Church of St. Mary Magdalene

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 12, 2024



Jesus said to his disciples, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs. (Mark 16:15-20)

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

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am, 6:00pm

Holy Day 7:45am, 6:00pm

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

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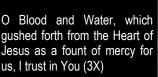
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Three O'clock Prayer

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls and an ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the world and empty Yourself out upon us.



Jesus, I trust In You (3X)

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.

- 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

Welcome!

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!



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 11

7:45 AM - ZuHone Family * 5:30 PM - Dominico Lan *

Sunday, May 12

9:00 AM - Maria Toa 🕈

11:00 AM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene 6:00 PM - Our Lady of Fatima Intentions

Tuesday, May 14

7:45 AM - Mother's Day Novena

Wednesday, May 15

7:45 AM - Mother's Day Novena

Thursday, May 16

7:45 AM - Mother's Day Novena

Friday, May 17

7:45 AM - Mother's Day Novena

Saturday, May 18

7:45 AM - Joseph Medernach ♥ 5:30 PM - Mother's Day Novena

Sunday, May 19

9:00 AM - Agnes Flavin ♦ 11:00 AM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene 6:00 PM - Mother's Day Novena

Living God's Word

In today's readings, Christ leaves his "corporation," the church, and trusts the "employees," his disciples, to run things in his absence. Considering the two-thousand-year history of the Church, many might question the wisdom of his decision! Yet, Christ knew that the Spirit would always guide the Church in continuing his messianic mission.

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Entrance: BB 191 Hail The Day That Sees Him Rise

Mass Setting: BB 885 - 889 Mass of Creation

Responsorial Psalm: BB page 155 God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Presentation of the Gifts: BB 189 One Sacrifice Of Christ

Communion Hymn: BB 581 / 418 Worthy Is The Lamb / Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring

Recessional Hymn: BB 170 Hallelujah Is Our Song

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD A Scriptural Reflection

Reflecting on God's Word

These days most corporations and churches have vision and mission statements. Often they begin with a model vision that the institution strives to live up to. They go on to state what the institution seeks to do—how it puts its vision into practice. A parish vision and mission statement might say: "We are the Body of Christ. Utilizing the gifts of each member, we collaborate to bring more and more people into God's kingdom of freedom, justice, holiness, and love."

On this feast we are given the ultimate vision and mission statement for the Church. It goes something like this: Christ is now working with and for us "at the right hand of God" (Mark 16:19). Through the power of the Holy Spirit we are to be Christ's witnesses "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8). We seek to do so by "proclaiming the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15) and "building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God" (Ephesians 4:12–13).

-Virginia Stillwell

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- Mon: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/ Jn 16:29-33
- Tue: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/ Jn 15:9-17
- Wed: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/ Jn 17:11b-19
- Thu: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-11/ Jn 17:20-26
- Fri: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/ Jn 21:15-19
- Sat: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/ Jn 21:20-25 Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27- 30 / (see 30) Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
- Sun: **Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/ Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, as we celebrate Mother's Day, we also have the opportunity to reflect and be grateful for the tremendous gift that our mother, living or deceased, is in our lives. Saint Pope John Paul II in his 1988 Apostolic letter on the dignity and vocation of women wrote: "Therefore the Church gives thanks for each and every woman: for mothers; for sisters; for wives; for women consecrated to God in virginity; for women dedicated to the many human beings who await the gratuitous love of another person; for women who watch over the human persons in the family, which is the fundamental sign of the human community; for women who work professionally, and who at times are burdened by a great social responsibility; for "perfect" women and for "weak" women, for all women as they have come forth from the heart of God in all the beauty and richness of their femininity; as they have been embraced by his eternal love; as, together with men, they are pilgrims on this earth, which is the temporal "homeland" of all people and is transformed sometimes into a "valley of tears"; as they assume, together with men, a common responsibility for the destiny of humanity according to daily necessities and according to that definitive destiny which the human family has in God himself, in the bosom of the ineffable Trinity."

I would also like to congratulate the students from our Religious Education program who celebrated their First Communion yesterday. I am grateful to their teachers, parents and others who helped prepare them for this step in their faith journey. Over the last three weekends we have had over 70 students from our parish celebrate this wonderful sacrament.

I wish to share with you that Rupert, my beloved dog of 13 years, passed this last week. I am grateful for the years of companionship that we shared. Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers and for all who shared gifts and treats with him.

Finally, just a little humor to make us think and laugh.

A man walks into a monastery and says "I want to be monk." The abbot replies "Great! But you realize we are not allowed to talk except every ten years." The man replies "Fine."

Ten years go by and the man goes into the abbot's office. The abbot asks, "Well my son what have you to say. The man replies "Bed's hard." The abbot remarks, "Is that it?" The man says, "Yes".

Another ten years go by and the man goes into the abbot's office and says, "Food stinks!" The abbot asks, "Is that it?" And the man says "Yes."

Another ten years goes by and the man goes into the abbot's office and says "Water's cold. I quit!" And the abbot replies, "Figures! You've been complaining ever since you got here!"



Congratulations to These Children Who Received the Sacrament of First Eucharist This Past Week

Rose Asmus Ximena Barajas Magnolia Blancato Hannah Bodell Gianna Booth Jameson Cappabianca Harper Cardwell Kovey Clark Rell Dahlen Olivia Derenthal Amelia Dowd Audrey Ellis Charles Guyott Hobbs Haskett Mary-Mei Hogan Dominic Koropecky August Kovalcheck George Kramb William Mangin Maya Morrison Michael Oswald Henry Rapplean Levi Reid Amelia Sheldon Damian Smith Riley St. Martin Luke Stephenson Felix Tobias Sadie Trask Veronica Virissimo

Stewardship

Perseverance

Life would be so much easier for us if Jesus were still walking the earth among us. It would eliminate so many arguments and provide undeniable proof that Jesus lived, died, and rose again. But what would his physical presence mean to us? There would indeed be benefits: we really could ask the question, "What would Jesus do?" and get an answer! But there would also be enormous temptation to expect him to solve all life's problems directly. "Jesus, please stop the war in . . .," "Lord, please find me a new job," "I beg you, Lord, to cure my friend." We might want to spend countless hours in his presence, neglecting our personal vocation and responsibilities. Jesus commanded his disciples to proclaim the good news to every nation. He promised that the power of the Holy Spirit would be given to them to help them persevere. This power would also help them to do extraordinary things in his name. Then Jesus disappeared from their sight, and returned to his place at the right hand of God. We have never had the grace of knowing Jesus in human form. The disciples were promised they would be clothed with power from on high; by the same token we received a white garment at our baptism and were told we were now clothed in Christ. For those of us who were baptized as infants, the idea of being clothed in power meant nothing at the time. But this power was indeed given to us, to be nurtured and to come to fulfillment in our adult lives. For us to persevere as followers of Jesus we continually need the power of the Spirit. Let us set aside a time each day, as the first disciples did, to seek out the Spirit's power in prayer as we approach the feast of Pentecost.

Fr. Ed McNulty, Pastor

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Have You Ever Considered Being A Eucharistic Minister To The Homebound?

The Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound has been growing in popularity and we could use additional Eucharistic Ministers.

- Deliver the Most Holy Eucharist to two or three of St. Mary Magdalene's homebound parishioners once every third week.
- Serve monthly as Eucharistic Minister at a local Retirement Home's Sunday service.

The benefits are amazing! These parishioners, who face logistical challenges in receiving the Sacrament, eagerly anticipate and deeply appreciate your visit - even if your service is once every few months (FLEXIBLE scheduling). At the same time, as a Eucharistic Minister, personal growth in faith is beyond what you could ever imagine!

No experience required, just an interest. Training will come later.

If you would like more information, have any questions, or perhaps you hear a calling, or simply curious, please contact Carrie Layton at (619) 913-9711 or Alex Warner at (619) 519-2361.



Communion for the Homebound

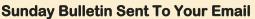
If you have an incapacitated loved one who is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive The Holy Eucharist at home, please contact the parish office at (619) 276-1041.

Coffee and Donuts Volunteers Needed Beginning August 2024 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. To help, scan the QR code and pick your week or contact the Parish Office at (619) 276-1041.



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Prayer For Mothers

Good and Gentle God, we pray in gratitude for our **mothers** and for all the women of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all **mothers**, the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Amen.

Mother's Day Novena Cards

Mother's Day novena cards are available on the counter at the back of the church. Register your mothers, grandmothers, sisters, and aunts for this special observance of Mother's Day. The novena will begin on Tuesday, May 14th.

Birthline Next Week

We need:

- Pull-ups, sizes 2T-3T and 3T 4T
- Small packs of Baby Wipes (56 wipes)
- 8 oz. size Baby Lotion
- 8 oz. size Baby Shampoo
- 8 oz. size Baby body wash
- Diaper cream / ointment

Your Gift of Treasure for the Weekend of May 5, 2024

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

eGiving: Plate: Envelopes:	\$ \$ \$	(reported 1,529.00 1,911.00	bi-	monthly)
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Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Schedule: May 19, 2024

Saturday, 5:30pm

Ministers of the Word: Anthony Podegracz

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Sandy Vargas

Sunday, 9:00am

Ministers of the Word: Bevin Melody

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Annette Hallahan

Sunday, 11:00am

Ministers of the Word: Mary Kay Evanko

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Mary Ekstrom

Sunday, 6:00pm

Ministers of the Word: Rachel Freeman

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Kathi Amarillas



St. Mary Magdalene Women's Fellowship

St. Mary Magdalene Women's Fellowship invites ALL women of the Parish to their semi-annual meeting.

Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024

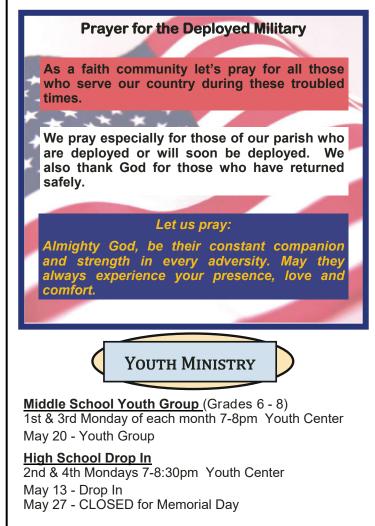
Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Place: St. Mary Magdalene's Conference Room

Several women from various ministries will be there to share their stories. We also welcome your ideas for any events you may be interested in leading. Come meet with other women of the Parish in a relaxed environment to discuss how we can build up the St. Mary Magdalene community by sharing God's love with our time, talent and treasure. If you have any questions or need info, contact us at <u>smmwomensfellowship@gmail.com</u>.

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 misconduct@sdcatholic.org to report sexual misconduct including abuse or visit www.safeinourdiocese.org.



LOOKING AHEAD...RSVP now for:

What: **Mass at the Beach** Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 Time: 6pm Place: Crown Point

What: **Camp Emmaus** - High School Leadership Camp Date: June 17-21, 2024 Place: Whispering Winds

High School Confirmation - Sacramental Preparation

Register for the 2024 - 2025 year!

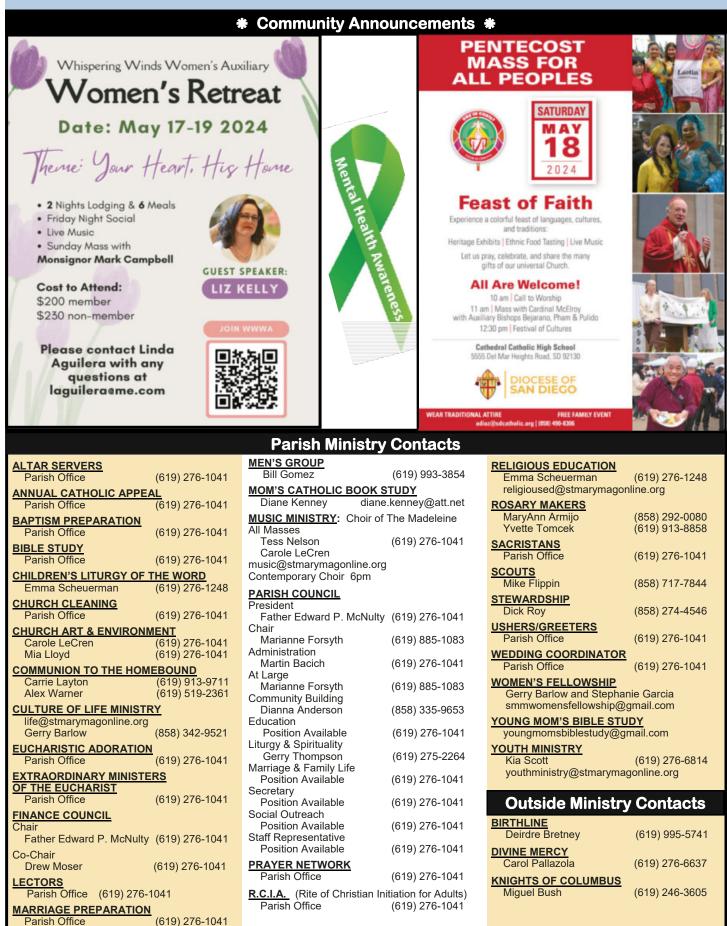
For more information contact: **Kia Scott** Director of Youth Ministry (619) 276-6814 <u>youthministry@stmarymagonline.org</u>



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