

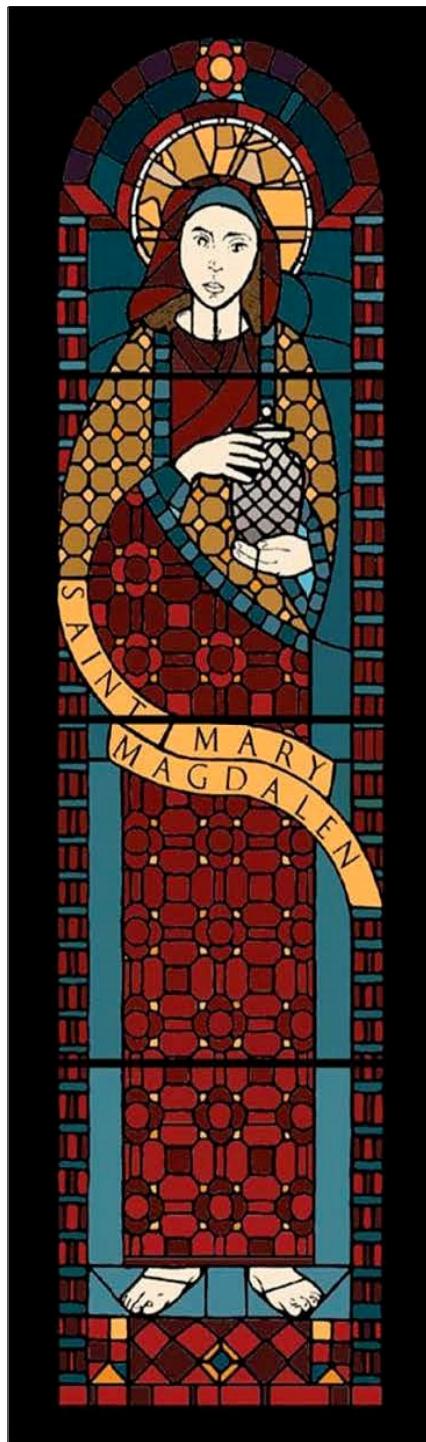


Saint Mary Magdalen Dominican Parish

August 21st 2016

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Together we share our faith in Jesus Christ. We live the Gospel, and we care for others."



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays—8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Saturdays—8:00 a.m.

SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturdays—5:30 p.m. Vigil
Sundays—8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Weekdays—7:40 a.m. & 5:10 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays - 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE

Monday—Thursday

9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

(Office Closed Noon—1:00 p.m.)

Friday

9:00 a.m.—Noon

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WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY!

We are delighted to have all of you here, especially our visitors!

All are welcome and we hope you will find our parish a place where you grow spiritually, put faith into action, and encounter Jesus Christ.

St. Mary Magdalen Dominican Parish is a place where parishioners are encouraged to use their gifts as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Sunday, August 21, 2016
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	5:30	For the people of the parish
Sunday	8:00	Elaine M. Anthony, R.I.P.
	9:30	Enzo Velardi, R.I.P.
	11:00	Michael Kadow, R.I.P.
Monday	8:00	Intention of Cat Nielsen
	5:30	Fr. Michael Morris, O.P., R.I.P.
Tuesday	5:30	Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday	8:00	Ruth Larson, R.I.P.
Thursday	8:00	Patrocinia Capalar, R.I.P
Friday	8:00	Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SCRIPTURE READINGS

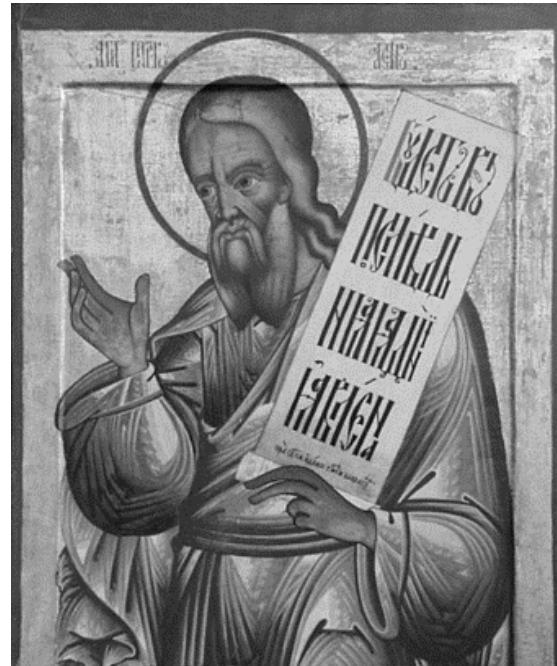
Sunday	Is 66: 18-21 / Lk 13: 22-30
Monday	Thes 1: 1- 5, 11-12 / Mt 23: 13-22
Tuesday	Thes 2: 1-3a / Mt 23: 23-26
Wednesday	Rv 21: 9b -14 / Jn 1: 45-51
Thursday	Cor 1: 1-9 / Mt 24 :42-51
Friday	Cor 1: 17-25 / Mt 25: 1-13
Saturday	Cor 1: 26-31 / Mt 25: 14-30

Memorial Service for Father Michael Morris, O.P., at 5:30 p.m. on September 7, 2016 at St. Mary Magdalen Church.

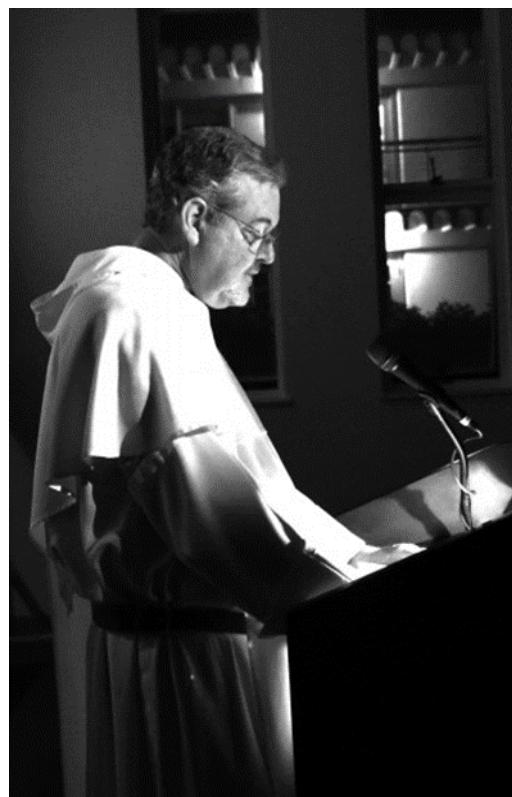
Following the Mass, hors d'oeuvres and potluck dinner will be served at 6:45 pm in Parish Hall. Desserts to be provided by the Church.

Please call Lorna in the Church Office to confirm your desire to attend the Potluck Dinner. Thank you.

Please bring a dish to share with others: main dish, side dish and/or a salad. Thank you!



Prophet Isaiah



**The Beloved Father Michael Morris, O.P.
1949 to 2016**

May he rest in peace in God's love.!

Pastor's Corner

"Discipline "is not a naughty word.

We often think that "discipline" is a bad word; it is often perceived as a synonym for "punishment." I think we get that from children; I know I certainly thought of discipline as being punished as a child and as a teen. The author of the letter to the Hebrews nails it: "at the time, all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain..." and no healthy person likes pain for its own sake.

As we mature, we realize that we sometimes have to undergo pain in order to become better. For the last two weeks, the world has marveled at the accomplishments of the Olympic athletes. And rightly so; we saw some amazing things. It is easy to forget that each and every one of those athletes, not just the medalists, worked for countless hours over years, some for decades, just to get the chance to go to Rio. We have seen the fruits of sustained discipline.

Fidelity is a form of discipline. Just ask any couple who has been married for 40, 50 or 60 or more years. How many times were one or both tempted to throw in the towel, saying, "Enough! I'm outta here!" At least once a day, I'm sure. I can tell you the same is true for being a vowed religious and a priest, though I've only been at it for a quarter of a century, so I'm a relative newbie. Even little "infidelities" are temptations to get off the high road and take the easy way. The only problem is that the easy road does not take us, athletically or spiritually, where we want to go.

Jesus makes it very clear in today's Gospel that being his follower is not easy. It is easy to accept God's universal invitation to be so; following through that acceptance is another matter. It is easy to say one wants to be an Olympic athlete or a good spouse; being such takes lots of work. Similarly, any musician knows the way to Carnegie Hall: practice, practice, practice. Being the Messiah was not easy; we have only to look at a crucifix to be reminded of that. "Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me." I suspect you've prayed that as many times as I have, if not more times. Yet how many of us finished the prayer as Jesus did, "Yet, not as I will, but your will be done." That is discipline, that is fidelity, in action.

The letter to the Hebrews gives us the key: Endure your trials as "discipline." It does not matter whether or not our trials are sent directly from God or not; their origin is irrelevant! (Side note: don't blame God for what is wrong in your life!) If we embrace them as a challenge, we can grow stronger, we can become better. The Resurrection shows what God did with the greatest of human trials, death. Jesus never flinched from what it took to reconcile us to the Father. Easter Sunday is the Father's validation of Jesus' discipline, his fidelity. God's promise to us in Baptism is that if we follow through, if we persevere to the end, we too will share Jesus' reward and the fruits of our discipline for eternity.

Fr. Carl, O.P.



Ancient Olympiads
running with great
discipline towards
the prize.



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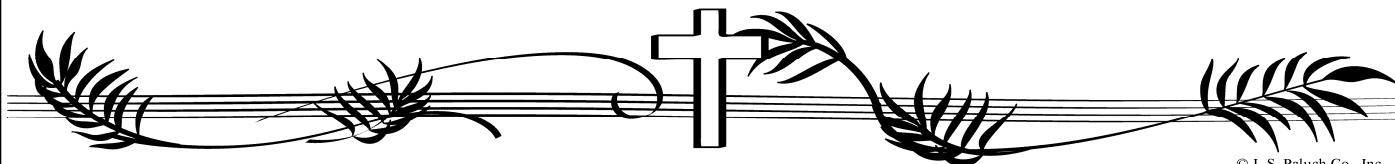
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Sacraments at St. Mary Magdalen

Sacraments of Initiation

Infant Baptism, Initiation of Adults,
Confirmation.
Call office for interview.

Sacrament of marriage

Call office at least six months before
marriage to begin preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00—5:00 p.m.
Other times by appointment with a priest.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

If you know of anyone who is sick, or
who would appreciate a visit, Communion
or Anointing, please call the office.

Finance Department

St. Mary Magdalen Church

**Mission Dinner Community Program
(January 1, 2016 to July 31, 2016)**

The Mission Statement of the Mission Dinner Community program is to learn about and to support various causes related to global poverty relief and promoting social justice. We meet monthly in either Parish or Norton Hall from October to May for dinner and fellowship and to address these issues. This last year we supported our sister parish, Parroquia de Santa Maria de Guadalupe in Mexicali, Mexico, East Bay Sanctuary and St. Mary's High School Immersion programs.

Financial Summary of the 2016 Year-To-Date (detailed summary is readily available upon request in the Parish Office). The program started the year with a balance of \$474.00. We collected \$3,612.00 over seven events and donated a total of \$3,587.00 to the following three recipients.

East Bay Sanctuary: \$242.50

St. Mary's Immersion: \$960.00

Dominican Western Province for our Mexicali sister parish: \$2,384.50

Net of expenses, the program now has a balance of \$440.00

This information is presented on a cash basis of accounting.

**Message from Father Kieran Healy
Sent from St. Benedict Lodge,
McKenzie Bridge, Oregon**

August 14, 2016

It was wonderful to be back at St. Mary Magdalen Parish. I expected to enjoy the old friends that I would meet again. However, the real surprise was the many younger families and even some of the children from the school who became friends. I also really enjoyed getting involved with the larger community through an ecumenical study group as we read and responded to Pope Francis' "Laudato Si". The group continued to meet with some political concerns and was active in stopping the transfer of coal through Berkeley and Oakland.

My old friend, Fr. Jay Matthews, is rector of the Cathedral and I enjoyed being there for Friday noon confessions during "The Year of Mercy," and also offering the occasional noon Mass. It was fun to try to make the liturgy "work" in a most challenging and awkward worship space. The place needs tapestries around the cement ring so that the sound system will work.

At the Parish I really enjoyed the excellence of the music program and the variety that it offers. (Keep it up, Andy!) The quality and ongoing evolution of the school is wonderful, but also presents some real challenges. Where do our families find the time for all of their activities and still fit church into the picture? I am delighted that some of our leading parents from the school have become more visibly involved as lectors, Eucharistic ministers and members of Parish committees.

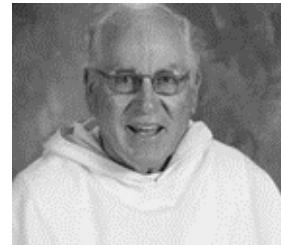
While I was there, it was also good to get to know and appreciate some of our Dominican Brothers. Fr. Michael Morris was a delight to live with and I will continue to miss his buoyant spirit and the excellence of his ministry.

Scott Redding Mixer asked for two recommendations for the Parish. The first thing that I would encourage is that families and individuals establish a moment of prayer in the home each day.. perhaps something around dinner time (but not something too "churchy"). One friend of mine reads a real poem and then after some silence prays for the needs of the day and blesses the food. Scripture or even a news article can also stimulate interest and prayer.

Secondly, in the Dominican Spirit of Contemplation, I would encourage families to take charge of their lives with choices that free us from electronic tyranny and an all too busy pace of life. We all need contemplative time. . . . that walk in the evening—the mid-morning break with a good cup of coffee . . . intentional time set aside for music, beauty and friendship. We really need to do this every day. All these things need planning and strong decision making. They can open the door to a much fuller and joyful life. I think that these things are at the heart of our Dominican Parish Tradition.

May God bless you with such a rich and wonderful life.

Fr. Kieran, O.P.



Parish News & Events

Peace & Social Justice

Bicycle needed!

Rohullah, the refugee from Afghanistan who is currently living in Casa Francisca and who spoke at one of the parish Mission Community dinners last spring, would love to have a bike. He is about 5'6 and thinks that a 17" bike would be a good fit for him. Does anyone have one to donate? A member of the YAMMs ministry has generously provided Rohullah with a helmet and lock. Please contact Monica Grycz at (510) 526-0637 if you can help.

ENDOW

Join us for a **new session of Endow beginning Friday, September 9th!** We will meet Fridays at 7:00pm in Norton Hall.

This is a small study group capped at 12 women. It is open to women of all ages. No homework – the study guide is covered during the meeting.

This class is a meditation on God's design for man and woman; it contains the theological foundations for John Paul II's claim that an authentic feminine presence is essential to building a civilization of love.

Registration is online at www.EndowGroups.org/join-a-group or by calling the Endow office at 720-382-5242.

Register by Wednesday, August 31st to receive your study guide in time.

Note: We will *not* meet Friday, October 21st due to the Fall Festival set up.

Week-day Masses

During the Summer months, we encourage parishioners to attend either or both the morning and evening Masses at St. Mary Magdalen. They are a wonderful time during which to enjoy the Liturgy and to worship God. Please join us as often as you can.

The Services are at 8:00 a.m. and again at 5:30 p.m.

Invitation to join our Rosary after daily Masses

You are invited to join us in our daily Rosary after morning Mass during the week.

Isaiah 66: 18–21

"And I, because of what they have planned and done, am about to come and gather the people of all nations and languages, and they will come and see my glory.

"I will set a sign among them, and I will send some of those who survive to the nations—to Tarshish, to the Libyans and Lydians (famous as archers), to Tubal and Greece, and to the distant islands that have not heard of my fame or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory among the nations. And they will bring all your people, from all the nations, to my holy mountain in Jerusalem as an offering to the LORD—on horses, in chariots and wagons, and on mules and camels," says the LORD. "They will bring them, as the Israelites bring their grain offerings, to the temple of the LORD in ceremonially clean vessels. And I will select some of them also to be priests and Levites," says the LORD."

Diocesan News & Events

Delight and Comforting Joy of Evangelizing

An excerpt from
“*Evangelii Gaudium*”
**(The delightful and comforting joy of
evangelizing)**
**Apostolic Exhortation of
the Holy Father
FRANCIS**

Goodness always tends to spread. Every authentic experience of truth and goodness seeks by its very nature to grow within us, and any person who has experienced a profound liberation becomes more sensitive to the needs of others. As it expands, goodness takes root and develops. If we wish to lead a dignified and fulfilling life, we have to reach out to others and seek their good. In this regard, several sayings of Saint Paul will not surprise us: “The love of Christ urges us on’ (2 Cor 5:14); ‘Woe to me if I do not proclaim the Gospel” (1 Cor 9:16).



Western Dominican Province

Discerning a vocation in the priesthood?

Consider joining the Order of Preachers (The Dominican Friars) who have been setting the world ablaze with the Gospel message for nearly 800 years! To learn more about the Dominican Friars and vocation discernment to the Order of Preachers, visit www.opwest.org

Considering a vocation in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life?

Contact Fr. Neal Clemens
Diocesan Director of Vocations at
(510) 267-8345 or
nclemens@oakdiocese.org

Saint Mary's College High School 32nd Golf Tournament Fundraiser

Saint Mary's College High School, Berkeley, 32nd Golf Tournament fundraiser for tuition assistance, September 12, Mira Vista Golf and Country Club, El Cerrito. \$225 entry fee. Tee signs and sponsorships available. 19th Hole Reception open to non-golfers for \$25/person; reservations required. Online registration at www.saintmaryschs.org (use the "Support Saint Mary's" link) or contact Joanne Howe at 510-559-6227 or jhowe@stmchs.org.

Upcoming Special Collections

August 28th:	School of the Madeleine	"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20: 35
September 4th:	Sunday Dinners for the Poor & Homeless	
September 11th:	Diocesan Priest Retirement	
September 25th:	School of The Madeleine	
October 2nd:	Rosary Sunday & Catholic Voice	
October 9th:	Sunday Dinners for the Poor & Homeless	
October 16th:	School of the Madeleine	
October 23rd:	World Mission Sunday—Home Mission Appeal	
October 30th:	St. Vincent de Paul	



Ministries at St. Mary Magdalen

- Adult Education and Formation
- Altar Servers
- Art & Environment
- Baptism Preparation
- Berkeley Food Pantry
- Catholic Scouting (Boys)
- Catholic Underground Bay Area
- ENDOW
- Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound
- Extraordinary Ministers @ Mass
- Funeral Reception
- Girl Scouts
- Holiday Outreach
- Sunday Dinners for the Poor and Homeless
- Mission Dinner Community
- Music
- RCIA
- RCIC
- Readers @ Mass
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Small Christian Community
- Social Justice
- Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible
- Ushers
- Welcoming Ministry
- Young Adults at Mary Magdalen (YAMMs)

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these ministries, please contact the parish office at (510) 526-4811. We certainly need volunteers in our Parish Office. Please call Lorna. Thank you.