

St. Mary Magdalen Parish

1919 ~ 100th Anniversary Celebration ~ 2019

First Mass Celebrated on September 7, 1919



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, March 19**)

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.

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,
 This week we begin another Lenten journey. How many have we already made to this point in our lives? This is the parish's 100th Lenten journey. Because a centennial is a significant milestone in the life of a parish maybe this Lent can mark a significant milestone in our spiritual lives.

Maybe this Lent we can find ways to create a considerably deeper intimacy with God. Here are a few Lenten ideas to help approach this season in a new way, a way to help us be more intent on creating a lasting positive change in our encounter with God, who never stops pouring out His love to us.

Sometime in the next few days – before Ash Wednesday – take some time to pray, asking the Holy Spirit to help you choose the best two or three suggestions from the following list to make a personal commitment to keep this Lent.

The following are taken from Dr. Marcellino D’Ambrosio’s book, *Forty Days, Forty Ways: A New Look at Lent*.

Eucharistic Ideas:

1. Get to daily Mass during Lent.
2. Spend up to 30 minutes in Eucharistic Adoration at least one time each week during Lent.
3. If you cannot get to Mass, get a list of the readings for each day, and read them daily.

Repentance:

1. Get to confession at least once during the season of Lent.

Prayer:

1. Make a decision to read at least some Scripture every day
2. Make the Stations of the Cross each week either at church or by yourself

Marian Ideas:

1. Pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary often during Lent

Ideas for Intercession:

1. Pray each day for the Holy Father, and all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons
2. Pray for those suffering persecution in Muslim and Communist countries
3. Pray for an end to abortion on demand

Fasting:

1. Fast in a way that is appropriate for you, given your age, state of health, and state of life
2. Eat out less and donate the money saved to a ministry serving the physically poor

Works of Mercy:

1. Volunteer time to a local homeless shelter, soup kitchen, or pregnancy center.
2. Try to seek Jesus in each person you encounter during Lent
3. Visit someone at a nursing home, hospital, or homebound
4. Invite a widowed or single person in your neighborhood to your home for dinner, cup of coffee, or glass of wine

Remember to choose just two or three from this entire list and be consistent in your prayer, fasting and acts of charity. When Easter comes, don’t drop the new practices you’ve begun during Lent. Make them a permanent feature of a deeper, richer Christian life!

For further details about these ideas and others, and for information about Dr. D’Ambrosio’s book, go to www.crossroadsinitiative.com.

Have a great Lent and God bless,

Msgr. John Borcic

Weekly Offertory Collection	
February 24, 2019	
Envelopes	\$ 3,594.00
Loose	421.00
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Total	\$ 4,015.00
Total Collection as of the fiscal year	
07-01-18—06-31-19	
\$125,030.67	
Magdalen Specials	
Soup Kitchen	\$ 70.00
Pro-Life	0.00
Tuition Assistance	25.00
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Total	\$ 95.00
Thank you for your gifts to God and our Parish!	

Lenten Challenge—Feed the Hungry!

Ash Wednesday, March 6th, begins our season long challenge to feed the hungry by collecting at least 100 food or other household items each week.

The greatest need for the first week of Lent is for canned meals, such as stews, chili, beef ravioli, spaghetti's and the like. We will accept these, similar items, and any other food items you wish to donate. Each item will help us reach our goal of a total of 100 for this week.



Donations may be brought to the weekend Masses, daily Masses, or the rectory office.

Lenten Retreat over three Days You are invited!

Living Life to the Full

Living out the Baptismal Mission by embracing the virtues and gifts of the Holy Spirit (see John 10:10, Romans 5:5, and Philippians 4:4)

Daytime: March 12 through March 14th

1:00 P.M. to 2:15 P.M. at St. Mary Magdalen Church

Or **Nighttime:** March 26 through March 28th

7:00 P.M. to 8:15 P.M. at St. Joan of Arc Church

This three day retreat will explore the meaning and the purpose of our lives as well as giving several practical tips to help us to grow in grace and fight off temptations.- *Fr. Simon Felix Michalski OP*

Find out more about...

- How we are empowered by the Holy Spirit
- Infused Virtues and Gifts of the Holy Spirit
- How to grow in Grace
- How to fight the “Good Fight” against the devil, the false ideas in the world, and the false self
- How the moral life and the spiritual life work together, and how to live them in harmony
- How to decrease worry and increase joy in your life
- Pray about it, and come with an open and honest heart to hear the good news of God’s tender love for you and yours

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

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.

Spring Forward—Daylight Savings Begins
Sunday, March 10, 2019



Magdalen Lenten Fish Fry's 2019
4:00 PM—7:00 PM
School Hall

Date	Theme	Favor	Special Feature *
March 8	Italian Night	Pizzelles	Special
March 15	Irish Night	Green Beer	O'Voss Family Trio * 
March 22	Jazz	Fortune Cookies	Special
March 29	Composers	Life Savers	Right to Life
April 5	Rat Pack	Hershey Kisses	DuBourg Swing Dancers *
April 12	German Night	Pretzels	Dulcimers*
April 19**	Good Friday	Gumbo Soup	St. Vincent de Paul

*Starts at 6:30pm **Fish Fry ends at 6:00pm



Collection hosted by
*The Knights of
 Columbus Council
 #453
 Ladies Auxiliary*

Collection of shoes will be held through the next 4 weeks. Collection box is located by the relics in the chapel. Thank you!



Congratulations to our young parishioner and weekend altar server **Brian Weaver**. Brian was accepted to St. Louis High School in the fall. Way to Go Brian! Your parish family is so very proud of you! God bless you on your new journey into high school! Congratulations to you too Mom & Dad! How proud you must be of Brian!

Soup Kitchen—Sauce Makers

We served 125 guests at the February meal with enough for seconds! The date for our next meal is **Tuesday, March 12**. The Sauce Makers for the March meal have been contacted, and need to pick up their supplies today, March 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.

**Ash Wednesday Services
 At Neighboring Parishes**

If you are unable to make Ash Wednesday services at St. Mary Magdalen this year – 8:00am, 12noon, or 6:00pm – please note the times of services at neighboring parishes:

St. Anthony of Padua, 3140 Meramec
 6:30am, 11:00am, and 7:00pm

St. John the Baptist, 4200 Delor
 6:30am, 7:00pm

St. Margaret of Scotland, 3854 Flad
 6:30am, 8:00am, 7:00pm

St. Stephen Protomartyr, 3949 Wilmington
 6:30am, 8:00am, 7:00pm

St. Wenceslaus, 3014 Oregon
 7:45am (chapel), 12:00noon (church, no Mass),
 6:00pm (church)

St. Pius V, 3310 South Grand
 8:00am, 7:30pm

Election Day in the City

Remember March 5th is Election Day in the City. Please check your voter card that was mailed from the Board of Elections to know where you vote. Anyone needing a ride to the polls on March 5th, please call or text 314.630.6420 to make arrangements.

Dear Friends,

It is time to start thinking about how you are going to celebrate Lent/Easter this year. Lent is a time of more intense self reflection, fasting, self denial, alms giving, prayer, study, and liturgical celebrations.

Let's take a look at them:

Self Reflection: The best way to do self reflection is the old fashioned examination of conscience. There are many good ones in prayer books and on-line. One need only take a little time to find one that you can use for Lent. The Bible also has some wonderful virtue list that you may use. Try Galatians 5 for example. When doing self reflection use the identity of your weakness to help you name the virtue you need to ask the Holy Spirit for. If you struggle with pride, for example, then ask the Holy Spirit to reduce your Pride and help you to grow in Humility. Look for the opposite virtue to contract your vices.

Fasting: Fasting is not only food. One can fast from entertainment, or social media, or from any practice that takes your time away form God.

Self Denial is a way of building up your spiritual muscles by denying yourself some simple thing you enjoy for the sake of your love for Jesus. This is the "giving something up" part of Lent. One simply says, "I would like desert today, but out of love for Jesus, I will deny myself that simple pleasure today." (Remember Sunday, you could have it).

Alms Giving is not just about giving money. Alms giving is also about the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Plan during Lent to do something for others as an act of sacrifice for Jesus.

Prayer time should be increased as you give up something in order to make time for it. There are a lot of opportunities for extra prayer in Church, **Study** is the way we grow in knowledge of who we love. I could recommend a Scripture commentary, or a life of a saint during Lent/Easter season.

Liturgy there are a lot of special liturgies during Lent/Easter season. I highly recommend attending the Triduum during Holy Week and Stations of the Cross on Thursday's after daily Mass.

Here is my plan for Lent/Easter

I use a meditation book for self reflection. I will fast and abstain from meat on Fridays. I will give money to a charity. I will shift all of my prayer to certain themes, like the Passion of Christ and/or prayers

against evil. I will study the life of St. Rose of Lima. I will try and attend the special Liturgies.

Recommended Meditation Books:

(Lent Choose One)

Self Abandonment to Divine Providence

by Fr. J. P. De Cussade, S.J.

The Imitation of Christ by *Thomas a Kempis*

An Introduction to the Devote Life

by St. Francis de Sales

Life and Holiness by *Thomas Merton*

Read the: Gospel of Mark & the Book of Acts & Colossians; The Gospel of John & Acts & 1st John ; The Gospel of Luke & Acts & 1 Peter; The Gospel of Matthew & Acts & Romans

Recommended Meditation Books

(Easter Season, choose One)

Life of Christ by *Fulton Sheen*

Socrates meets Jesus by *Peter Kreeft*

The Mystery of Christ in you

by Fr. George Maloney S.J.

Life of the Beloved by Fr. *Henri Nouwen*

Read the :The Book of Revelation & Jude;

The Book of Sirach; The Letter of James & 2 Peter

Letters of Timothy & Hebrews

Happy Lent

Fr. Simon Felix

This week in our Parish...

Daily Mass Monday—Friday 8:00am

Monday, March 4, 2019

Quilters	9:00a	Qrm
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Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Elections	all day	SH
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Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019

Masses: 8:00a, 12p & 6p		CH
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Church Cleaning	8:30a	CH
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Thursday, March 7, 2019

Stations of the Cross after 8:00am Mass		CH
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Precious Blood Prayer Group	7-9p	RMR
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Friday, March 8, 2019

Fish Fry	4-7p	SH
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Saturday, March 9, 2019

Confessions	3:30p-4:10p	CH
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Mass	4:30p	CH
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Sunday, March 10, 2019

Masses 8:00a & 10:30a		CH
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Pvt Reserved	2-6p	SH
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Please pray for healing and strength for ...
 Ruth Adams, Duane Aune, Keith Ballentine, Nancy Birkenmeier; Charlotte Brown, Kenny Brown, Jean Cebuhar, Rosella Coffee, Madalene Costa, Robert Daggs, Myrtle Davis, 'Erica', Jasper Giardina, 'Jennifer' Ellen Gianella, Dolores Greer, Pat Grotegeers, John Halloran, Bryon Hollows, Ed Howard, Kathy Huelsing, Kevin Jourdan, Max Keiser, Marie Kellner, Pat Kennedy, Amy Koeninger, Steve Luzecky, Margaret Lyons, Mary Mather, Irene Mazzola, Julianne McMiller, Catherine Miller, Patricia O'Neal, Robert Purk, Mary & Rich Ryan, Bob Schallom, Todd Shelton, Noel Schneider, Mary Signaigo, Ed Schmidt, 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.*



In your charity please pray for the repose soul of long time parishioner, *Mary Ann Plasmeier*. Mary Ann passed away on February 21, 2019. May she be with Our Lord in glory. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers. May Mary Ann and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Lector
Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019
 8:00 AM Dolores Guittar
 12:00 PM Kris Onanian
 6:00 PM Fran Voss
Saturday, March 9, 2019 4:30 PM
 Ron Gianella
Sunday, March 10, 2019 8:00 AM
 Seminarian Chris Rumbach
Sunday, March 10, 2019 10:30 AM
 Fran Voss



In your charity please pray for the repose soul of *Genny Davis* the dear mother of parishioner Jane (Tony) Turk who passed away on February 21. May she be with Our Lord in glory. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers during this difficult time. May Genny and all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace Amen.

Eucharistic Minister
Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019
 8:00 AM Steve Jackson
 12:00 PM Margaret O'Donoghue, Mary Elkins
 6:00 PM Bob & Miriam Marek
Saturday, March 9, 2019 4:30PM
 Mary Ann & Charlie Halbrook
 Alt. Kris Onanian
Sunday, March 10, 2019 8:00AM
 Ray Morales, Nancy Sewester
 Alt. Charlie Dooling
Sunday, March 10, 2019 10:30AM
 Dolores Guittar, Mary Schaefer, Ray Schaefer,
 Judy Still
 Alt. Cathy Maloney

Mass Intentions
Monday, March 4, 2019
 8:00 A.M. Kathy Murphy
Tuesday, March 5, 2019
 8:00 A.M. Rick Mayrose
Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019
 8:00 A.M. Richard Brouk
 12:00 P.M. Purgatorial Society
 6:00 P.M. Angela Gardin
Thursday, March 7, 2019
 8:00 A.M. Brenda Bierman
Friday, March 8, 2019
 8:00 A.M. John Mohr
Saturday, March 9, 2019
 4:30 P.M. Jane Hooper
Sunday, March 10, 2019
 8:00 A.M. Elaine Pace
 10:30 A.M. For the People of the Parish

Servers
Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019
 8:00 AM Joe Brouk
 12:00 PM Nancy Sewester
 6:00 PM Nancy Sewester
Saturday, March 9, 2019 4:30 PM
 Brian & Katie Weaver
Sunday, March 10, 2019 8:00 AM
 Ada, Vincent or Ada Laury & Charlie Dimbeck
Sunday, March 10, 2019 10:30 AM
 Harry Signaigo

Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019

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