A leper came to Jesus and begged him: “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him, and said, “I do will it. Be made clean.” The leprosy left him immediately.

Mark 1:40–42

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Rev. John V. Kerber, Retired
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New Parishioners are Welcome!

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Khanh Pham

Mass Schedule
Weekend Masses: Weekday Mass:
Saturday: 4:30pm Monday thru Friday: 8:00am
Sunday: 8:00am and 10:30am

Daily Rosary: Mon. thru Fri. before 8:00am Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every first
Friday of the month from 8:30am until 12-noon

Holy Hour: Every 1st Saturday of the month at
9:15am

Sacrament of Baptism: Please contact the Rectory

Weddings: Couples contemplating Marriage should
contact the Pastor as soon as they have made a
decision to marry and at least six months prior to
their intended date of Marriage so that proper prepa-
rations can be made.

Communion to the Sick: We are happy to bring
Holy Communion to those who are confined to their
homes. Please contact the rectory to make arrange-
ments.

Perpetual Help Devotions: Tuesday following
8:00am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday between
3:30pm and 4:10pm (or by appointment)

Rectory Office Hours
8:30am — 7:30pm Monday through Thursday
8:30am — 4:00pm Friday

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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Last year as we began Lent we embarked upon a special Lenten Project known as the Cow Project. We collected money in order to purchase cows for needy families in Africa. Your generosity during Lent was overwhelming. We purchased over 11 cows at $800.00 each.

I would like to propose another special Lenten Project for this year. This one, however, will not cost any money. It will just be a challenge to your good stewardship and sense of charity. You may have noticed that there is a St. Vincent de Paul clothing bin placed in the southeast corner of our parking lot. Two things happen when contributions are made. When the bin is full of clothes they will be taken to the St. Vincent de Paul stores and made available for purchase by neighbors and others in our community. Many people have various clothing needs but not the financial resources to purchase them elsewhere. In addition, our St. Vincent de Paul Society receives a contribution which can be turned around to help other people with their needs.

If we can raise enough money to buy 11 cows, we can surely fill that bin way more than 11 times. This is a time to consider the difference between our wants and our needs. Many times we say that we need something but we really mean that we don’t want to let go of it. It is more of a want than a need. Some things may have a special significance for us. It may have been a gift from a family member or good friend; it may be a reminder of an event we attended; or it just may be something we’ve grown fond of and have a hard time parting with.

This Lent can be an opportunity to practice good stewardship with the things we are fortunate to have but are not necessary. So, let’s look through those drawers and closets, trunks and bureaus, attics and basements, and set aside those items that we can contribute to the St. Vincent de Paul store. Your gift can make a difference in someone else’s life. In addition it can give you a little extra space in your home.

So, let’s go through all those pants, dresses, skirts, hats, caps, gloves, scarves, mufflers, purses, shirts, tops, pullovers, sweatshirts, jackets, coats, sweaters, underwear, sox, stockings, and many other things, to see what we can donate. And let’s be resolved to pitch in and make this Lenten Project as successful as last year.

If you are unable to bring your items to church, give us a call and we will arrange for someone to pick them up. Every donation, no matter how large or small; no matter whether the clothes are new or used, has the potential of helping others. So, if you are looking to give up something for Lent, give up those old or new clothes which have simply been hanging around, and have taken up space for too long.

God bless,
Msgr. John Borcic

CRS Rice Bowl
Each Lent, we are invited into a season of spiritual reflection and renewal. CRS Rice Bowl is one way for families and faith communities to experience the season of Lent. CRS Rice Bowl is now in its fifth decade and begins on Ash Wednesday – February 14, 2018. Please support CRS Rice Bowl; your donations support CRS’s humanitarian relief programs in nearly 100 countries.

You can find the Rice Bowls in the vestibules of church.
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MEMORY PAGE

As part of the preparation for celebrating the centennial jubilee of St. Mary Magdalen Parish in 2019 we are asking parishioners, former parishioners, alumni, and any others associated with our parish to submit a memory they have of the parish, school, or parish center and Mullally Field, which they would like to share with others.

This space will be set aside in each week’s bulletin to print some of the memories people may have. If we receive many submissions, we may not be able to print all of them, but they will be kept in order to create a memory book for the Centennial. We would like to have remembrances from each decade if possible. Names of those making a submission to this page will not be used unless we are explicitly asked to do so.

UPDATE ON THE SCHOOL HALL KITCHEN PROJECT

The feasibility study has been completed and it has been determined that it would NOT be practicable at this time to do a complete renovation of the kitchen facility. However, there are specific issues, which were included in the project, and which will still need to be addressed as we move forward. Most of these deal with health, safety, or cleanliness. We will have to just make do with what we have. We cannot afford the cost of a complete renovation at this time.

Changes will be made regarding the use of the space available to us and of the items to be stored in the kitchen area. Only items belonging solely to the parish will be permitted to be stored so that we can make good use of the space and so that we can account for everything there. All other things belonging to other organizations, or not solely to the parish, need to be removed. Otherwise they will be sold, given away or simply thrown out.

Soup Kitchen

Our next Soup Kitchen is February 13.

SAUCE MAKERS: please drop your sauce off this Sunday. If you need to make other arrangements, please call Mary Schaefer at 832-6673 or 607-0195. Brownie Bakers: Please drop off your brownies at the rectory by NOON on Tuesday, February 13. If you need to have your brownies picked up please call Charlie or Mary Ann Halbrook at 481-2448 before Tuesday to arrange for pick up.

Thank you

St. Mary Magdalen Pro-Life and Parish

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift of $200 to Our Lady’s Inn Maternity Homes. We are blessed by your generosity and so appreciative of your support. With this gift, you share in our mission of providing shelter and hope for a new life to the hundreds of women and their children who seek our help each year.

For 35 years, Our Lady’s Inn has been answering the call to shelter homeless pregnant women throughout our local community. In partnership with you, we care for support the most vulnerable among us offering comfort, counsel, healing and hope; we walk beside each woman supporting her in every way possible as she anticipates the birth of her child. Our Lady’s Inn is a safe haven, a shelter from the storm where all are treated with respect and dignity.

May God bless you for your generosity!

Gratefully,
Ann Rager
Development Director

Happy Valentine’s Day
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From the Piano…

Every Saturday during Lent, Kathleen Schneider, Bob Jewel and I, will be doing a music setting for The Stations of the Cross. It is not meant to take the place of doing The Stations physically and in prayer, but to remind us each week of our Lord's journey as it happened prior and up to his Crucifixion.

There is a part for you to sing, or say, and cards will be handed out before we begin. We will begin approximately 7 minutes before the 4:30 mass. When mass is over, please drop the cards off at the piano. That would be very much appreciated.

Thank you very much for your participation for joining us over the years.

God Bless.
Keith Ballentine

This week in our Parish…

Daily 8:00 am Mass Monday thru Friday

Monday, February 12, 2018
Quilters 9:00a QRm
Italian Classes 6:30p-8:30p Rm 104,106

Tuesday, February 13, 2018
K Columbus Mtg 7:00p
KCrm

Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2018
Mass 8:00am—12:00 noon—6:00pm CH

Thursday, February 15, 2018
Italian Classes 7:00p-9:00p Rm 102,104,106

Friday, February 16, 2018
Fish Fry 4:00—7:00p SH

Saturday, February 17, 2018
Reconciliation 3:30-4:15 CH
Mass 4:30p CH

Sunday, February 18, 2018
Mass 8:00a CH
Mass 10:30a CH

A Note of Thanks from the Ladies
Knights of Columbus Auxiliary #453 to everyone who helped in any way to make 181 pillow cases that will put a smile on 181 children that are hospitalized at Cardinal Glennon, Mercy, and Children’s Hospital. Mark your calendar for next year’s pillow case workshop scheduled Saturday, February 2, 2019.

A few pics of our pillowcase workers!!!
Magdalen Lenten Fish Fry 2017
4323 S. Kingshighway
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The Best Menu in St. Louis and the Old Time Music You Love

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* Special Features start at 6:30 PM
** Fish Fry ends at 6:00 PM for Good Friday Services

To all Dessert Bakers of the Parish
The Fish Fry needs your bakery items (pies, cakes, cookies, brownies). Please bring your baked items to the school hall on Fish Fry Friday’s around 3pm. If this is not a convenient time you are welcome to drop off your items at the rectory and we will make sure they get brought over.
Please pray for healing and strength for … Beckerle Family, Nancy Birkenmeier, Charlotte Brown, Kenny Brown, Rosella Coffey, George Courtaway, Ed Fickie, Jasper Giardina, Felicity Green, Dolores Greer, Pat Grotegeers, Lilly Hasty, James Havranek, Ed Howard, Marie Kellner, Maria Landeros, Julie Maley, Cheri Massa, Jackie McGilligan, Bunni McGinnis, Richard Merli, Mary Ann Plasmeier, Phil Ray, Debbie Raulie, Bob Schallom, Dorothy Schuchardt, Erin Spencer, Dodie Stollhans, Cooper Treacy, Lois Zitzmann … and for all our homebound and nursing home parishioners and for their family and friends who take care of them.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 -- 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

In your charity please pray for the repose souls of parishioner and usher, Bill Yashuk and former parishioner Dennis McCarthy. Bill passed away on February 1, 2018 and Dennis passed away on February 5, 2018. May they be with Our Lord in glory. Please keep all of Bill’s and Dennis’ family and friends in your prayers during this difficult time. May they and all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Lector
Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2018
8:00 AM Dolores Guittar
12:00 PM Melinda Arvay
6:00 PM Fran Voss
Saturday, February 17, 2018 4:30 PM
Mary Beth O’Donoghue

Sunday, February 18, 2018 8:00 AM
Charlie Dooling
Sunday, February 18, 2018 10:30 AM
Dolores Guittar

Eucharistic Ministers
No Eucharistic Ministers needed during Flu Season

Servers
Saturday, February 17, 2018 4:30 PM
Brian & Katie Weaver
Sunday, February 18, 2018 8:00 AM
Kenny Douthit
Sunday, February 18, 2018 10:30 AM
Harry Signaigo

Stewardship Reflection
“Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” 1-Corinthians 10:31

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He’s not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other “gods” (like our pride and ego, money and possessions to name a few) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself if I’m doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?