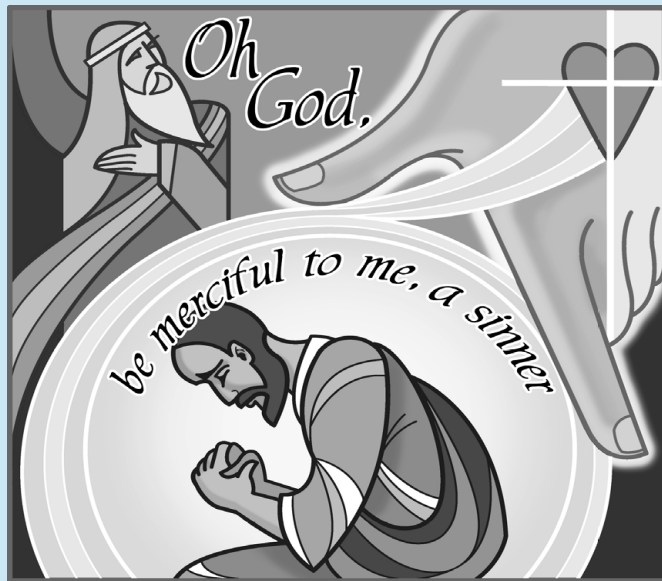


30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

NO COMPARISONS

How many times have we read or heard about someone who's gotten into trouble—maybe even fired from a job—because of a brush with the law? While our “Christian” minds tell us to be sorry and even pray for the person, a little voice inside our heads may also be saying, “I’m glad I would never do anything like that.” And perhaps we wouldn’t. But are there some things we do that are still not pleasing in God’s eyes? Today’s readings caution us not to look so intently at someone else’s wrongdoing that we overlook our own weaknesses and shortcomings. When we measure ourselves against the worst people we can think of, we come out looking pretty good. There is a danger, however, in using someone else’s behavior as a way of reflecting our own goodness.

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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

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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

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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, October 24

6:30 AM Living Intention for Mark Dyer
8:30 AM Living Intention for Hank Serpas

Tuesday, October 25

6:30 AM Ernest White
8:30 AM Andrea & Baby Pippis

Wednesday, October 26

6:30 AM Dora Hollingsworth
8:30 AM Elizabeth Foster Amberg

Thursday, October 27

6:30 AM David Beach, Sr.
8:30 AM Cindy Spence

Friday, October 28

Feast of Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles

6:30 AM Carolyn Mouton
8:30 AM Living Intention for Baby Theodore Lambert

Saturday, October 29

8:00 AM Fr. Martin Smullen

Saturday, October 29

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil

4:00 PM Rosalie Couch, Mary Frances Jeffers, Tom Jeffers, Jay Patrick Jeffers, Dean D'Arcangelo, Julio Anleu, Earl & Lillian Dennies, Gracia Anleu, Sinibaldi Family, Aimee Marus, Jerry Puyau, Marsha Bell, Cindy Spence, Living Intention for Marilyn Reynolds,

Sunday, October 30

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Doris Radosti
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners
11:00 AM Hallie Espenan, Jerry Fulton, Carolyn Mouton, Joyce Finicle, Roy & Carol Hoffmann
6:00 PM Jeffrey Rodriguez



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, Donald Booth, Nicholas Galliano, Kristi LeBlanc



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 October 23, 2016**

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest until it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds.
 — Sirach 35:17-18a

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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we pray are we like the Pharisee or the Tax collector? Jesus praised the tax collector because he knew his place before God. How we stand before God is important. In humility, we know that all we have comes from God. With such humility, our lives can praise God and we can trust that God will be merciful to us.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

OCTOBER: Month of Prayer Center Theme is: *Blessed Mother, please ask Jesus to help me...* Put written intentions in prayer pig; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.

SMM SCHOOL & PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAMS

October

During this month, both religion programs will be focusing on...RESPECT LIFE.

Spiritual Adoption: 1 month - Thank you for praying for me every day! Can you believe I am already one month old! My heart is now pumping my own blood and my backbone is growing. I still very tiny and I am so thankful for your prayers. I know that your prayers are helping me to grow every day.

For the end of the month, please pray a nine day Novena for our Spiritual Adoption Baby:

Dear Jesus, You have created people to start out as tiny babies. Every single one of us, no matter how young or tiny, is an important person who is loved by You and created by You to do something very special in this life. Even before we are born, You love us just as You always will. Help us to always remember to pray for unborn babies as Your special way for our lives to begin. In Jesus' name we pray,...Amen.

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International, an organization of lay men and women whose mission is to foster and affirm vocations to the ministerial priesthood and vowed religious life in the USA. More than 10,000 Serrans in over 250 clubs nationwide collaborate with their bishops, parishes and vocation directors to fulfill this mission. Through this ministry, Serrans work to further their common Catholic faith. Visit the USA Council at www.serraus.org.



RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October is the month when we recall the tragic ways our country has turned away from the *Gospel of Life*. This week please pray particularly for those dying of all terminal illnesses and those on death row. *"At the center of the moral vision of the American founding documents is the recognition of the rights of the human person...The greatness of the United States lies especially [in its] respect for the dignity and sanctity of human life in all conditions and at all stages of development."* NCCB, Living the Gospel of Life: A Challenge to American Catholics, quoting Pope John Paul II. For those suffering from any terminal illness and those condemned to Death Row, that judgment and alienation may be replaced with compassion and love, *we pray to the Lord.*

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel graces us with a beautiful prayer that can make every day of our lives a jubilee of mercy: "O God, be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). Religious Israelites despised the tax collector who prayed it, for collaborating with Gentile occupiers and handling currency that bore the "divine" emperor's graven image. But the Pharisee's long-winded self-congratulation, mixed with self-righteous condemnation, was no "prayer" at all. "The Pharisee . . . spoke this prayer to himself" (18:11, emphasis added). Praying the tax collector's simple, sincere, succinct cry for mercy acknowledges our own sinfulness, and "welcomes" other sinners as brothers and sisters with whom we can identify, even empathize, echoing Pope Francis' famous comment about not being the one to judge. Indeed, the tax collector "went home justified" (18:14), that is, restored to God's friendship, for God's mercy is not prize achieved but gift received. "Let your prayer be brief: for tax collector, prodigal son, and dying thief were all reconciled to God by a single phrase!" (Saint John Climacus, 7th century).

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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 (10/09)	\$ 6861.50
Loose Collection	\$ 2813.04
Total	\$ 9674.54

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.

Readings for Sunday, October 30:

First Reading — LORD, you love all things that exist (Wisdom 11:22 — 12:2). **Psalm** — I will praise your name forever, my king and my God (Psalm 145). **Second Reading** — May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in him (2 Thessalonians 1:11 — 2:2). **Gospel** — Zacchaeus, a tax collector, considered to be a sinner, is converted to the Lord (Luke 19:1-10). 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.

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; SPC Scott Hale



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.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

THE SECOND MONTH AFTER CONCEPTION

Your baby is making tremendous progress in his or her development. The brain is functioning more and the baby can move his or her muscles. The mother can hear the heartbeat through an ultrasonic stethoscope. The taste buds are beginning to form and milk-teeth buds are present at 6 ½ weeks. At the gestational age of 2 months, a developing baby is able to suck his or her thumb. The baby is just over 1 inch long but has unquestionably human characteristics. Incredibly, by the end of the 8th week, all of the major organ systems have been established. You spiritually adopted baby has developed the essential internal and external features needed to survive after birth and just needs to grow and be refined. Please remember to keep your spiritually adopted baby and his or her mother in your prayers.



CYO RIGHT-TO-LIFE CALENDAR SALE

Right-to-Life Calendars are still available for purchase at \$5 ea. at the rectory office Monday-Thursday, during regular business hours until the end of the month.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, October 24

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

Tuesday, October 25

KC Ladies Auxiliary Mtg at French Press 7:00 PM

Wednesday, October 26

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

Thursday, October 27

Friday, October 28

Saturday, October 29

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

2nd Collection - Holy Name Society Rosary Guild
KC Membership Drive after Mass

Sunday, October 30

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KC Membership Drive after Masses
Parish Breakfast in Massett Hall after AM Masses
Family Mass 9:30 AM
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 12:15-1:15 PM



NINE DAY NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

The St. Jude Society will be holding their semi-annual devotion to St. Jude at SMM which ends **Tuesday, October 25** Celebrant & novena homilist will be *Fr. Quentin Moody*.

NOVENA SCHEDULE

Saturday: 12:15 PM Novena; 4PM Mass & Novena
Sunday: 11:00 AM Mass & Novena; 6PM Mass & Novena
Monday-Tuesday: 12:15 PM Novena; 6PM Mass & Novena
*“Remember, All Things Are Possible With
St. Jude, Patron Saint of HOPE.”*

ST. JUDE SOCIETY BREAKFAST

The St. Jude Society invites you to join them for coffee & donuts served in the Prayer Garden on **Sunday, October 23** after the 8 & 9:30 AM Masses All are also invited to the St. Jude Novena which continues thru Tuesday, October 27.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY ROSARY GUILD DRIVE
The Holy Name Society’s Rosary Guild Drive Collection will be held the weekend of **October 29/30**.



In 1946, Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel gave a mission to the Holy Name Society to honor the request of Our Lady of Fatima for the daily recitation of the Rosary Prayer—an ongoing mission that with your help will not stop. Please help the Holy Name Society keep the Radio Rosary alive!

KC MEMBERSHIP DRIVE & PARISH BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Membership Drive after all Masses NEXT weekend. All are invited to Massett Hall for breakfast after the Sunday morning Masses.



FEAST OF ALL SAINTS MASS SCHEDULE

(Holy Day of Obligation)

4:00 PM Vigil Mass

6:30 AM, 8:30 AM & 6:00 PM

On **Tuesday, November 1**, we celebrate the *Feast of All Saints*. At the 6:00 PM Mass, SMM Parish will be remembering friends and loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord during this past year *(November 1, 2015-October 31, 2016)*. It is our hope that family members will attend this Memorial Mass as we give honor to those loved ones in our lives.

2017 MASS INTENTION BOOK

Mass Intention Book for the year 2017, will open on **Wednesday, November 2**, at **9:15AM** in the Chapel. After that intentions will be taken at the rectory office.

WORLD YOUTH DAY

This Sunday, **October 23** has been designated by the bishops of the United States as the national annual celebration of World Youth Day. During this weekend, let us remember the youth of our archdiocese and the gifts they bring to the Church. Let us pray for them and ask for God’s blessing on them.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Join us at Pizza Hut tomorrow night, October 24th, and mention SMM to help raise funds for the school. Don't forget our Trunk or Treat this Saturday, October 29th - bring your families.

