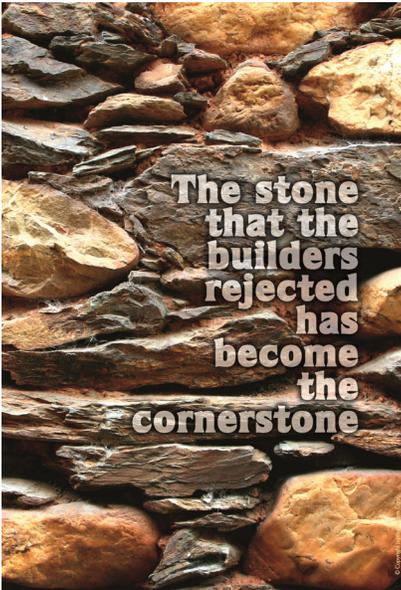


Church of St. Mary Magdalene

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 4, 2020



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Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m., Sunday 7, 9, 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Holy Day Vigil 5:30 p.m., Holy Day 7:45 a.m., 7 p.m.

• **Sacrament of Reconciliation** •

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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 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
 (closed from 12 noon-1:00 p.m.)
- **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.
- **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.
- **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**
 Baptismal preparation classes are required of all parents and godparents. Call the Parish Office for an appointment.
- **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**
 Call the Parish Office at least nine months in advance.
- **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**
 Saturday, from 4-5 p.m. 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.
- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
 Classes are held on Sunday mornings at 10:15 a.m. Contact the Director of Religious Education for more information.
- **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**
 Every Friday from 1-5:00 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.
- **MINISTRIES/ORGANIZATIONS**
 To become involved in a parish ministry, call the ministry contact found on page seven of this bulletin.

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, October 3

7:45 AM - In Thanksgiving for Our Blessed Mother's Intercession

5:30 PM - Randy Moore✙

Sunday, October 4

7:00 AM - Matt Siesel✙

9:00 AM - Diane Bucon

11:00 AM - Christina Schwarz✙

6:00 PM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene

Monday, October 5

7:45 AM - Apollo Maskevich✙ & Jack Murray✙
and Kevin Murray Intentions

Tuesday, October 6

7:45 AM - Bob & Steve Wise✙

Wednesday, October 7

7:45 AM - Breen Weeks

Thursday, October 8

7:45 AM - Mary Winter✙

Friday, October 9

7:45 AM - Richard Shaw✙

Saturday, October 10

7:45 AM - Doug Wagner✙

5:30 PM - Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene

Sunday, October 11

7:00 AM - Mike & Agnes Flavin✙

9:00 AM - Richard Winter✙

11:00 AM - Fr. Tony May✙

6:00 PM - Howard Price✙



Readings for the Week

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;
Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;
Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time A Scriptural Reflection

The Vineyard of Beauty and Life

The first sentence of today's Gospel parable can be easily overlooked: "There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower" (Matthew 21:33). It is difficult for us to imagine the enormous amount of time, money, and effort it must have taken for a construction project of this kind. Once completed, the vineyard must have been a beautiful place, not unlike the vineyards one can find in places like the Napa Valley in California. Vineyards are, by their very nature, places of beauty and life. The vineyard in today's Gospel, however, becomes the setting for treachery and murder. All too often the vineyard that is this fragile planet of ours likewise becomes a setting for treachery and murder.

Stewards of the Vineyard

Isaiah's marvelous description of the vineyard reminds us of the creation passages from the book of Genesis. That description generates faint echoes of the oft-repeated line from Genesis: "and God saw how good it was" (Genesis 1:25). The sad reality is that we who are called to be good stewards of this vineyard sometimes make bad choices. Sometimes in our arrogance we fail to care for the vineyard of creation. Like the wicked tenants, we care more for our own personal gain than for the virtues of goodness and righteousness. Pope John Paul II used the term "the culture of death" to describe this kind of behavior. The parables we hear are meant to cut right to our hearts and force us to look squarely at our behaviors and attitudes. May this week's parable open our eyes to those times when we stray away from the goodness and beauty of God's vineyard and make decisions that support the culture of death. May we be strengthened in our efforts to become good stewards whose actions bring forth the fruits of life and love.

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Today's Readings

First Reading:

- The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel (Isaiah 5:1-7).

Psalm:

- The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel (Psalm 80).

Second Reading:

- God's peace will guard your hearts and minds (Philippians 4:6-9).

Gospel:

- The kingdom of God will be given to those who will produce its fruit (Matthew 21:33-43).

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners:

Good things are worth waiting for....This weekend we celebrate the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children. This celebration, which took place Saturday evening, welcomed into the fullness of our Catholic faith, men, women, and children who have been preparing for this occasion for nearly a year, however due to Covid they were not able to participate in the celebration of the Easter Vigil. We rejoice with them this weekend, assuring them of our ongoing prayer as we welcome them into our parish.

This Sunday has been designated Respect for Life Sunday. This provides us with the opportunity to pause and reflect on our responsibility as Catholics to live and to promote a "culture of life". In this time of continued social debate on issues such as abortion on demand, capital punishment, stem cell research, potential human cloning and euthanasia, it may be helpful for us to be aware of the words of Pope John Paul II who wrote the following in his Apostolic Letter entitled *At The Beginning Of The Third Millennium*: "A special commitment is needed with regard to certain aspects of the Gospel's radical message which are often less well understood, even to the point of making the Church's presence unpopular, but which nevertheless must be a part of her mission of charity. I am speaking of the duty to be committed to *respect for the life of every human being*, from conception until natural death. Likewise, the service of humanity leads us to insist, in season and out of season, that those using *the latest advances of science*, especially in the field of biotechnology, must never disregard fundamental ethical requirements by invoking a questionable solidarity which eventually leads to discriminating between one life and another and ignoring the dignity which belongs to every human being."

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When you say your Rosary, the angels rejoice, the Blessed Trinity delights in it, my Son finds joy in it too, and I myself am happier than you can possibly guess. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, there is nothing in the Church that I love as much as the Rosary.



~Our Lady to Blessed Alan de la Roche

(Pastor's Message continued)

In the Church the month of October has traditionally been devoted to the intercession of Mary under the title of Our Lady of the Rosary. It is a time when we as individuals and families are invited to practice the long standing tradition of reciting the rosary as part of our prayer life. The rosary is one of the most traditional forms of prayer we have in our Church. Although the origins of the rosary are sketchy evidence exists from the Middle Ages that strings of beads were used to count Our Fathers and Hail Marys. The structure of the rosary gradually evolved between the 12th and 15th centuries. During the 16th century, the structure of the five-decade rosary based on the three sets of mysteries prevailed. Tradition holds that St. Dominic devised the rosary as we know it today. Perhaps this month can provide the opportunity for those who have drifted from this prayer form or are not familiar with it welcome it into their experience. Families may wish to pray the rosary together as part of evening or bed time prayers.

Fr. Ed McNulty
Pastor

Come and See!
The Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

RCIA is the Church's process for those who are interested in becoming Catholic, and for those baptized Catholics who wish to be fully initiated into the Church. Are you interested in learning more about this process? The program for the coming year will begin soon. For more information, contact the Parish Office at (619) 276-1041.

The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life. It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of all our blessings. There is no more excellent way of praying.

~Pope Leo XIII





Around the Parish...

Can You Help?

The Altar Linens need to be properly laundered each week. This is an opportunity to feel connected to your Parish from your own home.

The Parish is looking for one or two people who are able to assist with this responsibility. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office at (619) 276-1041. Thanks.

Peter's Pence Collection Be A Witness of Charity

This week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection. Envelopes are available on the table with the collection baskets and bulletins.

Visit <http://www.peterspence.va/en.html> for more information.

On Behalf of CCSA, Thank you for your donations.

Divine Mercy Conference 2020

Due to Corona Virus restrictions, the 22nd Annual Divine Mercy Conference will go virtual on October 10, 2020.

Guest Speakers include:

Fr. Don Calloway, MIC Fr. Wade Menezes, CPM
Fr. Chris Alar, MIC

Marty Rotella and Donna Lee
(witness and music)

Free Entrance—visit our website at sddivinemercury.com.
For more information contact Joe and Carol Pallazola at (619) 276-6637.

(San Diego Divine Mercy is not part of and not acting on behalf of the parish or diocese.)

LIVING STEWARDSHIP Now

The last few weeks of the liturgical year remind us that we are accountable to God for all the gifts he has given us and all he has done for us. And when the accounting is done, it becomes evident, sadly, that God's people have not produced as rich a harvest as they ought to have done.

This is clearly the case in the First Reading from Isaiah, the Vineyard Song. God refers to his Chosen People Israel as his vineyard, but they produced only sour wild grapes, so what will he do? He'll let the vineyard go back to wilderness and wild animals dwell there. The prophecy reached fulfillment when the Babylonians conquered Judah, destroyed Jerusalem, and took the inhabitants into captivity.

The Gospel recounts Jesus' use of the vineyard image in the Parable of the Tenants, but gave it a different slant. In this parable the vines produced good fruit, but the problem was with the tenants to whom the owner had leased it. They were supposed to pay a portion of the harvest as the payment for use of the vineyard. Instead, they refused to hand over any of the produce and beat and killed the servants sent to collect the landowner's share. Finally, he sent his son, whom the tenants killed, thinking they'd gain ownership of the vineyard for themselves.

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Your Gift of Treasure for the Weekend of September 27, 2020

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

eGiving:	\$ (reported semi-monthly)
Plate:	\$ 1,704.00
Envelopes:	\$ <u>2,330.00</u>
Total Offertory:	\$ 4,034.00
Budgeted Income:	\$12,745.88
Difference:	\$ 8,711.88
YTD Budget vs Collection	\$32,937.46
Registered Families:	1697
eGiving Families:	197
Envelope Families:	159

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.)



St. Mary Magdalene
YOUTH MINISTRY

For more information on
St. Mary Magdalene Youth Group events,
contact Jessica Brophy, Director of Youth Ministry
(619) 276-6814; youthministry@stmarymagonline.org

(Living Stewardship Now continued)

When Jesus asked his hearers what the owner would do, they replied, “He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times.” Jesus responded to these Jewish leaders, “Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.”

Neither Jesus nor the prophet Isaiah was engaged in anti-Jewish rhetoric. But their point is the same as the one made by Jesus in another context: “Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more” (Lk 12:49). Because the Jews were the Chosen People and had received God’s revelation, he expected more from them – not just more in the way of tithes and sacrificial gifts, but also more faithfulness to God, more justice, more mercy, and more holiness.

And what about us? We have an additional advantage, for we have the complete revelation of God’s nature and will for mankind through Jesus Christ. We have the benefit of coming after Jesus made the perfect sacrifice of himself for the forgiveness of sins. We have an inexhaustible supply of grace for righteous living available through the sacraments.

With this advantage, how well do we measure up as stewards? Do we, like Isaiah’s vineyard, produce a few wild grapes, or do we produce great bunches of rich, juicy, sweet ones? Do we willingly present a fair share of the harvest our lives produce to God, or are we like the tenants in Jesus’ parable? We have been entrusted with much, so much is required of us.

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Reporting Allegations of Sexual Misconduct

The Diocese of San Diego treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with them in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner.

To report sexual misconduct including abuse contact:
Mary Acosta, Victim Assistance Coordinator, (858) 490-8353, misconduct@sd catholic.org.

Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Schedule: October 10th & 11th

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

Lector:

Mary Ellen Dellefield

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Rachel Freeman

Sunday, 7:00 a.m.

Lector:

Ann Frusti

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Katherine Malchiodi

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Lector:

Charlotte Chouinard

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Jerry Chouinard

Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

Lector:

Mary Roy

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Tara Lopez

Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

Lector:

Anne Williams

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Kathi Amarillas

Prayer List for 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:

- Dr. Ashley Cirillo
- Lynn Doras
- Philip Ho
- Daniel Mateos
- Dominic McCarron
- Joseph Nason
- Nilbert Ng
- Elizabeth P.
- Sebastian Paloma
- Jorge Ramirez
- Miguel Valverde

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

If you have a friend or relative who is serving in our military, please contact the Parish Office.

* Community Announcements *

Unite Our Nation™ Blessed Sacrament and Rosary Procession in San Diego

Meet in front of the San Diego County Administration Building, 1600 Pacific Hwy, on Saturday, **October 10, 2020** at 1:00 p.m. Unite Our Nation™, founded by the laity, was formed to help bring peace and prayer to local communities, and healing to our nation. We are passionately patriotic, with a deeply-rooted love for America. We believe in the power of the Eucharist and the serenity of the rosary. In unison with our bishops and priests, we help the faithful plan processions throughout our country, as a balm to violence and fear.

When we bring Our Lord and the Blessed Mother out of the churches and into the streets of America we create a powerful witness. We ask for grace for our country with our most powerful weapons, the Blessed Sacrament and the rosary—all for the greater glory of God, through our Immaculate Mother. For more information, visit <https://uniteournation.net/event/san-diego-california/>.

University of Notre Dame's "Meals With Muffet" Nationwide Food Drive

The Notre Dame Club of San Diego and the ND women's' basketball coach, Muffet McGraw, announce an **October** food drive across the U.S., for the benefit of the San Diego Food Bank. Food items most needed include canned tuna and chicken, canned and dry fruits and vegetables, peanut butter and nuts, etc.

Food donations can be dropped off at the Boys and Girls Club, rear lot, 4635 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. or the Food Bank Distribution Center, 9550 Distribution Ave. Monetary donations can be made to: <https://www.fooddriveonline.org/sandiegofoodbank/index.php?s=MealswithMuffet>. \$50 provides 250 meals for San Diego's hungry. 37 million Americans are now food insecure due to Covid-19 and the economic downturn. Help your fellow San Diegans now!! The University of Notre Dame thanks you!

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