

September 9th, 2018 | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



Rev. Nicholas Glisson, Pastor. His Excellency, Michael Barber, SJ, Bishop – Diocese of Oakland

More Photos of the Parish/School Picnic! See Page 6.

SUNDAY MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday – Saturday 7:30 am
Monday – Friday 5:15 pm

ROSARY

Monday – Saturday 8:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm
(and by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Closed for Lunch: Noon-1:00 pm
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WEBSITE

marymagdalen.org



*“Together we share our
Faith in Jesus Christ.*

*We live the Gospel,
and we care for others.”*

BAPTISM:

Preparation classes take place at 5:30 pm on the first Monday of the month. Please call the parish office for more information.

CONFIRMATION: Classes begin on September 16th after the 9:30 am Mass. Contact the office to register.

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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Parish Calendar: September 2018

Sept. 11 Tuesday	Parish Pastoral Council 7:00—8:30 pm, Conference Room
Sept. 13 20 & 27	Faith Studies: <i>The Creed</i> Thursdays at 7:00 pm, Norton Hall
Sept. 14 Friday	Refugee Aid Committee 4:00 pm, Conference Room. All are welcome!
Sept. 15 Saturday	Book Group: <i>Less</i> by Andrew Sean Greer 10:00 am, Conference Room
Sept. 16 Sunday	Confirmation Class: First Meeting 10:45 am, Convent. Register at parish office.
Sept. 23 Sunday	4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
Sept. 23 Sunday	FREE CONCERT: Cantata Collective 5:00 pm, Church: BWV 169 + Arias and Sinfonias
Sept. 25 Tuesday	RCIA Class: First Meeting 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
Sept. 28 Friday	CONCERT: New Esterhazy Quartet 8:00 pm, Church.

Confirmation Classes Begin Next Sunday!

The kickoff for the teen confirmation class will take place next Sunday, **September 16th**, after the 9:30 am Mass.

The classes will meet in the convent, approximately every other Sunday starting at about 10:45 am.

The confirmation class is designed for high school students who are at least in the tenth grade. There will be online components and service requirements as well.



Joan Bell, Leader

RCIA Classes Begin Later This Month

Are you interested in becoming a Roman Catholic? Or are you a 'cradle Catholic' who has never been confirmed? Consider joining our RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*) class, which will begin on **Tuesday, September 25th**, and will continue to meet every Tuesday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Norton Hall until June.



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Collection: August 27th-September 2nd

Sunday Plate + EFT	Actual	Budget	Difference
09/02/2018	\$6,881.50	\$8,255.00	-\$1,373.50
Year-to-Date:	\$290,496.49	\$301,670.00	-\$11,173.51

We hope that everyone had a fun and exciting Labor Day Weekend!

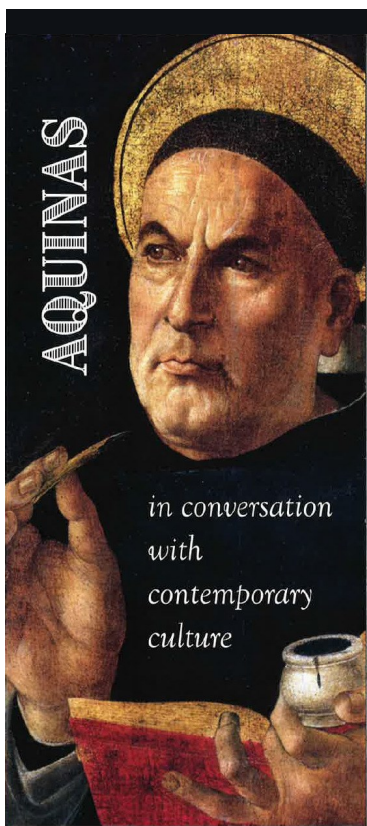
This Weekend: Collection For Diocesan Priest Retirement



On this weekend, let us remember retired priests of the Oakland Diocese. Although they are officially retired, some of the 58 priests in that group are still 'laboring in the vineyard'... as chaplains, pastor emeriti, spiritual directors and more.

This weekend we will have the opportunity to contribute to the **Diocesan Priest Retirement Benefit Trust**. This important collection allows Catholics to express their support of the retired priests in our diocese (Fr. Nick will join their ranks after 2023).

Please donate as generously as you are able.



DOMINICAN SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY & THEOLOGY

THOMAS AQUINAS IN CONVERSATION WITH CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

St. Thomas Meets Richard Dawkins — Aquinas on God, Faith and Religion. THIS SATURDAY, September 15, 2018, 10:00 am

St. Thomas and the Brain in the Vat — Aquinas on the Mind, the Brain, and the Human Person

Saturday, October 20, 2018, 10:00 am

St. Thomas and Sartre Walk into a French Café — Aquinas on Freedom & the Meaning of Existence

Saturday, November 17, 2018, 10:00 am

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Ronald Wanke RIP
Sunday	8:00	For the People of the Parish
	9:30	Intentions of Pat Gildea
	11:00	Intentions of M. Emily Onglatco
Monday	8:00	Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday	8:00	Intentions of Chet Grycz
Wednesday	8:00	Intentions of Br. Matthew Wanner, OP
	5:30	Intentions of Br. Luke Maria
Thursday	5:30	Intentions of Br. Koa Mary
Friday	8:00	Cynthia Puech RIP
	5:30	Intentions of Elizabeth Silloway
Saturday	8:00	Intentions of Anna Maria & Zach Lukban

Walk for the Poor — September 29th

Supporters of the St. Vincent de Paul Conferences will lace up their walking shoes the last Saturday in September for the *Friends of the Poor Walk*, which will start at 9:00 am at the Fernandez Park Baseball Field, located at 595 Tennent Avenue in Pinole.

Support Our Local Walker!

Longtime parishioner **Monique Duax** is our parish representative to the Walk for the Poor. You may leave cash or a check for Monique at the Parish Office. Please make your check payable to **St. Vincent de Paul** (and be sure to write "Walk for the Poor" on the Memo Line.) The suggested donation amount is

\$35.00, but our St. Vincent de Paul Conference will gratefully accept any amount you are able to give.



Help our Parish School through Amazon!

When you shop online, go to smile.amazon.com and select "School of the Madeleine" as your recipient.

Notes from Fr. Nick

Joseph Nagel, Our New Principal

On Easter Monday **Ken Willers**, the Principal of the School of the Madeleine, called and asked to see me. I replied that I was available the entire morning, and was surprised when he arrived in my office moments later.

Mr. Willers had big news! The school department of the Diocese of Oakland had just offered him the post of *Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Innovation*. My first reaction was that his appointment was a positive sign that our diocese clearly cares about the future of Catholic education. With the collaboration of the faculty and committed parents, in his eight years as principal Ken had transformed our parish school into a model for Catholic schools in the 21st century. Now his drive, creativity and know-how could be applied to the rest of the schools in our diocese.



Ken Willers (l.) with new Principal Joseph Nagel.

On the other hand, it was a dilemma for the School of the Madeleine: who would fill Mr. Willers' shoes? Fortunately, I didn't have to look very far. **Vice Principal Joseph Nagel** was born and raised in Berkeley, and attended the School of the Madeleine, Saint Mary's College High School, and UC Berkeley. He has a teaching credential and a Master's in Education from San Francisco State University, and an administrative credential from Cal State East Bay. With sixteen years' experience in education, including five years at international American schools in South America, he was the clear choice to succeed Ken Willers as Principal.

Joseph is excited and honored to step into a new role as Principal at the Madeleine. He has already worked at the Madeleine for nine years, and is the proud parent of students Caio and Diego. He is joined in supporting the mission of Catholic education by his wife, **Gisele Teixeira**, who is the third-grade teacher.

Under Mr. Nagel's leadership, we will transform our former convent into a **STREAM center**. If you're familiar with contemporary primary and secondary education, you probably already know about *STEM: Science, Technology, English and Mathematics*. These are the basic skills by which every young person is assessed for readiness to compete in today's economy. We have added an **R** and an **A** to these skills.

R is for religion. While we Catholics see religion as an essential part of one's character, the secular world benefits when our students mature to enter the larger culture. The lack of morality we see at the very highest levels of power can be, in part, traced to an absence of morality taught through faith.

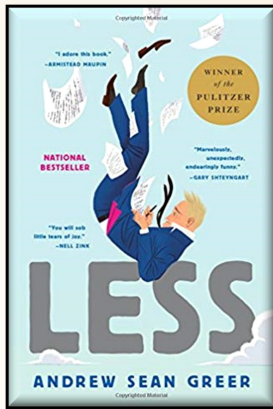
A is for arts. No one can adequately appreciate and apply what is learned in science, technology, language skills, and mathematics unless they can use these skills creatively. Arts complement and serve other skills, sometimes in surprising ways. It is well-known that if you want to improve mathematics skills, you should teach music. The connection is much more than simply understanding the metrical roots of rhythm and tempo. Further, art gives kids a basic appreciation of the world around them that math and science can lack.

Our STREAM center will provide an environment in which creativity and skill-building can come together. Further it will also become a site for parish activities. I can already see the beautiful terrace used for some magnificent parties. We will continue to use the building for religious education and meetings.

Please welcome Joseph Nagel as our new principal. I'm excited about working with him, our faculty, staff, the School Board and Parents' Association. Together we can make Catholic education something that sets an example for our Church and the community at large.

Parish News

Next Meeting of the Parish Book Group: This Saturday, September 15th *Less* by Andrew Sean Greer



One of our members raved about *Less*, a novel by local (San Francisco) author **Andrew Sean Greer** which won him the Pulitzer prize, and we chose it to discuss at our upcoming meeting, which will take place at **10:00 am this Saturday, September 15th**, in the **Rectory Conference Room**.

Those who have started the book report that it is laugh-out-loud amusing. Buy or check out *Less* from a nearby library, and join us in the parish office this Saturday morning for a fun discussion!

Funeral Coordinators Needed

The Funeral Ministry is in need of a few individuals to assist with set-up, clean-up, and facilitation at funerals. Having a Funeral Coordinator is a valuable ministry to the bereaved, because she or he can help to relieve the family from stress. It is a great assistance to the pastor or presider as well.

Training will be provided. Contact the office at (510) 526-4811 or nhippolyte@marymagdalen.org.

Have you Considered Leaving a Legacy to the Parish?



Providing for the future of your parish, through your will, retirement plan, trust, or other format, is an generous way to express

your gratitude for all the blessings you and your family have received from St. Mary Magdalen. If you would like to discuss the many different forms a legacy gift can take, please contact Fr. Nick at (510) 526-4811, or pastor@marymagdalen.org.

Social Justice Notes

Last Vigil at the W.C. Detention Center

A week ago Saturday, September 1st, was the last time that an interfaith group was able to convene at the West County Detention Center to pray, sing and express solidarity with the immigrants who were being held at the facility. The vigils had taken place monthly for the last seven years, but have been discontinued because the Center has terminated its contract with ICE (Immigration & Customs Enforcement).

At this month's vigil, representatives of five different faiths read out intercessions on behalf of refugees.

Rev. Deborah Lee of the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity assured us that the vigils will continue, although in a different form. Meanwhile, there are several actions you can take to show support for immigrants and their families. Please see the **Social Justice** page on our website for more information: marymagdalen.org/social-justice-information.

Global Climate Action Summit, September 12th-14th

Participate in faith-based Workshops at Grace Cathedral, San Francisco on climate change and local and global action. Learn about environmental solutions from a multi-faith perspective. Summit conveners are **Governor Jerry Brown** and **Patricia Espinoza**, Executive Secretary of the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change. The Summit's goal is to accelerate climate action and ambition before 2020. For program details and to register, visit www.diocal.org.

Multi-Faith Worship Service

On **September 12, 4:00 p.m.** a service of "wondering and commitment," sponsored by *Interfaith Power & Light*, will take place at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco. RSVP at livingthechange.net.

Meeting of the Parish Refugee Aid Committee: This Friday

This month's meeting of the Refugee Aid Committee is scheduled for Friday, September 14th at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the rectory. All are invited to drop by and learn what members of our parish are doing to help local refugees in concrete ways.

1st Parish-School Picnic. [See album at tinyurl.com/SMM-Picnic]



Mark Bell, Rand Havens & Debbie Dinneen, Adelina Elo (in hat), Charlie Altekruze, Sean Elo. Fr. Nick and TJ Mark in rear.

Fr. Nick mugs for the camera with Janine & Mark de Souza.



Siobhan, TJ, and Bodie Mark. Andi Wilkie, Kathleen Fettig, Chris de Rosa, Matt Fettig, Alfredo Neira, Kian de Souza.



Michael & Carol Seuferer.

Raffle Ticket Stub
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Name: _____
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Raffle Ticket
\$5 (or 6 for \$25)
No. _____

Prizes:

1. Catered Dinner with Our Priests
2. Basket of Fine Wines (\$200 value)
3. Gift Certificate for Agrodolce
4. Gift Certificate for Saul's
5. Gift Certificate for Fat Apple's

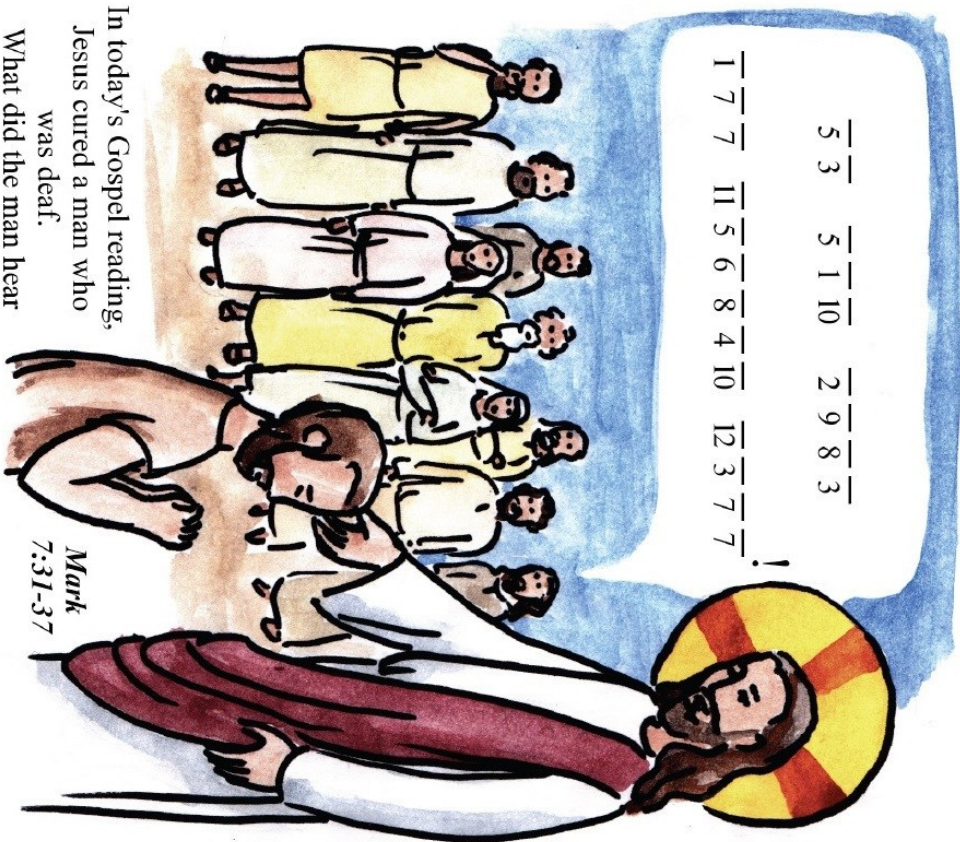





Fr. Nick announcing the Raffle winners with the help of Leo Gaspardone, Bingo caller. Many thanks to the owners of local restaurants Agrodolce Osteria (Angelo D'Alo), Saul's, and Fat Apple's for their generous contributions!

The Kids' Bulletin

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In today's Gospel reading, Jesus cured a man who was deaf. What did the man hear people saying when he could hear again?

Use the number code below to find the answer!

A D E G H I L N O S T W
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Mark 7:31-37

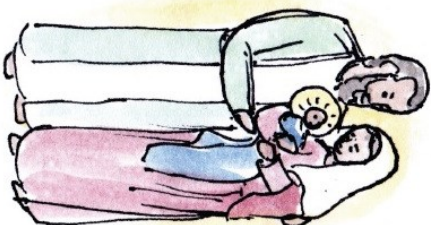
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Our Lady's Birthday

C H J E W S I N M P
H A P P M O T H E R
O W Y J A N N O S E
S A B O R N B L S P
E I I A Y R F Y I A
N T T C H D A A A R
W I T H O U T Y H E
M N B I R T H D A Y
A G R M Y J E S U S
P U R E C H R I S T

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle.

Use the left over letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



On September 8th we celebrated Mary's BIRTHDAY. She was CHOSEN by God to be the MOTHER of JESUS before she was even BORN. TO PREPARE Mary to receive His SON, God made her PURE and WITHOUT SIN right from the first moment of her life.

IOACHIM and ANN were HOLY JEWS who were waiting for the MESSIAH to come. God chose them to be the FATHER and mother of MARY, who would become the mother of CHRIST.



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