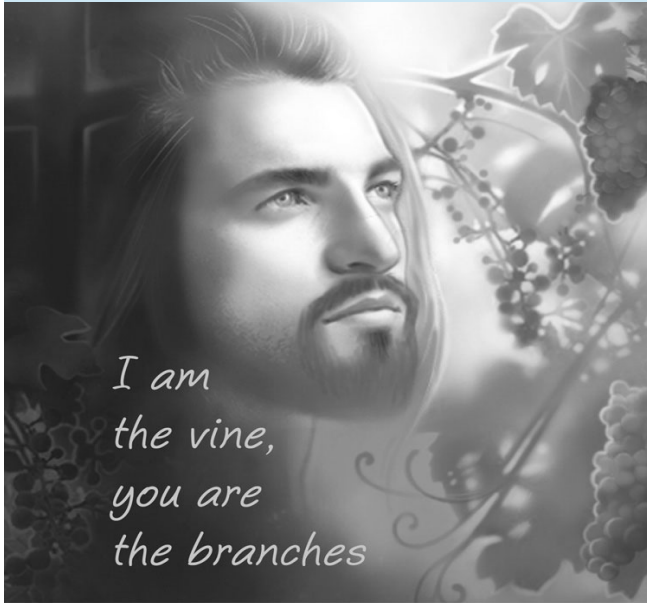


St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

5th Sunday of Easter



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LIVING BRANCHES

The Gospel and second reading for this Fifth Sunday of Easter emphasize the need for us to remain in Christ, and he in us. This shared life finds expression in the image of the one vine and many branches. We become living branches of the vine, members of the Body of Christ through baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation, sacraments of sharing God's own life. The First Letter of John describes the fruit of this vine as active love of neighbor: "And his commandment is this: we should believe . . . and love one another" (1 John 3:23). Our first reading from Acts shows us an example of someone who shares in Christ's life in the person of Saint Paul. Paul's fearless witness, even at the risk of his life, is proof to everyone that the risen Lord's Spirit truly fills him with life and is bearing fruit in him.

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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 OFFICE

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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 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.....1:00PM-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/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 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.

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Shari Mader & Caren Favaloro, Co-Directors

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 30

6:30 AM Thelma Ann Michot
8:30 AM Claire & George Cook

Tuesday, May 1

6:30 AM Gus Barbier
8:30 AM Josafina Gonzalez

Wednesday, May 2

6:30 AM Living Intention for J.A.
8:30 AM Living Intention for Steve Scalise

Thursday, May 3

Feast of Sts. Philip & James, Apostles

6:30 AM Stanley Millet
8:30 AM Speedy & Complete Recovery of
Maria Sanchez

Friday, May 4

6:30 AM Fr. Robert Bowen
8:30 AM Living Intention for Bea Romagosa

Saturday, May 5

8:00 AM Cindy Spence

Saturday, May 5

6th Sunday of Easter Vigil

4:00 PM Jack & Rosalie Couch, Joan Ferry,
Joe Paci, Kevin Reynolds, John & Clare
McDermott, Bobb W. Hunley, Hazel
& Harold Howat, Walter Howat, Dee
Broussard, Norma & Lance Hubble,
Kathy Bonomolo Vetter Amadeo
Taylor, Aimee Marus, Dot Leonard,
Dean D'Arcangelo, Lori Lambert,
Elizabeth Fabregas, James Maunoir,
Mary Floyd

Sunday, May 6

6th Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Bertucci & Trapani Families
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners
11:00 AM Dr. Gordon Landry, Effie Sarti, Harris
Miller, Madeleine Landry, Ian Racine,
Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen, Felicie
Borne
6:00 PM Fr. Earl LaRose

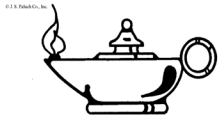
PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

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, 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, Laurretta Erwin, Larry & Clara Leslie, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Hector Benoit, Kevin Colton, Gail LeJeune, Russell Palmer, Ann Robert, Nancy Fitzsimmons, Gaynell Robin, Linda Speciale, Rose Mary Pizza, Baby Sean



BURIED IN CHRIST

*Christopher J. Jacobs
Shawn Joseph Chauffe
Albert William Temes, Sr.
Betty Swanson*



**5th Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2018**

COMMITTED TO TRUTH

Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. — 1 John 3:18



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.

FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP

In gratitude for God's gifts we gratefully appreciate:
Envelopes (4/15) \$ 5547.00
Loose Collection \$ 2384.88
Total \$ 7931.88

Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA COLLECTION

The Catholic University of America is unique among universities in the United States. Established by Pope Leo XIII and the U.S. bishops in 1887, it is the national university of the Catholic Church. In addition to alumni who hail from this diocese, Catholic University claims one third of the U.S. bishops and 12,000 priests and religious as alumni. In Washington, D.C., the University provides an education based in the Catholic intellectual tradition to almost 7,000 students through its 12 schools. On **May 5-6, 2018**, we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Your support will enable Catholic University to expand its impact in preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church and nation. You can learn more at: collection.cua.edu.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In medieval times, one country, Scotland, linked its economy to the liturgy. Four holy days of the church calendar were keyed to the legal year. On these days, rents were due, clergy and servants were paid, and contracts and leases would begin or end. The term days were Pentecost (called Whitsunday), the Feast of Saint Martin on November 11 (Martinmas), the Feast of the Presentation on February 2 (Candlemas), and August 2 (Lammas), a harvest festival. On Lammas day, the first loaf of bread from the summer wheat harvest was given to the village priest. After the Reformation, which swept the Catholic festivals away, the term days were gradually detached from the old feasts. It was only in 1990 that the term days were anchored on the 28th of February, May, August, and November. Today the old Scottish universities are the last hold-outs, still naming their terms or semesters after the old festivals. Scottish students today may not know about the liturgical year, but they still call the fall term Martinmas, and the spring session Candlemas.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Readings for Sunday, May 6:

First Reading — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).
Psalm — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).
Second Reading — Let us love one another, because love is of God (1 John 4:7-10) *or* 1 John 4:11-16.
Gospel — This is my commandment: love one another as I love you (John 15:9-17) *or* John 17:11b-19.

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FOR THE CHILDREN

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

5th Sunday of Easter



We are still in the Easter season. While Easter baskets may have been put away, try to keep some visible reminder in your prayer space or on the table. Continue to sing Alleluia with the grace before dinner.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

APRIL: Month of EASTER. Prayer Center Theme is: *During this Easter Season please help me to grow in your love by...* Put written intentions in prayer pig; they will be offered up at all Masses every Sunday.

SMM SCHOOL & PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAMS

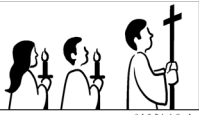
May

Congratulations to 6th grader Abigail Robertson! She is the Archdiocese of New Orleans Catholic Schools' winner of the Missionary Childhood Association's Stamp Contest. Abigail's drawing will be placed on the stamp that will be printed and used throughout the Archdiocese.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Join us for Bingo - this Friday night, **May 4** in Massett Hall.

Altar
Servers



ALTAR SERVER NEWS

All boys and girls who are completing the 3rd grade or higher are invited to join the SMM Altar Server Ministry. New servers **MUST** pre-register and attend a special training session on **Saturday, May 19**. For more info or to receive a registration packet call 733-8980 or email: vsullivan@smm.nocoxmail.com

SUGGESTION BOX

What's the latest from our suggestion box?

- **Consider starting a Social Club for Seniors & a Bereavement Ministry**

Meetings for those interested in starting a Bereavement Ministry have been held coordinated by Discipleship Ministry & Acolyte Jim Heneghan; Beginning a Seniors Group is under discussion

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Life and Dignity of the Human Person

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and euthanasia. The value of human life is being threatened by cloning, embryonic stem cell research, and the use of the death penalty. The intentional targeting of civilians in war or terrorist attacks is always wrong. Catholic teaching also calls on us to work to avoid war. Nations must protect the right to life by finding increasingly effective ways to prevent conflicts and resolve them by peaceful means. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

EVANGELIZATION

Why evangelization should be at the heart of our life and ministry: *"The Church exists in order to evangelize."* Paul VI, *Evangelii nuntiandi*, No. 14; *"Evangelization is the supreme duty of every baptized Christian."* John Paul II, *Redemptoris missio*, No. 77 *"(The laity's) apostolate is exercised when they work at the evangelization and sanctification of men."* *Apostolicam Actuositatem*, No. 2

"How many people never hear a good word, never hear anything said about God, live as if they did not have any mortal soul.... Who will help them? Who will lead them to God?" ~Venerable Mother Thecla Merlo

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

"Among the many blessings that God has showered upon us in Christ is the blessing of marriage, a gift bestowed by the Creator from the creation of the human race...It is a source of blessing to the couple, to their families, and to society and includes the wondrous gift of co-creating human life. Indeed, as Pope John Paul II never tired of reminding us, the future of humanity depends on marriage and the family."— **U.S. Catholic Bishops, 2009 Pastoral Letter: Marriage: Love and Life in the Divine Plan**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, April 30

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 9:00 AM
 Parish School of Religion Family Hotdog Night at
 6:30 PM in Quadrangle

Tuesday, May 1

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

Wednesday, May 2

Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM
 Parents' Club Meeting in Massett Hall 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 3

Come, Lord Jesus in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Friday, May 4

Saturday, May 5

Rosary after Mass in Chapel 8:30 AM
 St. Joan of Arc Prayer Warriors in Chapel 10:00 AM
 Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM
 2nd Collection - Catholic University

Sunday, May 6

2nd Collection - Catholic University
 KC Baby Shower & Breakfast in Massett Hall
 Family Mass/St. Louis Award Mass 9:30 AM
 Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 12:15-1:15 PM

CHURCH LOST AND FOUND ROOM

If you have misplaced glasses, umbrellas, rosaries, prayer books, baby items, etc. please check the church Lost and Found Room in the Cardinal Street entrance and claim your lost items.

SEAFOOD FESTIVAL NEWS

Mark your calendar for our Parish Fundraiser! Our Seafood Festival is on **October 5, 6 & 7, 2018**. Planning is underway and we are having a General Festival Meeting on **Wednesday, May 9** at 7:00 pm in Massett Hall (cafeteria). Please join us in planning this event!

Your Festival Committee

SPECIAL PARISH EVENTS

1st SATURDAY DEVOTION SERVICE—May 5

The Prayer Warriors of St. Joan of Arc invites 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 will consist of Eucharistic Devotion, Confessions, Holy Rosary, devotional prayers requested by Our Lady of Fatima, Holy Mass, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and other intercessory prayers. Fr. Chris is the group's spiritual director and will be the Celebrant of the mass. For more information please contact Cindy Hemelt (883-5783) or Marylyn Comesana (559-0965).



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KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

On Sunday, May 6, all are invited to join the KCs for Breakfast in Massett Hall after the 8AM, 9:30AM & 11 AM Masses.

RESPECT LIFE

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS BABY SHOWER

NEXT weekend, **May 5/6** 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 12. 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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