

June 9th, 2019 | PENTECOST SUNDAY, 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)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
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"When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.'" ~ John 20:23

- 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

June 8 & 9 Weekend	Catholic Communication Campaign <i>Please give generously to this special collection.</i>
June 12, 19 & 26	RCIA Class—Mystagogia Wednesdays in the Parish Conference Room
June 11 Tuesday	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm, Conference Room. <i>All are welcome!</i>
June 14 Friday	Refugee Aid / Peace & Social Justice Meeting 4:00—5:00 pm, Norton Hall <i>All are welcome!</i>
June 14 Friday	CONCERT: Chanticleer — Sacred Ground 8:00 pm, Church. Tickets: CityBoxOffice
June 22-23 Weekend	Fr. Jonathan Harmon, SJ, Preaches at all Masses <i>Potluck celebration after the 5:30 pm Vigil Mass!</i>
June 22-23 Weekend	4th-Sunday Prayers for St. María de Guadalupe <i>[We unite in prayer with our sister parish in Mexicali.]</i>
June 23 Sunday	4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall

REFUGEE AID MEETING THIS FRIDAY

The *Peace & Social Justice Committee* invites you to join them as they plan ways to support the stranger in our midst. Meetings take place the Friday following the 2nd Wednesday of each month, at 4:00 pm in Norton Hall (note new location). At this Friday's meeting (**June 14th**) we will be discussing the collection for the refugees at the border (*please see page 5*), and planning projects for the second half of 2019.

Questions? Please email Committee Chair Ann Fitzgerald (fitz1607@gmail.com) or leave a message for her at the Parish Office (510-526-4811).

Recent Refugees Need Used Bicycles

Do you have a bicycle you're no longer using? Bicycles are for a cheap, reliable form of transportation for refugees who have recently arrived in the East Bay. Members of our parish have donated bikes in the past that have made a difference in the lives of several refugees, but more bikes are always needed.



If you have a bike available to donate, please phone Monica Grycz at 526-0637. Helmets & bicycle locks are also appreciated.

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Collections: Week Ending June 2nd

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
06/02/2019	\$6,676.00	\$8,843.00	-\$2,166.20
Year-to-Date:	\$205,671.64	\$206,203.00	-\$531.36

Thank you to everyone who donated last weekend.

2019 Bishop's Appeal—NEW VIDEO!

Bishop Barber has now published a video "conversation" that he would like every member of the Diocese of Oakland to watch. It is available here: vimeo.com/336230462



Please consider donating to the Diocese at this URL:

tinyurl.com/BishopsAppeal.

Or you may make a one-time or periodic EFT donations on our own site: marymagdalen.org/donate.

Important Dates for 2019

- ♦ St. Mary Magdalen Festival (Talk, Concert, Party)
Saturday & Sunday, July 20th & 21st.
Church, Sidewalk (*Chalk Art*), Parish Rectory
- ♦ 2nd Annual Parish-School Picnic at Live Oak Park.
Sunday, August 25th 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, or (510) 526-4811.



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Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Intentions of Fr. Jonathan Harmon, SJ
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Fr. Andrew Metcalf
	9:30	For the People of the Parish
	11:00	Intentions of Fr. Jonathan Harmon, SJ
Monday	8:00	Julia Luna Vann RIP
Tuesday	8:00	Michael Seuferer RIP
Wednesday	8:00	Tooru & Christine Iwane RIP
Thursday	8:00	Flor Manela RIP
	5:30	Antoni Lewicki RIP
Friday	8:00	Intentions of Elia & Ryszard Pochron
	5:30	Intentions of Jon-Paul Hippolyte
Saturday	8:00	Intentions of Carol Seuferer and the Seuferer Family

Scripture Readings for the Week

9 th	<i>PENTECOST SUNDAY</i> Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 / John 20:19-23 or John 14:15-26
10 th	<i>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i> Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 / John 19:25-34
11 th	<i>Saint Barnabas, Apostle</i> Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3 / Matthew 5:13-16
12 th	<i>Weekday</i> 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 / Matthew 5:17-19
13 th	<i>Saint Anthony of Padua, Doctor of the Church</i> 2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1, 3-6 / Matthew 5:20-26
14 th	<i>Weekday</i> 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 / Matthew 5:27-32
15 th	<i>Weekday [Blessed Virgin Mary]</i> 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 / Matthew 5:33-37

Notes from Fr. Nick

The Origins of Pentecost



Pentecost is the fiftieth day after Easter and was originally derived from the Jewish feast of *Shavuot*, the harvest festival wherein the priests waved sheaves of wheat before Yahweh in the temple. This tradition required farmers to journey to Jerusalem to make an offering. The feast also symbolized the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai which occurred fifty days after leaving Egypt in the Exodus.

For the disciples of Jesus, the fact that the Holy Spirit descended on the feast celebrating the giving of the Law was

significant. The presence of the Spirit confirmed that the authority contained in the Law of Moses was now theirs to proclaim. The spirit prompted them to preach Christ's death and resurrection. The tongues of fire might be seen as the passing of the torch from the Law of Moses to the Law of Christ.

Pentecost is one of the great feasts in the life of Christianity. It brings the Easter season to a close and celebrates the inauguration of the Church. Red vestments are worn to symbolize the fire of the Spirit that continues to

vivify the work of Christ in history.



Traditionally, the holiday of Shavuot is marked by an all-night Torah study session. In Jerusalem, tens of thousands of people finish off the nighttime study session by walking to the Western Wall before dawn and joining the sunrise minyan there, seen here on May 26, 2012. (Photo by Daniel Majewski)

Our modern lives may be no longer connected directly with the harvest. Most of us may have little sense of the journey that led from the Exodus to the giving of the Law. But we still have the presence of the Holy Spirit that gives life to us and the Church.

How do we receive that Spirit? Is Pentecost something of an afterthought following Easter, or do we see it as the beginning of the Church's ministry? As we celebrate the feast this weekend, let us pray that the Spirit may give us all the will and energy to live out our lives conscious of God's grace in everything we do.



*Fray Juan Bautista Maino, OP. (Pastrana, Guadalajara, 1581 - Madrid, 1649)
[Painted for the high altar of the convent of the Barefoot Carmelites in Toledo.]*

Parish News

On Thursday, May 30th, St. Mary Magdalen Parish lost a faithful and beloved parishioner of long standing: **Michael Seuferer**. His Vigil will take place on **Friday, June 21st** at 6:30 pm, and his Funeral Mass on **Saturday, June 22nd** at 11:00 a.m., followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. We offer our condolences to Carol and the whole Seuferer family.



Mike and Carol at the Parish-School Picnic in Live Oak Park on August 26th, 2018, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.



Thank you so much for your generous donations to Catholic Charities of the East Bay during our May Appeal. Your generosity helps people in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties who are struggling with poverty and other complex issues.

If you would like to learn more about our work and how to get involved, please join a Transforming Lives Tour! You'll learn about our work in:

- ◆ Preventing homelessness
- ◆ Helping young people stay in school, despite pervasive community violence
- ◆ Crisis counseling & support for victims of crime
- ◆ Immigration legal services and refugee resettlement

To register, please visit

cceb.org/get-involved/transforming-lives-tour

Do you have any questions? Please contact Stephan Phippen at spippen@cceb.org or 510.768.3133.

Peace & Social Justice

Bay Area Border Relief (BABR) is travelling 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 United States.



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**.



Please drop off any of these items in the vestibules TODAY, or at the parish office tomorrow (Monday). (Fabric bags preferred, to stuff into the truck's corners.)

- ◆ **toiletries** (toothbrushes, deodorant, etc. (small sizes such as you'd find in hotels).
- ◆ **coloring books, crayons, and backpacks.**



Financial contributions are always needed, and may be directed to Bay Area Border Relief through Philanthropic Ventures Foundation (PVF) at the following website:

donatenow.networkforgood.org/bayareaborderrelief.

Or... you can make out a check to PVF with "BABR" in the memo. **PVF, 1222 Preservation Park Way, Oakland, CA 94612.** *Thanks for your support!*

Fr. Nick's 40th Jubilee : Mass of Celebration on May 26, 2019

Photos by Parishioner Samuel Leung



Deacon **Jeff Burns**, professor at the Franciscan School of Theology, preached on all the gifts that Fr. Nick's 40 years of priesthood have brought to the seminary and parishes in which he has served.



Left to right: Fr. **Mark Heuberger** of the Diocese of Venice (Florida), a childhood friend of Fr. Nick; **Fr. Nick**; Deacon **Jeff Burns** (who served with Fr. Nick at St. Lawrence for 10 years, and will be serving with us soon!); **Paul Schmidt**, representing the Diocese of Oakland, himself celebrating his 55th year of priesthood; and Franciscan Father **Rigoberto Caloca-Rivas**, longtime colleague of Fr. Nick.



Photos of the "Western BBQ Party" appeared in last week's Bulletin. All photos available at flic.kr/s/aHsmDN9rah.

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The Kids' Bulletin

Pentecost Sunday



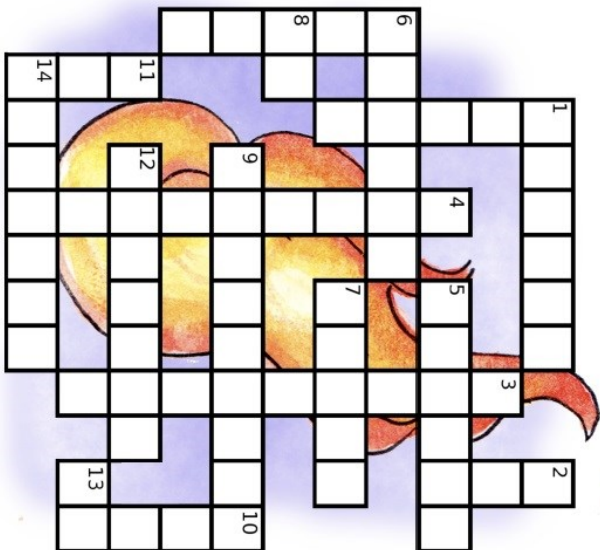
Today is the feast of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came to Mary and the Apostles in the form of wind and tongues of fire.
 Can you find your way through this maze and use the letters in your path to fill in the blanks?

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Pentecost Cross - Word

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks in today's first reading, and then write them where they belong in the puzzle.

- DOES
- AMAZED
- AS
- SEPARATED
- ONE
- BEGAN
- TONGUES
- LANGUAGES
- SPIRIT
- SITTING
- HEAVEN
- SPEAK
- HIS
- HOUSE
- US
- PENTECOST



When _____ (4D) day came round, they had all met in _____ (2D) room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from _____, (6A) the noise of which filled the entire _____ (6D) in which they were _____; (14A) and something appeared to them that seemed like _____ (12A) of fire; these _____ (9A) and _____ came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy _____, (1A) and _____ (7A) to _____ (1D) foreign _____ (3D) _____ (13A) the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were _____ (5A) and astonished.

"Surely," they said, "all these men speaking are Galileans? How _____ (10D) it happen that each of _____ (8A) hears them in _____ (11D) own native language?" (A=Across D=Down)