



Saint Mary Magdalen Parish

2005 Berryman Street
Berkeley, California 94709

November 5, 2017
31st Sunday in
Ordinary Time, Year A

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



DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 am
Monday - Friday: 5:30 pm

SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday: 5:30 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am & 5:15 pm
Saturday: 7:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
and by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed for Lunch:
Noon - 1:00 pm

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.

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FIRST WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

POPE FRANCIS HAS DECLARED SUNDAY, NOVEMBER
19TH TO BE THE 1ST 'WORLD DAY OF THE POOR'.
DETAILS INSIDE ON PAGE 3.

HELP OUR NEIGHBORS IN THE FIRE ZONE

BISHOP BARBER EXHORTS US TO DONATE TO

CATHOLIC CHARITIES – SANTA ROSA

DONATE AT tinyurl.com/CCSantaRosa.

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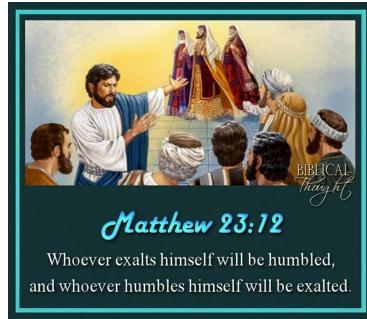
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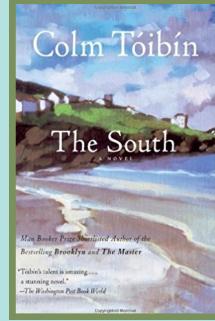
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Calendar for November

November 4-5	BERKELEY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION
All Masses	Drop off donations at entrances or parish office.
November 5,	TEEN CONFIRMATION CLASS
12, 19	Sundays @ 10:45 am, Convent (upper floor)
November 5	<u>1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor</u>
Sunday	12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
November 6	<u>Parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference</u>
Monday	7:00 pm, Norton Hall. <i>All are welcome!</i>
November 7	Fr. Nick returns from the Holy Land
Tuesday	[See tinyurl.com/Fr-Nick-Ship]
November 7	RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
14, 21, 28	7:00 pm, Norton Hall rcia@marymagdalen.org
November 8,	<u>SPRED</u> [Special Religious Education]
15, 29	6:00 pm Wednesdays, Norton Hall
November 9,	Faith Studies: Acts of the Apostles
& 16	7:00 pm Thursdays, Norton Hall
November 10	<u>Refugee Aid Committee</u>
Friday	4:00 pm, Parish Conference Room
November 17	School of the Madeleine ECP Family Night
Friday	6:00 pm, Parish Hall
November 18	Book Group: Colm Tóibín, <u>The South</u>
Saturday	With Fr. Cassian! 10:00 am, Conference Room
November 18	PARISH CENSUS WEEKEND!
& 19	A short census will be taken at all Masses.
November 19	CONCERT: Egon Mihajlovic, Harpsichord
Sunday	5:00 pm, Church. "Handel's 8 Great Suites"
November 23	OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING
Thursday	One Mass only at 10:00 am
November 26	<u>4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor</u>
Sunday	12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall



**NEXT BOOK GROUP MEETING:
Saturday, November 18th, at 10:00 am**



The Parish Book Group has missed our "Founding Father" so much that we are flying him up to lead our next discussion! St. Mary Magdalén's last Dominican Parochial Vicar, **Fr. Cassian Lewinski, O.P.**, will arrive in Berkeley on Friday the 17th, and plans to participate in a number of events throughout the weekend, including celebrating the **8:00 am Mass on Sunday, November 19th**. We've chosen a book he recommended: **Colm Tóibín's The South**, about an Irish-woman who moves to Barcelona in 1950 to create a new life. Borrow or buy the book and come join us!

CURRENT DONATIONS

<u>Sunday, October 29th + EFT (see below)</u>	\$9,379.61
Sunday Donations	\$4,768.96
All Saints' Day	\$80.01
All Souls' Day	\$231.02
Food for the Poor	\$120.00
School of the Madeleine	\$50.00
Refugee Aid	\$370.00
St. Vincent de Paul Conference	\$1,035.29
Mexicali Mission Support	\$20.00
World Mission Sunday	\$20.00
EFT Donations 10/23-10/27:	\$2,684.33
Sunday Donations	\$1,967.00
Capital Repair & Improvements	\$120.00
Bishop's Annual Appeal	\$22.00
Food for the Poor	\$115.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$52.00
Refugee Aid	\$218.33
School of the Madeleine	\$160.00
Mexicali Mission Support	\$30.00

BISHOP'S APPEAL: NEAR THE FINISH LINE!

We've now raised **\$24,878.00**, which represents **97.93%** of our goal! If you haven't yet given, click on the **DONATE** link at marymagdalen.org/donate.

We're nearly there—please help!

ANY 'OVERAGE' COLLECTED WILL REDUCE THE LARGE DEBT WE OWE OUR DIOCESE.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	For the people of the parish
Sunday	8:00	Larry Hartman RIP
	9:30	Christine Ndzefor RIP
	11:00	Holy Souls
Monday	8:00	Holy Souls
	5:30	Natividad Ramirez RIP
Tuesday	8:00	Intentions of Ann Hailozian
	5:30	Holy Souls
Wednesday	8:00	Holy Souls
	5:30	Intentions of Shannon Knorr
Thursday	8:00	Mary Therese Tran and Joseph Nguyen
	5:30	Holy Souls
Friday	8:00	Holy Souls
	5:30	Intentions of Trang Nguyen
Saturday	8:00	Holy Souls

November 5, 2017

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS: FIRST WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 19 November 2017

"Let us love, not with words but with deeds."

"Saint John Chrysostom's admonition remains ever timely:



'If you want to honour the body of Christ, do not scorn it when it is naked; do not honour the Eucharistic Christ with silk vestments, and then, leaving the church, neglect the other Christ suffering from cold and nakedness....'

"We are called, then, to draw near to the poor.... It is my wish that, in the week preceding the World Day of the Poor, which falls this year on November 19th, Christian communities will make every effort to create moments of encounter and friendship, solidarity and concrete assistance. They can invite the poor and volunteers to take part together in the Eucharist on this Sunday, in such a way that there be an even more authentic celebration of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King, on the following Sunday.

"Prayer should always be at the heart of every concrete initiative that takes place on this day. Let us not forget that the *Our Father* is the prayer of the poor. Our asking for bread expresses our trust in God for our basic needs in life. Everything that Jesus taught us in this prayer expresses and brings together the cry of all who suffer from life's uncertainties and the lack of what they need.

"I ask my brother Bishops, and all priests and deacons who by their vocation have the mission of supporting the poor, together with all consecrated persons and all associations and volunteers everywhere, to help make this *World Day of the Poor* a tradition that concretely contributes to evangelization in today's world."

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Or do you simply have questions about the Faith?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes are taking place on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in Norton Hall (West of the parking lot).

No commitment is needed to attend.

Leader: Jonathan Harmon, S.J.

rcia@marymagdalen.org.

Notes from Fr. Nick

Saint Leo the Great

This Friday, November 10th, is the feast of Saint Leo the Great. He was born around the year 400 and died on November 10, 461. Leo was from an aristocratic Italian family in Tuscany, and became Pope on September 29, 440. Pope Leo is famous for asserting the authority of the papacy and arbitrating theological controversies, and especially for his confrontation with Attila the Hun.

While the pope was recognized as the patriarch of the Western Church, many bishops, particularly in Gaul (present-day France), acted independently. For example, Bishop Hilary of Arles tried to assert his authority over another Galician bishop, and Leo appealed to the emperor, Valentinian III. In support of the pope's authority, the emperor supported the Pope's position, citing the primacy of Saint Peter, the importance of the city of Rome, and the Nicene Creed. As a result, Leo's stature was greatly enhanced.

During Leo's time, the doctrines of the Church were still being formed. Many contested the nature of Christ. Was he strictly a human being, was he God, or something unique? While it didn't completely settle the matter, the *Tome of Leo* which the pope presented at the Council of Chalcedon, largely put it to rest. Leo followed the teachings of Saint Augustine when he said that Christ was one person with two natures: one human and one divine.



The Meeting between Leo the Great (painted as a portrait of Leo X) and Attila, by Raphael (1483-1520)

Leo may be most famous, however, for his encounter with Attila the Hun. Attila had invaded Italy, and by 450 had reached the outskirts of Rome, and was requesting the emperor Valentinian's daughter in marriage. The emperor sent a delegation to Attila, including Pope Leo, demanding that they not enter Rome. Surprisingly, Attila retreated. While tradition has attributed this to Leo's persuasion, it is likely that Attila's troops were short of food, burdened with plunder, and sick from a plague.

As of the time of publication, Fr. Nick had departed from the Holy Land and was on his way to **Crete**, the last stop of his ship, the Celebrity Silhouette, before returning to **Civitavecchia** (the port of Rome).

During his three days in Israel, Fr. Nick took this beautiful shot of the **Sea of Galilee**:

Fr. Nick will arrive home in Berkeley tomorrow, and will be back to work on Tuesday.



Parish News

Jubilee USA Thanks SMM Parishioners!

Last weekend we collected 172 signatures urging the President, Congress, World Bank and the IMF to provide hurricane relief aid to the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico in the form of grants, rather than loans. Grants mitigate the cycle of debt and poverty associated with high interest payments in impoverished countries. Our parish is a member of **Jubilee USA**, which promotes responsible lending and debt relief worldwide. See: jubileeusa.org.

Berkeley Food Pantry Collection: CURRENT FOOD LIST!

PLEASE BRING ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING
ITEMS TO THE VESTIBULES **TODAY!**

- Canned **tuna & chicken**—low-sodium & low-fat.
- **Peanut butter** (in plastic jars only)
- **Breakfast cereal**—low-sugar
- Canned **soups**—low-sodium
- Canned **beans**—low-sodium
- **Brown rice**
- **Healthy snack foods** for kids—low-sugar nutrition bars & dried fruit
- **Gluten-free grains and pasta**
- **Non-dairy milk**—soy, almond, oat (shelf-stable)
- **Condiments**—ketchup, mustard, salad dressing, & mayonnaise (in plastic jars only)
- **Seasonings**—salt, pepper, herbs, spices,
- **Cooking oil**—including olive oil
- **Teabags**—in boxes
- **Meal replacements**
- **Toiletries**—toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, etc.

Did You Lose a Loved One This Year?

It is still possible to add photographs of your dear ones to the “Altar of Remembrance” for all those whom we have lost since last November. Please bring your photographs, *clearly labeled with your name & phone number or email address*, to the parish office. Or email them to bulletin@marymagdalen.org.



On Thursday, December 14, 2017,
Fr. Nick is inviting all Parish
“Seniors” to a luncheon in the
Parish Hall or Norton Hall.
More details will follow shortly.

Social Justice Notes

November 5 – Doctors Without Borders Exhibit

Today is your last chance to take a virtual tour and learn how **Doctors Without Borders** makes a difference on the front lines of the global refugee crisis. Open daily 9:00-5:00 pm at the Lake Merritt Amphitheater (between 12th St and 1st Ave), Lake Merritt Blvd., Oakland. Visit forcedfromhome.com for more information.

Continue to Pressure Congress to Approve the Dream Act of 2017

Contact California Senators Feinstein and Harris to urge approval of the bipartisan **Dream Act of 2017**. For additional information, go to the National Immigration Law Center at nilc.org or the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at justiceformigrants.org.

Friday, November 10, 4:00–5:00pm: Refugee Aid Committee Meeting

What happens at these meetings? We meet in the Rectory Conference Room to discuss ways to support Casa Francisca, which serves recent refugee arrivals. We respond to calls for help from a variety of diocesan and community groups to support other refugees. We build parish capacity for local and global social ministry activities. Please join us – all are welcome!

Remember Veterans' Day, November 11

Ninety-nine years ago, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, fighting ceased in the “war to end all wars.” The U.S. and Europe honors this moment — we call it “Veteran’s Day.” **World Against War** invites us to sign their *Declaration of Peace* and personally commit “to engage in and support nonviolent efforts to end all war and preparations for war and to create a sustainable and just peace.” Go to worldagainstwar.org if you would like to take this pledge. Please also remember all those who currently serve, or have served, in the armed forces. Their sacrifices are immense, and we hold them in our prayers.

Saturday, November 11, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

The Newman Women in Conversation Group invites women to hear and dialogue with *Women of Muslim Faith*, in Newman Lounge, Holy Spirit Parish (2700 Dwight Way, Berkeley). Hina Khan-Mukhtar, the main guest speaker, is a teacher and mother of three. Coffee and tea will be served; snacks to share would be welcomed. Questions: contact Peg Bogle at pegbogle@gmail.com

1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless: Can You Lend a Hand?

Feeling blue or bored since baseball season is over and our local football teams are struggling? We have a remedy for that! Come volunteer and mix with fellow parishioners to put on our **1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor and Homeless** today. Please join us for today's 4th Sunday Dinner. We set up or cook from noon to 1:00 pm, prepare to serve at 2:30 pm, and clean up from 3:30 pm until closing. **We especially need help cleaning up the Parish Hall and Kitchen.**

We count on your delicious desserts! They may be brought to the Parish Hall by **1:30 pm**.

Are you a newcomer? The Parish Hall is located directly under the Church. Enter from the parking lot steps.

St. Mary Magdalen Parish Needs YOU!

It is not generally known that **Altar Servers** can be grown-ups as well as teenagers. Fr. Nick is encouraging **any adults who are willing to serve** at the 5:30 pm and the 11:00 am Masses to please either call the parish office or sign up on the sheet in the Berryman vestibule. Comprehensive training will be provided.

Fr. Nick is also starting a **Grief Ministry Team**. If you feel that you could help your fellow parishioners cope with the loss of a loved one, please call Fr. Nick at 526-4811 x 112 (email pastor@marymagdalen.org.)

SCHOOL CORNER:

News from the School of the Madeleine: A [Hallowe'en Message](#) from Principal Ken Willers at Morning Assembly on October 30, 2017

When I was in elementary school, I went around acting that everything was always fine. I got to high school ... I went to college, and everybody thought, "Ken is just always this happy guy." And then — probably in my mid-20s — I got really angry. I [said to a friend], "Everybody thinks I'm okay all the time. But I'm not." And he said, "That's because you always come across like you never have any problems." I realized that maybe I did always wear a mask that made everybody think "Ken never has any problems."

I bring my Darth Vader mask out to make a point. Every



now and then, boys and girls, we all wear a mask. We want people to see a part of us, that perhaps is really true. And we wear a mask to emphasize that part of us.

But sometimes we wear a mask to hide who we might really be.

The beautiful ending of Episode 6, when Darth Vader removes his mask and unveils who is truly is, he is set free.

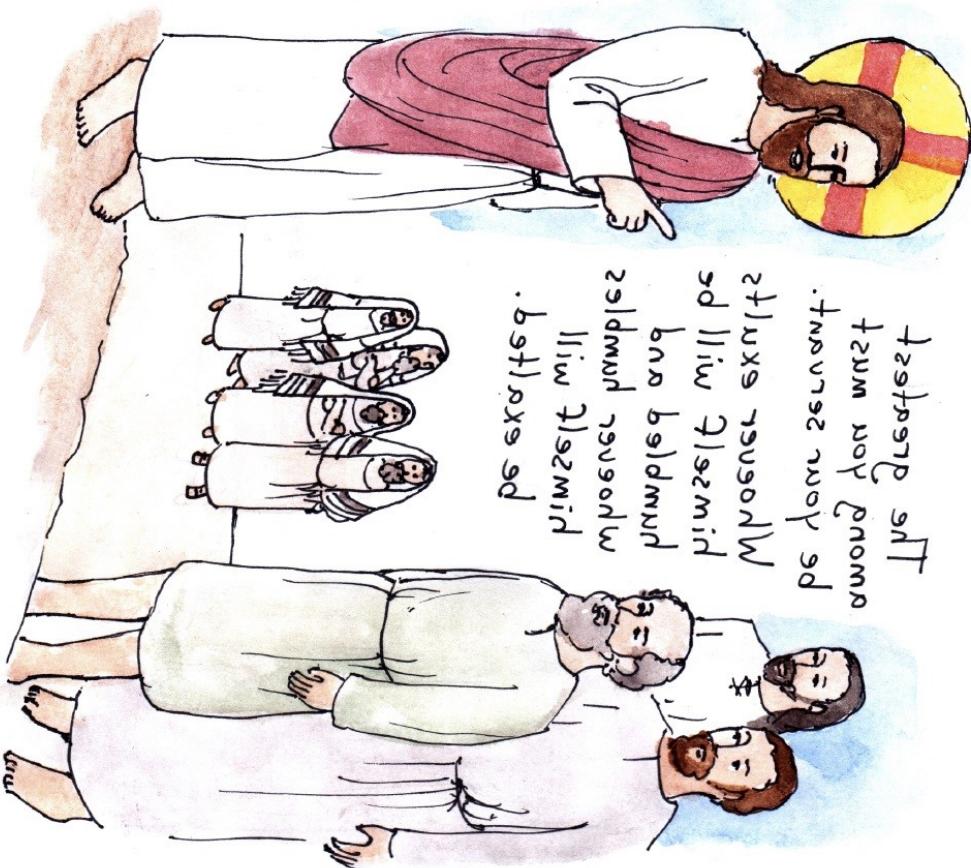
Diocesan Mass Count for October 2017 ~ Average Sunday Mass Attendance: Adults: 410. Children: 58. Total: 468.

MASS TIME	LANGUAGE (Not English)	1ST SUNDAY		2ND SUNDAY		3RD SUNDAY		4TH SUNDAY		5TH SUNDAY		TOTAL		AVERAGE	
		ADULTS	CHILD	ADULTS	CHILD	ADULTS	CHILD								
17:30		88	5	64	4	61	6	69	1	70	1	352	17	70.4	3.4
8:00		76	0	64	0	90	0	74	2	76	0	380	2	76	0.4
9:30		144	58	141	32	157	47	231	57	136	37	809	231	161.8	46.2
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TOTAL:		412	71	370	42	411	61	480	72	377	43	2050	289	Do Not Total	

The Kids' Bulletin

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5th, 2017



*What was the last thing Our Lord said
in today's Gospel reading?
Look in the mirror to find out!*

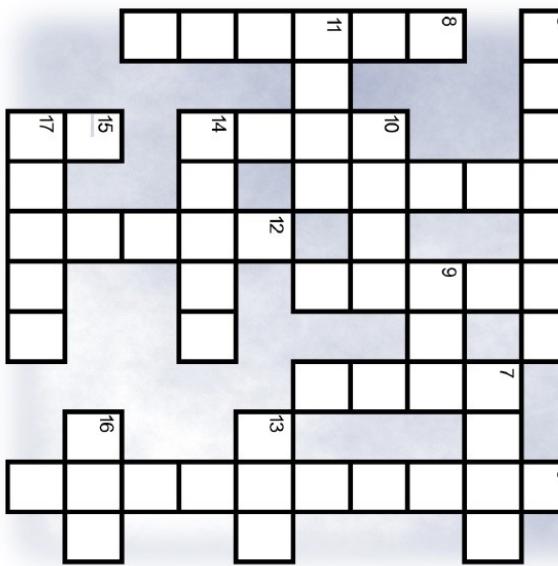
St. Paul's Letter

Cross-Word

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks in today's reading from the letter to the Thessalonians and then fill in the puzzle.

A=Across
D=Down

IN	PROCLAIMED	BELOVED	MOTHER	GOD	GOSPEL	GENTLE	HUMAN	AMONG
TO								
THE								
TOO								
TOIL								
DAY								
HER								
GIVE								
WORD								
WITH								
WELL								



Brothers and sisters: We were _____ (4D) _____ (12D) you, as a nursing _____ (8D) cares for _____ (16A) children. _____ (10D) such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only _____ (1D) gospel of God, but our very selves as _____ (10A), so dearly _____ (5A) had you become _____ (1A) us. You recall, brothers and sisters, our _____ (11A) and drudgery. Working _____ (17A) and _____ (13A) in order not to burden any of you, we _____ (6D) to you the _____ (3D) of God.

And for this reason we _____ (9A) _____ (2A) thanks to _____ (2D) unceasingly, that, in receiving the _____ (7D) of God from hearing us, you received not a _____ (14A) word, but, as it truly is, the word of God, which is now at _____ (7A) _____ (15D) you who believe.