# Church of the Magdalen

~ 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~

August 28, 2022



MASS SCHEDULE Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am and 11:30am

Monday-Friday: 8:00am

RECONCILIATION Saturday: 3:30pm-4:15pm

Wednesday: 6:00pm-7:30pm

**ADORATION** 

Wednesday: 6:00pm-7:30pm

ROSARY

Monday-Friday: 7:30am

PERPEPTUAL HELP DEVOTIONS Tuesday after 8:00am Mass

FIRST SATURDAY HOLY HOUR 9:15am



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August 21, 2022

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Please let me start by thanking you for your thoughtful consideration and honest feedback to our various All Things New surveys, outreach and strategic planning endeavors. Your prayers and input have been most valuable to this effort.

As I write, I'm reflecting on something the Holy Father said several years ago that remains true and especially relevant to us in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Pope Francis said "we are not living an era of change, but a change of era." The All Things New pastoral planning process is going to bring historic change to the Archdiocese of St. Louis. We know that our current model is not sustainable. As we start to look at potential plans for parishes, ministries and schools to ensure a vibrant presence and future for the Archdiocese, I'd like to update you as to where we are in the process.

In this next phase, we will begin a conversation with our archdiocesan priests and parishioners to discuss draft models, which are based on demographics, sacramental data and feedback received from the Disciple Maker Index survey and other consultative bodies. This past Friday, we presented the information we gathered and preliminary proposals for parishes to our priests to gather their feedback. Then, over the next several months, we will share updated proposals in a series of listening sessions hosted at each parish to hear your thoughts about the proposed models. Please let me remind you that these parish models are preliminary and will be adjusted based on your feedback. Specific information regarding schools will be released later.

Our goal is to implement a vision for evangelization that is accessible to all and empowers every Catholic to spread the Gospel message - today and for generations to come.

This is our primary focus as Catholics, and so I urge you all to bear this in mind as we take the next steps. We are called to collaborate as the Catholic Church rather than compete as many individual churches. I encourage you to engage with us during our listening sessions with an open heart and mind, as we continue to discern where the Lord is leading us. We will continue to update you through allthingsnew.archstl.org. May God bless you, your family and your parish community.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski

Archbishop of St. Louis

#### What is All Things New?

We all know that the Church of today is not the same that it was 50, 100 or 150+ years ago, and yet we are still functioning in many ways out of the same mode of evangelization. We have inherited a great treasure of Catholic institutions from previous generations, but as the Catholic population and society have shifted over the past several decades, they are no longer as effective or sustainable as they once were.

We are closer now to 2050 than to 1950. We need to ask ourselves what our parishes, ministries and institutions need to look like in order to effectively share the faith in a way that is suitable and sustainable for our children and generations to come.

All Things New is evaluating the effectiveness of the Church in St. Louis in proclaiming the Gospel and identifying opportunities for improvement and renewal within all parishes, schools and curia offices and agencies.

#### Why is the Archdiocese of St. Louis making these changes now?

- Our Catholic population continues to decline and age.
- Our priests are aging and as a result, their number is declining.
- Mass attendance and sacramental participation continue to decline.
- Fewer children attend Catholic Schools and Religious Education (PSR).
- Our resources are finite and need to be realigned.

On August 19, 2022, Archbishop Rozanski met with Archdiocesan priests. What was shared? The Archbishop and Fr. Chris Martin, Vicar for Strategic Planning, shared the next phase of All Things New with archdiocesan priests, which included *proposed* parish models based on our Planning Areas.

A Planning Area is a number of parishes and schools in a geographic region which will be considered together to develop proposed structural options for the future. There are 15 planning areas in the Archdiocese.

They saw several options as to how parishes in their specific Planning Area could be structured and collaborate in the future. Each option is termed a "model."

The models are "unfinished" because they need your insight and feedback.

#### What's next?

Archdiocesan priests will evaluate the Planning Areas and Models and offer feedback. Their feedback will be incorporated into the models. Then, the updated Planning Areas and Models will be shared at every parish in listening sessions. The purpose of the listening sessions is to gather your input on these proposed options that are specific to your parish so that over the next year a recommendation can be presented to Archbishop Rozanski for his discernment.

Modelled parishes are generally much larger than current parishes. On average, parishes are 2 to 2.5 x larger.

#### What happens after the Listening Sessions?

All parishioners across the Archdiocese will have an opportunity to provide feedback through an open-ended survey about their parish's model options after the listening sessions. This feedback will be incorporated into revised models which will be refined with input from the pastors and key parish leaders throughout the winter 2022 and into 2023. Once a final recommended grouping of parishes and schools is determined, the model will also include the following:

- Recommendations concerning buildings to be used by the merged parish
- The number of priests initially assigned
- Suggested evangelization and ministry strategies

#### What is the timeline for this?

While decisions will be made in spring 2023, implementation will not begin until fall 2023 and will extend through 2026. Implementation will occur in a phased approach over time to allow for orderly planning and transition at the local level, led by your pastor and supported by the Archdiocese.

#### What can we as local Catholics do now?

You are encouraged to attend your parish's listening sessions with open hearts and minds. Continue to attend Mass, participate in the Sacraments and pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to pour out upon the Church of St. Louis, to grant us the gift of true discernment, so we may do His will in all things.

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If you are homebound, sick, hospitalized, need a communion visit, please contact the office, 314.352.2111.





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## Weekly Offertory Collection August 21, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 2,322.00
Loose Cash & Checks	1,529.00
Online Giving *	2,563.15
Total General Collection	\$ 6,414.15
(Budget)	(\$4,200)

Thank you for your gifts to God and our Parish.

## Church of the Magdalen St. Vincent de Paul Society

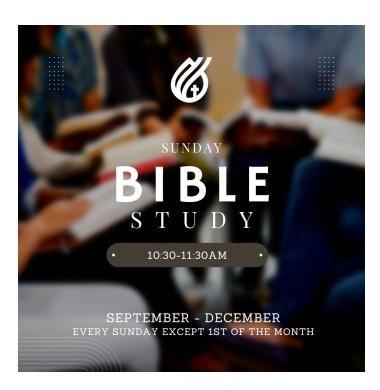
Due to your generous donations as of August 19, our conference was able to provide 'Service' to our neighbors in need.

- Distributed \$800.00 worth of food, fruits, vegetables, air conditioner, and box fans to 6 families.
- Negotiated \$90.00 in utility pledges for 1 in need Received \$1,500 in SVDP Thrift Store Credits from St. Gabriel's Parish Conference.

SVDP member Eric Klipsch delivered to *Our Lady's Inn...*15lbs of sweet potatoes; 10lbs of oranges; 10lbs of nectarines. Eric also delivered to *Patch, Fr. Jim's House* and *St. Cecilia' Food Pantry*, food, fruits and vegetables approximately worth \$700.00.

Our pantry is in need of pasta, pasta sauce, rice and instant potatoes.

Thanks for walking with us in our mission!

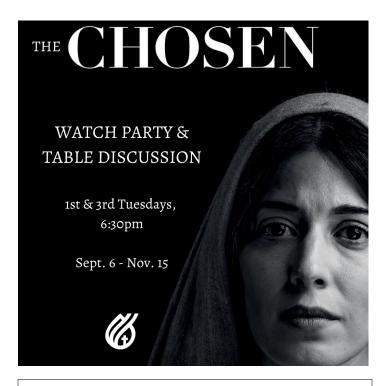


Covenant Network Catholic Radio is the go to-radio station for all things Catholic. In addition to Mike Roberts daily weather report and brief bio of the saint of the day, you can join in praying the Rosary, The Angelus, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Daily Mass. Learn more about the Catholic faith by listening to programs about scripture, the catechism and so much more. Tune into KHOJ 1460 AM or listen on the Covenant Network app or at OurCatholicRadio.org.









#### Mass and Tour at The Shrine of St. Joseph Friday, September 2

Join others for a Magdalen Parish trip to the Shrine of St. Joseph. No sign ups required, just meet in the church parking lot at 11:15am to car-pool. We will attend 12 noon Mass at the Shrine with tour beginning after Mass. The Shrine has a Great Gift Shop for those who would like to shop. Hope you can join us!

**History Fact:** This shrine has been noted for an authentic 2nd miracle on March 16, 1984 that led to the canonization of Blessed St. Peter Claver to Saint Peter the following year.



Dear St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners,

Glennon Children's Hospital

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SSM Health Cardinal

Glennon's healing ministry is stronger than ever. We gratefully acknowledge the parish's collection of \$859.00. Your faithful generosity supports many of the hospitals vital programs and services, ensuring a healthy future for the children of our region. Many thanks for your continued support to help us continue the hospitals vital Mission: *Through our exceptional health care services, we reveal the healing presence of God.* 

Sincerely,
SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's
Foundation

"Those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty."



First Event: September 15

Parish-wide 'Praise & Worship' Night in the Church featuring live music, a speaker, and Eucharistic Adoration.



#### This Week in Our Parish

Monday, August 29, 2022	
Mass	8:00a
Monday Morning Small Group	9:00a
Quilters	9:00a
20's 30's Heaven Group	6:30p
Tuesday, August 30, 2022	
Mass	8:00a
Funeral Mass	10:00a
SVDP Meeting	6:45p
YA Small Group	7:00p
Wednesday, August 31, 2022	
Mass	8:00a
Adoration & Confessions	6-7:30p
St. Monica Club	7:00p
Thursday, September 1, 2022	
Mass	8:00a
Senior Social	8:30a
Friday, September 2, 2022	
Mass	8:00a
Saturday, September 3, 2022	
First Saturday Devotions	9:15a
Confessions	3:30p
Mass	4:30p
Donut Sunday, September 4, 2022	
Mass	9:30a
Donuts after the 9:30am Mass	
Mass	11:30a



Macy Maríe Polettte on August 21, 2022 at Church of the Magdalen

Fr. Brian Fallon ~ Celebrant

Are You Celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or over 50 Years of Marriage during 2022?

Join Archbishop Rozanski
Wedding Jubilee Mass
Sunday, October 9, 2022
Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis
2:30 p.m.



For details or to register by <u>Sept. 9, 2022</u>, visit *archstl.org/ jubilee* or call 314.792.7171.



Men, women, and couples wounded by abortion are invited to attend the third archdiocesan Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, Sept. 16-18, 2022. The retreat will be held in a comfortable and prayerful setting in the St. Louis area,

(exact location shared at registration). The cost is \$100 to attend which includes two night's lodging, all meals and materials. To register by Sept. 6 or for more info, contact 314.406.0815 or hopehealing@archstl.org. All information and inquiries are kept confidential.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Mk 6:17-29 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk

4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6;

Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40;

Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17;

Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

### Please pray for the sick, in the hospital, and homebound of our Parish

Val Bianco; Shirley Birkenmeier; Rich Brutine; Mary Elkins; Ellen Gianella; Dolores Greer; Ed Howard; Esther Huber; Dolores Hughes; Laverne Kammer; Larry Loftus; Katie Marek; Irene Mazzola; Jackie McGilligan; Peter Messineo, Jr., Richie Meyer; Lou Ann Michaels; Kris Onanian; MaryAnn Merli; Pat O'Neal; Marietta Palguta; Anna & Jacob Potje; Leonard Szuba; Anne Turek; Lois Zitzmann; Francis Zulauf; and for all caretakers.

#### Lectors

Saturday, September 3, 2022 4:30 PM Helen Buckley

Sunday, September 4, 2022 9:30 AM Theresa Killian

Sunday, September 4, 2022 11:30 AM Jack Yunker

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#### Servers

Saturday, September 3, 2022 4:30 PM Katie Weaver

Sunday, September 4, 2022 9:30 AM Volunteer

Sunday, September 4, 2022 11:30AM Veronica Jakul

#### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, August 28, 2022

The Passion of Saint John the Baptist 8:00 A.M. Richard Blake

Tuesday, August 29, 2022

8:00 A.M. Rev. Dana Christensen

Wednesday, August 30, 2022

8:00 A.M. Nina Bryans

Thursday, September 1, 2022

8:00 A.M. Sal Capizzi



Friday, September 2, 2022

8:00 A.M. Benefactors of Msgr. Meyer

Saturday, September 3, 2022

4:30 P.M. Minnie Giardina

Sunday, September 4, 2022

9:30 A.M. Joe & Ann Kuszaj

11:30 A.M. For the People of the Parish