

January 5th, 2025 | The Epiphany of the Lord, Year C

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



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WEEKEND MASSES

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

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday 8:30 am
Monday/Wednesday/Friday 5:30 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday – Saturday 8:00 am
Mon./Wed./Friday 5:10 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 pm
(and by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – Noon
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
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and we care for others."*

BAPTISM:

Preparation classes take place on the first Monday of the month.
Please call the parish office for more information.

CONFIRMATION:

Classes run from September through May; contact the office for more information.

MARRIAGE:

Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The Sacrament is offered at every 5th Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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Due to our Bulletin Publisher's early publication deadlines, the collection reports for Christmas and December 29th will be published next week.

You can still make your Christmas Donation even in January — any amount would help!

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Scripture Readings for the Week

- 5th **SOLEMNITY: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**
Isaiah 60:1-6 / Ephesians 3:2-3-6 / Matthew 2:1-12
- 6th *Christmas Weekday [St. André Bessette, Religious]*
1 John 3:22-4:6 / Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25
- 7th *Christmas Weekday [St. Raymond of Peñafort, Religious]*
1 John 4:7-10 / Mark 6:34-44
- 8th *Christmas Weekday*
1 John 4:11-18 / Mark 6:45-52
- 9th *Christmas Weekday*
1 John 4:19-5:4 / Luke 4:14-22
- 10th *Christmas Weekday*
1 John 5:5-13 / Luke 5:12-16
- 11th *Christmas Weekday*
1 John 5:14-21 / John 3:22-30

Mass Intentions

- Saturday 5:30 Intentions of Stefan Grycz
- Sunday 8:00 Juliana Fernandes RIP
9:30 For the People of the Parish
11:30 Tony Wilkinson RIP
- Monday 5:30 Intentions of Sharon Ceasar
- Tuesday 8:30 Fran Burk RIP
- Wednesday 8:30 Maria Curtis RIP and Intentions of the Curtis Family
5:30 Intentions of Velma Richmond
- Thursday 8:30 Julie Flahaven RIP
- Friday 5:30 Intentions of Maria Sordilla
- Saturday 8:30 Alfred Hansen RIP

Parish Calendar through January 11th, 2025

- January 4 Saturday **Liturgy Committee Monthly Meeting**
10:00 am, Conference Room & Zoom
- January 4 Saturday **Food Handling Training — All are welcome!**
Noon-1:00 pm, Magdalen Hall Kitchen
- January 4/5 Weekend **Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Wilson**
5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00 / 9:30 / 11:30 am Sunday
- January 5 Sunday **First Sunday Dinner (See below for details.)**
11:30 am - 4:00 pm, Norton Hall
- January 6 Monday **Monthly Pre-Baptismal Seminar**
5:30 pm, Conference Room & Zoom
- January 6 Monday **St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting**
7:00 pm, Norton Hall. *All are welcome!*
- January 7 Tuesday **Reflection on the Sunday Gospel** *Zoom link:*
2:00 - 3:00 pm, [tinyurl.com / SMM-GospelGroup](https://tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup)
- January 7 Tuesday **Racial Equity Committee Meeting**
7:00 pm, Zoom. *Contact office for Zoom link.*
- January 8 Wednesday **Meeting of SPRED Catechism**
6:30 pm, Norton Hall
- January 10 Friday **Peace & Justice Monthly Meeting**
4:00 pm, Norton Hall
- January 10 Friday **CONCERT: Barefoot Chamber Musicians**
6:30 pm, Magdalen Hall
- January 11 Saturday **INAUGURAL MOVIE NIGHT** 
6:30 pm, Magdalen Hall: Gerwig's *Barbie*

Our First Sunday Dinner for the Hungry takes place today. Do you have time to come downstairs to Magdalen (Parish) Hall from 2:15 to 4:15 pm? Or do you have a teenager with a “volunteer hours” requirement? Take advantage of this volunteer opportunity! You are very welcome to come help set up (11:30 am) or serve our guests (2:15 pm), or to clean up the kitchen and Magdalen Hall. We start cleaning up the kitchen at 2:30 pm, and putting away tables in the Hall at 3:45 pm.



To learn more, see [tinyurl.com / SMMDinners](https://tinyurl.com/SMMDinners), or drop an email to sundaydinners@marymagdalen.org,

Scout Troops 24 & 42 + Cub Packs 30 & 104 Delivered Christmas Cheer

A week ago Saturday, Scouts from Troops 24 and 42, along with Cubs from Packs 30 and 104, joined the Lions Club and Berkeley Firefighters to assemble and deliver several hundred holiday meal kits to senior citizens in Berkeley. Each kit was filled with holiday feast essentials, **including whole chickens, vegetables, pasta, bread, cookies,** and more. After preparing the kits, the Scouts loaded them into cars and delivered to the Seniors, spreading joy and holiday cheer to the recipients. The Scouts appreciate opportunities like this to serve our community!



St. Raymond of Peñafort, OP

Other feasts occupy the first full week of the new year, not least of which is Epiphany, which I've covered in the past. St. Raymond of Peñafort is also celebrated this week, on Tuesday, January 7th. Ramon (Raymond in English) was born to a noble Spanish family in 1175, and graduated from the University of Bologna (Italy) with doctorates in both civil and canon law. Attracted to the newly-established Order of Dominicans because of their focus on preaching, Raymond became a Dominican friar at age 47, after returning to his native Spain.

Pope Gregory IX asked Raymond, at the time a professor, to codify Canon Law. In September 1234 the Pope ordered that only his work could be considered authoritative and taught in schools. St. Raymond's collection of Canon Law, known as the *Decretals of Gregory IX*, remained the standard for almost 700 years, until 1917.



St. Raymond tried to retire at age 60, but three years later (in 1238), he was elected Master General of the Dominican Order. He became the consultor to King James I of Aragon, and his compassion was said to mitigate the excesses of the Spanish Inquisition. In 1263, he convinced the king to sponsor a public debate between Moshe ben Nahman, a rabbi of Girona, Spain, and Paulus Christiani, a Dominican priest and converted Jew from Montpellier, France. As the head of the theologians present (and with King James' accord), St. Raymond gave the rabbi perfect freedom of speech. After the debate ended, on the Jewish Sabbath, the King and the friars visited Rabbi ben Nahman's synagogue.

King James was also the occasion of St. Raymond's most famous miracle. While he was on the island of Majorca to convert the Moors living there, King

James came for a visit, accompanied by his mistress. Raymond would not countenance this behavior and told the king to dismiss his "concubine." The King refused, and furthermore prevented Raymond from leaving the island. Legend has it that he fashioned a sail out of his *cappa* (his Dominican black cloak) and made the 160-mile voyage to Barcelona in six hours! (I suspect that there is more than a little hyperbole in this story.)

St. Raymond's zeal for the faith, preaching to Moslems in Spain and North Africa, and his incisive mind are both qualities we can imitate. He lived to the age of 100, dying in Barcelona on January 6, 1275, where he is buried. He is also the patron of a parish in the Diocese of Oakland: St. Raymond Parish in Dublin. Built in 1860, the original church of St. Raymond is the oldest Catholic church building in our diocese.



Tomb and Chapel of Saint Raymond of Peñafort at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross and Saint Eulalia in Barcelona. On the altar, the polychrome white marble sarcophagus, with scenes in relief of the life of the saint, dates from the 14th century. The two pieces come from the old Convent of Santa Caterina de Barcelona of the Dominican Order. (Source: Wikipedia)

OUR SATURDAY NIGHT FILM SERIES KICKS OFF WITH BARBENHEIMER!



Did you miss the *Barbenheimer* phenomenon in the Summer of 2023? Or would you like to revisit it this Winter?

The coincidence of two blockbuster films opening the same weekend exceeded box-office expectations, and the films earned a combined 21 Oscar nominations. (Both films were nominated for the Academy Award for Best Picture, which *Oppenheimer* won.)

Barbie, directed by renowned indie director and actress, Greta Gerwig, explores the idea of existentialism, "ruminat[ing] on the very idea of what makes us human, the idea of 'the other', and whether the possibility of autonomy exists." (GQ)















SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH
6:45 PM

NORTON
HALL

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH
6:45 PM

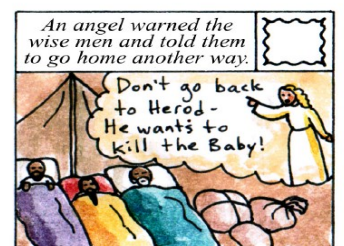
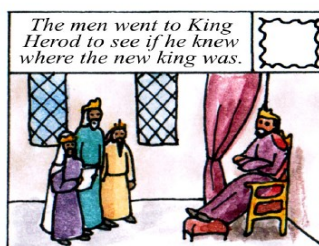
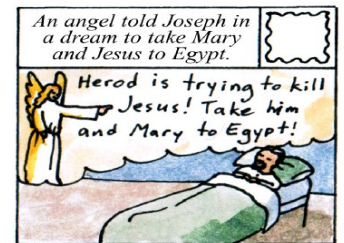
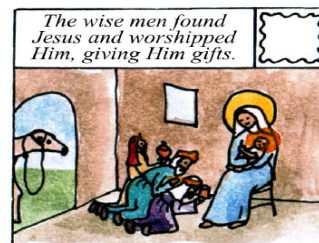
The Kids' Bulletin Epiphany

Long ago,  saw a special  in the sky. They followed it to find the newborn . But first they came to Herod, and asked him if he knew where the  would be born. He asked the priests,  who told him the  would be born in Bethlehem. So the  went, and found the  where the  and His mother,  were staying. They knelt before the baby  and gave him their  of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

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The Wise Men Puzzle

Do you know the story of the wise men who came to worship Baby Jesus?
What order do these pictures go in?
Write the numbers from 1 to 6 in the boxes.



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