heavily on community support. Our hope is to make Christmas, for all who come to us for help, a bit brighter this year.

Sign-up online at <u>www.ccsasandiego.org</u>.

#### Lessons and Carols

Frances G. Harpst Center for Catholic Thought and Culture at the University of San Diego cordially invites you to "A Festival of Word and Song to Prepare for Christmas"

When: Saturday, December 3, 2022 Time: 7:30pm

- When: Sunday, December 4, 2022 Time: 2:00pm
- Place: USD, Founder's Chapel 5998 Alcalá Park San Diego, CA 92110

Cost: Free

Face coverings are encouraged.

Visit <u>sandiego.edu/cctc</u> for directions and parking information.

Contact us at <u>cctc@sandiego.edu</u> or call (619)260-7936.

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## Eleventh Annual San Diego Walk for Life Changing Hearts, Saving Lives

Join Cardinal McElroy and 2,000 faithfuls to stand up for the lives of the unborn.

When: Saturday, January 14, 2023

Time: 8:30am

Where: Waterfront Park, Downtown San Diego

Bring your loved ones with life-affirming posters and enjoy inspirational speakers, live music, exhibitors, and raffles. For info, go to www.sandiegowalkforlife.org.



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