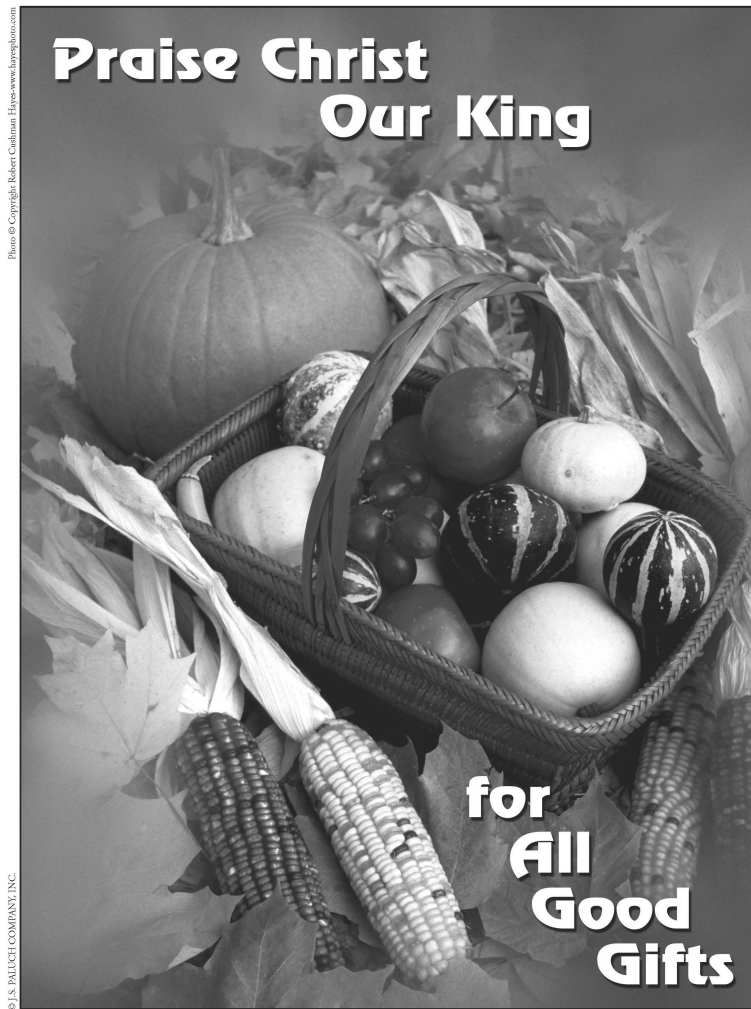


St. Mary Magdalen Parish

First Mass Celebrated on September 7, 1919



Rev. Msgr. John J. Borcic, Pastor

Rev. John V. Kerber, Retired

Deacon Joseph J. Iovanna

Deacon J. Gerard Quinn, J.C.L.

New Parishioners are Welcome!

For information: Call our Parish Rectory 314.352.2111 ext. 4

www.magdalen.org

St. Mary Magdalen Parish

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Rectory Office Hours

8:30am— 7:30pm Monday through Thursday

8:30am— 4:00pm Friday

9:00am—12:00pm Saturday

Closed on Sundays, Holidays,
and Holy Days of Obligation

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am and 10:30am

Weekday Mass:

Monday thru Friday: 8:00am

Sunday Youth Mass: 6:00pm

Daily Rosary: Mon. thru Fri. before the 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 preparations 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 arrangements.

Perpetual Help Devotions: Tuesday following 8:00am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday between 3:30pm and 4:15pm (or by appointment)

SCHOOLS SERVING OUR PARISHIONERS

For registration and other information please contact

Our Lady of Sorrows School

5831 So. Kingshighway Blvd.

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314.752.4171

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From the Pastor



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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Please keep in mind the Children's Education Initiative which is designed to raise money for both public and private schools. In order to get the Children's Education Initiative (CEI) on the ballot for November, 2014, the State requires 250,000 signatures.

There are a number of advantages for supporting this initiative:

1. The measure would not raise taxes or reduce aid to public schools.
2. 50 percent of the funds would go toward improving programs in public schools, 40 percent would provide scholarships for private schools, and 10 percent would be used to enhance special education programs for children with special needs.
3. Any person donating to an educational foundation would be given a State income tax credit of 50% of the dollar amount donated.

The Children's Education Initiative, if enacted, would go a long way to providing scholarships to families who have children in Catholic schools and to families who have children with special needs. Therefore, it is strongly supported by our Archbishop. Having spent many years in both public and private education, as a teacher and administrator, I also strongly support this plan. It is a significant way to support all of education (K-12) in the State of Missouri, without an additional tax burden.

Petitions will be available in the back of church over the next several weekends. I strongly urge each of you to sign the petition at your convenience after Mass. Let us help put this Initiative on next November's ballot. Every signature counts. Please do not pass up this opportunity to help support the education of every child in the State of Missouri.

God bless,

Msgr. John Borcic



St. Mary Magdalen St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our St. Vincent de Paul conference is having a food drive. Thanksgiving is approaching, a time when we can be thankful for what we have, for not having to ring a door bell and ask for food.

Needs for our food pantry are canned meats, fruits, vegetables, soups, and personal care items. Cash donations can be made at anytime using the blue envelopes and checking St. Vincent de Paul or any envelopes marked St. Vincent de Paul. Cash helps us to purchase perishable items like frozen foods as well as assisting with utility bills, bus passes and medicines, etc.

Grocery bags will be given out after all the masses this weekend November 23rd and 24th and should be returned at the Thanksgiving Day 9:00am Mass or next weekend.

If you read this article when you are at home and realize that you did not pick up a grocery bag after mass— please any bag will do!

Your help is a wonderful opportunity to show your thanks for your blessings and help those in need.

"What you do for the least of My brethren you do for Me."

Weekly Offertory

November 17, 2013

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| Envelopes | \$ | 3,479.00 |
| Loose Offering | | 296.22 |

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| Total | \$ | 3,775.22 |
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| Collections as of 07-01-13 | \$ | 88081.17 |
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Magdalen Specials

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| Soup Kitchen | 150.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul | 72.00 |
| Pro-Life | 36.00 |
| Tuition Assistance | 100.00 |

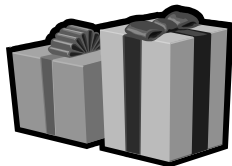
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| Total | \$ | 358.00 |
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Thank you for your gifts to God and our Parish.



Giving Tree
The tradition continues...

Next weekend, on the 1st Sunday of Advent, don't forget to check out the Christmas Tree in the back of church. This is our traditional "Giving Tree", and the ornaments have gift suggestions on them for those we hope to help out this year. You can make Christmas a little brighter for someone else, by taking an ornament or two off of the tree and purchasing the suggested gift. We will continue the tradition started a couple of years ago, and include ornaments for: *Our Lady's Inn*, Avalon Gardens N.H. residents, and SVDP families. We are collecting gift cards for SVDP families, a variety of items for *Our Lady's Inn*, and we are making up a Christmas gift bag for each of the 75 nursing home residents. Thank you and God Bless You for your generosity in supporting the "Giving Tree" tradition at St. Mary Magdalen.



Stewardship Reflection

"He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son..."
-Colossians 1:13

If we recognize Jesus as our King, then we must also recognize ourselves as His loyal subjects. As members of God's kingdom we have an abundance of wonderful blessings. But we also have responsibilities. We must always use our gifts to help build up the kingdom. We must never forget that we are truly blessed to be called to serve the Greatest of Kings.



**Thanksgiving Day
Offertory Collection**

As has been the custom in past years the offertory collection at the 9:00am Thanksgiving mass is given to the St. Mary Magdalen, St. Vincent de Paul Society. The collection is particularly helpful in assisting some of our needy families as they face the Christmas season.

Thank you and have a Happy Thanksgiving!



*Hosted by
The Knights of Columbus
and Ladies Auxiliary*

Date: December 8, 2013
Time: 8am—Noon
Where: SMM School Hall

*Ukulele Musical Entertainment
Famous Chocolate Fountain*

Adults \$6.00 and Children under 10 \$4.00

Schnucks—Scrip Cards

Thank you to all who are participating in the Scrip Program. Be sure to use your cards when doing your holiday shopping at Schnucks this season! To get your Scrip card and help your parish, please contact Fran at the rectory. Remember you don't have to be a parishioner, so your friends and family may also help support St. Mary Magdalen.

Happy Holidays!



**THANKSGIVING DAY
MASS
9:00 AM**

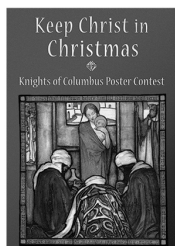


**A Gift of Thanksgiving
to our Parishioners!**

Available in the back and sides of the church are 2014 St. Mary Magdalen Parish Calendars. These beautiful calendars are a gift to the parishioners from Jasper, Sebastian, and family of John's Appliance in memory of their loving father John Giardina, founder of John's Appliance.

**John's Appliance
5204 Gravois
353-9343**

P.S. Thank you to the entire Giardina family for your continuous generosity to our parish!



**Keep Christ in Christmas
Poster Contest**

In a society where Christmas has become for many - especially children - a secular holiday. To combat this, the Knights of Columbus Council # 453 has introduced the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. This program will allow young people to engage their creative talents and imaginations while understanding the true, spiritual meaning of Christmas and that their artwork will bring others to remember Christ in Christmas.

Entries in the Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster contest must include a slogan reflecting the topic and an original visual image.

Eligibility

The Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest is open to all young people between the ages of 5 and 14.

Age Groups

Contest entrants compete in one of three age groups—ages 5 through 7, ages 8 through 10, and 11 through 14 with **6 winning entries – first, and second place winners in each age group.**

Criteria :

- Poster must reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas
- Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images)
- Poster must be 11X17 inches in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic.
- Each poster must be submitted with the Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster contest entry form available from Joe Miklovic, Youth Director—353-1062. The name and age of the entrant should be printed on the reverse side of the poster in case the poster and entry form get separated.
- All entries become property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council. Posters will not be returned.

Timetable

Posters should be delivered to Joe Miklovic 5311 Landowne by December 15, 2013

*We are so pleased to
welcome back the alumni
of St. Mary Magdalen School
Class of 1973
next Saturday, November 30, 2013
at the 4:30pm Mass*



Mass at the Cathedral Basilica LIVE!

Are you or a loved one homebound? Did you know that you can watch Mass of the beautiful Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis LIVE on Sundays at 10am? You can also catch the recordings of the Masses soon after. Visit archstl.org/mass for more information.



**First Sunday
Coffee and Donuts**

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting Donut Sunday next Sunday, December 1 after the 8am and 10:30am Masses. Come join the Ladies and other parishioners for refreshments and conversation in the school hall. If you are new in the parish or just visiting please stop by we would love for you to join us.

This week in our Parish...

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| Monday, November 25, 2013 | | |
| Quilters | 9:00a | Qrm |
| Tuesday, November 26, 2013 | | |
| SVDP Mtg | 6:45p | MR |
| Thursday, November 28, 2013 | | |
| Thanksgiving Day | | |
| Thanksgiving Day Mass | 9:00a | CH |
| Office Closed | | |
| Friday, November 29, 2013 | | |
| Office Closed | | |
| Saturday, November 30, 2013 | | |
| Reconciliation | 3:30-4:15p | CH |
| Mass | 4:30p | CH |
| 1973 Class Reunion | 5:30-11p | SH |
| 1st Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2013 | | |
| Donuts after the 8 and 10:30 am Masses | | |
| Youth Mass | 6:00p | CH |

March for Life

For 15 years I have had the honor of being the Captain of a Mid-American Coach bus from St. Mary Magdalen sponsor a pilgrimage trip for the March for life in Washington, DC. This trip accommodates parishioners from throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Our trip along with 20 other busses from the archdiocese gives a witness to our nation that we will not be silent and we will not stop Marching until every life that God has created be given life. This March also gives us the opportunity to witness to thousands of viewers on EWTN, radio, media, etc. that when we allow abortion to be legalized we not only killed the baby but we killed the soul of that woman that was created in God's image. This March tells everyone we are marching for two; the baby and the mother.

I invite you to consider attending this March for Life, since the legalization of abortion in our nation millions of babies have been killed. Currently, we will be leaving on Sunday January 19 in the evening and returning on Thursday, January 23 by mid-day. The March itself is on Wednesday, January 22. We try to accommodate people to 4 per room. Making the cost to be \$260.00 per person. This cost will purchase the round trip ticket by Mid-American Coaches to DC, 2 nights at the Hyatt Regency in DC, tip to the drivers for driving us to and from. So your only cost after that is the food cost. For further information please contact Marisol at 314-481-8408 in the evenings or 314-277-5057 in my cell phone.

Save the Dates

2014 Catholic Women/Men for Christ Conferences

The annual Catholic Women for Christ Conference will be held on Saturday, January 25th at the St. Charles Convention Center. Speakers include Kelly Wahlquist and Maryanne Rice. For info and registration see: www.catholicwomenforchrist.org or call 314-792-7183.

The annual Catholic Men for Christ Conference will be held on Saturday, February 1st at the Peabody Opera House. Speakers will include Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Bishop Edward Rice and Fr. Don Calloway. For info and registration see www.catholicmenforchrist.org



SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. CLEMENT I,

Pope and Martyr

Little is known of this apostolic father beyond a few facts. He was a disciple of St. Peter, and perhaps of St. Paul. It is thought that

Clement was bishop of Rome. But there is great difficulty in admitting this supposition.

According to Tertullian, Clement succeeded St. Peter immediately in the episcopal government of the Church at Rome. But in the list of bishops given us by Irenaeus and Eusebius he occupies the third place after the apostle, that is, after Linus and Cletus. (Peter, Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus... etc.). This is all that we know of St. Clement.

The legend of the martyrdom of St. Clement relates that, in the reign of the Emperor, Trajan, a sedition arose among the rabble of Rome against the Christians, and especially against Clement, bishop of Rome. Mamertinus, Prefect of Rome, interfered to put down the riot, and having arrested Clement, sent him to the emperor, who ordered his banishment to Pontus, where he was condemned to work in the marble quarries.

He found many Christians among his fellow-convicts, and comforted and encouraged them. The only spring of drinking water was six miles off, and it was a great hardship to the convicts to have to fetch it all from such a distance. One day Clement saw a lamb scraping at the soil with one of its forefeet. He took it as a sign that water was there; dug, and found a spring.

As Clement succeeded in converting many pagans, he was sent to the prefect, who ordered him to be drowned in the sea with an old anchor attached to his neck. His body was recovered by his disciple Phoebus. The relics of St. Clement were transferred to Constantinople (860) by St. Cyril. Some of the relics found their way to Rome, and were deposited in the church of San Clemente, where they are still reverently preserved.

In art St. Clement of Rome is represented as a Pope with an anchor at his side. His death is placed at about 100 A.D. Pope St. Clement I is patron of marble workers and his feast day is celebrated on November 23rd.



Please pray for the repose soul of Dave Massie,

the brother-in-law of parishioner Jeannine Wiczorek who passed away on November 17. May he be with Our Lord in glory. Please keep the family and friends of Dave in your prayers as well as all of our parishioners mourning the loss of their loved ones.

Please pray for ... Gary Barker, Mario Banzon, Margaret Crawford, Bob Downey, Julie Edgar, Mary Elkins, Genevieve Fujarski, Marie Gambino, Agnes Grajek-Wiltgen, Ruth Hassler, Pete Harvatin, Ann Hudgens, Bill Hrdlicka, Fran Jascur, LaVerne Kammer, Dolores Kettenbach, Dolores Kuhlman, Barb Lutz, Charlie Mather, Mary Mather, Terri Mazzola, Jackie McGilligan, Lou Ann Michaels, Liam Niemira, Edith Smiley, Dodie Stollhans, Jeannine Young, Lois Zitzmann, Ralph Zitzmann

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 25, 2013

8:00 A.M. Jessica Parish Olson
8:00 A.M. Ann Schwarz

Tuesday, November 26, 2013

8:00 A.M. Ann Rose Foley
8:00 A.M. Leonard Schilli

Wednesday, November 27, 2013

8:00 A.M. George & Marie Werner
8:00 A.M. Anthony & Angie Venegoni

Thursday, November 28, 2013

Thanksgiving

9:00 A.M. Msgr. Louis F. Meyer
9:00 A.M. Purgatorial Society

Friday, November 29, 2013

8:00 A.M. Paul H. Quante
8:00 A.M. Dolly Bias

Saturday, November 30, 2013

4:30 P.M. For the People of the Parish

Sunday, December 01, 2013

8:00 A.M. Carol Lanners
10:30 A.M. Kalman & McMiller Family

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, November 30, 2013 4:30 PM

Jim Abkemeier, Pat Grotegeers, Charlie and Mary Ann Halbrook, Eileen & Steve Radomski

Sunday, December 1, 2013 8:00 AM

Mary & Charlie Dooling, Mark Laury, Nancy Sewester

Sunday, December 1, 2013 10:30 AM

Pat Fahey, Bob & Miriam Marek, Sara Marek, Mary & Ray Schaefer

Lectors

Saturday, November 30, 2013 4:30PM

Kris Onanian

Sunday, December 1, 2013 8:00 AM

Julie Laury

Sunday, December 1, 2013 10:30 AM

Michele Sakomoto

Servers

Thursday, Thanksgiving Day

November 28, 2013 9:00AM

Harry Signaigo

Saturday, November 30, 2013 4:30PM

Danny Radomski

Sunday, December 1, 2013 8:00 AM

Vincent, Zelle &/or Ada Laury

Sunday, December 1, 2013 10:30 AM

Alex &/or Tiffany Sakamoto

Greeters

Saturday, 4:30 PM Ron Gianella

Sunday, 8:00 AM Dolores Johnson

Sunday, 10:30 AM Tom Brent, Sue Rice

Ushers

Saturday, 4:30 PM Ron Gianella, Don Quante, Bill Yashuk, Rich Brutine

Sunday, 8:00AM Bernie Driscoll, Dick Furrer

Sunday, 10:30AM Tom Brent Norm Guittar, Jewell Douthit



Please note:

The Rectory business office will be CLOSED on Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2013

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