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# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



**Time to Sign Up for the Parish Leadership Conference! (See page 5.)**

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  
Phone: 510-526-4811  
Fax: 510-525-3638

## WEBSITE

marymagdalen.org



David Goines, 2002

*“Together we share our  
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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## Parish Calendar: January 2019

<b>January</b>	<b>RCIA Class</b> (Inquiring about the Faith) Dates TBA 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall (New day TBA.)
<b>January 16 23, 30</b>	<b>SPRED</b> (Special Religious Education) Wednesdays from 6:00-9:00 pm in Norton Hall
<b>January 13 Sunday</b>	<b>Christmas "Undecorating" Event &amp; Party</b> 12:00 Noon, Church. (Childcare provided.)
<b>January 13 Sunday</b>	<b>CONCERT: Music Sources.</b> 5:00 pm, Church. "Musical Fireworks of the 17th Century"
<b>January 19 Saturday</b>	<b>Mexicali Mission Fundraising Dinner</b> 6:30 pm, Parish Hall. <a href="mailto:rsvp@marymagdalen.org">rsvp@marymagdalen.org</a> .
<b>January 25 Friday</b>	<b>School of the Madeleine Grandparents' Tea</b> Parish Hall. (By invitation only.)
<b>January 26 Saturday</b>	<b>Parish Leadership Conference</b> [See page 5.] 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Our Lady of Lourdes, Oakland.
<b>January 27 Sunday</b>	<b>School of the Madeleine Open House for All</b> School, 11:00 am—12:30 pm
<b>January 27 Sunday</b>	<b>4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor</b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
<b>January 31 Thursday</b>	<b>Quarterly Senior Luncheon with Fr. Nick</b> 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm, Parish Hall



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## Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalen Who Died in 2018

**January**  
Marylyn Stern

**February**  
Patricia E. Ames

**March**  
Mary Elizabeth Hemp

**April**  
Helen Zoma Rendon  
Simon de Souza  
Perfecta Jacob

**August**  
Joan Marie McGuire Moura

**September**  
James M. Anderson  
Thomas William ("Bill") Healy

**November**  
David Salgado

# Baptism of the Lord ~ January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Collections: December 24<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Plate + EFT	Actual	Budget	Difference
12/30/2018	\$9,073.46	\$8,255.00	+\$818.46
Year-to-Date:	\$443,594.11	\$442,005.00	+\$1,589.11

Congratulations! We achieved and surpassed our weekly goal for 2018!

<b>Christmas</b>	\$28,342.72	\$43,000.00	-\$14,657.28
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Thank you to everyone for your generous Christmas donations. (We had set a high goal for Christmas based on last year's collection.)

## Collections: December 31<sup>st</sup> - January 13<sup>th</sup>

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
01/06/2019	\$11,918.72	\$8,755.00	+\$3,163.72
Mother of God	\$962.06	\$0.00	+\$962.06
Year-to-Date:	\$12,880.78	\$8,755.00	+\$4,125.78

As you can see, 2019 has gotten off to a great start. Thank you for all your financial support of our parish!

## Estate Planning: Please Remember St. Mary Magdalen in Your Will or Trust

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 our pastor, Fr. Nick at 510-526-4811, or email him at [pastor@marymagdalen.org](mailto:pastor@marymagdalen.org).

## Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Elias Sanchez Guillen RIP
Sunday	8:00	Eric Saldanha RIP
	9:30	Christine Ndzefer Ngwane RIP
	11:00	For the People of the Parish
Monday	8:00	Virginia Smith RIP
Tuesday	8:00	Clark Seal RIP
Wednesday	8:00	Elias Sanchez Guillen RIP
	5:30	Teresa Garcia RIP
Thursday	8:00	Rachel Davidman RIP
Friday	8:00	Intentions of Tay Hippolyte

## Important Dates for 2019

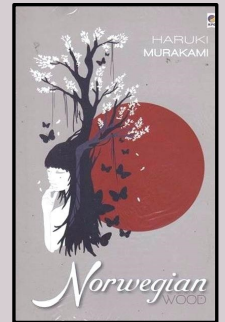
- ◆ **Special Collection for Seminarians.** THIS WEEKEND.
- ◆ **Church "Undecorating" Party.** TODAY at NOON.
- ◆ **School of the Madeleine Grandparents' Tea.** January 25<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ **Parish Leadership Conference.** Our Lady of Lourdes, Oakland (Lake Merritt): January 26<sup>th</sup>: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.
- ◆ **School of the Madeleine: OPEN HOUSE FOR ALL.** 11:00 am-12:30 pm on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ **Mexicali Mission Fundraising Dinner :** Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, after the 5:30 pm Mass. Parish Hall.
- ◆ **Quarterly Senior Luncheon.** Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, Noon-2:00 pm. Parish Hall
- ◆ **Exposition & Adoration:** Mondays in Lent after the 5:30 Mass.
- ◆ **Mexicali Mission Trip Report:** Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, after the 5:30 pm Mass. Parish or Norton Hall.
- ◆ **Parish Fundraising Event: Andy Canepa ~ Piano Concert.** Hillside Community (Swedenborgian) Church, El Cerrito Hills. Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm.

## Next Selection of the Parish Book Group: *Norwegian Wood* by Haruki Murakami February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Haruki Murakami, a bestselling writer whose works have been translated into over 50 languages, is considered to be "among the world's greatest living novelists."

We will discuss his revered novel, *Norwegian Wood*, at **10:00 am on Saturday morning** in the Rectory

Conference Room. Buy or check out *Norwegian Wood* from a nearby library, and join us to discuss it!



## Scripture Readings for the Week

- 13<sup>th</sup> *THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: Feast*  
Isaiah 40:1-11/Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Luke 3:15-22
- 14<sup>th</sup> *First Week in Ordinary Time*  
Hebrews 1:1-6/Mark 1:14-20
- 15<sup>th</sup> *Weekday in Ordinary Time*  
Hebrews 2:5-12/Mark 1:21-
- 16<sup>th</sup> *Weekday in Ordinary Time*  
Hebrews 2:14-18/Mark 1:29-39
- 17<sup>th</sup> *St. Anthony the Great: Memorial*  
Hebrews 3:7-14/Mark 1:40-45
- 18<sup>th</sup> *Weekday in Ordinary Time*  
Hebrews 4:1-5, 11/Mark 2:1-12
- 19<sup>th</sup> *Weekday in Ordinary Time (Blessed Virgin Mary)*  
Hebrews 4:12-16/Mark 2:13-17

Notes from Fr. Nick

## The Effects of Baptism—on Jesus, on Us

Why was Jesus baptized? He had no sin and there was not (yet) a Christian Church to join, and so on the surface, baptism would seem a rather superfluous rite for the Son of God. Yet on a more profound level, Jesus' baptism revealed his nature and mission.

Jesus sought to be baptized because he was a good Jew. When he became a human being, Jesus took on all our limitations, except sin. He experienced the breadth of human emotions, and did not see into the future. When John the Baptist called on the Jews to repent and to make ready for the Messiah, like other good people in his culture, Jesus heeded John's call. By accepting John's baptism, Jesus exemplified how fully he was entering into our humanity.

Yet the very moment when Jesus lay aside his godliness to be baptized became the occasion when the Father chose to reveal his intimate relationship with him as the Christ:

*After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.*

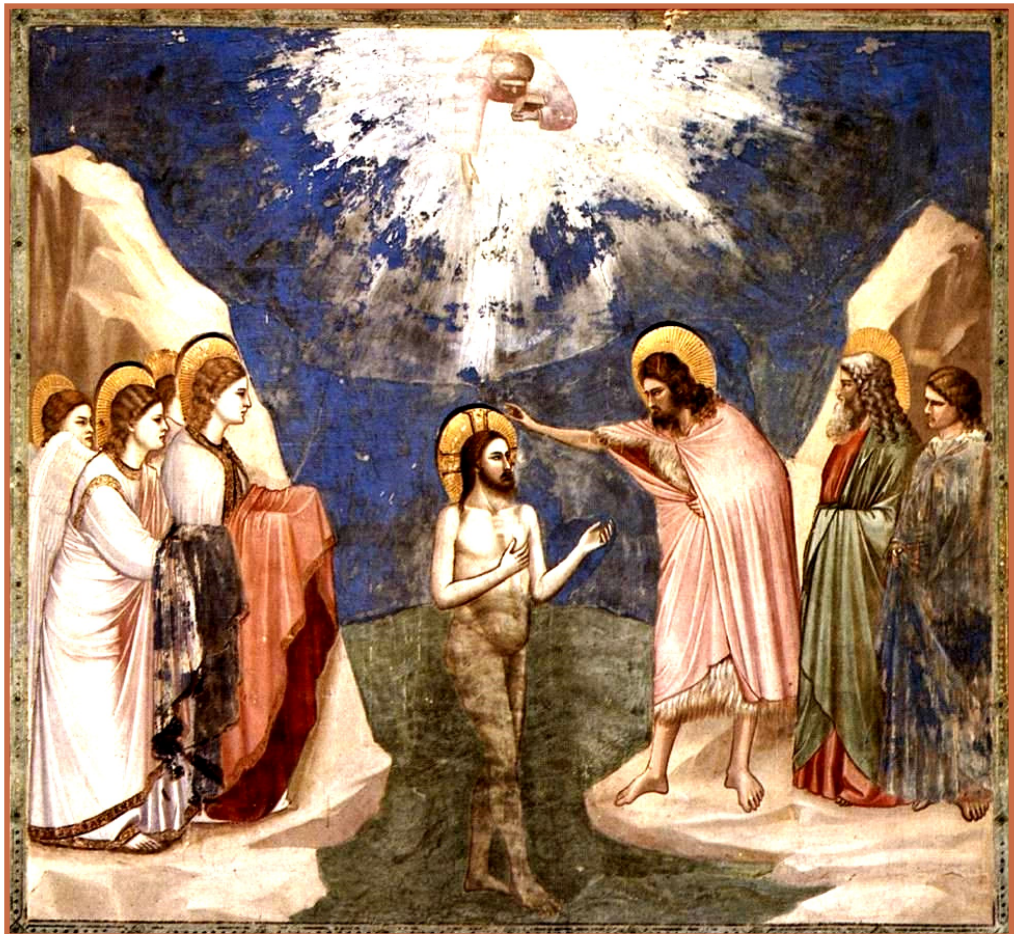
*And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."*

(Luke 3: 21-22)

Before he was baptized, Jesus had lived a normal, uneventful life in a quiet village in Galilee. Through the act of baptism, Jesus became aware of his Father's will, and his life was

completely changed. He retreated into the desert to sort out the experience and returned to begin his public ministry. That he was the Son of God became more apparent to Jesus with his every act from then on.

The Church teaches that our own baptisms have a similar effect on us. Although we may not be aware of it in the way Jesus was, baptism causes an essential change in our character. After baptism we possess the grace to minister God's love. Our cooperation with that grace connects us to the Father so intimately that we become God's adopted children; Christ's brothers and sisters. We are no longer just another species, but connected to the Godhead itself. That is why it is so important to live out the love of God so that we can fulfill our nature and ultimately live with God in the kingdom.



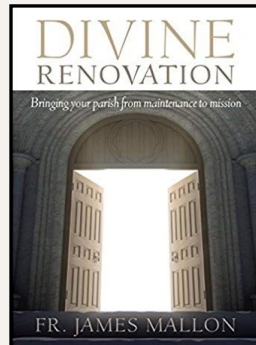
*Baptism of Christ, Giotto di Bondone, 1303-1306, 200×185 cm, Scrovegni Chapel, Padua.*

## Parish News

### Parish Leadership Conference: It's Time to Register!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual **Parish Leadership Conference** will take place on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Lourdes church on Lake Merritt. If you are a leader in any parish social or liturgical ministry, Fr. Nick expects you to be present. All other interested parishioners are encouraged to attend as well.

Come, hear and discuss the exciting plans for "Divine Renovation" that Fr. Nick and the Parish Pastoral Council have in store for our parish in 2019 and beyond. Please let the office know you are coming by [registering online](#) or by signing up with Carolyn Tune at Coffee Hour after Sunday Mass. You may also call Norah, our Business Manager, with any questions: 510-526-4811 x 111.



*Our Lady of Lourdes Parish*  
2808 Lakeshore Ave, Oakland

9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Saturday, January 26, 2019  
Continental Breakfast & Lunch will be included.

## Social Justice Actions

### **TODAY: "Transformed People, Transformed Church, Transformed World."**

An inspirational presentation by *Jack Jezreel*, creator of *JustFaith*, "a community of people compelled by the Gospel to build a more just and peaceful world...and sustain each other as we work for social justice." *JustFaith* provides a structure for small groups to gather for 8 weekly sessions to discuss critical issues in church social teaching. Members of our parish who have participated in JustFaith have found it a moving experience, offering deep insights into our faith. Opportunities to participate in a local JustFaith group will be shared after the New Year.

**Details:** This free event will take place **TODAY**, from **2:00 to 4:30 pm** at **Walnut Creek United Methodist Church**. (You may still register at [justfaith.org/bay-area-workshops.org](http://justfaith.org/bay-area-workshops.org).)

**Interested in carpooling?** There may be spaces remaining: please contact either Kristin Collins (510-219-4251) or Maureen Wesolowski (510-524-4006).

### *A Message from Kim Russell of the Women's March:*

While our children and grandchildren spent Christmas opening their presents, other children spent the day separated from their parents, trapped in detention centers. Children such as eight-year-old Felipe Alonzo-Gomez, who died in Border Patrol custody two weeks ago. He is the second child to die in December on the Border Patrol's watch.

Join the rally to stop these tragic deaths at the border!  
**Sign up to join the Women's March in Oakland this Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019.** (Men, boys, and girls also participate in the Women's March!)

RSVP: [tinyurl.com/OaklandWomensMarch](http://tinyurl.com/OaklandWomensMarch).

All across the nation and the globe, marchers will gather at the gates of power: to state houses and city centers, to federal buildings and city halls. We will march as a united wave of people who, no matter our different backgrounds, are coming together to stand on the side of justice, love, and dignity in the face of hatred and violence. We will march because we refuse to remain silent while this administration lets children die behind bars. *Will you join us in the Women's March this Saturday?*

## PSALMS THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER



The next class in the *Faith Studies* program will be *Psalms*, from Ascension Press. This 11-week study will run on Thursdays from February 7<sup>th</sup> through May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. It will feature video presentations, a study guide (approx. \$29), and discussions.

**Registration Deadline: Jan 23, 2019.**

We hear the Psalms read or sung at every Mass between the first and second readings, but do we understand their significance?

*The Psalms are at the heart of the Bible. They are prayers from God that help us learn to pray. The Holy Spirit inspired them. Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. These sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us. Their words captivate the imagination and draw us into a deeply personal encounter with God.*

**Registration:** online at [marymagdalen.org/psalms](http://marymagdalen.org/psalms), by email (see below), or contact the parish office.

For more information, please contact: Marni Gonzalez, [marni\\_gonzalez@hotmail.com](mailto:marni_gonzalez@hotmail.com), 508-826-0463, or Cat Nielsen, [website@marymagdalen.org](mailto:website@marymagdalen.org), 510-526-4911 x 113.

## Mexicali Mission Fundraising Dinner:

### *Special Filipino Feast!*

This Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm

Come join former mission pastor **Miguel Rolland, OP** and current pastor **David Bello, OP**, when they share the news about our sister parish in Mexicali.



*The last Filipino Feast for Mexicali with Fr. Miguel. March 2017.*

Next month, for the first time ever, a small delegation from our parish will visit *Santa María de Guadalupe* in Baja California so that we can connect with our sister parishioners in person. Fr. Nick would like to bring donations to help with their wish list:

- ◆ **Employees' Salaries:** (8 employees total in 4 chapels)
- ◆ **Blankets & medicine:** the whole city undergoes 'climate change' in winter everyone catches a cold.
- ◆ The parish is helping over 3000 "caravan people" stuck at the border—they need **clothing, food, and showers.**

How to help? Come to the Parish Hall on Saturday with your checkbook! (\$20 donation suggested.) Or slip an envelope into the collection plate (marked « *Mexicali Mission* »), or donate online: [marymagdalen.org/donate](http://marymagdalen.org/donate).

Questions? Contact Sharon at [rsvp@marymagdalen.org](mailto:rsvp@marymagdalen.org).

## Fr. Nick Needs Help at Funeral Liturgies

The Funeral Ministry is in need of a few parishioners to assist facilitating at funerals as a Coordinator. This position is a valuable ministry to the bereaved, and also is an essential service to the pastor or presider.



Training will be provided. Please contact Norah Hippolyte at [nhippolyte@marymagdalen.org](mailto:nhippolyte@marymagdalen.org) or at 510-526-4811 x 111.

## School Corner

News from the School of the Madeleine:

Two weeks from today, come to the Madeleine

## Open House



*The beautiful Gothic-style entrance to our school on Milvia Street. (However, you may enter from the rear parking lot after Mass.)*

Only once per year is our parish school open on a Sunday, and it occurs in conjunction with *Catholic Schools Week*. You don't need to be the parent of a prospective student to attend the Open House: ***the school is the largest mission of our parish, and it belongs to all of us.*** Come see our schoolchildren's exciting projects, learn about the new spaces being created in the former convent, and discover why it offers the best learning environment in Berkeley.

***The School of the Madeleine is a Catholic elementary and middle school founded in 1937 by the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose, in the vibrant Dominican tradition of education and service. Part of the Diocese of Oakland, the mission of the school is to inspire our students to grow in mind, body & spirit.***

