

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 | 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

# St. Mary Magdalen

## Catholic Parish



### Parish Stewardship Campaign: Commitment Weekend

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

#### 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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Faith in Jesus Christ.*

*We live the Gospel,  
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 take place semi-weekly in the convent after the 9:30 am Mass,

#### 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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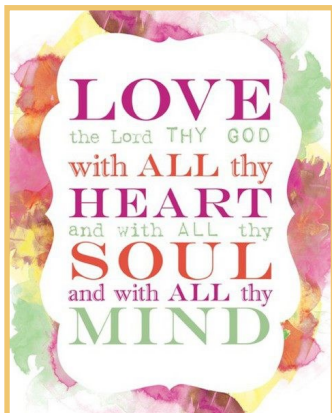
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## Parish Calendar: November

November 3 & 4	<b>Final Week of our Stewardship Campaign &amp; Pledge Cards</b> to be filled out at all Masses.
November 3 & 4	<b>Collection for the Berkeley Food Pantry</b> Leave Donations in either church vestibule
November 3 Saturday	<b>Celebration for Robert ("Bob") Kelleher</b> Reception downstairs after the 5:30 pm Mass.
November 4 Sunday	<b>1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor</b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
November 5 Monday	<b>St. Vincent de Paul Conference</b> 7:15 pm, Norton Hall
November 6, 13, 20, 27	<b>RCIA Class</b> (Inquiring about the Faith) 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
November 7, 14, 21, 28	<b>SPRED (Special Religious Education)</b> 6:00-9:00 pm in Norton Hall
November 8, 15, 29	<b>Faith Studies: The Creed</b> 7:00 pm, Norton Hall
November 9 Friday	<b>"Fr. Hilary Presents" on Social Justice</b> 7:30—9:00 pm, Norton Hall
November 10 Saturday	<b>BOOK GROUP: Blood Brothers</b> by Elias Chacour 10:00— 11:00 am, Conference Room.
November 11 Sunday	<b>Sunday Dinners Volunteers' Annual Meeting</b> 12:00 Noon—2:00 pm, Norton Hall
November 11 Sunday	<b>Music Sources: Bach's Partitas</b> 5:00 pm, Church [Michael Peterson, harpsichord]
November 12 Monday	<b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Veterans Day</b> (Regular Mass Schedule)
November 16 Friday	<b>Refugee Aid Committee Meeting</b> 4:00 pm, Conference Room. <i>All are welcome!</i>
November 18 Sunday	<b>Voices of Music: Early Beethoven Sonatas</b> 7:30 pm, Church
November 22 Thursday	<b>Thanksgiving Day [OFFICE CLOSED]</b> <b>One Mass at 10:00 a.m.</b>
November 25 Sunday	<b>4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor</b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
November 25 Sunday	<b>Cantata Collective: Bach's Dialogues</b> 5:00 pm, Church
November 30 Friday	<b>CONCERT: New Esterhazy Quartet</b> 8:00 pm, Church



## Come to RCIA This Tuesday!



Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic? Or are you a 'cradle Catholic' who was never confirmed? Consider joining our RCIA class, which takes place on **Tuesdays** from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Norton Hall.

Please contact RCIA leader **Deacon Jonathan Harmon, S.J.**, at [rcia@marymagdalen.org](mailto:rcia@marymagdalen.org) or 526-4811 x 129.

(Or fill out the form: [marymagdalen.org/rcia](http://marymagdalen.org/rcia).)

*Feel welcome to drop in!* No commitment is required.



# 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## Weekly Collection: October 22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Plate + EFT	Actual	Budget	Difference
10/28/2018	\$7,968.79	\$8,255.00	-\$286.21
Year-to-Date:	\$353,949.65	\$367,710.00	-\$13,760.35

We have seen several increased donations and a few decreased donations. **Today is Commitment Sunday**; please consider increasing your monthly or weekly donation, if you haven't already done so. Thank you.

## Berkeley Food Pantry Collection Pickup This Weekend

Please Bring One or More of the Following Items to the Vestibules **THIS WEEKEND**:

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

## Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Intentions of Mary Brodin
Sunday	8:00	For the People of the Parish
	9:30	Intentions of Pat Gildea
	11:00	Holy Souls
Monday	8:00	Intentions of Robert ("Bob") and Louise ("Lolly") Kelleher
	5:30	Holy Souls
Tuesday	8:00	Intentions of Chet Grycz
	5:30	Holy Souls
Wednesday	8:00	Intentions of Fr. Bruno Gibson, OP
	5:30	Holy Souls
Thursday	8:00	Holy Souls
Friday	8:00	Intentions of Br. Thaddeus
	5:30	Holy Souls
Saturday	8:00	Holy Souls

## Our Stewardship Campaign



Three weekends ago, Fr. Nick devoted his homily time to explaining how our parish functions, complete with PowerPoint slides. He's proud of the *time* and *talent* we devote to our parish. But to build up our reserves—not to mention paying our monthly bills—he (and Development Committee Members John Stewart and John Gray) explained that we need to increase our *treasure*. To do this, **we should all try to donate \$5.00 more per week.** (*Or if that amount is untenable, consider raising your donation to keep up with inflation, e.g., by 5%.*)

The past two weekends we heard the testimony of fellow parishioners who bore witness to their relationship with our parish, and how their personal study and prayer influenced their decision-making process with regard to their donations.

*This weekend we are all being asked to fill out pledge cards to show our commitment to our parish by means of our treasure.*

## Next Meeting of the Parish Book Group:

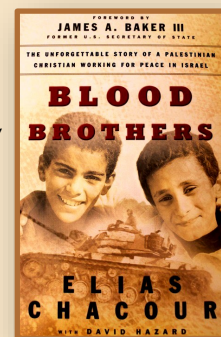
**Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**

***Blood Brothers* by Elias Chacour**

The Very Reverend Elias Chacour is the Archbishop of Northern Israel, whose territory includes the land of Jesus' birth (and his own).

We will discuss his memoir, *Blood Brothers*, at 10:00 am on **Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**, in the rectory Conference Room.

Buy or check out *Blood Brothers* from a nearby library, and join us next month for what we hope to be a profound discussion.



Notes from Fr. Nick

## All Souls – Purgatory

Friday was the Solemnity of All Souls, and since November is the month when we commemorate our deceased friends and family we might consider our Catholic belief in Purgatory.

Purgatory marks the commemoration of those who have died before they were fully reconciled to God's love. I have chosen my words very carefully here because it is almost impossible for us to deal with the concept of Purgatory without thinking of it as a place; more on this in a moment.

Our sense of justice makes us aware that if we die with minor offenses against God (*venial sins*) or without fully recognizing God's absolute and unconditional forgiveness (*penance*), there needs to be some resolution before we can fully enter God's presence. This process is called *purgation*—a final purging of our faults before we enter into Heaven. God is just; thus we cannot be fully in his presence with even the remnants of sin. However, God is also Love, and will not hold faults against us in eternity.

The Church has traditionally called this process *Purgatory*, and it came to be seen as a place, along with Heaven and Hell. The trouble is that places exist only in the material universe. If Heaven, Hell, and Purgatory are places, then we could get to them in a spaceship or some other human invention. Since they, like the Father, exist outside this world, it may be better to think of them as *states of being*. Heaven is total union with God. Hell is the absence of God, and Purgatory is the process by which we are purged of all traces of sin so that we can be in full union with God.

Should we pray for souls in Purgatory? Yes, because we continue to live in time and space. God, who is eternal, anticipates our concern for those who have passed from this life. In his infinite love, God allows our prayers to aid those in accepting Him fully as they enter Heaven.



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Giovanni Battista Tiepolo, *The Madonna of Carmel and the Souls of the Purgatory*. Palazzo Brera, Milan, Italy. 1730.

### Bring Images of Your Loved Ones to the Altar of Remembrance

Parish volunteer Florence Wahl has set up an Altar of Remembrance at the Fatima Shrine on the South side of the church again this year. You may still add your framed (stable) photographs to the Altar of Remembrance.

***Be sure to clearly mark your name and phone number on the back.***

### November is the Month of All Souls

If you would like for your deceased family members to be remembered at Mass, it's not too late to fill out an envelope with their names. Envelopes can be found in the vestibules, in the pews, and in the parish office.



## Parish News

### Today's 1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless — Elect to Volunteer

Have you voted already? Doing it on Tuesday, November 6th? Meanwhile you can elect to volunteer for this week-



end's 1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor and Homeless. Here's the slate to choose from for helping. We set up and cook from 12:00 - 1:00 pm, prepare to serve at 2:45 pm, and clean up beginning at 3:30 pm until closing. We always need help with cleaning up the Parish Hall and kitchen.

Recent polling indicates our guests heartily appreciate your donated desserts. Please bring them to the Parish Hall by 1:30 pm.

Don't forget that daylight savings time ends on Saturday, 11/3. Set your clocks back an hour, or you will be very early for Mass and helping at the Dinner, if you're able to volunteer.

(The Parish Hall is located via the steps from the parking lot.)

1st & 4th Sunday Dinners for the Poor and Homeless Ministry

### Annual Meeting of Volunteers

Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

12:00 pm ~ 2:00 pm in Norton Hall

This is our opportunity to be together as a group, share insights, review changes, and for lead volunteers (Supervisor, Cook, or Floater) to sign up for slots on the 2019 schedule.

Want to learn more about this Ministry, or perhaps become a lead volunteer (Cook, Supervisor or Floater)? You are also welcome to join us in Norton Hall.

Any questions? Please contact **George Baranowski** or **Mary Jo Senica** at 524-7571. Hope to see you there!



Catholic  
Legacy Week

1-7 November 2018

Your gift to the future

Providing for the future of your parish, through your will, retirement plan, trust, or other format, is a generous way for you to express your gratitude for all the blessings that 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 526-4811, or [pastor@marymagdalen.org](mailto:pastor@marymagdalen.org).

## Social Justice Notes

### Voting with a Conscience — And as a Catholic

Please visit [paxchristiusa.org](http://paxchristiusa.org) for the 2018 *Guide for Voters "A Call to Holiness."* The guide provides thoughtful questions rooted in Catholic social teaching that will help all of us make compassionate and wise election choices in November.

### Bread for the World Campaign

Next weekend, look for our School of the Madeleine and parish volunteers at tables outside church doors. Stop by before or after Mass and join our parish "Offering of Letters" campaign: sign letters to your elected officials, urging them to restore funding and preserve programs that provide food to those in need. This is an annual event sponsored by [Bread for the World](http://Bread for the World), a collective Christian voice that advocates for policies and funding decisions to end hunger at home and abroad. Please also consider making a donation online at [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org). Your contribution supports this important work.

### Did you know?

- ◆ The cause of world hunger is not a shortage of food but rather access to food.
- ◆ Some countries have a "hunger season" of 3 to 4 months every year, when the previous harvest is gone and the next harvest is not yet ready.
- ◆ We don't have that kind of hunger season, but in 2017, 40 million people (11.8% of U.S. households) were food-insecure, meaning that they were unsure at some point during the year about how they would provide for their next meal.
- ◆ Even careful planning cannot stretch the grocery budget throughout the month for many. Less expensive and less nutritious filler foods can keep children's stomachs from growling, but don't provide what children need to grow and learn. Adults who are missing meals are not able to concentrate as well at work.
- ◆ Women are the primary agents the world relies on to end hunger. If they had the same access as men to tools, seeds, land titles, and financial services, then women could grow 30% more food.

### Next Refugee Aid Committee Meeting

Friday, November 16, from 4:00-5:00 pm in the Rectory Conference Room. All are welcome!

# Magdalen Sunday School Has Begun!

Our Sunday School program takes place after the 9:30 am Mass at 10:45 am in the basement (ECP Area) of the *School of the Madeleine* — across the parking lot from the church. Our Sunday School is designed for children in kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade who attend public or other private schools.



For more information, please contact Heather Skinner via email: [hskinner@themadeleine.com](mailto:hskinner@themadeleine.com)



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- **School Tour:** Friday, Dec. 7, 8:00 - 9:30 am
- **Open House:** Sunday, Jan. 27, 11:00 am-12:30 pm
- **Priority Application Deadline:** Friday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>



The Department of  
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and Evangelization  
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The Diocese of Oakland  
is sponsoring two  
Adult Faith Formation  
Opportunities!

- ◆ The **Saint Junipero Serra Catechetical Institute**, which is the program used for catechists to get certification as *Catechist in California*, according to the Guidelines of the California Bishops. The English branch of the **Serra Catechetical Institute** has been dormant for almost three years, and is reopening, thanks to the Dominican Friars and the group of Diocesan priests who have made themselves available to teach at the Institute. (The Spanish branch of the Serra Institute has been functioning very successfully, with an average of 50 students per year.)
- ◆ The **Saint Francis de Sales School for Pastoral Ministries**, which is committed in forming lay leaders to support parish pastoral efforts.



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## Last Weekend's Baptisms at the 8:00 a.m. Mass



On October 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, our newly-ordained deacon, **Jonathan Harmon, S.J.**, served as deacon *and* preached (a wonderful homily) at all four weekend Masses. He also performed his first baptisms ever! Babies Hugo and Emelia were blessed to receive the Sacrament of Baptism at his hands.

*Photos: Mary Emily Onglatco*

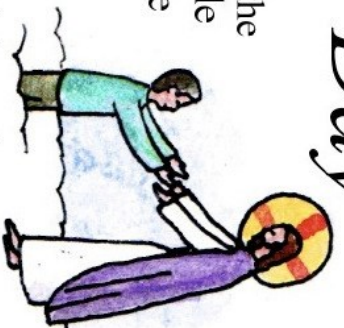
## Still Seeking Volunteer Baptism Coordinators!

The Baptism Ministry is still searching for a few more volunteers to assist with baptisms during (and occasionally outside of) Mass. Time commitment: *four times per year*. If you would like to work with couples who are having their child baptized (such as the families of babies Hugo and Emelia, above), please contact our Business Manager, Norah Hippolyte, at [nhippolyte@marymagdalen.org](mailto:nhippolyte@marymagdalen.org) or 510-526-4811, extension 111.



# All Saints' Day

Thursday was a special feast day in the Church. We celebrated all the people who followed God on earth and are now in Heaven.



Last Friday, November 2nd, was the feast of All Souls. It is a special day when we remember all the people who are still in Purgatory.

How much longer until I see God? While we are alive we try to love God and do what He asks so that when we die we can go to Heaven to be with Him.



We can also help the souls in Purgatory. They are suffering because they have to make up for the sins they did when they were on earth. They can't go to Heaven until their souls are clean. We can help them by offering prayers and sacrifices to God for them.

The Saints in Heaven loved and served God and made up for their sins. We can pray to them and they can pray to God for us, to help us get to Heaven too!



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# Saint Charles Borromeo

November 4

CHARLES WAS THE SON OF AN ITALIAN COUNT IN THE 1500'S. THE FAMILY WAS FAMOUS AND RICH, BUT ALSO GENEROUS AND PIOUS.

WHEN HIS UNCLE BECAME POPE HE MADE CHARLES A CARDINAL AND PUT HIM IN CHARGE OF THE PAPAL STATES.

CHARLES BECAME A PRIEST AND AN ARCH-BISHOP.

STILL HE WAS KIND AND GENEROUS TO EVERYONE.

HE WOULD TAKE THE TIME TO TEACH PEOPLE, AND HE ALSO STARTED MANY SCHOOLS.

CHARLES WAS NOT A VERY GOOD SPEAKER, BUT HE SPOKE SO WISELY THAT EVERYONE LISTENED TO HIM.

WHEN THE PLAGUE BROKE OUT IN HIS CITY, CHARLES CARED FOR THE SICK. FINALLY HE ALSO BECAME ILL, BUT HE CONTINUED TO SERVE HIS PEOPLE UNTIL HE DIED.

ST. CHARLES WAS AN EXAMPLE TO PEOPLE OF HIS TIME OF HOW EVEN RICH AND IMPORTANT PEOPLE CAN LOVE GOD AND BECOME SAINTS. HE KNEW THAT THE TRUTH AND BEAUTY OF GOD SHOULD COME TO PEOPLE THROUGH THE CHURCH. HOW CAN YOU SHARE THE TRUTH AND BEAUTY OF GOD WITH OTHERS?