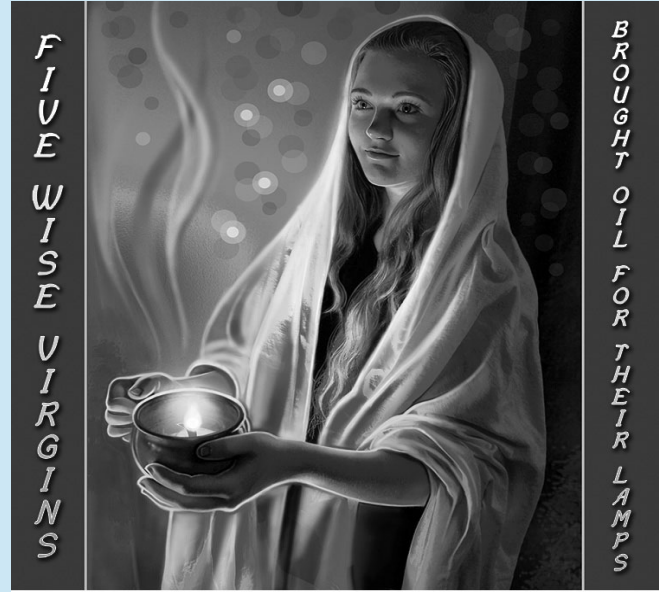


32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

WISDOM

We consider wisdom today. The first reading from the book of Wisdom presents this precious gift as a feminine spirit, a very desirable virtue sought by many and graciously present to all who seek her. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable to illustrate wisdom in a practical, measurable way. The wise will conserve their resources, use them prudently, and mark the passing of time. The foolish, on the other hand, not planning ahead, will be in the dark. Both of these readings tell us how accessible wisdom is to all who simply and honestly seek it. Paul's words to the Thessalonians are not about wisdom, but describe one result of true wisdom: To the wise person of faith even death holds no terror. Our faith in Jesus' resurrection tells us we will all one day rise to new life in Christ.

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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 in Chapel

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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Co-Directors...Caren Favalaro & Shari Mader
 Phone.....(504) 733-4768

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

NEW Hours: Mon.& 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/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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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 13

6:30 AM Alida Shumann
8:30 AM Chuck deBlois

Tuesday, November 14

6:30 AM David Beach, Sr.
8:30 AM Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen

Wednesday, November 15

6:30 AM Mary "Mimi" Cerise
8:30 AM Georgiann Ely

Thursday, November 16

6:30 AM Ignatius Dan Phan
8:30 AM Christian DeLerno, Sr.

Friday, November 17

6:30 AM Patrick Ruth
8:30 AM Kinley Corona

Saturday, November 18

8:00 AM Lynn Sherrell

Saturday, November 18

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Vigil

4:00 PM Jack & Rosalie Couch, Aimee Marus,
 Norma & Lance Hubble, Floyd Hyer,
 Kevin Reynolds, Deacon Angelas
 Robin, Colleen Graham, Ellen Bell,
 Dean D'Arcangelo, Joe Paci, Shirley
 Heigle-Perfetti, Patrick L. Ruth,
 Donald Gilmore, Herbert Weyer

Sunday, November 19

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Jud Mitchell & Lacinak Family
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners
11:00 AM St. Jude Society Prayer List, Cindy
 Spence, Mark Dyer, Vincent Falcone,
 Vincent Bevon, Donald Gilmore
6:00 PM Tula Raphiel

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Teresa Lacour, Ryan Thiel, Gracelyn Chaplain, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Kelly Fletcher Grawl, Kenneth & Kevin Teen, Ben Todd, Joe Giarratano, Luca Scozzari, Evelyn Olwell, Brian Dufour, Mary Ann Meaux, Dilly Surratt, Yvonne Troups, 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, Paul Powers, Rose Marie Curran, Anthony James Lapinto, Louise DeLuca, Mark Lucich, Willie Arnouville, Chad Costes, Sherry Gaffney, Ray Talbot, Dean Babin, Janet Kaleher, Norvin Schexnaldre, Dianne Seman, Matthew DiBuono, David Williamson, Toni Landry, Musette Barrouquere, Daniel Hereford, Katherine Sclafani, Catherine Carlin, Edie Dorion, Heidi Nuss, Luke Nuss, Kristi LeBlanc, Tammy Graves Coen, Janice Childress, Nick Marzoni, Tina Guillot, Glen Buras, 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



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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's reading is a great story about a wedding. Jesus is teaching us something about the Kingdom of God. He is telling us that each of us is an important person. In order to get to heaven we need to be prepared. Without each of our gifts it will take a longer time for the Kingdom to come.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

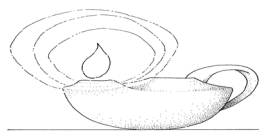
NOVEMBER: Month of the Saints & Giving Thanks! Prayer Center Theme is: *I am thankful for....* Put written intentions in pumpkin; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.



SMM SCHOOL & PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAMS

November

The SMM 7th grade celebrated All Saints' Day with a Saints' Parade. Each student researched a saint in class and proudly represented that saint in costume at mass.



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Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour. — *Matthew 25:13*

MARIAN SERVANTS®

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 called 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.



Greetings SMM Clergy, Staff, and Parishioners!

My name is James P. Heneghan, though everyone I know calls me "Jim". For the last 4 1/2 years I have been studying and praying in order to be formed as a deacon in the Catholic Church. I am now an instituted acolyte who performs liturgical functions at Mass while I complete my formation with eventual (God willing) ordination to the diaconate on June 23, 2017 -- just under 8 months away!

Why am I telling you this? Because Archbishop Aymond has assigned me to your parish of St. Mary Magdalen, and I start immediately (as an acolyte now, of course). I am inordinately grateful to be sent to a parish where there is a clear need for a deacon. I greatly look forward to serving alongside Deacon Chuck and Fr. Chris, as well as Fr. Vincent and Fr. Bart.

I would humbly ask for your help. I am, after all, the "new guy" here, and I will need your assistance and guidance to understand and appreciate "how we do things here at SMM". I will also need your insight into whatever you feel will help you grow spiritually as a baptized member of Christ's Church and as a parish dedicated to living God's call. For me, it's all about the service to God -- and to you.

Please don't hesitate to come up to me and chat. I try to live by the philosophy that a stranger is a friend I just haven't met yet. Know that you are all in my daily prayers, and I look forward to making many new friends here with all of you very soon!

May our Lord Jesus Christ grant us all holiness, health, and happiness,

Acolyte-but-not-quite-yet-Deacon Jim Heneghan



Readings for Sunday, November 19:

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

Psalms — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

Gospel — To all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

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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 (10/29)	\$ 1646.50
Loose Collection	\$ 4611.00
Total	\$ 6257.50
2nd Collection-Holy Name Rosary Guild	\$ 1521.00

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

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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.*

CHANGES RE: BULLETIN PRAYER LISTS

In an effort to improve the parish bulletin, beginning the 1st Sunday in Advent (December 2/3) weekend, the current Prayer Lists will be purged. If you would like to have a name put back on these lists, please email info to ssullivan@smm.nocoxmail.com OR call 733-8980. If you have to leave a message please say & spell name clearly. Thanks!

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



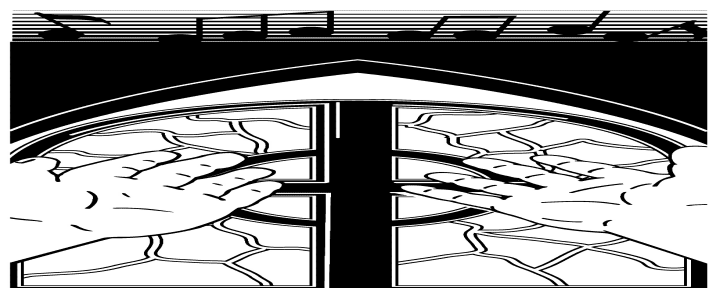
Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

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.



SOCIAL APOSTOLATE

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!!!



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, November 13

NO Parish School of Religion Classes

Tuesday, November 14

Marian Servants of Our Father's Love in Convent Bldg, 9:30AM-12Noon

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

KC Meeting in Ministries Bldg 7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 15

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

St. Jude Society Meeting in Chapel 7:00 PM

Thursday, November 16

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Friday, November 17

Saturday, November 18

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

2nd Collection - Campaign for Human Development

Holy Land Gift Sale in Massett Hall after Mass

Men's Club Thanksgiving Turkey Orders after Mass

Sunday, November 19

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Holy Land Gift Sale in Massett Hall after Masses

Men's Club Thanksgiving Turkey Orders after Mass

Family Mass 9:30 AM

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

Baptisms in Church 12:15 PM

PARISH SUGGESTION BOX

We would like to hear the desires of all in our faith community so we are soliciting your help. Here are some suggestions & responses:

* **Regulating church a/c system - too cold; clean-up W.Metairie entrance & replace carpet; install railings on altar steps for priests/deacons/EMCs** Submitted these requests to Parish Maintenance Committee to be addressed; church air/heat system is currently being worked on.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Please keep our 7th grade class in your prayers as they make their final decision this week on where they are applying to high school.



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SPECIAL BLESSING

This weekend in honor of **Veterans Day, Nov. 11**, there will be a special blessing of all Military Veterans at all Masses.

VISIT SMM PRAYER GARDEN & GIFT SHOP

NOW open *Mondays & Fridays*: 1-5PM), *Saturdays*: (2-5PM) AND *Sundays*: (8:30AM-12:30 PM). We offer a beautiful assortment of cards & gifts for Baptism, 1st Communion, Confirmation, Weddings and all occasions. Also available - prayer cards, candles for all Saints to light in our Prayer Garden or take home with you. We invite you to visit our beautiful Prayer Garden & Gift Shop today.

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT APPEAL SUNDAY

"Helping People Help Themselves"

Next weekend, **November 18 & 19** we have the opportunity to participate in the annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Since 1970, CCHD has been our Church's effective and compassionate response to the needs of low-income people in our own diocese and throughout the country. CCHD funds more than 300 projects each year, helping people to work within their own communities to create jobs, provide affordable housing, ensure decent wages and organize for change. CCHD is a practical way for the concerned Catholics to respond to Pope John Paul II's oft-repeated exhortation, "If you want peace work for justice! If you want Justice, defend life. If you want life, embrace the truth—the truth revealed by God"

IT'S TURKEY TIME!!!

Celebrate the Thanksgiving with a wonderful Fried Turkey!!



The SMM Men's Club will be frying turkeys for Thanksgiving. Only 130 turkeys (*14-16 pounds*) will be available, so order early. The cost is \$40 each. **NEXT** weekend, the Men's Club will be taking orders outside of church after all Masses. **Only prepaid orders will be accepted.** Orders will be taken after masses this weekend. Pickup day will be Wed., November 22nd from 12PM—5PM. Unclaimed turkeys will be donated to charity.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD (Lectors)

All Lectors & RCIA Instructors are asked to pick up their copy of the 2018 Lector Workbooks available in the Sacristy throughout the month of November.