

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



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GOD IS WITH US

The book of Wisdom tells us that the spirit of God is in all things. What a wonderful thought, and what a wonderful image to keep in front of us as we travel down life's road. For if the path is revealed in the treading, it's good to know that God is with us—and all around us—every step of the way. But Paul knows that this divine presence is not timid. Instead, God calls out to us, and Paul prays that we, along with the Thessalonians, might be made worthy of that call. And who knows more about God's call than Zacchaeus, the tax collector? Jesus called him out of a tree, for goodness' sake. Or perhaps more correctly, as we reflect upon the end of today's Gospel reading, for heaven's sake.

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October 30, 2016

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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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.

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN
St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Metairie, Louisiana
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Rev. Christian W. DeLerno, Jr.

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Rev. Vincent Phan

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 31

6:30 AM Ernest White
8:30 AM Living Intention for Baby Theodore Lambert

Monday, October 31

Feast of All Saints Vigil

6:00 PM Living Intention for Mark Dyer

Tuesday, November 1

Feast of All Saints

6:30 AM Imbraguglio & Breath Families
8:30 AM Rosalie Couch
6:00 PM Memorial Mass for Deceased

Wednesday, November 2

6:30 AM Levy & Roth Families
8:30 AM Kenny Mayeur, Lena, Frank & Sal Bivalacqua

Thursday, November 3

6:30 AM Gus Barbier
8:30 AM Floyd Hyer

Friday, November 4

6:30 AM Carolyn Mouton
8:30 AM Cindy Spence

Saturday, November 5

8:00 AM Barbier, Blancher & Newell Families

Saturday, November 5

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil

4:00 PM Lovecchio & Mazzola Families, John & Clare McDermott, Rosalie Couch, Hazel & Harold Howat, Dee Broussard, Robert J. Reid, Bobb W. Hunley, Tom Jeffers, Jay Patrick Jeffers, Mary Frances Jeffers, Dean D'Arcangelo, Aimee Marus, Tony DiFranco, Jerry Puyau, Vetter Amadeo Taylor, Cindy Spence, Joseph Radosti, Doris Radosti, Theresa Bordelon, Ron Rommagossa, Marsha Bell, Living Intention for Marilyn Reynolds

Sunday, November 6

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Prat Family
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners
11:00 AM Zenobia Drury, Hallie Espenan, Roy & Carol Hoffmann, St. Jude Society Prayer List, Jerry Fulton, Carolyn Mouton, Joyce Finicle, Adeline Selser
6:00 PM Geneviene Ducote, Alice & Dewey Ponthier, Vernon Ducote, Hal Ducote

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



BURIED IN CHRIST

James Edward Grinstaff, III

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.



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The LORD lifts up all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. —Psalm 145:14

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JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

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Last Sunday's Gospel gave us a tax collector's beautiful prayer to take with us from this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*. Today, another tax collector's encounter with Jesus offers



a comforting memory to cherish, but also a challenging mission to embrace. Zacchaeus' short stature (see Luke 19:3) matched how contemptible, socially and spiritually, Zacchaeus'

religious acquaintances considered tax collectors to be. Jesus counters that judgment with mercy. Radical sin meets unmerited grace. God seeks and finds the lost; a sinner's home becomes salvation's house. The sinner "quickly" welcomes salvation "with joy" (19:6), while the righteous grumble judgmentally at God's mercy. Mercy challenges us, too. Like Zacchaeus, we have been sought and found by Jesus, called by name to welcome Jesus into our heart's home. Therefore, we must go forth from this *Jubilee Year of Mercy* as "missionaries of mercy," seeking our fellow sinners with Jesus, receiving them with joy (see 19:6) as cherished brothers and sisters, and joyfully offering our judgment-free hospitality as Jesus' own "Welcome home!" —Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**TREASURES FROM
OUR TRADITION**



"What is the Church if not the assembly of all the saints?" wrote the fifth-century bishop Niceta. Each Sunday, in the Profession of Faith, we express our belief in the communion of saints, the one body—with Christ as its head—made up of "those who are pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified and the blessed in heaven." We are not alone! The preface for All Saints begins, "For today by your gift we celebrate the festival of your city, the heavenly Jerusalem, our mother." What astounding words! All Saints Day (like every solemnity) is nothing less than the festival of the fullness of the paschal mystery, our dying and rising in Christ. Of course, now in autumn the mystery comes "clothed" in glorious autumnal garb, and so we celebrate our Easter faith with signs of the harvest, signs of nature's dying, signs of the "homecoming" that happens naturally when the weather gets cold and families find themselves together more often. While the dying can point to our own mortality, the homecoming reminds us of the mystery of our own resurrection with Christ.

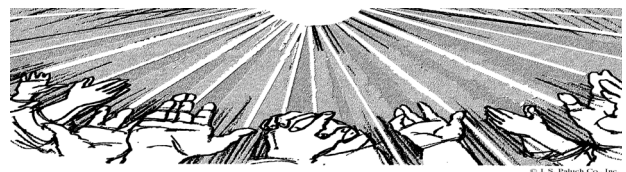
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**Feast of All Saints
November 1, 2016
Memorial Mass for
Deceased Parishioners
at 6:00 PM**

SMM Parish will be remembering friends and loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord during this past year at this feast day mass. We will give time for a moment of silence in memory of all our parishioners, family members and friends who have moved on to this new life. A **Candle Ceremony** will memorialize those who have died in our parish within this past year. It is our hope that family members will attend this Memorial Mass as we give honor to those loved ones in our lives.

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| Catherine Adamo | Joyce D. Finicle | Patricia Liberto |
| Toni C. Ancona | Thomas V. Flair | Lawrence Lindsly, Jr. |
| Arturo R. Arriaga | Gerald Fulton | Sharon Linton |
| Sadie B. Barbe | Zoila S. Galeano | Patricia Loyacano |
| Kathryn K. Barrett | Joseph Gaspard | Eleanor Lutz |
| Irene Bartholomew | Letitia Gervais | Eulalie Maginnis |
| Ronald Boeckelmann | Betty Graffagnino | Albert L. Meliet |
| Audrey Bothner | Zoa C. Griffin | Beverly B. Miller |
| Lois Bouchereau | James Grinstaff, III | Samuel Mordica, III |
| Donald Bourgeois, Sr. | Janice Lynn Hill | Carolyn Mouton |
| Alfred Boze, Jr. | Carol Hoffmann | Grant Nuebel |
| Mary T. Brehm | Roy Hoffmann | John Palmer, III |
| Joy M. Carlos | Laura R. Hollier | Edith G. Patorno |
| Harry J. Carver | Viola Hondroulis | Marion Pizzolato |
| John A. Chastant | Donald Horaist, Sr. | Gerard Puyau, Sr. |
| Madison Comeaux | Floyd Hyer | Angelas Robin, Jr. |
| Cornelius Coyle, Jr. | Betty L. Jenkins | Jeffrey Rodriguez |
| Rose Rita Cuccia | Janet Jones | Ron Romagossa, Sr. |
| Carol Cunningham | Lucille T. Kovacs | Effie B. Sarti |
| Kevin DeLaHunt | Inez E. Lacinak | Barbara Schaff |
| Consuelo Dalesandro | Howard Lambremont | Cynthia Spence |
| Lindarea DeMarcay | Nicholas J. Laurie | Kathryn Stewart |
| Mary Dendinger | Marion F. LeBlanc | P.J. Tamporello, Sr. |
| Tony DiFranco, Jr. | Donald G. Leche | Venix J. Tassin |
| Terrell D. Ducote | Ruth T. Lecron | Kenneth Tomlinson |
| Derrick M. Dufour | Robert Lemoine | Mary K. Tuminello |
| Joseph A. Enna | Roy Levine, Sr. | Beverly Vanderbrook |
| Melanie M. Evans | | William West, Jr. |



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 (10/16)	\$ 5127.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 1712.80</u>
Total	\$ 6839.80

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, November 6:

First Reading — The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14). **Psalm** — Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17). **Second Reading** — May the Lord encourage and strengthen your hearts (2 Thessalonians 2:16 — 3:5). **Gospel** — Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).

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CHILDREN'S CORNER

NOVEMBER: Month of the Saints & Giving Thanks! Prayer Center Theme is: *I am thankful for....* Put written intentions in pumpkin; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.

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.

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

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The Church is a Communion of Saints

What does the phrase "the communion of saints" mean? Church cannot be divided by death. In the communion of saints, a constant link of charity exists between: The faithful in heaven: Saints who have already reached their heavenly home and are fully united with Christ. The faithful in purgatory: Those who have died and are not yet fully united to Christ. The faithful on earth: who are still pilgrims on earth. Communion with these saints unites us more completely to Christ. **OUR PRAYERS HELP THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, THEIR PRAYERS HELP US.**

SMM SCHOOL & PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAMS

November

During this month, both religion programs will be focusing on...Communion of Saints and being thankful to God. **Halloween's positive Messages**
Halloween and its back-to-back feast days mean more than talking about our favorite saints who lived in another time, another place. It's also an opportunity to talk about what's needed for holiness now. Halloween is like our Mardi Gras before a very serious Lent. We should be able to laugh at the dark side and dress up in costumes and have parties. Lets use it to help us become saints we are called to be. **HALLOWEEN IS A VICTORY CELEBRATION AFTER ALL!**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, October 31

NO Parish School of Religion
Classes



Tuesday, November 1

Rectory/Parish Offices CLOSED

Wednesday, November 2

2017 Mass Intention Book opens in Chapel 9:15 AM
Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM
Parents' Club Meeting in Massett Hall 7:30 PM

Thursday, November 3

FOCCUS Survey for Engaged Couples, Rm 28 7:00 PM

Friday, November 4

Saturday, November 5

Rosary after Mass in Chapel 8:30 AM
Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM
KC Ladies Auxiliary Diaper Drive after Mass
SMM 7th Grade Dinner & Bingo Fund Raiser in
Massett Hall, 5-8PM

Sunday, November 6

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

KC Ladies Auxiliary Diaper Drive after Masses
SMM 7th Grade Bake Sale Fund Raiser after Masses
Family Mass 9:30 AM
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 12:15-1:15 PM



SOCIAL APOSTOLATE ANNUAL NOVEMBER FOOD DRIVE

Throughout the month of November you are invited to participate in our Annual Food Drive to collect items that will be used to make Holiday Food Baskets for the needy of our parish. Here is a list of food items we could use:
Canned Items: Sweet Potatoes, peas, green beans, carrots, cranberry sauce, applesauce, fruit, pumpkin.
Boxed items: Stuffing, instant mash potatoes, cornbread mix, biscuit mix, jello, pudding mix, cake mix, cake icing. Please put your **UNEXPIRED** non-perishable food donations in plastic bins inside the Cardinal St. entrance. Your donations help feed many needy families within our parish. Thank you!!!



KC MEMBERSHIP DRIVE & PARISH BREAKFAST

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

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS SCHEDULE

(Holy Day of Obligation)

6:00 PM Vigil Mass; 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

6:00 PM Memorial Mass for Deceased

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.

KC LADIES AUXILIARY DIAPER DRIVE

On November 5 & 6 and November 12 & 13, the KC Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring a "Diaper Drive" to benefit Catholic Charities ACCESS program. All sizes diapers are needed especially the larger sizes. Baby wipes are also needed. Donation boxes will be located at all church entrances. If you prefer, gift cards will also be accepted. Thank you.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD (Lectors)

All Lectors & RCIA Instructors are asked to pick up their copy of the 2017 Lector Workbooks available in the Sacristy throughout the month of November.

SMM 7TH GRADE FUND RAISERS

On Saturday, November 5, all are invited to a Dinner & Bingo fund raiser in Massett Hall for the 7th Grade trip to Washington, D.C. next Spring. A Jambalaya Dinner will be served at 5PM (sodas, beer & sweets will also be available), followed by Bingo beginning at 6PM. Lots of prizes & raffle items! On Sunday, November 6 they will hold a Bake Sale after all Masses.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

School Halloween Play - October 31 at 9:30 AM followed by a pep rally. 7th grade "Saints' Parade" on November 1, Feast of All Saints, following 8:30 AM Mass.