

# Church of the Magdalen

~4th Sunday of Advent~

December 18, 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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sick, hospitalized,  
need a communion visit,  
please contact the office, 314.352.2111.

## From the Desk of Fr. Fallon



We're getting so close, everybody!

I hope this Fourth Week of Advent can be a great time of joy, love, hope, and peace for you. I pray you might see the good things Jesus is doing in your lives and that you might be able to help Him make this love more visible to others.

It's tough to stay in the moment. But when we do, we begin to notice the detail of the Lord's plan, the scope of His care for us. That's what Joseph was able to see in today's Gospel, when all other signs pointed to him leaving Mary and forgetting about their plans together. "Such was his intention when..." he, a man of faith, trusted in the Lord's plan. I'm sure St. Joseph looked back on those tough months years later, grateful to God for His care for him, and the privilege it was to have a front seat to the Messiah's birth.

Let's try to live like St. Joseph and stay in the moment. Let's not miss out on the birth of the King!

Soon and Very Soon,  
Fr. Fallon





**The Giving Tree  
St. Vincent de Paul Parish  
Conference**

It is you that makes the Magic happen!  
Our Christmas Giving Tree, with suggested ornaments, is for our generous parishioners and friends for *gifting* to children in our Neighbors in Need families. The ornaments suggest the general needs that the families we are serving have requested. It is suggested that Gift card denominations be \$25.00 or less.

*That is our Mission this Reason for the Season!*



**All Are Welcome to attend...  
CAROLING with the Avalon  
Gardens Residents  
4359 Taft Ave. 63116  
Sunday, December 18, 2022  
1:00PM**

**Church of the Magdalen**  
*Christmas Mass*  
**December 24, 4:30pm**  
**December 25, 9:30am**

MAGDALEN YOUTH MINISTRY &  
ST. GABRIEL'S YOUTH MINISTRY

*White Elephant  
Christmas Social*

COME IN YOUR UGLIEST, FLUFFIEST,  
ITCHIEST CHRISTMAS SWEATER!

*Bring a wrapped,  
silly/joke gift.*

7:30-9:00PM  
WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 21

@ ST. GABRIEL'S  
6303 NOTTINGHAM AVE.



*This Week in Our Parish*

<b>Monday, December 19, 2022</b>	
Mass	8:00a
Quilters	9:00a
<b>Tuesday, December 20, 2022</b>	
Mass	8:00a
<b>Wednesday, December 21, 2022</b>	
Mass	8:00a
Adoration/ Confession	6-7:30p
<b>Thursday, December 22, 2022</b>	
Mass	8:00a
Youth Ministry	7:00p
<b>Friday, December 23, 2022</b>	
Mass	8:00a
<b>Saturday, December 24, 2022</b>	
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	
Confessions	3:30p
Mass	4:30p
<b>Sunday, December 25, 2022</b>	
<b>Christmas Day</b>	
Mass	9:30a

**Weekly Offertory Collection  
for December 11, 2022  
will be posted in the  
December 25th bulletin**

**Thank you for your Gifts to God  
and our Parish**

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Christmas 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I wish you, your families, and your loved ones joyful greetings at this special time of year!

This past year has been a year of consultation and unceasing prayer as we continue in this journey to make All Things New in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. This strategic pastoral planning process is about revitalizing our parishes and ministries, and providing a more vibrant future for Catholic communities throughout the Archdiocese.

This Christmas, I ask you to pray for vocations and for all our priests and seminarians. I also ask you to be generous in your donation to the Christmas collection at your parish, which helps ensure that our seminarians receive the education and formation they need to grow closer to Christ each day. Your support is a source of inspiration for the seminarians and helps to build up the Church in St. Louis. Together, we can encourage our future priests to walk the path of holiness as they seek to configure their hearts to the Heart of Jesus Christ.

I look forward to celebrating the joy of the Christmas season with all of the faithful of the Archdiocese. Please be assured of my prayers for you during the season of Christmas.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+ Mitchell T. Rozanski*

Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski  
Archbishop of St. Louis



*Molly Anne Eilerman*  
 on  
*December 4, 2022*  
 at  
*Church of the Magdalen*  
 Reverend Brian Fallon  
 Celebrant



In your charity, please pray for the repose soul of parishioner Edward Schmidt who passed away on December 5, 2022. May he be with Our Lord in glory. Please keep in your prayers, his dear wife Mary and all of his family in friends so they may be comforted. May Ed and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for the sick, in the hospital, and homebound of our Parish  
 Val Bianco; Shirley Birkenmeier; Rich Brutine; Juanita Donatti; Mary Elkins; Ellen Gianella; Dolores Greer; James Havranek; Esther Huber; Dolores Hughes; Laverne Kammer; Tom LaForest; Larry Loftus; Katie Marek; Irene Mazzola; Jackie McGilligan; Peter Messineo, Jr., Richie Meyer; Ray Miles; Kris Onanian; MaryAnn Merli; Pat O'Neal; Marietta Palguta; Anna & Jacob Potje; Nancy Sewester; Leonard Szuba; Christine Taylor; Anne Turek; Lois Zitzmann; Francis Zulauf; and for all caretakers.

Magdalen  
**SMALL GROUPS**  
 EVERY OTHER WEEK  
 JANUARY - FEBRUARY - MARCH 2023  
 magdalen.org/groups

**Stewardship Reflection**

*“When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.” - Matthew 1:24*

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

*They shall name him Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.”*  
 — *Matthew 1:23*

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, December 19, 2022**  
 8:00 A.M. Sue Nikolai

**Tuesday, December 20, 2022**  
 8:00 A.M. Meyer, Antonic, Hrabal Families

**Wednesday, December 21, 2022**  
*St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church*  
 8:00 A.M. Dolores Hitch

**Thursday, December 22, 2022**  
 8:00 A.M. Benefactors of Msgr. Louis Meyer

**Friday, December 23, 2022**  
*St. John of Kanty, Priest*  
 8:00 A.M. Thomas “Ed” Howard

**Saturday, December 24, 2022**  
*Christmas Eve*  
 4:30 P.M. Donald Patt and Luke Smith

**Sunday, December 25, 2022**  
*Christmas Day*  
 9:30 A.M. Edward Kuntz