

June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 | FEAST OF THE ASCENSION, Year C

# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



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)

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*"Then he led them out as far as  
Bethany, raised his hands,  
and blessed them.  
As he blessed them he parted from  
them and was taken up to heaven."  
~ John 24:51-52*

### BAPTISM:

Preparation classes take place on the first Monday of the month.  
Please call the parish office for more information.

**CONFIRMATION:** Classes take place during the school year 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:

### June 2019

<b>June 1 &amp; 2</b> Weekend	<b>Collection for the <a href="#">Berkeley Food Pantry</a></b> Drop off donations in either Vestibule.
<b>June 2</b> Sunday	<b><a href="#">1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor &amp; Homeless</a></b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
<b>June 3</b> Monday	<b><a href="#">St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting</a></b> 7:15 pm, Norton Hall. <i>All are welcome!</i>
<b>June 5, 12, 19 &amp; 26</b>	<b>RCIA Class—Mystagogia</b> Wednesdays in the Parish Conference Room
<b>June 8</b> Saturday	<b><a href="#">Parish Book Group: <i>If Nuns Ruled the World</i></a></b> 10:00 am, Conference Room. ( <i>See below.</i> )
<b>June 14</b> Friday	<b><i>Refugee Aid / Peace &amp; Social Justice Meeting</i></b> 4:00—5:00 pm, Norton Hall
<b>June 23</b> Sunday	<b><a href="#">4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor &amp; Homeless</a></b> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall

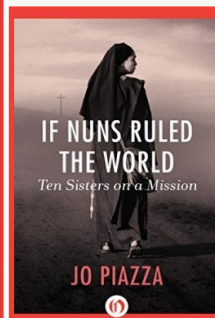
## **Berkeley Food Pantry Collection** **Pickup THIS WEEKEND**

Please drop off your donations in either vestibule.

- Canned **tuna** — low-sodium & low-fat
- **Peanut butter** (in plastic jars only)
- **Breakfast cereal + Teabags** (in boxes)
- Canned **soups & beans** — low-sodium
- **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, spices + cooking oil)
- **Meal replacements + healthy snack foods** for kids
- **Toiletries**—toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, etc.

## **Parish Book Group: June 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am:** **[If Nuns Ruled the World](#) by Jo Piazza**

“In an age of villainy, war and inequality, it makes sense that we need superheroes,” writes Nicholas Kristof of *The New York Times*. “And after trying Superman, Batman and Spider-Man, we may have found the best superheroes yet: Nuns.”



Please purchase or check out **[If Nuns Ruled the World](#)** from a nearby library, and join us in the parish conference room a week from Saturday to discuss it!



# Feast of the Ascension, Year C ~ June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

## Collections: Week Ending May 26<sup>th</sup>

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
05/26/2019	\$7,596.27	\$8,843.00	-\$1,246.73
Year-to-Date:	\$198,994.84	\$197,360.00	+\$1,624.84

We hope you had a lively Memorial Day Weekend! Summer has unofficially begun and our collections have become smaller. Please remember to make "catch-up donations" for your vacation breaks. Thank you.

## 2nd Report on the 2019 Bishop's Appeal



Giles Miller, campaign manager of the Bishop's Appeal, issued his second report last week, and here are the results: **30 parishioners have donated 42.08%** of Bishop Barber's goal for St. Mary Magdalen Parish (unchanged from last year):

**\$27,700.00.** That is, these 30 parishioners have already pledged or donated \$11,655.00. However, the 85 parishes making up the Diocese of Oakland have together donated just over half the diocesan goal, and so we're now somewhat below average.

If you are not among those 30, please consider donating to the Diocese here: [tinyurl.com/BishopsAppeal](http://tinyurl.com/BishopsAppeal). Or you may make a one-time or periodic EFT donations on our own site: [marymagdalen.org/donate](http://marymagdalen.org/donate).

## Important Dates for 2019

- ◆ **St. Mary Magdalen Festival (Concerts & Talks)**  
Saturday & Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>.  
Norton Hall, Church, Parish Rectory
- ◆ **2nd Annual Parish-School Picnic at Live Oak Park.**  
Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm.  
Live Oak Park.

## 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.



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## Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Intentions of Fr. Joseph Sergott, OP
Sunday	8:00	Madeline Hurd RIP
	9:30	Elias Njimily RIP
	11:00	For the People of the Parish
Monday	8:00	Intentions of Kayden Hippolyte
	5:30	Mary Pilz RIP
Tuesday	8:00	Philip Edward Doran RIP
Wednesday	8:00	Helen Jenkins RIP
Thursday	5:30	Mary Lee Lao & May Kwok RIP
Friday	5:30	Intentions of Jessie Morland

## Scripture Readings for the Week

- 2<sup>nd</sup> *FEAST OF THE ASCENSION (Observed)*  
Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 /  
Luke 24:46-53
- 3<sup>rd</sup> *Easter Weekday [Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs]*  
Acts 19:1-8 / John 16:29-33
- 4<sup>th</sup> *Easter Weekday*  
Acts 20:17-27 / John 17:1-11
- 5<sup>th</sup> *Easter Weekday [Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr]*  
Acts 20:28-38 / John 17:11-19
- 6<sup>th</sup> *Easter Weekday [Saint Norbert, Bishop]*  
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / John 17:20-26
- 7<sup>th</sup> *Easter Weekday*  
Acts 25:13b-21 / John 21:15-19
- 8<sup>th</sup> *Easter Weekday [St. Justin, Martyr]*  
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 / John 21:20-25

## Notes from Fr. Nick

### *The Ordination of Jonathan Harmon, S.J.*

David Brooks' new book, *The Second Mountain*, decries the rootlessness of our present culture. He talks about how young people are supposed to find ultimate fulfillment "within" but not given a clue about how to do it. Brooks believes that attachment to a cause, community or creed, in other words — something beyond and bigger than one's self — is the only true way to fill the void lurking in many of us. But this idea is anathema to a culture that values extreme individualism above all else.

Becoming a Catholic priest may be one of the most countercultural acts a person can do in this age. Many around us would say no other establishment better represents intolerance, superstition and corruption — and they may be right! What those same people miss by their cursory dismissal of a two-millennia-old institution is a group of men (sorry ladies, not yet) who at least aspire to ideals, community and an inner life. True, the priesthood obviously needs reform, but the secular realists who lambast it have little substitute for what the ministerial priesthood has to offer.

Our deacon, Jonathan Harmon, will be ordained to priesthood next Saturday in New Orleans. I wish Jonathan every success as a priest and as a Jesuit. I hope his youth, artistic ability and intellectual rigor will enable his peers to see beyond the problems facing priests and the Church today and, in the process, become aware of the vacuousness of secular culture. Perhaps he and others in ministry can offer an alternative to society's contentiousness, partisanship, and tribalism. At the beginning of my fifth decade in the priesthood I still believe we have much to offer, whether our culture knows it or not.

Please keep Jonathan and the Catholic priesthood in your prayers.

**Jonathan Harmon, SJ**, was born in Tyler, Texas. His family attended the cathedral parish for many years and then became one of the first families to help start a new parish in the small city of Whitehouse. Harmon met the Jesuits when he was studying graphic design at Tyler Junior College. At the time, he worked at St. Mary Magdalene Parish in Flint, Texas, teaching middle school catechism. Harmon entered the Society of Jesus in 2008 at the Novitiate of St. Stanislaus Kostka in Grand Coteau, LA. As a Jesuit novice, he served in many locations, including pastoral work on the U.S.-Mexico border, the L'Arche Community in Mobile, and in Belize, Central America.



After pronouncing first vows in 2010, he moved to St. Louis, where he was missioned to study philosophy. While at Saint Louis University, he was involved with campus ministry and led a Christian Life

Community group. He served at Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas for his regency (apostolic ministry) assignment. There he taught in both the fine arts and theology departments and, in his third year, helped with campus ministry.

Ordained a deacon in October of 2018, Harmon is finishing theology studies at the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University in Berkeley, where he has been working at St. Mary Magdalen parish, directing the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program.

Following his [ordination](#), he will serve as associate pastor at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish in Denver.



*Dc. Jonathan with the neophytes he shepherded through RCIA: Jolie Ann Ayco, Alison Olsen, Amanda Fukutome, Charlie Altekruise and Nensi Brailo.*



## Parish News

We're entering the doldrums of summer — that is, June through Labor Day — when we have fewer volunteers at the **Sunday Dinners for the Poor and Homeless**. If you have spare time this weekend, please consider helping us at this Sunday's Dinner.

No experience is needed. We set up and cook from Noon to 1:00 pm, prepare to serve at 2:45 pm and clean up the Kitchen and Parish Hall starting at 3:30 pm. **We especially need volunteers to clean up.** Your **desserts** are always welcome, and can be brought to the Parish Hall by 1:30 pm.

*New to the Parish? The Parish Hall is located directly below the Church. Take the stairs from the parking lot.*

### Fr. Nick Gives Thanks

"Many thanks to everyone who participated in my 40th anniversary celebration. It was gratifying to see so many of you present, both Saturday and Sunday. Thanks especially to those who prepared the feast in the Parish Hall on Saturday: to Nori Grimes, who conceived the "Western" theme, to the "Western BBQ" cooks, Lance Jackson and Frank Iriarte, and to

those who worked in the kitchen and made the Parish Hall festive: Matt, Kathleen & Taryn Fettig; Soon-Young Namgoong & Mariah Colbert; Charlie Altekruise & Barbara Banks; Sharon & Alex Henthorn-Iwane; Mark de Souza, Norah Hippolyte, Cat Nielsen, and Florence Wahl. The food was particularly tasty, and the company stimulating.

I'm grateful to all of you who brought me cards and gifts.



*Cooks Kathleen Fettig, Lance Jackson, Florence Wahl, and Frank Iriarte received much-deserved applause.*



I'm also grateful for the number of clergy who celebrated with me, in particular Deacon Jeff Burns, who graciously preached at the 11:00 am Mass. Thank you all!"

## Peace & Social Justice

**Bay Area Border Relief (BABR)** is planning a visit to the Mexican border region in June, and **hopes to fill a 26-foot truck with supplies from the Bay Area**. BABR is a humanitarian organization that serves and advocates for children and families seeking their human right to asylum in the U.S.



The Refugee Aid Committee is supporting this outreach by taking up a collection for the items below:

### Needs include:

- ◆ **New underwear** in *smaller sizes* for men — *all sizes* of underwear for women and kids.
- ◆ **new socks**, all sizes.
- ◆ new or gently used **clothing** (no stains, no extra-large), pants and t-shirts for *smaller size* men (pant size 32 and smaller), women and kids.
- ◆ Slightly used, closed-toe **shoes** for all ages, (nothing over size 10 for men); small size men's **belts**.
- ◆ **toiletries** (toothbrushes, deodorant, etc. (small sizes such as you'd find in hotels).
- ◆ **coloring books, crayons, and backpacks.**

*Please drop off any of these items in the vestibules NEXT WEEKEND, or at the parish office any day before then. (Fabric bags preferred, to stuff into the truck's corners.)*

Financial contributions are always needed, and may be directed to Bay Area Border Relief through Philanthropic Ventures Foundation (PVF) at [donatenow.networkforgood.orgbayareaborderrelief](http://donatenow.networkforgood.orgbayareaborderrelief).

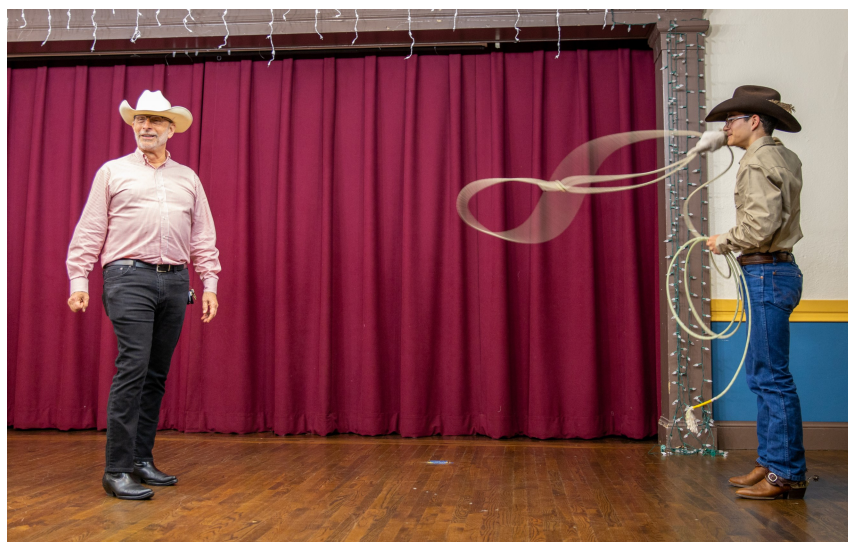


Or... you can make out a check to PVF with "BABR" in the memo. Please mail it to **PVF, 1222 Preservation Park Way, Oakland, CA 94612**. A \$5 contribution to help pay the cost of the truck rental, gas and driver buys 2 miles.

So far, Bay Area donors have contributed enough to reach Arizona!



**Fr. Nick's 40<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Celebration: Western BBQ Party in the Parish Hall**  
Photos by Parishioner Samuel Leung



*Above: Cooks Lance and Frank at the grill; **Giovanni Gozzini** at the serving table and **Alys Yeh** and **Maria Martinez** at the drinks bar. **Martin Curtis**, grandson of parishioner Maria Curtis, successfully lassoed Fr. Nick on stage! Right: Fr. Nick prepares to impale his 40th Anniversary Cake.*

*Photos of the Mass of Thanksgiving will appear in next week's Bulletin. More of Samuel Leung's photos available at <https://flic.kr/s/aHsmDN9rah>*



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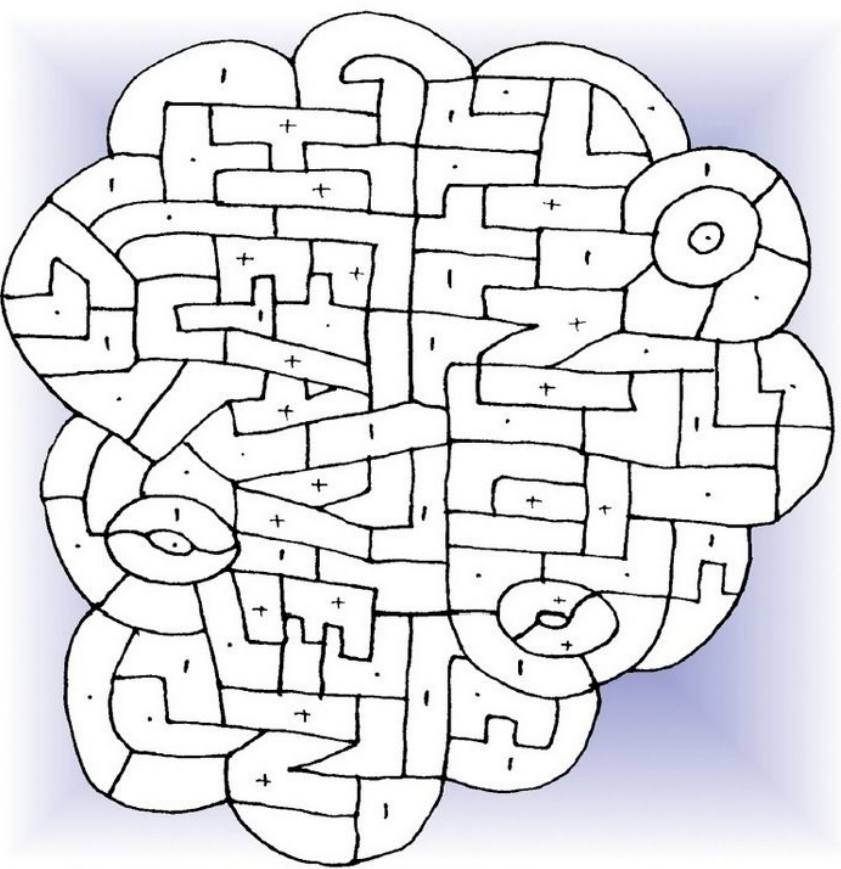
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# The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Ascension



*Jesus disappeared into a cloud forty days after  
He rose from the dead. Where did He go?*

*Colour in the spaces with crosses (+)  
to find out!*

*The Ascension: True or False?*



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1. Jesus kept appearing to His disciples for forty days after Easter. True or False?
2. Jesus did not send the Holy Spirit to the disciples until after He went up into Heaven. True or False?
3. Jesus had taught the Apostles everything they needed to know before He died, so He didn't have to teach them anything after the Resurrection. True or False?
4. Some of the disciples asked Jesus if He was going to start a new kingdom in this world. True or False?
5. Jesus and the apostles were all gathered in one room when Jesus disappeared and went into Heaven. True or False?
6. Jesus was with a big crowd of His friends on a hill when He went up, body and soul, into Heaven. True or False?
7. When Jesus comes back, He will return in the same sort of way as how He left. True or False?