


St. Mary Magdalen Parish

1919 ~ 100th Anniversary Celebration ~ 2019

First Mass Celebrated on September 7, 1919



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**FOURTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
FEBRUARY 3, 2019

**FAITH, HOPE, LOVE REMAIN, THESE THREE;
BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE**
is love.
1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

Rev. Msgr. John J. Borcic, Pastor

Rev. Simon-Felix Michalski, O.P. Part-time Associate

Deacon William Weiss

New Parishioners are Welcome!

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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: Twice a month, Tuesdays.
(Tuesday, February 5)

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.

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**



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From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The passage from this Sunday's Gospel follows that of last Sunday.

Jesus came to Nazareth and entered the Synagogue, read a passage from Isaiah, and taught that the passage would be fulfilled by Him. The people were impressed with what Jesus had to say but, as we see in today's Gospel, they soon begin to question what He had just proclaimed because they claim that they knew Him.

Jesus sees their lack of vision and trust and so tells two brief stories from the first and second Book of Kings. Both of them, the story of Elijah and the story of Elisha the Prophet, told how these two men preferred to care for Gentile people even at a time when the people of Israel were also suffering. God is the God of all people.

Jesus wanted to be sure that those in the synagogue with Him that day understood that fulfilling the passage from Isaiah: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord,* meant that He came for the salvation of all, Jew and Gentile alike. This would be the foundation of His public ministry.

The people of Nazareth were blinded by their rigidity and their seeing Jesus as limited to their own expectations. Jesus became a stumbling block for them because of their narrow minded vision.

Jesus also motivates us to see that we, too, may have a narrow minded vision about most things, especially about what God reveals to us day in and day out. Faith is a way of living with the admission that God offers little glimpses and the grace to see these things and trust what is behind and beyond them. Faith helps us to be aware of what we cannot see. We can only see a little bit; let us never assume we can see more than we really can.

O Lord, give me a pure, ardent, and strong faith to sustain and guide me in my continual search for You, and to make me adhere to You with perfect confidence although You remain hidden from my sight.

God bless, Msgr. John Borcic

Do you have a call to the Priesthood?

To all men between the ages of 18 and 40:

Have you ever considered

the possibility of becoming a priest?

Join us for a retreat at Kenrick-Glennon

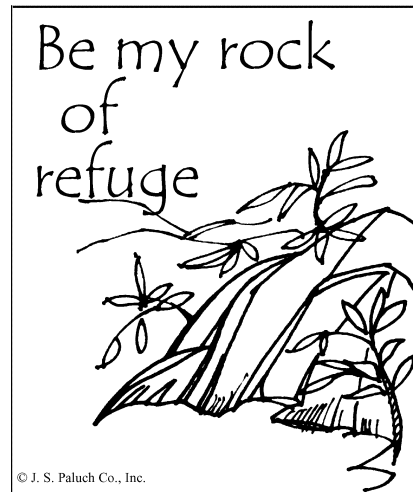
Seminary, February 15-17

for time of quiet prayer

and reflections

on how God is at work in your life.

Register for free at <http://bit.ly/vocations19>



**Weekly Offertory Collection
January 27, 2019**

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| Envelopes | \$ 1990.00 |
| Loose | 795.25 |
| Total | \$ 2,785.25 |

**Total Collection as of the fiscal year
07-01-18—06-31-19
\$110,369.42**

Magdalen Specials

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| Soup Kitchen | 10.00 |
| Pro-Life | 55.00 |
| Tuition Assistance | 5.00 |
| Total | \$ 70.00 |

Thank you for your gifts to God and our Parish!



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

St. Mary Magdalen Parish & School Memories
Submitted by Kevin F. O'Malley
United States Ambassador to Ireland (ret.)
(2014-2017)

My Mary Magdalen years are unfortunately confined to only 1954 through 1959, but I have always considered St. Mary Magdalen to be “my grade school.” The O'Malleys lived in the parish during the years of Msgr. Mullally, Fathers Acton and Donovan, and Sister William Francis. I have nothing but the fondest of memories of the youth center, sports, and school activities—seriousness about studies would come later. The parish was truly the center of life for our family—my parents through the Fathers Club and Mother's Club and for my brother and sisters the comings and goings at school. Times were certainly different then now, but it is clearly more than nostalgia that warms my heart when I drive past the church on Kingshighway or our old home on Sutherland. The O'Malleys were surrounded by good people in simpler times and everyone knew what was important. Good luck with your celebrations and All the Best for St. Mary Magdalen Parish.

All are invited to contribute any memories they may have of St. Mary Magdalen over the years. Please email your memories to Fran Voss, smmadmin@sbcglobal.net or drop off in the week-end collection.

LOVE IS ALL AROUND!

Feb. 16 at 6:30 pm or Feb. 17 at 12:30 pm
Enjoy a great meal and LIVE MUSIC from stage & screen celebrating with 18 singers and an orchestra! Eckert's Restaurant & Orchard, Green Mount Road off I-15 in Belleville Share the love with donated items for St. Vincent de Paul & local food pantries. Receive one ticket for a deluxe Valentine-themed basket raffle for each non-perishable food item, clothing item or blanket you bring. Admission: Adults \$10-\$15, Children \$8-\$10, under age 5-free. Food & drinks available for purchase. Tickets at the door or call 618-409-0015 to reserve a table in advance.

**Information shared by
the St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Missouri Circuit Breaker Program

What is the Missouri Circuit Breaker Program?
Missouri's Circuit Breaker Program is a state tax credit for low-income seniors and certain disabled persons. A credit of up to \$750 for renters and \$1,100 for homeowners, as of 2018, offsets a portion of the rent or property taxes they pay during the year. To claim the credit, you must attach Form MO-PTS, Property Tax Schedule, to your state tax return.

Age and Disability Status

To qualify for the tax credit, you must live in your Missouri residence for an entire year while paying either real estate taxes or rent for that year; persons living in tax-exempt buildings do not qualify for the credit. You must also be at least 65 years old, under age 65 and 100 percent disabled, at least 60 years old and receiving Social Security benefits as a surviving spouse, or a 100-percent disabled veteran.

Income Requirements

The final requirement is that your income, including your Social Security, falls under a specific threshold. As of 2018, for renters, the threshold is \$27,500 if you're single or married but living separately, and \$29,500 if you're married and filed a joint return. The homeowner threshold is \$30,000 if you're single or married but living separately, and \$34,000 if you're married and filed jointly.

**Soup Kitchen
Sauce Makers**

We served 168 guests at the January meal with enough for seconds! The date for our next meal is Tuesday, February 12. The Sauce Makers for the February meal have been contacted, and need to pick up their supplies today, February 3, Donut Sunday, from the cafeteria in the school hall kitchen. Don't forget a package of meat from the freezer, too. Please contact Mary Schaefer if you need to make other arrangements for pick up. Thank you for your support throughout the year.

The Spiritual Gifts

“Brothers and sisters: Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts. But I shall show you a still more excellent way.” (1 Corinthians 12:31)

Dear friends,

Again this week we are praying for, and thinking about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. It is wise to look in the Catechism of the Catholic Church to help get a better understanding of the Holy Spirit. (CCC 733-736). It tells us that the Holy Spirit is the Gift of God.

St. Thomas Aquinas says it this way, “The Holy Ghost receives His proper name from the fact that He proceeds from Father and Son. Therefore ‘Gift’ is the proper name of the Holy Ghost. I answer that, Gift, taken personally in God, is the proper name of the Holy Ghost.”

(<https://taylormarshall.com/2012/05/do-you-know-proper-name-of-holy-spirit.html>)

“GIFT” is the proper name of the Holy Spirit.

St. Paul says in Romans 5:5, “God’s love is poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.”

In our reading this week we hear about what this love is like. Certainly this is a description of Jesus, but it is also a description of what we have received when we received the Holy Spirit into our hearts. We are given the gift (theological virtue), of love which contains the gifts of patience, kindness, humility, consideration, selflessness, affability, reflective, rejoicing in the truth, trusting, hopeful, and enduring. We have received all of these gifts at Baptism in seed form. They grow in us as we nurture them by grace through faith. Confirmation was like adding “miracle grow” to them. Then at times in our lives, we can receive a renewal in the Holy Spirit, and get growth spurts in these gifts. We need only be intentional and ask for growth in them and God will act in our souls and bring the growth.

If we take the time to use the list as a mirror of our own heart, we can then see the areas in our lives in which we are weak, and we can bring them to Jesus for healing and ask the Holy Spirit for growth in those gifts which need growth.

In conjunction with this spiritual practice of asking the Holy Spirit for growth in our gifts, and Jesus for

healing; is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This wonderful Sacrament brings more healing, forgiving, and strengthening grace. Our personal prayer practices undergird our sacramental practices and they bring us into spiritual perfection, (aka sainthood). In this way we are becoming who God made us to be through our co-operation with the grace of the Holy Spirit by the Sacraments and Spiritual Practices.

Prayer: Come Holy Spirit enrich in me the gift of Love. Help me grow in the gifts that are imbedded in Love. Jesus, heal me where I am wounded. Father, bring me to be in union with You. Amen

Peace
Fr. Simon

ST PETER STUDY GROUP

We will begin a study of the First and Second letters of St. Peter. The study group will meet on Thursday’s from **8:45 AM to 9:30 AM**. The study will give us a chance to study the letters of Peter and to pray with them too. **We will meet in the day chapel.**

The dates of the St. Peter Study Group are:
(Thursday’s):

February 7th, 14th, & 28th

March 21st & 28th

April 4th, 11th & 25th

May 2nd & 9th

Here is a little bit of information about the letters of St. Peter, (my paraphrase of the Oxford Study Bible and the St. Joseph Study Bible))

The First Letter of Peter is an exhortation to the Churches in Asia Minor in order to encourage Christians who are suffering. It was written sometime between the years 64-95. AD

The Second letter of Peter is a “last testament” which sets out to present correct teaching and cosmology concerning the return of Jesus and the final judgment. The letter is thought to be written between 64 AD- 125 AD.

Please email Fr. Simon with any questions:
simon.felix.op@gmail.com

Peace and Joy,
Fr. Simon Felix

TRIVIA Night

**St. Mary Magdalen Parish
Centennial Trivia Night
Saturday, April 27, 2019
School Hall**

**Doors open after the 4:30pm Mass
Cost: donations to SVDP food pantry**

Trivia Questions will ONLY relate to the History of St. Mary Magdalen over the 100 years.
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.

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 or more information please call Joe Miklovic at (314) 422-8640 or email miklovic@swbell.net

“Ask not what your Parish can do for you, but ask what you can do for your Parish.”

The above scheduled event, which benefits our Parish needs your help. If you, or your Parish Organization, would like to lend a hand please consider donating any/all baskets, new or used, for the Silent Auction Items. Any and all assistance, no matter how small is welcome.

Call Joe Miklovic @ 353-1062 for any questions.

Prayer Group

All are invited to attend this twice a month prayer group that meets in the church.

Next meeting time is Tuesday, February 5, 2019
6:30p—7:15p

CENTENNIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



**PAVER ORDERS ARE
NOW DUE
Don't miss this
opportunity!**

To honor, or in memory of, a loved one, a family or family member, a former parishioner, an alum, clergy, religious, or others, fill out an order form soon and return it to the

Centennial Committee by February 25th.
Order forms can be obtained at the doors of the church, at the rectory office, and off the parish website www.magdalen.org



Family Photos
“Pictures are worth a thousand words!”

Did you take a family photo at Christmas? We are looking for more pictures of parishioners' families for the centennial memory book. Your picture will trigger memories for us of past events and experiences - and remind us of our great fortune to be members of the St. Mary Magdalen community. We will photograph your picture and return the original to you. Please contact Mary Dooling (314-225-8357) or Cookie Muntges (314-832-4531) for more info.

This week in our Parish...

Daily Mass Monday—Friday 8:00am

Monday, February 4, 2019

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| Quilters | 9:00a | Qrm |
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Tuesday, February 5, 2019

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| Prayer Group | 6:30p | CH |
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Wednesday, February 6, 2019

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| Church Cleaning | 8:30a | CH |
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Thursday, February 7, 2019

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| St. Peter's Study Group | 8:45a | CH |
| Precious Blood Prayer Group | 7:00p | RMR |

Saturday, February 9, 2019

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| Private Reserved | 11a-4:30p | SH |
| Confessions | 3:30p-4:10p | CH |
| Mass | 4:30p | CH |

Sunday, February 10, 2019

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| Masses | 8:00a & 10:30a | CH |
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Please pray for healing and strength for ...

Sr. Mary Carol Anth CSJ, Duane Aune, Keith Ballentine, Nancy Birkenmeier; Charlotte Brown, Frances Brown, Kenny Brown, Rosella Coffee, Madalene Costa, Robert Daggs, Myrtle Davis, 'Erica', Jasper Giardina, Dolores Greer, Pat Gro-tegeers, John Halloran, Bryon Hollows, Ed Howard, Kathy Huelsing, Kevin Jourdan, Max Keiser, Marie Kellner, Pat Kennedy, Amy Koeninger, Steve Luzecky, Mary Mather, Irene Mazzola, Lydia Molina, Thad Niemira, Ricky Perez, Mary Ann Plasmeier, Robert Purk, Diane Roeder, Mary & Rich Ryan, Bob Schallom, Noel Schneider, Gerry Sickles, Mary Signaigo, Dorothy Schuchardt, Jean Sullivan, 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

"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous." (1 Corinthians 13:4)

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of these things. Pray for more humility. Pray to become less "self-centered" and become more "God-centered."

Mass Intentions**Monday, February 4, 2019**

8:00 A.M. Noel Schneider—Special Intention

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

8:00 A.M. Purgatorial Society

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

8:00 A.M. Julie Edgar

Thursday, February 7, 2019

8:00 A.M. Purgatorial Society

Friday, February 8, 2019

8:00 A.M. Charles Vago

Saturday, February 9, 2019

4:30 P.M. Joseph Kuszaj

Sunday, February 10, 2019

8:00 A.M. For Erica—Special Intention
10:30 A.M. For the People of the Parish

Lector

Saturday, February 9, 2019 4:30 PM

Jim Abkemeier

Sunday, February 10, 2019 8:00 AM

Rob Dimbeck

Sunday, February 10, 2019 10:30 AM

Dolores Guittar

Eucharistic Minister

Saturday, February 9, 2019 5 4:30PM

Charlie & Mary Ann Halbrook

Alt. Nancy Sewester

Sunday, February 10, 2019 8:00AM

Mark Laury, Seminarian Matt Glazier

Alt. Ray Morales

Sunday, February 10, 2018 10:30AM

Pat & Cathy Maloney, Seminarian Chris Rumbach,

Judy Still Alt. Bob Marek

Servers

Saturday, February 9, 2018 4:30 PM

Brian & Katie Weaver

Sunday, February 10, 2018 8:00 AM

Kenny Douthit

Sunday, February 10, 2018 10:30 AM

Tiffany Sakamoto

Reminder: Respect Life Apostolate Event

Please join us for 11 am Adoration, 12 noon Holy Mass with Fr. Simon-Felix, and Lunch Fellowship Friday, Feb 8, 2019, Our Lady of Guadalupe Convent Chapel, 4311 Forest Park Avenue 63108 Hosts are the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity. We adore. We pray for an end to abortion. Kindly register with Marilyn at SMM by phoning (314) 352-2111 X5

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32;

Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11;

Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6;

Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8;

1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11

Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

February 3, 2019

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