

# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

## 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

### THE LAMB OF GOD

"Behold the Lamb of God!" We hear this phrase every Sunday at Mass, but there's a good chance that many Roman Catholics do not know who in the Bible originally spoke it. The phrase appears only in the Gospel of John, on the lips of John the Baptist, who utters it twice. In today's Gospel reading, John proclaims Jesus as the Lamb of God, and two of John's own disciples then follow Christ. A little bit later Andrew, who heard John and then followed Jesus, brings his brother Simon to be re-named Cephas, or Peter. A careful look at these Bible verses shows us the mission of everyone baptized into the Body of Christ: we must always proclaim our faith in Christ, so that others will follow him. We may not know how the will of God might work through those we bring to Christ; that is not the point. The point is that our ongoing mission as a church is to bring others to Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



January 14, 2018

### 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 OFFICE

Parish Fax: (504) 733-0869  
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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

#### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE In CHAPEL

Monday-Friday, 6:30 AM & 8:30AM  
Saturday, 8:00 AM

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM

#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

#### EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Sundays, 12:15-1:15PM  
1st Monday, 9:15-10:15AM (Sept-May)

#### In Church, be sure to visit:

RESPECT LIIFE CORNER  
ADULT PARISH LENDING LIBRARY  
CHILDREN'S CORNER/LIBRARY/PRAYER  
CENTER

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#### 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

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

Call Parish Office for further information

**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/HumanResources/Policies/Policy](http://www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/Policy) on Infant Baptism 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 for further information.

**WEDDINGS:** Contact Parish priest at least 6 to 8 months prior to planned date of marriage. FOCCUS Survey by appointment only. Weddings 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.

**PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN**  
**St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church**  
**Metairie, Louisiana**  
**January 14, 2017**  
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**HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?**

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**Shari Mader & Caren Favaloro, Co-Directors**

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, January 15**  
6:30 AM Nicholas Marino, Sr.  
8:30 AM Donald Gilmore

**Tuesday, January 16**  
6:30 AM Maria Pham  
8:30 AM Jack Couch

**Wednesday, January 17**  
6:30 AM Barbier, Blancher & Newell Families  
8:30 AM Kyle Bode

**Thursday, January 18**  
6:30 AM Lucille Deas  
8:30 AM Herman Huge Triche



**Friday, January 19**  
6:30 AM Albert J. Aucoin, Jr.  
8:30 AM Christian DeLerno, Sr.

**Saturday, January 20**  
8:00 AM Napoleon Sorto

**Saturday, January 20**  
*3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil*  
4:00 PM Floyd Hyer, Jack & Rosalie Couch,  
 Joe Paci, Kevin Reynolds, Norman  
 Haydel, Ron Romagossa, Myrlene  
 Peruit, Eloise Abadie, Abadie Family,  
 Laura Baroni, Gordon Mansfield,  
 Vetter Amadeo Taylor, Aimee Marus

**Sunday, January 21**  
*3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00 AM Cindy Spence  
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners  
11:00 AM Mark Dyer, Poor Souls, Theodore &  
 Colleen Graham, Mae Giovenco, Lois  
 Murphy, Joseph Russo Tiasse, Sr.,  
 Esther Hewitt

6:00 PM Bonura & Harmon Families

  
**PRAYER LIST FOR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN**  
*We pray for those in our parish who are fighting  
 overseas for our country and against terrorism.*  
 Sp. Serv., Brian Calvo, US Army; PFC Scott Hale, USMC  


**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Mark Lucich, Willie Arnouville, Sherry Gaffney, Ray Talbot, Norvin Schexnaildre, Joyce Chiusano, Richard LeBlanc, Marsha Robert, Rose Keller, Leah Conlin, Abigail Robertson, Patrick Mulhern, Marilyn Reynolds, Carole Corona, George "Mickey" Krause, Tommy Keller, Julie Periou, Brenda Simon, Jena Serigne, Deborah Woodward, Kevin Pineo, Rosemarie Entringer, Teresa Lacour, Mary Ann Meaux, Gayle Songy, Jerry Fender, Jonathan Robertson, Judy Massa, Kevin & Kenneth Teen, Gracelynn Chaplain, Celine Wild, Carol P. Ramos, Dominic Manthey, Deavon Dill, Lauretta Erwin, Larry & Clara Leslie, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Billie Surratt



**BURIED IN CHRIST**

*Joan Ferry  
John Moore, Sr.  
George Monk*

**SMM GUIDE BOOK & CHURCH DIRECTORY**

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the Church. This book helps us all to know more about our Church. As last year, the book is being provided at no cost to our parishioners, including the mailing to each family and again it is being subsidized by local businesses who advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and would like advertising information, please call the rectory office at 733-0922, Monday-Thursday, 9AM-4PM. Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize businesses who advertize in the guide book. It "does pay" to advertise in our Guide Book and Directory.

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**Readings for Sunday, January 21:**

**First Reading** — The people of Nineveh believed God and turned from their evil ways (Jonah 3:1-5, 10). **Psalm** — Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25). **Second Reading** — The world in its present form is passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31). **Gospel** — This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand (Mark 1:14-20).

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**FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP**

*In gratitude for God's gifts we gratefully appreciate:*  
**Envelopes (12/31)** \$ 7170.00  
**Loose Collection** \$ 2475.90  
**Total** \$ 9645.90

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

All contributing parishioners will be able to receive their 2017 statement of contributions to the Church by using one of three options: 1. Check the parish website on how to access your statement by MyOwnChurch. 2. Request statement via email & receive in the mail. 3. Call rectory office (733-0922) to request a statement be mailed to you.


**JANUARY: STEWARDSHIP MONTH**

**To Be a Christian Steward  
A Summary of the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral  
Letter on Stewardship**

**Stewards of Vocation**

Jesus calls us, as his disciples, to a new way of life—the Christian way of life—of which stewardship is part. But Jesus does not call us as nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls us individually, by name. Each one of us—clergy, religious, lay person; married, single; adult, child—has a personal vocation. God intends each one of us to play a unique role in carrying out the divine plan. The challenge, then, is to understand our role—our vocation—and to respond generously to this call from God. Christian vocation entails the practice of stewardship. In addition, Christ calls each of us to be stewards of our personal vocations, which we receive from God.

**Vocations Prayer**

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**Pray 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.*

## FOR THE CHILDREN

### CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

#### *Living the Word*

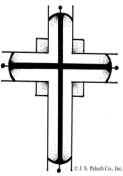
#### 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflect on some of the names used for Jesus. Jesus is the Lamb of God - the one who will be sacrificed for our salvation. Jesus is the Rabbi—a teacher. Jesus is the Messiah - the one who has come to save us.

#### Complete the meaning of the descriptors of Jesus

Jesus as the Good Shepherd.....

Jesus as the True Vine.....



#### CHILDREN'S CORNER

**JANUARY:** Month of Remembering Baptism. Prayer Center Theme is: **The Sign of the Cross:** *In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

*Jesus as I say these words that were spoken as I was baptized, help me to....* 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

##### January

The SMM Liturgical Club is sponsoring a Diaper Drive on **January 20th-26th** to benefit ACCESS Pregnancy Center. The Club continues to pray for all Spiritually Adopted babies.

#### SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

No school **Monday, January 15th** in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Congratulations to all of our 2nd Quarter Honor Roll students. They were recognized at a breakfast last week.

#### 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, PCL at 733-8980 for further information about registering your child for these classes.



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## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

This program is for Baptized, catechized Catholics who have received 1st Communion, but were never confirmed. For more call the Parish Religious Education Office at 733-8980.

#### MARIAN SERVANTS®

The Marian Servants® is a community based Public Association of the Christian Faithful. The founding community formed in 1987 in Clearwater, FL, with our local community established in 2007. Our Mission is to bring Catholic Christians to a deeper understanding of their vocation and mission in Christ, in the Church, and in the world. Our spirituality is Marian—seeking to emulate Mary's virtues of holiness, obedience, and service; it is also charismatic—with a special devotion to the Holy Spirit, with openness to His gifts. Membership is open to Catholics in good standing with the Catholic Church. The chapter located at SMM is the Marian Servants® of Our Father's Love which meets on Tuesdays from 9:30AM-12Noon. Anyone interested in learning more about the Marian Servants® may contact Patsy Ricau @ (504)813-4327.

## EVANGELIZATION

For our parish, that we might be transformed through our encounter with Jesus Christ and be compelled to share the Gospel with others... **WE PRAY TO THE LORD.**

#### We have found the Messiah



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#### 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, January 15-Martin Luther King

Rectory & Parish Offices CLOSED  
NO Parish School of Religion Classes

### Tuesday, January 16

Marian Servants® of Our Father's Love in Convent Bldg, 9:30AM-12Noon  
Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

### Wednesday, January 17

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

### Thursday, January 18

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

### Friday, January 19

### Saturday, January 20

Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - SMM Social Apostolate

### Sunday, January 21

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - SMM Social Apostolate  
Family Mass/Scout Mass 9:30 AM  
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 12:15-1:15 PM  
Baptisms in Church 12:15PM

## RESPECT LIFE

### SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

#### THE FIFTH MONTH AFTER CONCEPTION

Your spiritually adopted baby's weight is up to 1 pound, and he or she is now big enough for the mother to feel movement. Although the baby has already been moving around in the mother's womb, it wasn't until now that this baby became big and strong enough for the mother to feel his or her movements such as kicking. Hair and eyebrows are growing and visible by this time. The baby can also recognize sounds of the mother, such as her voice, heartbeat, and breathing. Though not yet born, this baby now has phases of sleeping and waking and may prefer a favorite sleeping position. We are midway through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.



## SOCIAL JUSTICE

### MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Holiday

Monday, January 15, 2018

Rectory/Parish Offices/SMM School  
CLOSED

NO Parish School of Religion Classes



## SPECIAL PARISH EVENTS



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### PARISH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Our parish will be honoring those parishioners who will be celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 70th, 75th, etc. wedding anniversary anytime during 2018. We will honor those couples at the **9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, February 4** followed by a breakfast reception in the Rectory. To help us better plan for this special event, please call 733-8980 *no later than Wed., Jan. 31*, if you wish to participate.

### MEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT

Put aside the "hustle and bustle" of daily life and attend the men's Emmaus retreat the weekend of **January 19-21**. The retreat is held at Rosaryville Spirit Life Center and retreat house in beautiful, peaceful Ponchatoula, Louisiana. The retreat is based on the scripture passage "The appearance on the road to Emmaus" (Luke 24: 13-35) and is an uplifting experience that has a profound effect on men's lives. The retreat begins at 5:00 PM Friday and ends after the 5:30 PM mass on Sunday. Round trip transportation is provided from St. Dominic Church. Please don't ignore this opportunity but pray on it instead. Something special definitely awaits you at Rosaryville! Please contact the following men for additional information: Colin Taulli @ (504) 494-4511 or Rick Valadie @ (504) 655-8932 or Jim Musso @ (504) 231-5395

### DAY OF RETREAT

The Marian Servants® of Our Father's Love will be sponsoring a day of Retreat on **Tuesday, January 30, 2018** from 10AM to 2:30 PM in the SMM Chapel. It will be presented by Fr. Sydney Speaks. As lunch will be provided, reservations are necessary. A donation of \$10 is suggested. To register, please email Patsy Ricau at [pricau@cox.net](mailto:pricau@cox.net), or call at 504-813-4327.