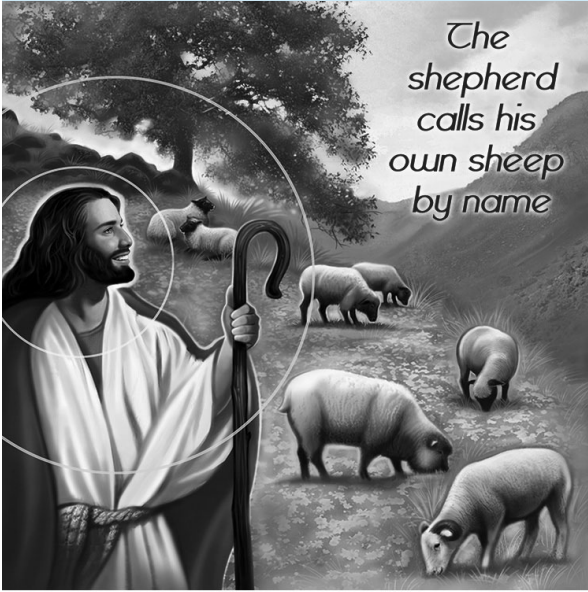


4th Sunday of Easter



THE CALL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff / that give me courage" (Psalm 23:4) connects this week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

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May 7, 2017

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

SCHOOL OFFICE

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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 2nd Sunday before/during 11AM Mass & 3rd Sunday at 12:15PM. Pre-Registration for Baptism Seminars is now required by calling 733-8980.

Archdiocesan Policy on Infant Baptism:

[www.arch-no.org/Human Resources/Policies/Policy on Infant Baptism](http://www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptism) OR 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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Rev. Christian W. DeLerno, Jr.

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 8

6:30 AM Ronco Family
8:30 AM Living Intention for Mark Dyer

Tuesday, May 9

6:30 AM Gloria Jensen
8:30 AM Christine Aron

Wednesday, May 10

6:30 AM Living Intention for J.A.
8:30 AM Ann Flick

Thursday, May 11

6:30 AM Nunzio Molay
8:30 AM Clare Cook

Friday, May 12

6:30 AM David Beach, Sr.
8:30 AM Anthony "Bud" Pitalo

Saturday, May 13

8:00 AM Mabel Billiot

Saturday, May 13

5th Sunday of Easter Vigil

4:00 PM Rosalie Couch, Dean D'Arcangelo,
 Jerry Puyau, Aimee Marus, Norma &
 Lance Hubble, Nunzio Molay, Kevin
 Reynolds, Ana Mae Haggerty, Peggy
 Hileman, Colleen Graham

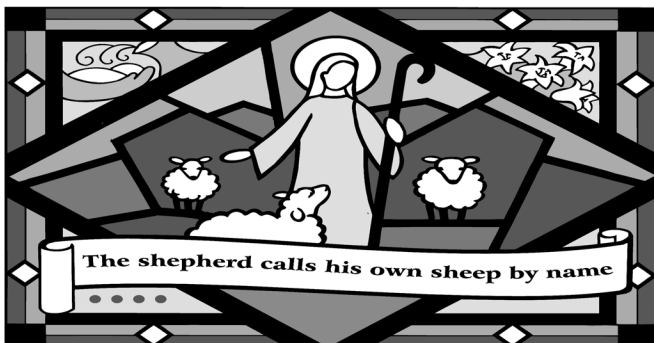
Sunday, May 14

5th Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Deceased Mothers of SMM Families
9:30 AM Deceased Mothers of SMM Families
11:00 AM Deceased Mothers of SMM Families
6:00 PM SMM Parishioners

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, Rosemarie Entringer, Judge Thomas Wicker, Ivan Antunovic, Arianna Crawford, Claire Duplantier, Daphne Dufour, 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, Mark Morice, 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, Mark Lucich, Willie Arnouville, Chad Costes, Sherry Gaffney, Ray Talbot, Dean Babin, Janet Kaleher, Norvin Schexnaildre, Dianne Seman, Matthew DiBuono, Toni Landry, Musette Barrouquere, Daniel Hereford, David Williamson, Katherine Sclafani, Catherine Carlin, Edie Dorion, Carl Caffarel, Heidi Nuss, Luke Nuss, Donald Booth, Nicholas Galliano, Kristi LeBlanc, Tammy Graves Coen, Janice Childress, Nick Marzoni, Tina Guillot, Glen Buras, John Bartchy, Jr., Joyce Chiusano, Richard LeBlanc, Marsha Robert



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BURIED IN CHRIST

Peggy Hileman



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CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

4th Sunday of Easter/Good Shepherd



If Jesus is our shepherd, how does he feel about us? What will he do for us? How are we to feel about him?

CHILDREN'S CORNER

MAY: Month of Mary. Prayer Center Theme is: *Mary, Queen of Peace, help me to bring peace to others by....* 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

May

The 1st Communion Class would like to thank everyone who prayed and helped prepare them to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist on April 29. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts & prayers!



**4th Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2017**

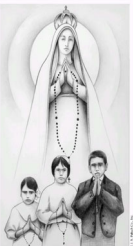
He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

— 1 Peter 2:24a



**Feast of Our Lady of Fatima
May 13**

On this day in 1917, Our Lady appeared to three children near Fatima, Portugal. She asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, an end to WWI, for sinners & for the conversion of Russia.



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The fact that many monastic churches do not have a prominent tabernacle shapes the patterns of liturgical prayer. Monastic communities often protect the ancient value of “receiving from the same sacrifice,” meaning that the communicants are assured that what they eat and drink in the Holy Mysteries actually comes from the same celebration. It surprises many to learn that the Church does not foresee, nor does it provide for, Communion of the faithful from the reserved Sacrament. Liturgical laws have long defended your right to receive from the same sacrifice, the same Mass, that you attend. At one time, of course, the bread for the Eucharist was the ordinary bread of the day, except unleavened, probably prepared at home. It was broken and distributed to the faithful. Early on the loaf itself was referred to as the *hostia* in Latin, meaning the “sacrifice,” the same word for the sacrificial animal in Jewish worship, and for Jesus as the Lamb of God. By giving his life on the cross, Jesus became the *hostia* for us. To this day in the Greek Church, one of the tasks of the priest’s wife is to bake the bread for the Divine Liturgy, sometimes in a bakery oven dedicated to that purpose and called a “Bethlehem.” Today’s familiar individual hosts first appeared in the eleventh century at about the time when tabernacles were coming into use. The turn away from “bread” bread allowed the hosts to be reserved since they did not spoil like regular bread, and made the annual “Easter duty” counts easier.



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Readings for Sunday, May 14:

First Reading — To meet their growing needs, the community chooses seven reputable men to serve the new Greek believers (Acts 6:1-7).

Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — We, like living stones, let ourselves be built into a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:4-9).

Gospel — “Show us the Father,” Philip asks Jesus. To which Jesus replies: “Whoever sees me, sees the Father” (John 14:1-12).

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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, by the power of God, into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes (4/23)	\$5703.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$2274.44</u>
Total	\$7977.44

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.

VOCATIONS

What kinds of people become priests, sisters or brothers? Are they uncommonly holy, unusually saint-like? No. They are people who make mistakes, people who aren't afraid to be human while in God's service. Are they people who can't face the competition and cruelty of the "real" world? No. They are people who believe that through ministry they can *immerse* themselves in the world and make positive changes. Are they people who don't relate well with other people? No. They are people who love others — people who find real satisfaction chatting with a 93-year-old parishioner, holding the hand of a cancer patient, listening to the troubles of a streetwise teen. They are people with the courage to touch lives, hearts and souls in a high-tech, unchurched world. Are you that kind of person? *Serra for priestly and religious vocations*

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, PFC Scott Hale, USMC



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.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

The priests, brothers, sisters and lay ministers of tomorrow are with us today in our homes, schools and parish. Today is **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. You are invited to join with our parish in prayer. Did you ever notice: That a Prayer for Vocations is prayed together at the beginning of every Sunday Mass & appears regularly in the parish bulletin & on website? That one Sunday a month there is a special intention for vocations? That on the church bulletin boards there is always information posted about various opportunities for vocations? Have you thought about encouraging a family member to consider a Church Vocation? Think about it!

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL NEWS

You are invited to spend 1 hour in prayer at the Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at OLDP Parish (sponsored by parishioners of SMM & OLDP Parishes). Contact David Clarkson for further information (919-9407). Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is also available every Sunday from 12:15-1:15PM in SMM Chapel.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, May 8

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

Tuesday, May 9

KC Meeting in Ministries Bldg 7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 10

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

Thursday, May 11

School Band/Chorus Concert in Church 7:00 PM

Friday, May 12

KC Car Show "Cruise Night" 7:00-9:00 PM

Saturday, May 13

Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM
2nd Collection - Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, DC

Sunday, May 14

2nd Collection - Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, DC
Holy Name Society Mtg in Ministries Bldg 9:00 AM
Family Mass 9:30 AM
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 12:15-1:15 PM

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION The Trinity Dome Project

Immaculate



The completion of the Trinity Dome, in preparation for the 100th anniversary of the placing of the foundation stone of the National Shrine in 2020, is a monumental undertaking for which the Bishops of the United States have approved a special one-time collection to take place next weekend, **MAY 13/14**. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is the patronal church of our nation, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This great shrine exists today because of the generosity of American Catholics and Clergy, the prayers of the faithful, and the hard work of the artisans and laborers who began building it nearly 100 years ago. The national collection for the Trinity Dome offers the faithful an opportunity to leave a lasting legacy by honoring their Catholic heritage and entrusting themselves and their families to the Mother of God.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Sunday, May 7th

12:15pm in SMM Chapel

Established Program

devoted to the

need for vocations

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Pray for
Vocations



KC BABY SHOWER

This weekend, **May 6/7** the KCs will hold a Baby Shower to benefit ACCESS. Unwrapped gifts should be returned to church and deposited in marked boxes before Mass or to the rectory office by May 10. Suggested items (for health reasons, only NEW items please): onesies, children's clothing or disposable diapers up to size 3, wipes, baby bath towels & face cloths, receiving blankets/baby blankets, baby bottles, infant socks, pacifiers, baby wash, lotion & shampoo, Desitin ointment OR..."Precious feet" lapel pins available for cash donations (suggested donation \$2). Please consider donating a gift for a newly born baby.



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BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

The Beginning Experience Weekend on **May 19-21, 2017** is a wonderful healing experience for those suffering a loss of a spouse either through death or separation/divorce. Those who have attended this weekend attest to the new hope that have received and the powerful safe and loving environment they found in the experience. Under the sponsorship of the Archdiocese of New Orleans Family Life Apostolate, this international program has helped thousands navigate the road through grief. Call Jeani (985) 640-8505 or Genevieve (504) 236-1052 for more information.

SMM WEBSITE UPDATE

The SMM weekly bulletin, as well as parish events are posted & updated regularly on the parish website. Go to: www.stmarymagdalenchurch.com

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Thanks to all who were able to join us at Deanie's Seafood on May 1st! Please join us for the following upcoming events: **Thursday, May 11th** - SMM Chorus/Chorale and Band Concerts 7:00pm in the church. **Friday, May 12th** - "Cruise Night" - please join us for a car show and "Drive In" showing of the movie Cars for the little ones.