St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



THIS WEEKEND: 2nd Annual St. Mary Magdalen Festival! (See page 6.)

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

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm (and by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pmClosed for Lunch: Noon-1:00 pm Phone: 510-526-4811

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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 5th Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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Parish Calendar: July & August 2019

July 20 & 21 St. Mary Magdalen Festival: All Masses Weekend Prof. Alison Benders delivers reflections July 21 St. Mary Magdalen Festival: Noon, Church Sunday Concert by the Combined Mass Choirs St. Mary Magdalen Festival: 12:40, Sidewalk July 21 Sunday Sidewalk Art by Children & Teenagers July 21 St. Mary Magdalen Festival: 12:40, Rectory Sunday Potluck Reception in the Rectory July 27 & 28 4th-Sunday Prayers for St. María de Guadalupe Weekend [We unite in prayer with our sister parish in Mexicali.] July 28 4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless Sunday 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall First Friday Adoration (Holy Hour) August 2 Friday 6:05 pm, Church August 3 & 4 Collection for the Berkeley Food Pantry Weekend Drop off donations in either Vestibule. August 4 1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless Sunday 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall July 1 St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting 7:15 pm, Norton Hall. All are welcome! Monday August 8 Senior Luncheon (Potluck) Thursday Noon—2:00 pm, Parish Hall *All are welcome!* August 16 Refugee Aid / Peace & Social Justice Meeting Friday 4:00-5:00 pm, Norton Hall August 25 2nd Annual Parish-School Picnic Sunday 10:30 am — 2:30 pm, Live Oak Park August 25 4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless Sunday 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall

SAVE THE DATE!



2nd Annual Parish-School Picnic: Sunday, August 25th from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm

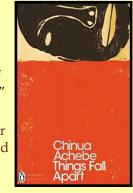
LIVE OAK PARK

Parish Book Group: August 10th at 10:00 am:

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

"Chinua Achebe's <u>Things Fall Apart</u>, one of the first African novels to gain worldwide recognition, remains one of the great novels about the colonial era." ~ *The Guardian*.

Please purchase <u>Things Fall Apart</u> (or check it out from a nearby library), and join us in the parish conference room on Saturday, August 10th to discuss it.



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C ~ July 21st, 2019

Collections: Week Ending July 14th

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference	
07/14/2019	\$8,156.09	\$8,843.00	-\$686.91	
Year-to-Date:	\$253,777.45	\$259,261.00	-\$5,483.55	

Thank you for providing for the needs of the parish. We were closer to making our goals this week.

Even Greater News on the 2019 Bishop's Appeal!



Giles Miller, campaign manager of the Bishop's Appeal, issued his fourth report last week, and his report shows that we have donated 84.33% (\$23,360.20) of Bishop Barber's goal for St. Mary Magda-

len Parish (\$27,700.00). The 85 parishes making up the Diocese of Oakland have together donated 62% of the diocesan goal, and so we've among the top donors — thank you all!

(For purposes of comparison, 13 parishes have already reached or exceeded their goal.)

If you've not had time to give, please consider donating to the Diocese here: tinyurl.com/BishopsAppeal. Or you may make a EFT donations on our own site: marymagdalen.org/donate, or write a check and drop it off at the parish office (or put it in the plate).

Mass Intentions **\psi**



Cakendara	E-20	Eartha Daorda of the Davich	
Saturday	5:30	For the People of the Parish	
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Mary McCarthy	
	9:30	Intentions of J.J. Behrens	
	11:00	Intentions of Merlie Pablico	
Monday	8:00	Intentions of Elliott Abrams	
	5:30	Intentions of Velma Richmond	
Tuesday	8:00	Lilia Giacomazzi RIP	
	5:30	Intentions of Joseph Bernard	
		and Reena Canoy	
Wednesday	8:00	Ed Mazzucchi RIP	
	5:30	Intentions of Florencia Streegan	
Thursday	8:00	Juanito Domor	
•	5:30	Intentions of Joe and Ann	
		Fitzgerald	
Friday	8:00	Ana Novello RIP	
•	5:30	Intentions of Miriam Ravnik	
Saturday	8:00	Intentions of Stephanie Barrett	

Important Dates for 2019

- **◆ St. Mary Magdalen Festival THIS WEEKEND:** Saturday July 20th:
 - ◆ Talk by Prof. Velma Richmond, with responses by Profs. Michael Dodds, OP, & Dona Bastidas Sunday, July 21st:
 - ◆ Concert by our combined choirs
 - ◆ Chalk Art Festival on Berryman sidewalk
 - ◆ Reception in the Parish Rectory ~~~ SEE PAGE 6 FOR DETAILS ~~~
- ◆ 2nd Annual Parish-School Picnic at Live Oak Park. Sunday, August 25th, starting 10:30 am.

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 for-

mat, is a generous way for you to express your gratitude for all the blessings that you and your family have received from our parish.



If you would like to

discuss the different forms a legacy gift can take, please contact Fr. Nick at (510) 526-4811, or email him at pastor@marymagdalen.org.

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Genesis 18:1-10 / Colossians 1:24-28 / Luke 10:38-42
- 22nd Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Mary Magdalen] Wisdom 3:1-4, 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 / John 20:1-2, 11-18
- 23rdWeekday in Ordinary Time [St. Bridget, Religious] Ezekiel 14:21-15:1 / Matthew 12:46-50
- Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Sharbel Makhlūf] 24th Ezekiel 16:1-5, 9-15 / Matthew 13:1-9
- Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. James, Apostle] 25th 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 / Matthew 20:20-28
- 26th Weekday in Ordinary Time [Sts. Joachim & Anne] Ezekiel 20:1-17 / Matthew 13:18-23
- 27thWeekday in Ordinary Time [Blessed Virgin Mary] Ezekiel 24:3-8 / Matthew 13:24-30

Notes from Fr. Nick

The Nature of Symbols

Declaring something is *only* a symbol is a little like saying a person is *only* a living being. People may take life for granted, but at some level they know that being alive is something truly profound. Symbols are the basic building blocks of our thought process. They are so deeply embedded in our psyche that we cannot help but take them for granted. Yet when we stop to consider their importance, we should be in awe at the power that symbols have in our lives.



The most basic form of a symbol is a *sign*. Signs are fairly straight forward; they usually have only one meaning. In our culture red octagons universally mean "stop". Even without the word "stop" printed on them all of us know what they signal. Signs refer to something fixed and unequivocal. Other examples of signs might be the treble clef at the beginning of a musical staff, or "men"

Symbols proper are much more dynamic. They refer to complex ideas, and function on several different levels simultaneously. In addition to conveying information, they evoke an emotional response. Moreover, their meaning can quickly change — either partially or completely.

After the death of Princess Diana, the British people were disturbed at the Queen and her family's apparent



lack of compassion. Their response? The Union Jack, the United Kingdom's national flag, appeared over Buckingham Palace for the first time when the Queen was in residence. (The flag of the house of Windsor is always flown when the Queen is present.) Displaying the Union Jack was a strong symbol to the people that the Queen did in fact share in her subjects' grief.

Spreading the index and middle fingers into the shape of a "V" originally symbolized victory during World War II, and Richard Nixon used it in this way during his campaigns for President. Since the 1960's, however, the meaning of this symbol shifted, and now nearly universally stands for peace. Anybody who has lived through World War II or the Vietnam War will know how potent this symbol can be.

and "women" symbols on public rest room doors.

Sacraments are the highest form of symbol. They share the characteristics of ordinary symbols, but go a major step further. They not only point to something beyond themselves; they become what they signify. Thus the host not only points to the Lord's Supper



and Christ death on the cross, it becomes Christ's body and blood crystallized in

those events. When a couple celebrates the sacrament of marriage in the Church, they not only agree to share their faith with each other, they become the sacramental presence of Christ for their spouse and family.

When we speak of the Eucharist as a symbol, we do not diminish our awareness of Christ's presence; rather, we emphasize the power of symbol. Symbols are basic to how we perceive our world. Sacraments — the most powerful form of symbol — make present the reality of God in our world.

Parish News

2nd-Annual St. Mary Magdalen Festival Program Highlights for <u>Today</u>, July 21st

During all Masses: Reflections by Alison Benders, Ph.D.

Noon: Short Concert by the Schola Magdalen (11:00 am Choir, plus special guests) of Medieval & Renaissance works composed for St. Mary Magdalen.

After the Concert:

—Details on page 6 —

Sidewalk Chalk Art for Children (Supervised) on Berryman Sidewalk

Reception in the Parish Rectory (enter via the parking lot)

Parish Pastoral Council Nominations

Three members of the Parish Council are retiring — Mary Hurd, Vito Fabbrizio, and Katie Strausser — and it is time to nominate their replacements.



You may submit your nominations by pen & paper or online. For the first option, you may fill out a nomination form (available in the vestibules) and either return it in the collection basket, drop it by the parish office, or mail it back to us. The online form is located





The Senior Luncheon will take place on Thursday, August 8th at Noon in the Parish Hall, and is open to everyone. Come, bring a dish (serves ~8), and enjoy the company of longtime and new parishioners!

OAKLAND ATHLETICS



Faith Day!

August 17th vs. Astros

Call the Parish Office at 510-526-4811 to reserve your ticket — enjoy the game with your fellow parishioners!

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TICKET INCLUDES:

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Peace & Social Justice

Report from the July 14th Refugee Aid Committee Meeting:

We had a great turnout and welcomed new members, resulting in new ideas and more energy! We explored ways to partner with nearby parishes that are serving a large number of immigrants and refugees. [Other topics discussed to be reported next week.]

Diapers and Casa Francisca: The Casa Refugee House currently serves 9 live-in guests, including an 11-month-old baby and 3 school-age children. Several refugees have moved on into other housing, and another is hoping to apply to UC Berkeley after completing community college! These are wonderful success stories. *The 11-month-old needs diapers*. Out Committee will make a donation, and you can help: click on the DONATE button on the parish website, select *Refugee Aid Committee*, and make a donation.

Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity (IMHI)

is a California statewide organization that connects the faith community to social justice, and our Refugee Aid Committee partners with this organization. IMHI has identified 5 key areas for action:

- No more funding for ICE, detention and enforcement. [This is in response to the conditions and treatment of immigrants.]
- Releasing all detainees to their families.
- Ending contracts with private corporations.
- Investing in alternatives that focus on integration of immigrants into their new communities.
- ♦ Ending the U.S. complicity in the root causes of migration from Honduras.

Hiroshima Day - On August 6, 2019, peace and social justice advocates will gather at the Livermore Nuclear Weapons Lab to call for the abolition of nuclear weapons. For more information visit www.trivalleycares.org or www.wslfweb.org

AB 32 – California Assembly Bill 32 to end private prisons has been approved by the Assembly and is calendared for a hearing in the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 19. What can you do? Contact members of the Committee and urge them to support AB 32: www.sapro.senate.ca.gov

Consider donating for diapers! (See above)



Speaking at all weekend Masses:

Alison Benders, Associate Dean, Jesuit School of Theology. Her research interests include race as a social justice issue, moral transformation, and the



contributions of the Jesuit theologian Bernard Lonergan. Professor Benders is also the author of *Just Prayer*. We are privileged to hear Dr. Benders' reflections on St. Mary Magdalen at all our weekend Masses.

Concert for Saint Mary Magdalen Noon on Sunday in the Church



A 25-minute concert featuring works by Giovanni da Palestrina Francisco Guerrero & Andrea Gabrieli

Potluck Lunch following in the Rectory !

Enter via the parking lot....

In Case You Missed It...



The mini-conference that took place Saturday morning featuring Professor Velma Richmond, with responses by Fr. Michael Dodds, O.P., and our Mexicali sister parish member Doña Maria Teresa Bastidas, was filmed by

videographer Giulia Arcuri for the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology.

Information about how to view the video will be revealed in a future bulletin and on the parish website.





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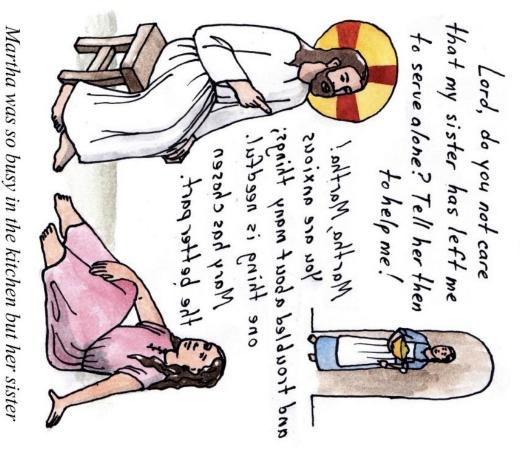
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The Kids' Bulletin

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



wasn't helping! What did Jesus say to her when

she complained to Him?

Look in the mirror to find out!

thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com

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