

# St. Mary Magdalen Parish

1919 ~ 100th Anniversary Celebration ~ 2019

First Mass Celebrated on September 7, 1919

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME



September 16, 2018

IF YOU WISH TO COME AFTER ME  
YOU MUST DENY YOURSELF,  
TAKE UP YOUR CROSS,  
*and follow me.*

MARK 8:34

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**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

**Perpetual Help Devotions:** Tuesday following 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

**Prayer Support Group:** Every other Tuesday (September 25th canceled –October 9th is the next one 6:30pm in the church)

**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.



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**Rectory Office Hours**

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

8:30am — 4:00pm Friday

**Closed**

**Saturday and Sundays,**

**National Holidays**

**and**

**Holy Days of Obligation**

**From the Pastor**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Once again, our parish has been assigned two seminarians to do their pastoral work in the area of ministry to the homebound, those in nursing homes and hospitals. They will also be present at the Sunday Masses throughout the year. Both are from the Diocese of Wichita in Kansas and are in their second year of Theology at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. I've asked each of them to give us a brief bio which follows. When you meet them please afford them a warm welcome.



My name is Christopher (Chris) Rumback. I'm from Hutchinson, KS in the Diocese of Wichita. I'm blessed to have parents who are strong, practicing Catholics. Thanks to them, my two younger sisters and I had the opportunity to attend Catholic schools growing up. I first felt a call to the priesthood when I was in second grade after learning to serve Mass and receiving my First Holy Communion. As my dreams of being a superhero or a Jedi Knight were quickly fading away, I saw the priesthood as the next best thing. However, I didn't take this desire to be a priest seriously, and set it aside as just another childhood dream. In junior high and high school I wasn't sure what to do after graduation. Finally, during my senior year I had the courage to ask God what He wanted me to do. Through daily visits to the chapel and with the help of my parish priest, I realized that I had wanted to be a priest all along. I entered Conception Seminary College after high school where I spent my first four years in seminary, and came to Kenrick-Glennon Seminary last fall. Discerning God's will for me in seminary has been one of the greatest blessings in my life. I'm excited to serve at St. Mary Magdalen, where I hope to become a better disciple of Jesus Christ.



My name is Matt Glazier, I'm a seminarian for the Catholic Diocese of Wichita, KS, and I am beginning my second year of Theological Studies at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. I am also very excited to announce that I will be assisting with pastoral duties here at St. Mary Magdalen throughout the year. Before entering the seminary I

spent 2 years at Emporia State University, where I encountered Jesus Christ through the Catholic Center on campus, and God's grace changed my life forever! After being involved there, leading Bible Studies, serving Masses, and doing campus ministry I discerned that God was calling me to enter seminary formation to discern the Holy Priesthood. I finished my college degree at Conception Seminary College, and then came to St. Louis to study Theology at Kenrick. During my time in the Seminary I have come to understand my identity as a beloved son of God the Father, and the freedom I have to strive for sainthood. My hope is to assist in any way that I can, in order that others may experience this same joy that we all have through Jesus Christ!

May they be assured of our prayers and support as they continue their formation leading to ordination to the Holy Priesthood.

God bless,  
Msgr. John Borcic

<b>Weekly Offertory Collection</b>	
<b>September 9, 2018</b>	
<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>\$ 3,325.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>890.52</b>
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,215.52</b>
<b>Total Collection as of fiscal year</b>	
<b>07-01-18 thru 06-31-19</b>	
<b>\$ 40,189.99</b>	
<b>Magdalen Specials</b>	
<b>Soup Kitchen</b>	<b>\$ 68.00</b>
<b>Pro Life</b>	<b>20.00</b>
<b>Tuition Assistance</b>	<b>19.00</b>
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 107.00</b>
<b>Thank you for your gifts to God</b>	
<b>and our parish.</b>	



**Rosary Triduum  
Celebration  
October 8th-10th, 2018  
1:00pm—2:00pm**

**St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church**

The Rosary Triduum is a three day celebration of the Rosary with Preaching. We will meet at 1:00pm in the Church and pray the Rosary and hear preaching on the Rosary. This is a way to help one to grow deeper in your relationship with God through the Rosary.

- October 8: History and Different ways to Pray the Rosary
- October 9: Praying with the Rosary as Meditation and Contemplation
- October 10: Efficacious Effects of the Rosary

**St. Mary Magdalen Parish  
Centennial Prayer**

Good and gracious God,

We, the members of St. Mary Magdalen Parish in St. Louis, humbly ask your blessing upon us as we commemorate the 100th anniversary of the founding of our parish.

Over the years, through the hard work of all who set out to establish your Church here, and those committed to helping it grow, you have shaped us into a community of believers, where one can feel at home and worship you with joy and gratitude.

You have called us to be a caring community with a welcoming spirit; with respect for the sanctity of life for all; with reverence for the dignity of each person; with a desire to reach out to our neighbor, especially the elderly, the hungry, the poor and others in need.

Nourished by your Word and the Sacraments, we have humbly responded to your call to lead holy lives, committed to the love of God and the love of neighbor.

With the power of the Holy Spirit to guide us, may we face our future with the same faith, hope, charity, and vision of those who have preceded us, and may we, through your grace and peace, commit ourselves to a new century of prayer and service.

We offer this prayer through the intercession of St. Mary Magdalen, through Mary, our Blessed Mother, and in the Name of Jesus, Her Son. Amen.

**MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE  
ANNUAL ASSEMBLY**

Saturday, October 6, 2018

Helias High School, Jefferson City, MO

Theme: **Five years of Pope Francis:  
The Church at the peripheries**

Keynote speaker: Bishop Joseph Perry,  
Archdiocese of Chicago

Schedule:

9:00am – 10:00am	Registration
10:00am – 11:00am	Opening Session & Keynote Address
11:15am – 12:15pm	Morning Workshops
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Lunch
1:15pm – 2:15pm	Afternoon Workshops
2:30pm – 3:00pm	Closing Session
3:15pm – 4:15pm	Holy Mass

Visit [m catholic.org](http://m catholic.org) or call 1-800-456-1679  
for details and to register

**FLU SHOTS - Sunday October 7th  
(Donut Sunday)**

**Flu Shot Reminder: Sunday, October 7th**, the Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) will be here at St. Mary Magdalen from **9am until 11:00am** in the parish hall to give out flu shots.

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED** to guarantee a flu shot is available for you: Please call Marilyn at 352-2111 x 5 to reserve a time. **SIGN UP SHEETS** are also provided in back of Church. The VNA will bill the following insurance providers for the seasonal flu vaccination at no charge to you.

**VNA - Accepted Insurances 2018**  
Aetna; Anthem - Blue Cross and Blue Shield; Cigna Coventry; Essence; HealthLink; Humana and Medicare Part B

Please **BRING**: your insurance card & a photo ID.

**Soup Kitchen ...** Our next meal is Tuesday, Sept. 18. At our August Soup Kitchen we served 145 guests. **Sauce Makers...** Please put your container of sauce in the fridge this Sunday. School hall will be open from 10-10:25. Call if you need to make other arrangements. **Brownie Bakers...** Please bring your brownies to the rectory no later than 12 noon on Sept. 18. Call MaryAnn or Charlie Halbrook, 481-2448-if you need them picked up. Thanks for all your help in making this meal possible each month.



**Celebrating 100 Years**  
**St. Mary Magdalen Centennial**  
**September 7, 1919– September 7, 2019**

*Memories shared by long time parishioner Marie Kellner..* We moved into St. Mary Magdalen Parish in 1964. It is home. I've never wanted to live any place else. We've had Baptisms, First Confessions, First Communions, Confirmations, graduations, weddings and one funeral. So many memories.

When our kids were little, boys wore yellow rain slickers. Ours got passed down from boy to boy until they all outgrew it and it was lost in a closet. Many years later, I found it and thought it looked better than I remembered. When I opened it, I knew why--it wasn't ours! It had another family's name on it! How long had we had it? Although I was alone, my face felt red, and I wondered who got stuck with ours.

One year, a Catholic Order of Brothers taught at our school. *(Trivia?)* To raise money, they hosted a Spaghetti Dinner. The night of the dinner, the school lunch room looked so nice, but everyone was upset. The flowers purchased for the tables had all died! Someone mentioned we had flowers blooming in our yard. So two Brothers, each with a scissors in hand, called on us, and when they left, so did the flowers. And that year our peonies bloomed at Magdalen!

My favorite memory is making birthday cakes for Monsignor Meyer. One year we had an animal-caused accident in the kitchen, and Monsignor only got HALF a birthday cake. Several days later, he stopped by and wanted to know where the rest of his cake was. The following year he said we 'put so many candles on the cake that they melted the icing!' On his next birthday, we gave him 90 flameless tea candles. He really loved that. He put a candle in front of the statue of St. John Vianney every day, and he said he wouldn't have to buy any for three months. Sadly, that was the last cake.

*\*? Who remembers the actual Order of Brothers who taught at SMM that year?!*

What wonderful memories Marie thank you for sharing! Will you let us know the answer to your Trivia question or maybe that would be a great question for our Trivia Night!

All parishioners like Marie, former parishioners and alumni are invited to contribute any memories of their time here at St. Mary Magdalen.

Please email your memories to Fran Voss at [smmadmin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smmadmin@sbcglobal.net) or mail to the rectory, or you may drop off your memories in the Sunday offertory collection addressed to Fran.

**ST. MARY MAGDALEN CENTENNIAL**  
**TRIVIA NIGHT EXTRAVAGANZA**

Trivia Questions will ONLY relate to the  
HISTORY of STMM over the last 100 Years

BENEFITING  
 OUR ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH

**SAVE THE DATE -- Saturday, April 27th, 2019**

The event will take place at our remodeled school hall. Doors open immediately after the 4:30 PM Mass, and Trivia begins promptly 15 minutes later. Get a table of your neighbors and past parishioners and their families together for an evening sojourn of history filled with fun with a prize for 1st place, attendance prizes, silent *RAFFLE* items, a scavenger hunt, 'Dead or Alive', 'heads/tails' and 50/50 drawings. A prize will be awarded for the *table containing the most donated canned goods*. All proceeds benefit St. Mary Magdalen Parish

Cost to participate is a few donated canned goods per participant for the Parish's St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference – trivia round sponsorships are also available.

Refreshments being provided include beer, soda, bottled water and popcorn but feel free to bring your favorite beverages and snacks; this is a non-smoking event, except in designated places outside.

To make a reservation and secure additional information for – The ST. MARY MAGDALEN CENTENNIAL TRIVIA NIGHT EXTRAVAGANZA can be obtained via phone or e-mail. For more information, call (314) 422-8640 or e-mail [MIKLOVIC@SWBELL.NET](mailto:MIKLOVIC@SWBELL.NET)

**Getting More out of Mass**

There is another practice for the Mass that I learned from Matthew Kelly. He recommends bringing a journal to Mass for notes. This is a very good practice, I have never done it, but I do keep a journal at home for my many acronyms. But it is a sound practice. What is key to this practice is to hold in your heart and mind a certain intention. Keep in your mind that you will hear one thing at each Mass that is for your life. It could be the Readings, the hymns, the homily, or anything. But one goes into Mass expecting to hear one thing from God for your life. Then by time the journal fills up, you will have a book of meditations that you can pray with. I think it is a great way to “tune in” during Mass and hear God’s voice. It doesn’t have to be a fancy journal, but just a little note book.

Here are some Saint’s thoughts about the Mass I found on line:

- 1) “When Mass is being celebrated, the sanctuary is filled with countless angels who adore the Divine Victim immolated on the altar.”  
– *St. John Chrysostom*
- 2) “If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy.” – *St. Jean Vianney*
- 3) “The angels surround and help the priest when he is celebrating Mass.” – *St. Augustine*
- 4) “It would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do without Holy Mass.”  
– *St. Padre Pio*
- 5) “The Holy Mass would be of greater profit if people had it offered in their lifetime, rather than having it celebrated for the relief of their souls after death.”  
– *Pope Benedict XV*
- 6) “Put all the good works in the world against one Holy Mass; they will be as a grain of sand beside a mountain.” – *St. John Vianney*
- 7) “Let the entire man be seized with fear; let the whole world tremble; let heaven exult when Christ, the Son of the Living God, is on the altar in the hands of the priest. O admirable height and stupendous condescension! O humble sublimity! O sublime humility! that the Lord of the universe, God and the Son of God, so humbles Himself that for our salvation He hides Himself under a morsel of bread.”  
– *St. Francis of Assisi*
- 8) “No human tongue can enumerate the favors that trace back to the Sacrifice of the Mass. The sinner is

reconciled with God; the just man becomes more upright; sins are wiped away; vices are uprooted; virtue and merit increases; and the devil’s schemes are frustrated.” – *St. Lawrence Justinian*

9) “Know, O Christian, that the Mass is the holiest act of religion. You cannot do anything to glorify God more, nor profit your soul more, than by devoutly assisting at it, and assisting as often as possible.” – *St. Peter Julian Eymard*

10) “The heavens open and multitudes of angels come to assist in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.”  
– *St. Gregory the Great*

11) “How happy is that guardian angel who accompanies a soul to Holy Mass!” – *St. John Vianney*

12) “When we receive Holy Communion, we experience something extraordinary – a joy, a fragrance, a well being that thrills the whole body and causes it to exalt.” – *St. John Vianney*

13) “I believe that were it not for the Holy Mass, as of this moment the world would be in the abyss.”  
– *St. Leonard of Port Maurice*

Thank God for the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist!

<https://churchpop.com/2016/11/13/13-quotes-saints-reveal-mystical-mass/>

Peace, Love, and Joy

Fr. Simon Felix

**The Lord GOD is my help,  
therefore I am not disgraced.  
-- Isaiah 50:7**

***This week in our Parish...*****Daily Mass Monday—Friday 8:00am****Monday, September 17, 2018**

Quilters	9:00a	Qrm
Parish Council	6:30p	MR

**Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

Church Cleaning	8:30a	CH
Finance Mtg	6:30p	Rectory

**Saturday, September 22, 2018**

Prv. Reserved set-up	1:00	SH
Confessions	3:30-4:10p	CH
Mass	4:30p	CH

**Sunday, September 23, 2018**

Mass	8:00a and 10:30a	CH
Prv. Reserved	1:00-4:00p	SH

**Please pray for healing and strength for ...**

Sr. Mary Carol Anth, CSJ, Keith Ballentine, Nancy Birkenmeier, Msgr. Borcic, Brent Family, Charlotte Brown, Kenny Brown, Theresa Campbell, Rosella Coffey, Pat Fahey, Jasper Giardina, Dolores Greer, Mrs. Hartlade, Kathy Huelsing, James Havranek, Bryon Hollows, Ed Howard, Dolores Hughes, Steve Jackson, Marie Kellner, Maria Landeros, Cheri Massa, Eric Mather, Mary Mather, Irene Mazzola, Marilyn Meyer, Ray Miles, Ellen Michalski, Marie Moore, Liam Niemira, Thad Niemira, Kristine Onanian, Mary Ann Plasmeier, Joan Quante, Rachel Ruggeri Dorothy Schuchardt, Nancy Sewester, Dodie Stollhans, Jean Sullivan, Bill Voss, Lois Wolf, Lois Zitzmann, Marianne Zuniga... *and for all our homebound and nursing home parishioners and for their family and friends who take care of them.*

**Stewardship Reflection**

*“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.”*  
~MARK 8:34

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, September 17, 2018**

8:00 A.M. Bob Collins

**Tuesday, September 18, 2018**

8:00 A.M. John Klock

**Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

8:00 A.M. Fr. Ed Goldian

**Thursday, September 20, 2018**

8:00 A.M. Loretta Abkemeier

**Friday, September 21, 2018**

8:00 A.M. Vincenza & Giovanni Drago

8:00 A.M. Bill Sewester

**Saturday, September 22, 2018**

4:30 P.M. Bill Yashuk

**Sunday, September 23, 2018**

8:00 A.M. For the People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. Leona Luchini & Family

**Lector**

**Saturday, September 22, 2018 4:30 PM**

Ron Gianella

**Sunday, September 22, 2018 8:00 AM**

Julie Laury

**Sunday, September 22, 2018 10:30 AM**

Garth Weihl

**Eucharistic Minister**

**Saturday, September 22, 2018 4:30PM**

Kris Onanian, Margaret O'Donoghue

Alt. Mary Beth O'Donoghue

**Sunday, September 23, 2018 8:00AM**

Nancy Sewester, Mark Laury

Alt. Ray Morales

**Sunday, September 23, 2018 10:30AM**

Ray & Mary Schaefer Bill Voss, Mary Elkins

Alt. Cathy Maloney

**Servers**

**Saturday, September 22, 2018 4:30 PM**

Brian & Katie Weaver

**Sunday, September 23, 2018 8:00 AM**

Joe Brouk

**Sunday, September 23, 2018 10:30 AM**

Harry Signaigo



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up  
your  
cross

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17;  
Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1-5;  
Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31 -- 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12,  
22; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17,  
28; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14;  
Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8;

Jas 3:16 -- 4:3; Mk 9:30-37

## 24th Sunday In Ordinary Time

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