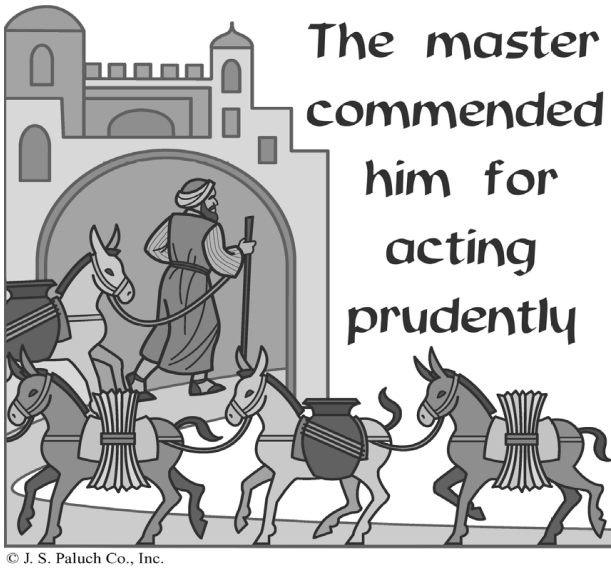


25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catechetical Sunday



OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR OTHERS

The Second Vatican Council has called us to envision the Church as the people of God. As a community of believers we are responsible for our brothers and sisters, their salvation, their journey of faith, their physical well-being. Many of the documents of Vatican II and volumes of work since the mid-1960s give us advice, guidelines, and encouragement to take care of one another: the poor, the elderly, the unborn, the broken, the infirm. Because Vatican II is part of our recent history—indeed many of us were already born—this may strike us as a new and revolutionary idea. But today’s readings show us the agelessness of the issue of social justice. Eight hundred years before Christ was born, Amos warned the wealthy not to cheat the poor. In Paul’s first letter to Timothy, he encourages all prayers to be for all people; and finally, the Gospel urges the wise use of money.

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St. Mary Magdalen Parish Mission Statement

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church is called to foster a welcoming community, to form disciples for Jesus Christ and to joyfully evangelize. **Unifying Vision:** Walking together with Christ, igniting the Spirit within, living God’s Call.

Parish Weekly Bulletin

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

PARISH OFFICE

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday.....9:00AM - 4:00PM
 After hours by appointment only

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon.- Fri., 6:30 AM & 8:30AM; Sat., 8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM
 Sunday Masses - 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
 6:00 PM

SCHOOL OFFICE

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 Religion Coordinator.Mrs. Melanie Gaumont
 Secretary.....Mrs. Dianne Hughes
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In Church, be sure to visit:

**PRO-LIFE CORNER; ADULT PARISH
 LENDING LIBRARY; CHILDREN'S
 CORNER/LIBRARY/PRAYER CENTER**

SOCIAL APOSTOLATE MINISTRY

Hours: Wednesdays, 5:30PM-6:30PM
 Facility Entrance on W. Metairie Ave. to right
 of church.....734-5833

GIFT SHOP & PRAYER GARDEN

Hours: Tues. & Fri.....1:00PM-5:00PM
 Saturdays.....2:00PM-5:00PM
 Sundays.....8:30AM-12:15PM
 Phone:.....734-5833

BAPTISMS: Every 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:15PM.
 Baptism Seminars on 1st Monday at 7:00PM (NOTE new
 time) in Chapel. Baptism Seminar is mandatory for first
 child. **Archdiocesan Policy on Infant Baptism:**
www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptismOR
 may be found on the Parish website.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION &
 CONFIRMATION:** Must have 2 consecutive years of
 Catholic religious instruction prior to reception of these
 sacraments. Contact Parish Religious Education
 Coordinator for further information.

WEDDINGS: Contact Parish priest at least 6 to 8 months
 prior to planned date of marriage. Celebrated Friday
 evenings; Saturday mornings, early afternoons or
 evenings. Church Fee: \$300; Chapel Fee: \$100.

FUNERALS: You are encouraged to celebrate funerals in
 our Church or Chapel. Wakes & visitation also possible.

CARE OF THE SICK: Communion brought to
 Homebound weekly by Extraordinary Ministers of
 Communion. Anointing of Sick available on individual
 basis by appointment.

CARE OF THE NEEDY: See Social Apostolate Ministry.

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:
 Sundays, 12:15-1:15PM

Call Parish Office for further information.

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 19

6:30 AM Barbara Burke

8:30 AM Kathy Stewart

Tuesday, September 20

6:30 AM Carolyn Mouton

8:30 AM Cindy Spence

Wednesday, September 21

Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle

6:30 AM Betty Jenkins

8:30 AM Karl Lane

Thursday, September 22

6:30 AM *See note below

8:30 AM *See note below

Friday, September 23

6:30 AM Fr. Earl LaRose

8:30 AM Dorothy Escude

Saturday, September 24

8:00 AM Cary Cochran

Saturday, September 24

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil

4:00 PM Rosalie Couch, Frank Tornabene, Sr., Tom Jeffers, Mary Frances Jeffers, Jay Patrick Jeffers, Norma & Lance Hubble, Dean D'Arcangelo, Gracia Anleu, Julio Anleu, Vetter Amadeo Taylor, Aimee Marus, Doris Radosti, Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen, Jerry Puyau, Mary Ann Schmitt, Tony DiFranco, Toni Ancona, Delores Fallo, Earl & Lillian Dennies, Frank Ackerman, Cindy Spence

Sunday, September 25

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Edward & Edna Mae Hyde

9:30 AM SMM Parishioners

11:00 AM Hallie Espenan, Jerry Fulton, Jim Stroup, Roy Hoffman

6:00 PM Jeffrey Rodriguez

* Due to Mandatory attendance at the Priests Convocation by all priests in the archdiocese, on Sept. 21, the 6:30 & 8:30 AM Daily Masses will NOT be celebrated. Communion Services will be held in place of Mass on these days.

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Jackie Markey, Teresa Lacour, Ryan Thiel, Gracelyn Chaplain, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Kelly Fletcher Growl, Kenneth & Kevin Teen, Ben Todd, Joe Giarratano, Luca Scozzari, Evelyn Olwell, Brian Dufour, Mary Ann Meaux, Dilly Surratt, Yvonne Toups, Ryan Songy, Gayle Songy, Nathan Lopiccolo, Linda Nicholls, Sherry St. Pe, Ann Flick & Family, Rosemarie Entringer, Judge Thomas Wicker, Ivan Antunovic, Arianna Crawford, Claire Duplantier, Daphine Dufour, Gloria Robles, Melissa Glueck, Danny Adams, Allison Daigre, Olivia Sumrall, Michael Borne, Bob & Linda Veitinger, Elise Ramcourt, Jeanene Moran, Kelly Nagy, Cindy Hogman, Addison Couvillion, Jerry Fender, Linda Conran, Kayla Pelman, Nick Doize, Marcia Graff, David Robins, Ashley Clement, Wanda Adams, Jenny Mayeur, Judith Massa, Carol P. Ramos, Rosemary Pizza, Julianne Andressen, Lauretta Erwin, Ryan Olwell, Judy Copping, Kathy Barbier, Jessica LeBlanc, Viola Juneau, Betty Feltey, Barry Stephens, Lori Lambert, Kathryn Feltey, Frank Kent, Ray Groves, Michael Rodriguez, Kathleen E. Jones, Melanie Gaumond, Alice Rockvoan, Rose Marie Curran, Anthony James Lapinto, Louise DeLuca, Perry Juneau, Mark Lucich, Willie Arnouville, Chad Costes, Sherry Gaffney, Dean Babin, Janet Kaleher, Norvin Schexnaildre, Dianne Seman, Matthew DiBuono, Oliver Duplantier, David Williamson, Toni Landry, Musette Barrouquere, Riecke Gernon, Daniel Hereford, David Williamson, Katherine Sclafani, Catherine Carlin, Gerard Hollingsworth, Edie Dorion, Carl Caffarel, Heidi Nuss, Luke Nuss

NO SERVANT CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS



PRAYER DURING HURRICANE SEASON

"Through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, may we be spared all loss of life and property during this hurricane season, we pray to the Lord."

Hurricane season began June 1.

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

What would you do if you had all of the money you ever wanted. How can we all live in today's world and balance a desire for material goods with a desire to be a good disciple of Jesus?



**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 18, 2016**

God . . . wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth.
— 1 Timothy 2:4

**JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
JUBILEE of CATECHISTS**

Mercy is one thing, malpractice quite another. Why, then, does the defrauded master in Jesus' parable praise the devious steward? Jesus shows by example how to sanctify material goods: by placing all our resources, indeed our very selves, at the service of



others. No matter how costly such service, or how minimal the return, such charity is the wisest investment, yielding a reward that is literally out of this world. For Amos and Jesus, authentic worship of God demands practical charity toward our neighbor. Paul, too, declares that the only worship acceptable to God is offered by a community rich in charity. Liturgy must be matched to life, "lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument" (1 Timothy 2:8). This *Jubilee Year of Mercy* challenges us to live as "children of light," as devoted to self-sacrificing service as "the children of this world" (Luke 16:8) are to serving themselves, as enthusiastic for God's kingdom of justice as we are about less-enduring treasures.

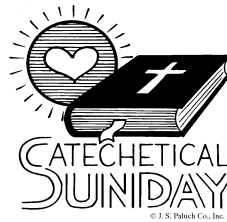
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SMM PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religion Classes for students attending public or private school are held every Monday evening from 6:45 PM -8:00 PM. Call Linda Earle, CRE at 733-8980 for further information about registering your child for these classes.

SPECIAL THANKS

SMM would like to thank Mike and Will Condon of Hug Condon Moving & Storage for providing their lift truck and services to trim the trees on the backfield.



This weekend we will join parishes across the country as we celebrate the ministry of our parish catechists at the annual **Catechetical Sunday Mass** on Sunday, September 18. The theme of this year's Catechetical Sunday:

"Prayer: The Faith Prayed" tells us of our own opportunity for renewal in Christ. Our parish offers many catechetical opportunities throughout the year. Come help us celebrate all of those who serve in this ministry.

St. Mary Magdalen Parish Catechists

School: Linda Grennan, Terri Pistorius, Liz Reeser, Shari Mader, Nettie O'Hara, Kori Vinju, Sheila Condon, Adrienne Steen, Laurie Weidenbacher, Denise Grab, Donna Barrois, Gina Heim, Amy Paulin, Ann Levy, Linda Switzer, Melanie Gaumond, Pat Muhs, Lisa Babin, Bronwyn Myer, Mary Anne Rodgers, Sean Murphy, Mark Schluter, Joe Grab, Dianne Hughes, Caren Favaloro & Valerie Rodriguez. **Before/After School Care:** Caren Favaloro, Shari Mader, Diane Conover, Alexis Matisse, Allison Braud & Catly Dang. **School of Religion (CCD):** Stephanie O'Callaghan, Cheryl Schillaci, Marilyn Choppin, Fay Mannino, Mark LeBlanc, Pat Wilkinson, Karen Hollingsworth, Evelyn Meyers, Pat Helmstetter, Susan Gaillot, Claudia Santiago, Terry Heller, Debbie Hancock, Maria Steen & Linda Earle. **R.C.I.A./Adult Confirmation Staff:** Maria Steen, Claire Noble, Nancy Dicharry, Doris Melito, Mike Earle & Susie Sullivan. **Baptismal Seminar Staff:** Nancy Dicharry, Casey Klamen, Chuck Attaway, Michael & Maria Borne, Evelyn Meyers, Lorraine Mylie & Shirley Bertucci.



Readings for Sunday, September 25:

First Reading — Woe to the complacent. Their wanton revelry shall be done away with (Amos 6:1a, 4-7). **Psalm** — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146). **Second Reading** — Compete well for the faith. Keep the commandment until the appearance of the Lord Jesus (1 Timothy 6:11-16). **Gospel** — The parable of Lazarus and the rich man (Luke 16:19-31). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

Prayer to Saint Michael, the Archangel

St. Michael, Archangel defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes (9/04)	\$ 7176.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 2231.53</u>
Total	\$ 9401.53

LET'S PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

In order to support vocations in our diocese, you are asked to add a special prayer for seminarians to your daily prayers. The best way to encourage and support our seminarians is to pray for them.

Prayer for Vocations



Loving God, How awesome are your ways! Through your abundant love you bless us with gifts that can make our world holy and just. Dwell deep in our hearts that we may know how to share these gifts. Inspire many to respond generously to your call to service in the Church. May the fire of your love direct us on our journey that we may act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with you. We give you the praise and honor now and forever. Amen.

MAGNIFICAT—DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

Magnificat, Metairie chapter, is sponsoring a Divine Mercy Retreat, October 7-9, 2016, Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie, LA 70006. Our retreat master is Reverend Simon Peter Engurait, associate pastor at Christ the Redeemer Church, Thibodaux, LA. Please come and rest as Fr. Simon Peter teaches on Divine Mercy and the Holy Spirit! For more information and registration, please call Jane at 504-466-2010 or 504-884-6152.

A PRAYER FOR EVERY FAMILY

by St. John Paul II

God, from whom all fatherhood in heaven and earth descends, Father, who are Love and Life, ensure that every human family on earth shall become, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, "born of woman," and through the Holy Spirit, the source of divine charity, a true shrine of life and love for the generations which are always renewing themselves. Ensure that Your grace shall guide the thoughts and the works of spouses toward the good of their families and of all families in the world. Ensure that the young generations shall find firm support in the family for their humanity and their growth in truth and love. Ensure the love, reinforced by the grace of the Sacrament of Matrimony shall show itself to be stronger than any weakness and every crisis through which our families pass at times. Amen.

PRAYER LIST FOR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

We pray for those in our parish who are fighting overseas for our country and against terrorism.

SPC Donald Monteleone, Jr., Air National Guard; Sgt. Brian Lane, Lt. Col. Jason E. Burkett, USMC; Matthew J. Scott, USN; Seth Restivo, Evan Lina; PFC Kenny Grunberg; Lt. Spencer Farmer, Army Rangers; PFC Matthew Ballard; Lt. Joseph Bush, US Army; GySgt Albert Latour Jr., USMC; Maj. Ignacio Assasf, USANG; Sgt. Matt Llewelan, USANG; SPC Derek Vial, US Army; MN3 Ethen Meyers, Michael J. Cristie, Sp. Serv., Brian Calvo, US Army



Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, our buildings and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen.

SANCTITY OF LIFE SERIES

St. Edward the Confessor Church invites you to join them in a series entitled: *Sanctity of Life*. We all have the right & responsibility to know "What does our Church teach?" This series presented by Concerned Catholics for the Sanctity of Life will be offered from 7-9PM in St. Edward Church on these dates: **September 20 (topic: Capital Punishment & Prison Ministry) & 27, October 4 & 11**. All speakers are provided from the Archdiocese Respect Life Office.

PRAYER FOR THE HELPLESS UNBORN

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those helpless little ones to whom You have given the gift of life. Touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today who are not thinking of motherhood. Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image—as well as theirs—made for eternal life. Dispel their fear and selfishness and give them true womanly hearts to love their babies and give them birth and all the needed care that a mother alone can give. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, September 19

Parish School of Religion Classes, 6:45PM-8:00 PM

Tuesday, September 20

Wednesday, September 21

Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM

Thursday, September 22

Trip to Holy Land Meeting in Chapel 7:30 PM

Friday, September 23

Saturday, September 24

Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM

Family Day Blessing at Mass

Seafood Festival T-Shirt/POP ticket sale after Mass

Sunday, September 25

Family Day Blessing at Masses

Seafood Festival T-Shirt/POP ticket sale after Mass

Family Mass/Scout Mass 9:30 AM

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 12:15-1:15 PM

CYO Meeting in Lodge 7:00 PM

2016 SEAFOOD FESTIVAL NEWS

October 14-16 RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle tickets for the SMM Fall Festival are available at all church entrances or at the Rectory Office. Returns can be put in an envelope and deposited in any regular Sunday collection or dropped off at the rectory. The fair is the major fundraiser for the parish, and we need your support to make this a successful event.

FESTIVAL T-SHIRTS

Festival T-shirts may be purchased after all Masses NEXT weekend or ordered thru the rectory office. Sizes: Child\$10; Adult\$12; Plus\$14; Aprons\$12 ea.

P.O.P TICKETS

Pre-Sale Megabands \$50 ea (\$60 @ festival); Session bands \$20 ea (\$25 @ festival). May be purchased thru either school or rectory office during regular business hours.

FAIR SET-UP DAYS

Saturdays, Oct. 1 & Oct. 8 at 8:30AM

Refreshments & FREE lunch served to all set-up workers!

CHILDREN'S CORNER

SEPTEMBER: Month of Family. Prayer Center Theme is: *Thank you God for my family and please help me to be a more loving member of my family by...* Put written intentions in prayer pig; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.

WOMEN IN THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

WINE: Women in the New Evangelization, in partnership with the Archdiocesan Offices of Evangelization and Family Life, invites women of all ages to the WINE: Catholic Women's Conference. It will be held on **Saturday, October 15, 2016**, from 8AM-3PM at Archbishop Rummel High School. Our theme, *Mercy: Encountering Boundless Love*, is inspired by Pope Francis' invitation to enter into an extraordinary jubilee, a holy Year of Mercy. The day includes inspirational talks, music, lunch, prayer, shopping, confession, chocolate and more. All are welcome to stay fro Mass at 4PM with Archbishop Aymond. Registration is \$55 before Oct. 1 and \$65 afterward. Deadline for registration is Oct. 11. For more information and to register, visit www.CatholicVineyard.com and select the EVENTS tab.

ANNUAL MASS FOR VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

On Sunday, October 16, 2016 Archbishop Aymond will celebrate the annual liturgy for the Victims & Survivors of Violence & Sexual Abuse at the 11AM Mass in St. Louis Cathedral. Every parish has members who are victims of many types of violence. The Church cannot be silent at this crucial time when so many of the faithful have been so deeply affected by violence. Prayer is powerful and can change hearts. This is an opportunity for us as a community of faith to pray together for reconciliation and healing and to ask God's help as we strive to build a better community free from violence and its causes. Anyone or any family who has been affected by violence, murder & sexual abuse who would like to attend this special liturgy is asked to contact SMM Rectory Office at 733-0922 to submit your name.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

We would like to congratulate our newly elected Student Council: President-Emily Clark ; Vice President-Karinne Lamia; Secretary-Lauren Derbes; Chaplain-Jaden Migliore; Class Representatives: 5th Grade-Gregory Lane & Grace Rodriguez; 6th Grade-Marie Nicholls & Ashley Turner; 7th Grade-Skylar Brouillette & Thersa Nyguyen. Moderators - Lisa Babin and Donna Barrois.