

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



CHRIST, KING OF ALL

On this, the final Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only king over all seasons, all peoples, and all of creation. At the end of time as we know it, Christ's work of restoring all things to unity and harmony with their Creator God will be completed. This Sunday, when we claim Christ as both our Shepherd and our King, we recognize our own calling to participate in Christ's saving work by caring for those whom Jesus calls "the least ones" (Matthew 25:45).

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November 26, 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

PARISH OFFICE

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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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 Religion Coordinator.Mrs. Melanie Gaumont
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BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE

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/Human Resources/Policies/Policy on Infant Baptism OR](http://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
November 26, 2017

Rev. Christian W. DeLerno, Jr.

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Rev. Vincent Phan

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 27

6:30 AM Ignatius Dan Phan
8:30 AM Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen

Tuesday, November 28

6:30 AM Sr. Therese Fletchringer, SSND
8:30 AM Chuck deBlois

Wednesday, November 29

6:30 AM Mary "Mimi" Cerise
8:30 AM Christian DeLerno, Sr.

Thursday, November 30

Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle

6:30 AM Leroy Langlois
8:30 AM Dolald Gilmore

Friday, November 31

6:30 AM Gus Barbier
8:30 AM Jerry Thibodeaux

Saturday, December 1

8:00 AM Richard Mire

Saturday, December 1

1st Sunday in Advent Vigil

4:00 PM Jack & Rosalie Couch, Aimee Marus,
Burt H. Hunley, Bobb W. Hunley,
Norma & Lance Hubble, Joe Paci,
John & Clare McDermott, Ellen Bell,
Walter Howat, Dee Broussard, Hazel
& Harold Howat, Ludy & Sidney
Waguespack, Jr., Vetter Amadeo
Taylor, Kevin Reynolds, Patrick Ruth,
Dean D'Arcangelo, Laura Baroni,
Manuel & Mildred Vazquez

Sunday, December 2

1st Sunday in Advent

8:00 AM Bertucci Family
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners
11:00 AM Cindy Spence, Deceased Members of
St. Jude Society, Mark Dyer
6:00 PM Genevieve Ducote, Alice & Dewey
Ponthier, Vernon Ducote, Hal Ducote

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 Schexnaildre, 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



CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

Feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

This is the last Sunday of the Church year. Next Sunday we will begin a new year, but before it begins, we always take time to think about Jesus, our king, and to honor him. What if Jesus asked us whether we loved other people as much as God loves us? What would we say if we stood before Jesus today?

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

SMM students participated in Vocations Awareness Week in many ways. Students in 2nd-7th wrote vocation prayers. First grade students drew a picture and presented them at a prayer service for vocations. Andrew Gutierrez, a seminarian at Notre Dame, spoke to the students regarding his discernment. The altar servers attended a breakfast in the rectory in appreciation of their assistance in the parish.

**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
November 26, 2017**

"I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink."
— Matthew 25:35



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!



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today we have a modern feast, less than a century old, and placed at the very end of the liturgical cycle of Sundays only in 1969. In 1925, the world was in a sorry state from the vantage point of Pope Pius XI. The winds of war had swept the map of Europe raw, and ancient Christian dynasties had fallen in Russia and Spain. Although the Great War had ended, wars were breaking out everywhere. Fascism was already in control in Italy, and Nazism was on the horizon for Germany. The disorder making its claim on the human race was, the pope felt, an insult to the Divine Order. Pius XI designated the last Sunday in October as a day of universal recognition of the kingship of Christ. Creating this feast was an act of bravery by the pope, who was standing up against idolatry of the state and the dehumanizing forces of the modern world, things that are not hard to detect in today's world as well. In 1969 it seemed fitting to move the feast to a place of honor at the end of the year, a way of summing up the whole movement of the liturgical year toward the perfection of the Kingdom of God. In recent decades, many Protestant churches have adopted this day from the new Roman calendar, so it is shared now with the Church of England, the Episcopal, Presbyterian, and Lutheran churches, and others.



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Readings for Sunday, December 3:

First Reading — We are the clay and you, O LORD, are the potter: we are the work of your hands (Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7). **Psalm** — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80). **Second Reading** — God is faithful; by God you were called to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9). **Gospel** — Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes (11/12)	\$ 7703.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 1806.75</u>
Total	\$ 9509.75
2nd Collection-Bldg & Maintenance	\$ 3310.00

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

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.

1st SATURDAY DEVOTION SERVICE—Dec. 2

The Prayer Warriors of St. Joan of Arc invite everyone every 1st Saturday of the month from 10AM-12Noon in SMM Church for a special program praying for the conversion of greater New Orleans, our country & our world to our Lord Jesus Christ. The service consists of Eucharistic Devotion, Confessions, Rosary, devotional prayers requested by Our Lady of Fatima, Mass, Chaplet of Divine Mercy & other intercessory prayers. For more info call Cindy Hemelt(883-5783) or Marylyn Comesana (559-0965).

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.

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, 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.

WHAT IS #GIVECATHOLIC?

#iGiveCatholic is the first-ever online giving day for the Catholic community. It is a call to share of our blessings with the Church and those the Church helps and supports in our communities. To celebrate our unique Catholic heritage #iGiveCatholic is a giving day created to rally the Catholic community on #GivingTuesday, **November 28th** – a global day of giving. Secure, tax-deductible donations will be accepted on during a 24-hour period, and eligible Catholic parishes, schools, ministries, and not-for-profit organizations located in the participating arch/dioceses will have the chance to receive prizes offered by our generous and giving #iGiveCatholic sponsors. Visit our website (igivecatholic.org) between November 18th and 27th to schedule your gifts in advance of the giving day, or on #GivingTuesday, November 28th to give live! Please consider donating to SMM!!!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, November 27

Parish School of Religion Classes, 6:45PM-8:00 PM
 Reconciliation Explained Presentation in Church,
 7:00-8:00PM

Tuesday, November 28

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

Wednesday, November 29

Advent "Prayer" Series in Convent Bldg 9:45 AM
 Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM
 Advent "Prayer" Series in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Thursday, November 30

Fair Critique Meeting in Massett Hall 6:30 PM
 Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Friday, December 1

Saturday, December 2

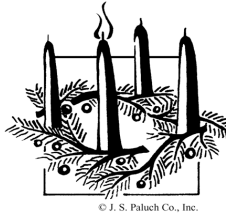
Rosary after Mass in Chapel 8:30 AM
 St. Joan of Arc Prayer Group in Chapel 10AM
 Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM
 2nd Collection - Building & Maintenance Fund
 "Gifts from the Angels" Christmas Project

Sunday, December 3

2nd Collection - Building & Maintenance Fund
 "Gifts from the Angels" Christmas Project
 Family Mass 9:30 AM
 Blessing of Outdoor Nativity Set at 12Noon followed
 by Pot-Luck Dinner in Massett Hall
 Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 12:15-1:15 PM
 CYO Christmas Party in Lodge 7:00 PM

RECONCILIATION EXPLAINED

On **Monday, November 27**, all are invited to a special presentation entitled "*Reconciliation Explained*" from 7:00-8:00PM in the Church. Aline Harbison from the Archdiocesan Office of Religious Education will give the presentation, helping us to understand the Sacrament of Reconciliation and why we should take advantage of this wonderful opportunity as often as we need. Invite your family & friends to join you. Hope to see you on Nov. 27th.

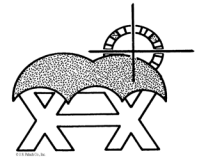


ADVENT PRAYER SERIES "Deepening Your Prayer Life & Relationship With God"

All are invited to participate in a 3 part series on Prayer beginning on **November 29** and continuing on consecutive Wednesdays thru December 13 at 9:45 AM and repeated again at 7PM in the convent bldg. The sessions would be broken down as below:
 I. Expressions of Prayer - Vocal, Meditation & Contemplation; II. Meditation with the Holy Rosary; III. Meditation and Contemplation Prayer with Holy Scripture. The series will be presented by Patsy Ricau from the Marian Servants® of Our Father's Love and Dr. Michael Whitehouse from the Archdiocese Office of Religious Education. Please call 733-8980 to pre-register.

OUTDOOR NATIVITY BLESSING & COVERED DISH DINNER

On **Sunday, December 3** after the 11AM Mass, the KC Ladies Auxiliary & the Knights invite all to a Blessing of the outdoor Nativity Set in front of rectory and a "Covered Dish Dinner" in Massett Hall. You may drop off your dish before Mass.



"Gifts from the Angels" CHRISTMAS GIVING PROJECT A special project to help the Christmas Season be a little brighter for those less fortunate.

NEXT weekend, you are invited to take one of the envelopes with small angel ornaments attached from the table by the main entrance of church. We ask for gift certificates or monetary donations in any amount be placed in the envelope Please return the "*Angel*" tag & envelope attached in the collection basket on **Dec. 9 & 10**. The certificates will be distributed to needy families at a later date in December. Please consider bringing a little Christmas cheer to others by participating in this special project.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Congratulations to our speech team! They competed at Mt. Carmel last week. Grace Rodriguez - 1st place Prose Reading; Dakota Millette - 1st place Poetry Reading; Grace and Dakota -2nd place Duo Reading; Rylie Morrow and Abigail Winingham - 4th place Duo Reading.