

April 7<sup>th</sup> 2019 | 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year C

# St. Mary Magdalen

## Catholic Parish



**Reconciliation (Penance) Service TOMORROW at 7:30 pm. [See pages 2 & 4.]**

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 5:10 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  
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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-monthly 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 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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## Parish Calendar ... through Easter Sunday

April 6 & 7	<b>Berkeley Food Pantry</b> Collection Weekend (Please see the notice on the page opposite.)
April 7	<b>1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor</b> Sunday 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
April 8	<b>Reconciliation (Penance) Service</b> Tomorrow 7:30 pm, Church. [See below for details.]
April 8, 15	<b>Exposition &amp; Adoration (Holy Hour)</b> Mondays of Lent after the 5:30 pm Mass (6:05 pm)
April 9	<b>Parish Pastoral Council Meeting</b> Tuesday 7:00 pm, Conference Room. All are welcome!
April 9, 16, 23, 30	<b>JustFaith Small Group Program</b> [See page 5] Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 pm in Norton Hall
April 10, 17, 24	<b>SPRED (Special Religious Education)</b> Wednesdays from 6:00-9:00 pm in Norton Hall
April 3, 10, 17, 24	<b>RCIA Class (Growing in Faith)</b> 7:00 - 9:00 pm Wednesdays, Conference Room
April 4, 11, 18, 25	<b>Faith Studies - Psalms</b> Thursdays from 7:00 - 9:00 pm in Norton Hall
April 12	<b>Stations of the Cross + Soup Supper</b> Friday 6:05 pm Stations, then Supper in Norton Hall
April 12	<b>Refugee Aid / Peace &amp; Justice Meeting</b> Friday 4:00 pm, Conference Room. All are welcome!
April 13 & 14	<b>PALM SUNDAY.</b> 5:30 pm; 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 am Berryman Plaza, then procession into Church.
April 18, 19, 20	<b>Tenebrae Service</b> Thursday/Friday/Saturday, 9:00 am, Church.
April 18	<b>Mass of the Lord's Supper + Adoration</b> Thursday 7:30 pm, Church. Adoration in the Parish Hall.
April 19	<b>Passion of the Lord + Veneration of the Cross</b> Friday 1:30 pm, Church. NOTE NEW TIME THIS YEAR!
April 19	<b>Stations of the Cross + Procession</b> Friday 7:00 pm Dominican Garden; process to Church
April 19	<b>Concert: "Seven Last Words"</b> Friday 8:00 pm, Church
April 20	<b>EASTER VIGIL</b> Saturday 8:00 pm, Berryman Plaza; procession into Church
April 21	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> Sunday Masses at 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am

### Lenten Penance Service TOMORROW, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm.

Fr. Nick writes about tomorrow's Reconciliation Service in his pastor's column on page 4.

However, the Act of Contrition will be recited by the entire congregation *before* confessing.

In addition to our three resident priests, we will have 'outside' priests present. No closing ceremony means that we are free to leave



# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year C ~ April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Collections: Week Ending March 31<sup>st</sup>

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
03/31/2019	\$7,055.01	\$8,843.00	-\$1,787.99
Year-to-Date:	\$118,104.98	\$114,959.00	+\$3,145.98

The collection for 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month is often smaller, and budgets are based on a 4-week month. But we also collected \$985.31 for St. Vincent de Paul!



The **2019 Bishop's Appeal** has finally begun, and soon you will find donation envelopes and brochures in the pews. Please go to this website to learn more: [oakdiocese.org/giving/bishops-appeal](http://oakdiocese.org/giving/bishops-appeal)

## Important Dates for 2019

### Please note them on your Calendar.

- ♦ **Stations of the Cross + Soup Supper:** Fridays in Lent, after the 5:30 pm Mass (*Approximately 6:05 pm.*)
- ♦ **Exposition & Adoration:** Mondays in Lent, immediately after the 5:30 pm Mass (*Approximately 6:05 pm.*)
- ♦ **Parish Fundraising Event: Concert & Cuisine,** featuring Andy Canepa, pianist & Lourdes Guzman, cuisine. Solo works by Schumann, Liszt & Chopin. Hillside Church, El Cerrito. Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 - 6:30 pm.
- ♦ **Reconciliation Service:** Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm.
- ♦ **Celebration of Fr. Nick's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood.** Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, after the 5:30 pm Mass: Party Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am: **Anniversary Mass**
- ♦ **2nd Annual Parish-School Picnic.** Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm. Live Oak Park.

## Berkeley Food Pantry Collection Pickup THIS WEEKEND

Please Bring One or More of the Following Items to the Vestibules on Saturday or Sunday:

- 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
- **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 + cooking oil)
- **Teabags**—in boxes.
- **Meal replacements.**
- **Toiletries**—toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, etc.

## Triduum Dates in 2019

[Holy Week is Approaching!]

- ♦ **TENEBRAE SERVICE:** 9:00 am on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, & 20<sup>th</sup>.
- ♦ **HOLY THURSDAY:** 7:30 pm on April 18<sup>th</sup>, followed by Adoration in the Parish Hall until Midnight.
- ♦ **PASSION OF THE LORD WITH VENERATION OF THE CROSS:** April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. [Note new time this year.]
- ♦ **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Dominican Garden, concluding with Procession into the Church.
- ♦ **SEVEN LAST WORDS CONCERT:** Friday at 8:00 pm.
- ♦ **EASTER VIGIL:** 8:00 pm on April 20<sup>th</sup>, Berryman Plaza & Church.
- ♦ **EASTER SUNDAY:** Masses at 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

## Scripture Readings for the Week

- 7<sup>th</sup> **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
Isaiah 43:16-21 / Philippians 3:8-14 / John 8:1-11
- 8<sup>th</sup> *Lenten Weekday*  
Deuteronomy 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 / John 8:12-20
- 9<sup>th</sup> *Lenten Weekday*  
Numbers 21:4-9 / John 8:21-30
- 10<sup>th</sup> *Lenten Weekday*  
Deuteronomy 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / John 8:31-42
- 11<sup>th</sup> *Lenten Weekday* [Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr]  
Genesis 17:3-9 / John 8:51-59
- 12<sup>th</sup> *Lenten Weekday*  
Jeremiah 20:10-13 / John 10:31-42
- 13<sup>th</sup> *Lenten Weekday* [Saint Martin I, Pope and Martyr]  
Ezekiel 37:21-28 / John 11:45-56

## Mass Intentions



Saturday	5:30	Richard Wahl RIP
Sunday	8:00	Helen Zoma Rendon RIP
	9:30	Pauline Andoh Ashu RIP
	11:00	For the people of the parish
Monday	5:30	Aniela Rabinska RIP
Tuesday	5:30	Dana Sharp RIP
Thursday	8:00	Intentions of M. Emily Onglatco
	5:30	Brendan Peter O Hehir RIP
Friday	5:30	Gordon Whitcotton RIP

Notes from Fr. Nick

## Coming Clean with God

Our culture has difficulty acknowledging sinfulness. Yes, we hear about evils wrought all around us, but at the same time we refrain from taking personal responsibility for our own behaviors and attitudes. We take great pains to make sure our children know they are special, but don't always hold them accountable when they misbehave. The media tell us we deserve nice things when those things may only be a privilege. We observe a political correctness that avoids giving offence, even when others' actions are inappropriate.

I'm not knocking this emphasis on 'specialness', but we often push a frank acknowledgement of our and our neighbor's failings to the edges of our consciousness. Coming clean with God about sinfulness is as important as communing with Him in the Eucharist.

Since the Fourth Lateran Council (1215), the Church has required that all adult Catholics receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year during Easter Season (which lasts from Ash Wednesday through Trinity Sunday). Protestants have told me this requirement is among their objections to Catholic Church's authority. My response: *"It is reasonable that the Church impose the responsibility of getting right with God at least once a year."*



*Our Holy Father at Confession.*

### School of the Madeleine Reconciliation Challenge

When Father Nick joined the School for Morning Prayer last week (as he always does on a Thursday), he offered a new Lenten challenge to our students in Grades 3 to 8, relating to the students' opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **The challenge was for them to memorize the Act of Contrition, also known as the Prayer of Sorrow.** Fr. Nick promised that, if enough students made a strong effort, he would proclaim a 'free dress day' in the very near future.

The second graders, who are preparing for their First Reconciliation, have been praying this prayer from their prayer cards all year. At the time of their First Confessions, they will also have the chance to participate in the challenge.

The prayer:

*My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.  
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,  
I have sinned against you whom I should love  
above all things. I firmly intend, with your help,  
to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid  
whatever may lead me to sin. Amen.*

[The School of the Madeleine welcomes and encourages its students of other faith traditions to join their classmates for Reconciliation, and to take the opportunity to ask for a special blessing from the priest.]

After all, the Church cares for the whole person, both as sinner and saint.

A measure of the spiritual health of a parish is the number of people who regularly confess their sins in the sacrament. I understand that it's difficult to confess to a priest whom you know well, so it's understandable that you may go to different parish for confessions. But, during Lent we come together as a community to acknowledge communal as well as personal sin. Thus, *for the sake of the parish, we should participate in the penance service together.* We provide priests from outside the parish in part so that you can celebrate the sacrament here at home, yet confess anonymously.



**Please make a special effort to participate in our Communal Reconciliation Service tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m.**

## Parish News



### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Dinner for the Poor

Lent is drawing to a close. Can you lend us some of your time to help at today's **Dinner for the Poor and Homeless?**

We need volunteers at **Noon** to cook and set up, to prepare to serve at **2:45 pm**, and to clean up the Kitchen and Parish Hall starting at **3:30 pm**.

*We especially need volunteers to clean up.* It's encouraging to see fresh faces coming to help as the dinner winds down.

Like to bake? Our guests like sweets and really appreciate your delicious desserts. Please drop them off in the Parish Hall before 1:00 pm.

*New to the parish? The Parish Hall is found via the steps from the parking lot. Turn left after the steps; knock on the door to the right.*

The **Refugee Aid Committee's** next meeting will take place in the Conference Room on **FRIDAY, April 12<sup>th</sup>**, from **4:00-5:00 pm**.

*All are welcome to attend.*

Choose How You Want to Make a Difference:  
**JustFaith Group Just Starting at SMM**



JustFaith is a small-group program that invites participants into a process of learning and discovering how to live more compassionately.

*JustFaith helps you to explore today's issues as you open your heart and mind to the Spirit of God in our midst,* and dialogue with other participants about how you can make a difference in the world.

The [JustFaith Catholic program](#) now includes *Laudato Si* as its central text. Rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, the program invites participants to love more compassionately, and make a difference in the world.

Last week we started an eight-week session of *JustFaith* on **Tuesdays at 7:00 pm** in **Norton Hall**, and you are still welcome to join this opportunity for transformation. For more information, or to sign up, please email Claire Broome at [cvbroome@gmail.com](mailto:cvbroome@gmail.com).

## Peace & Social Justice

**Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am** – Join the next monthly *Interfaith Immigration Vigil* at 630 Sansome Street, S.F., to demonstrate support for immigrants. Outcomes seem to improve when we all 'show up', as it makes it clear to the justice system that there is local support for our future new neighbors.

**Good Friday, April 19, 7:00 am Worship Service**  
*Keeping Faith* offers worship and non-violent act of witness at *Livermore Nuclear Weapons Laboratory*. The Ecumenical Peace Institute/CALC and Livermore Conversion Project sponsor this annual event. Gather at 6:45 am at Vasco and Patterson Pass Roads in Livermore. *St. Mary Magdalen Parish is a co-sponsor of this event, and the Peace & Justice Committee has made a \$50 contribution.* A community gathering will follow the service (about 10:00-noon). For further information: [www.epicalc.org](http://www.epicalc.org) or (510) 990-0374, (510) 654-4983.

### April 5-14 Faith Climate Action Week

How can we take action to protect our climate? Go to [faithclimateactionweek.org](http://faithclimateactionweek.org) for updated and comprehensive information about this ongoing event, and ways you can participate.

### CROP Walk 2019 – Save the Date!



**Saturday May 19, 1:00 pm** - Join this annual interfaith effort to end hunger! Sponsored by Church World Service, *CROP Walk* aims to provide food for hungry people and also to raise awareness about hunger around the world. *CROP Walks* take place around the nation, and have raised millions for hungry people since 1947. The starting point for the Berkeley Walk will again be our own parish parking lot, and more than a dozen Berkeley congregations are taking part. If you would like to learn more, or can volunteer in any way to support our parish's participation, please contact **Maureen Wesolowski** at 524-4006 or [mwesolowski@gmail.com](mailto:mwesolowski@gmail.com).

## Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament ("Holy Hour")

is taking place in the Church after the 5:30 pm Mass, starting at approximately 6:05 pm on all the Mondays of Lent.

Please join us on one of these evenings for a sacred time of prayer with our Lord.



## Looking After Refugees at Home & Around the World: International Rescue Committee-Oakland

As part of our Lenten giving activities, we are once again working with the Oakland Office of the

**International Rescue Committee (IRC)** to

help newly-arrived refugee families in Alameda County.

Buy a **Target Gift Card**, in any denomi-

nation, and **place the gift card** (having written the amount on the envelope) **in the collection basket any Sunday during Lent** (or drop it off at the Parish Office). These gift cards will enable refugees to set up their homes as they become our new neighbors. **Tip: Target Gift Cards can be purchased at Safeway or CVS!**



## Celebrate Lent! FRIDAY EVENING STATIONS OF THE CROSS + SOUP SUPPERS



The final Stations of the Cross liturgy will take place after the 5:30 pm Mass this Friday, followed by a free, tasty **Soup Supper** in Norton Hall.

Please come and join us in prayer in the Church, and fellowship in Norton Hall!

*April 12<sup>th</sup>: Peace & Social Justice / Refugee Aid*



Through CRS Rice Bowl, we journey with members of our human family around the world, and commit our

Lenten prayers, fasting and almsgiving to deepening our faith and serving those in need. **Starting on Palm Sunday, bring in your collection boxes and place them in the containers found at the front and back doors of the church.**

*The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. (Leviticus 19:34)*



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Parish Book Group Next Meets Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 10:00 am.

**The Children Act** by Ian McEwan



"A fiercely intelligent, well-respected High Court judge in London faces a morally ambiguous case while her own marriage crumbles. A novel that will keep readers thoroughly enthralled until the last stunning page." ~ Goodreads [Now a major film starring Emma Thompson & Stanley Tucci.]

Buy or check out *The Children Act* from a nearby library, and join us in May to discuss it!

## 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

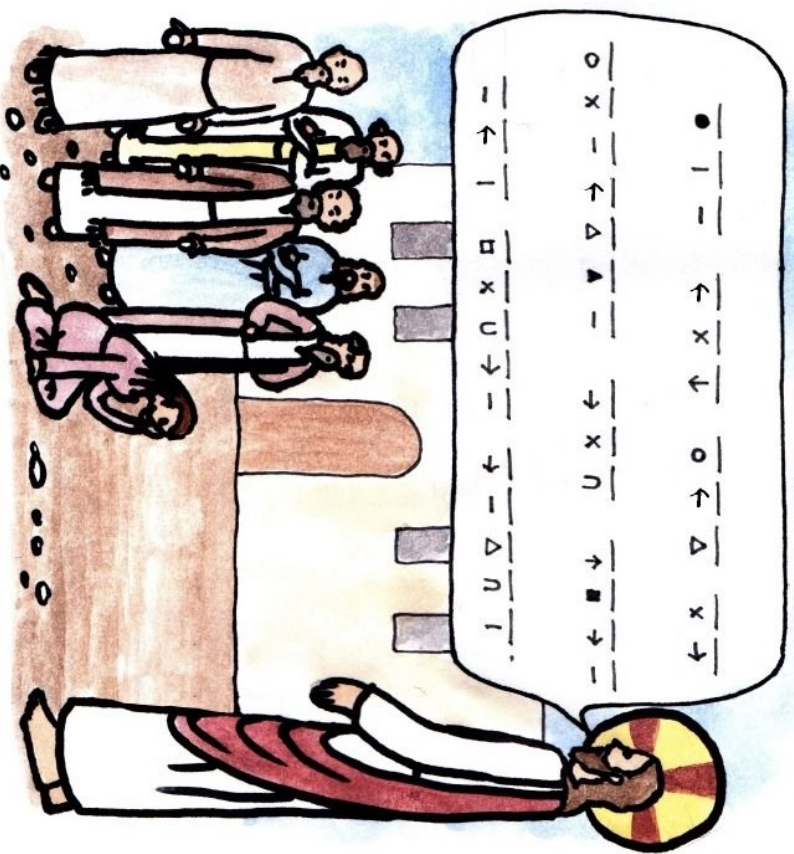
express your gratitude for all the blessings that you and your family have received from St. Mary Magdalen parish.

If you would like to discuss the different forms a legacy gift can take, please contact Fr. Nick at [pastor@marymagdalen.org](mailto:pastor@marymagdalen.org), or (510) 526-4811.



# The Kids' Bulletin

Fifth Sunday of Lent



*In today's Gospel, the Pharisees ask Jesus whether they should obey their law and stone a woman who was a sinner. What did Jesus say to them? Use the code to find out!*

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## St. Joseph Puzzle

*The Gospel tells us that Saint Joseph was a just man.*

*What did he do?*

*Match the things that he did (on the right) with the circumstances on the left.*

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| <p>1. Before they were married and he found out that Mary was expecting a baby ___</p> <p>2. When the angel came in a dream and told him to take Mary as his wife ___</p> <p>3. When the government said that everyone had to register in their home town ___</p> <p>4. When an angel came in a dream and told him that the soldiers were coming to kill baby Jesus ___</p> <p>5. When Jesus stayed in the Temple instead of coming home with him ___</p> <p>6. While Jesus was growing up ___</p> | <p>A. St. Joseph taught Jesus to be a carpenter.</p> <p>B. St. Joseph looked for Jesus for three days until he found Him.</p> <p>C. St. Joseph took Mary and baby Jesus to Egypt right away.</p> <p>D. St. Joseph went to Bethlehem with Mary.</p> <p>E. St. Joseph planned to break off his engagement quietly so that Mary wouldn't be ashamed.</p> <p>F. St. Joseph married Mary.</p> |
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