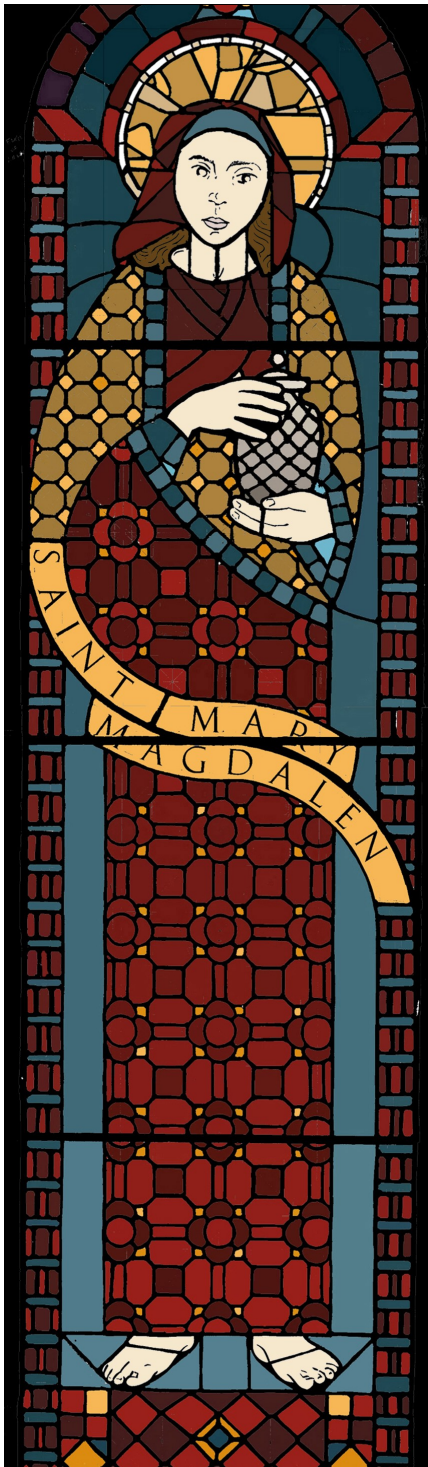




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**February 18, 2018**  
**1st Sunday of Lent**  
**Year B**

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### **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

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**BACH CONCERT: CANTATA COLLECTIVE**  
**TONIGHT (Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>) at 5:00 pm**  
**(Andy Canepa on Harpsichord)**

**FRIDAYS: STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**6:00 pm, Church**

**FREE LENTEN SOUP SUPPER**

**6:45 pm, Norton Hall**

**(Details on page 4.)**

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## Calendar: February & March 2018

February 18 TODAY	<b>BACH CONCERT: Cantata Collective</b> 5:00 pm, Church. Paul Max Tipton, Baritone
February 20 & 27	<b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, Norton Hall
February 21 & 28	<b>SPRED</b> [Special Religious Education] Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, Norton Hall
February 23 Friday	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS + SOUP SUPPER</b> 6:00 pm, Church; 6:45 pm Norton Hall
February 25 Sunday	<b>4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor</b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
March 1st Thursday	<b>ART SHOW—School of the Madeleine</b> 5:00—7:00 pm, Parish & Norton Halls
March 2, 9, & 23	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS + SOUP SUPPER</b> 6:00 pm, Church; 6:45 pm Norton Hall
March 3 Saturday	<b>Book Group: Atul Gawande, Being Mortal</b> 10:00 am, Conference Room
March 4 Sunday	<b>1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor</b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
March 5 Monday	<b>Parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference</b> 7:15 pm, Norton Hall. <i>All are welcome!</i>
March 6, 20 & 27	<b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, Norton Hall
March 7, 14 & 21	<b>SPRED</b> [Special Religious Education] Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, Norton Hall
March 10 Saturday	<b>MISSION DINNER</b> — featuring <b>Fr. Martin de Porres Walsh, OP.</b> 6:30 pm, Parish Hall
March 13 Tuesday	<b>Leadership Conference Follow-Up Meeting</b> 7:00 pm (6:30 pm <i>hors d'œuvres</i> ), Parish Hall
March 13 Tuesday	<b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) 7:00 pm, Conference Room
March 17 Saturday	<b>ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY!</b> 6:30 pm, Parish Hall
March 22 Thursday	<b>'Senior' Luncheon with Fr. Nick</b> Noon, Parish Hall <i>All are welcome!</i>
March 24 Saturday	<b>CONCERT: "Tenebrae Lessons"</b> 8:00 pm, Church. <i>Schola Magdalen.</i>
March 25 Sunday	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> <b>Masses: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am</b>
March 25 Sunday	<b>4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor</b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
March 29 Thursday	<b>Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday)</b> 7:30 pm, Church; Adoration in Norton Hall.
March 30 Friday	<b>The Three Hours: Noon—3:00 pm, Church</b> <b>Passion of the Lord: 7:30 pm, Church</b>
March 31 Saturday	<b>Easter Vigil</b> 8:00 pm (Easter Fire Lighting on Berryman Plaza)
April 1st Sunday	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> <b>Masses: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am</b>



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# 1st Sunday of Lent ~ February 18, 2018

## LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS

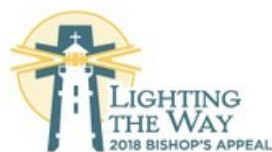
<b>Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> + EFT</b>	<b>\$9,058.37</b>
Sunday Donations	\$6,066.37
Ash Wednesday	\$75.00
Mary, Mother of God	\$10.00
Food for the Poor	\$350.00
School of the Madeleine	\$100.00
Refugee Aid	\$50.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$20.00
<b>EFT Donations — 02/05-02/09:</b>	<b>\$2,387.00</b>
Sunday Donations	\$2,125.00
Capital Repair & Improvements	\$20.00
Bishop's Annual Appeal	\$27.00
Food for the Poor	\$100.00
Mexicali Mission Support	\$10.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$55.00
Refugee Aid	\$5.00
School of the Madeleine	\$45.00



At Noon on **Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**, Fr. Nick will hold the next in a continuing series of quarterly luncheons with parish 'seniors' in the Parish Hall. *We'll start taking reservations the weekend of March 4<sup>th</sup>.* Until then, please

### SAVE THE DATE!

All parish seniors—or parishioners of any age—are invited to participate. The first luncheon was a great success! **(If you'd like to help out with this event, please call the parish office.)**



## 2018 Bishop's Appeal

Last weekend we were privileged to hear two speakers from the Diocese: **Phil**

**Toups**, Manager of the Annual Bishop's Appeal, and **Paul Bongiovanni**, Diocesan Chief Financial Officer, who between them spoke at every Mass. This weekend you will find Appeal envelopes in the pews; please prayerfully consider what you are able to donate to this important cause. You may also donate online: [tinyurl.com/BishopsAppeal](http://tinyurl.com/BishopsAppeal).

## OREMUS

A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER

### Faith Studies

The next course in the Faith Studies program will begin on **April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018** in Norton Hall, from **7:00 pm to 8:30 pm**.

**Oremus**, from Ascension Press, teaches you the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Over the course of eight weeks you will discover how God speaks to you, even in the smallest encounters. Following the tradition of the Catholic Church and the wisdom of the saints, you will learn how to express yourself to God in prayer, and how to hear his voice.

#### Registration options:

- **online:** [marymagdalen.org/oremus](http://marymagdalen.org/oremus).
- **email/phone:** Marni Gonzalez ([marni\\_gonzalez@hotmail.com](mailto:marni_gonzalez@hotmail.com), 508-826-0463) or Cat Nielsen, at the parish office ([website@marymagdalen.org](mailto:website@marymagdalen.org)).

**Registration deadline: March 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**Study Guides:** approximately \$18 - \$20.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Intentions of the Ernst Family
Sunday	8:00	For the people of the parish
	9:30	Christine Ndzefer Ngwane RIP
	11:00	Ben and Marjoria Mathias RIP
Monday	8:00	Intentions of Roger and Liz Silloway
Tuesday	8:00	Riccardo Francia RIP
Wednesday	8:00	Intentions of José Guerrero
Thursday	8:00	Intentions of Julian Curtis
	5:30	Thomas Harezlak RIP
Friday	5:30	Intentions of Czesław Grycz
Saturday	8:00	Intentions of Julian Curtis

## Notes from Fr. Nick

# Presidents' Day

While Presidents' Day falls between Washington's and Lincoln's birthday it honors all U.S. presidents. Nevertheless, these two men were arguably our greatest presidents. Both led our country through the most difficult times, and made many mistakes along the way. Neither was a genius, but they preserved our country for future generations.



Of the nine battles George Washington fought as a general, he won only three. However, he learned from his mistakes, and was ready for the **Battle of Yorktown** — the decisive battle of the Revolutionary War. Washington was also known for his impeccable character, trustworthiness, and charisma. In addition, he surrounded himself with people whom he could rely on when he didn't possess the necessary skills himself.

President Lincoln led our country through the devastating Civil War. He was willing to accept credit for his successes, but he also owned up to his failures. He used humor

effectively when there was need to diminish tension, or to allow people to relax. Abraham Lincoln also had a remarkable knack for sharing his vision with others. **He did not surround himself with people who agreed with him.** Rather, he cultivated people with different beliefs and ideas.

While both President Washington and President Lincoln had strong egos, they did not let them get in the way of accomplishing their goals. They recognized the value of working as a team, rather than trying to figure out ways to silence their opposition. Lincoln once wrote about an advisor, "I don't like that man. Must get to know him better."



In this era of government gridlock, there is a lot we can learn from these two presidents.



### FRIDAY EVENING STATIONS OF THE CROSS + SOUP SUPPERS

After the 5:30 pm Mass on four of the remaining Fridays in Lent, the following ministries in our Parish will lead the **Stations of the Cross**, followed by a simple **Soup Supper**. Please come and join us in prayer in the Church, and fellowship in Norton Hall!

**THE LITURGY COMMITTEE HAS CREATED NEW TEXTS FOR THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS, PROVIDING A MEDITATIVE, SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE.**

February 23 Social Justice/Holiday Outreach  
March 2 RCIA/YAMMs  
March 9 Children of the School of the Madeleine

March 16 NO STATIONS/SUPPER (Bach Concert)  
March 23 Teen Confirmandi

# Parish News

## The Lenten Giving Tree is Here!



As a Lenten activity, our church and school are again supporting the Oakland [International Rescue Committee](#) (IRC) office by gathering and boxing household items that can help a newly-arrived refugee family as they start their new lives in Alameda County.

The Lenten Giving Tree was installed on Ash Wednesday. Each tag on the tree lists a household item. *Please take one of the tags, buy the item on the tag, and drop off your donation at the church on Palm Sunday morning.* Even better: buy a Target (or Safeway) gift card and let the family choose what they need for their apartment. If you have any questions, please contact **Katie Calvert** at 510-524-6617.



# Social Justice Notes

## Alarming Report from Bread for the World

BFW reports that the tax bill passed by Congress at the end of 2017 is expected to make their goal of ending hunger in the U.S. and around the world *much harder* to achieve. **Hunger and poverty are likely to increase in the months and years ahead** as the tax bill takes effect.

Please write or call your members of Congress (800-826-3688) and urge them to sustain funding for programs that help people struggling with hunger in our country and abroad. For a sample letter and instructions for writing to Congress, visit [bread.org/act](http://bread.org/act).

Still on the topic of world hunger, **World Beyond War.org** has published a sobering statistic: *3% of the funds currently used for U.S. military spending could end starvation on earth.* (The facts behind this statistic: [worldbeyondwar.org/explained](http://worldbeyondwar.org/explained).)

World Beyond War is a global nonviolent movement that strives to "replace a culture of war with one of peace in which nonviolent means of conflict resolution take the place of bloodshed."

## Follow us on Facebook

The Parish has reactivated its Facebook page! If you are a Facebook user, 'like' us and follow the news and events that will be appearing there. The Parish Calendar, already on the Parish website, is also available on our Facebook.

Find our page by typing our name in the search engine:



The URL: [facebook.com/SaintMaryMagdalenParish](https://facebook.com/SaintMaryMagdalenParish)

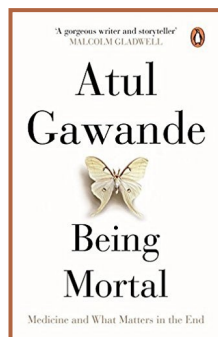
## Webinar on Climate Change

The **Catholic Climate Covenant** invites us to a webinar this Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 11:00 am (PST). The speakers will be Dr. Katharine Hayhoe and Dr. Dan DiLeo. This webinar will explore **strategies for communicating successfully to people of faith about climate change.**

To register, go to [tinyurl.com/CCC-Feb20](http://tinyurl.com/CCC-Feb20)

## Next Book Group Meeting: Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

We usually read fiction, but a great experience with two historical novels incited the group to select **Dr. Atul Gawande's** provocative new book, *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End*. A staff writer for *The New Yorker* since 1998, Gawande is a surgeon at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, and a professor at the Harvard School of Public Health. We'll meet to discuss it at **10:00 am** in the **Parish Conference Room**.



*Buy or rent the book, then join us for a lively discussion!*

## Our Lenten Giving Tree is Up!

As announced last week, this Lent we are again responding to an appeal from the Oakland [International Rescue Committee](#) to help recently arrived refugee families start their new lives here in Alameda County. Please see the article at upper-left for details.

## A Suggestion for Lent

**NETWORK**, the Catholic Social Justice lobby, has launched a "21st Century Poverty Toolkit" for Lent this year, including weekly reflections for Lent and suggestions for weekly call-ins to members of Congress. New content will be sent out via email every week. To sign up, go to [networklobby.org/lent/](http://networklobby.org/lent/)

# Burning of the Palms for Ash Wednesday



*After the 5:30 pm Vigil Mass, palm fronds were burned in advance of Ash Wednesday. So many palm fronds were collected that a second, unplanned, ceremony was held after the 9:30 am Mass. Fortunately, members of Boy Scout Troop 24 were on hand to lend their fire-lighting expertise. (A few days later, Fr. Nick prepared the palm soot for Ash Wednesday services.)*

# School of the Madeleine Crab Feed



*Madeleine parents prepared crabs, pasta and salad in the Parish Hall Kitchen. Later in the evening, the elegantly attired servers—School of the Madeleine Eighth-Graders—were poised to deliver desserts. All photos: Fr. Nick Glisson*



*The SMM Parish Hall was packed with revelers at the Parents' Association annual Crab Feed, which benefits the School. After the meal, the music of the **Time Bandits** band led parents to the dance floor.*

# The Kids' Bulletin

## First Sunday of Lent



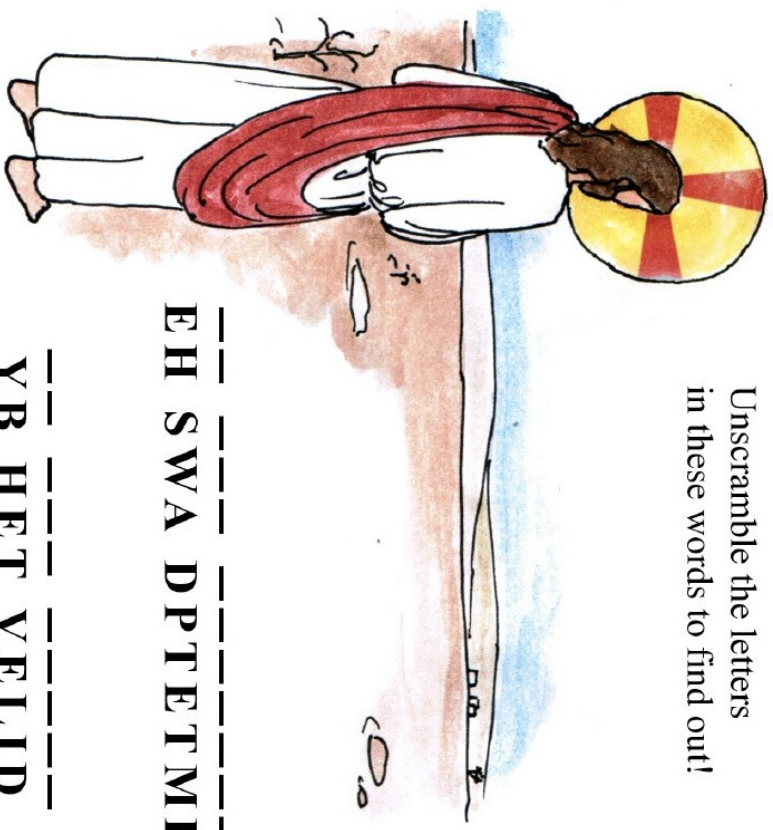
[thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com](http://thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com)

## JESUS IN THE DESERT

Today's Gospel reading tells us that Jesus was fasting in the desert for forty days. He was preparing Himself for His special work.

We know that Jesus was a real person. He was just like we are except that He never sinned. There was something that happened when He was in the desert that shows us that He had to decide between right and wrong just like we do. What was it?

Unscramble the letters  
in these words to find out!



EH SWA DPTE TME

YB HET VELID

*What was the story mentioned in today's first reading that talks about God washing away the sins of the world and making a covenant with His people?*

*Connect the dots to find out what the story was about!*