

September 15th, 2019 | 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 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, 11:30 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday – Saturday 8:30 am
Monday – Friday 5:30 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday – Saturday 7:55 am
Monday – Friday 5:10 pm

ROSARY

Monday – Saturday 9:00 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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BAPTISM:

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

CONFIRMATION: Classes run September-May 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 for September & October

Sept. 15 Sunday	CONCERT: A Feast of Bach with Andy Canepa 3:00 pm, Church. Harpsichord & viola de gamba
Sept. 17, 24	RCIA Classes (Inquiring about the Faith) Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
Sept. 19, 26	Faith Studies: The Story of Salvation Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
Sept. 22 Sunday	<u>4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless</u> 12:00 (set up); 2:45 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
Sept. 29 Sunday	FREE CONCERT: Bach Cantata Collective 5:00 pm, Church. BWV 61 and BWV 131
October 1, 8, 15, 29	RCIA Classes (Inquiring about the Faith) Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
October 3, 10, 17	Faith Studies: The Story of Salvation Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
October 4 Friday	1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration (Holy Hour) <i>Every first Friday after the 5:30 pm Mass (6:00 pm)</i>
October 5 & 6	Collection for the <u>Berkeley Food Pantry</u> Drop off donations in either Vestibule.
October 6 Sunday	<u>1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless</u> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
October 7 Monday	<u>St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting</u> 7:15 pm, Norton Hall. <i>All are welcome!</i>
October 11 Friday	Refugee Aid / Peace & Justice Meeting 4:00 - 5:00 pm, Norton Hall
October 11 Friday	CONCERT: Three Bs in G with Andy Canepa 8:00 pm, Church. <i>Bach, Beethoven, Brahms</i>
October 12 Saturday	TAIZÉ SERVICE – Worship in Song 8:00 pm, Church.
October 13 Sunday	KICK-OFF FOR PARISH RENEWAL! 10:30 am, Church. <i>Arise meetings during week.</i>
October 14 Monday	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED <i>Indigenous People's Day [Columbus Day]</i>
October 26 Saturday	Parish Book Group: Searching for Sunday 10:00 - 11:30 am, Parish Conference Room
October 27 Sunday	<u>4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless</u> 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall



The RCIA (**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**) process has already begun, but you can still join! RCIA classes meet weekly and are for adults inquiring about the Catholic Faith; those interested in becoming Catholic; or people who have been baptized Catholic but who have yet to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation; including baptized Christians of other faiths, and baptized Catholics who desire to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. If interested, contact Cat Nielsen, phone (510) 526-4811 ext. 113, by email rcia@marymagdalen.org, or by filling out the form at marymagdalen.org/rcia.

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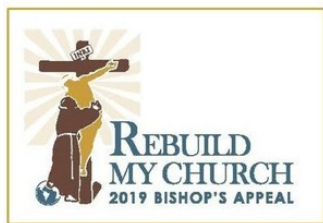
Collections: Week Ending September 8th

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
09/08/2019	\$7,915.63	\$8,843.00	-\$927.37
Year-to-Date:	\$316,415.24	\$330,005.00	-\$13,589.76

We did a bit better than last week. We also contributed \$1,335.00 to the Diocesan Priest Retirement Benefit Trust.

Bishop's Appeal: We're Nearly at Goal!

In the most recent report issued by Giles Miller, campaign manager of the Bishop's Appeal, he revealed the terrific news that St. Mary Magdalen parishioners have now pledged or donated 94.4% of our Bishop's Appeal goal!



As of this report, our Bishop has received **\$26,160.20** of his goal for St. Mary Magdalen Parish (\$27,700.00). Only a few hundred dollars more will get us over the finish line!

If you are not yet done so, please consider donating to our 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).

Walk for the Poor — September 28th

Supporters of the St. Vincent de Paul Conferences will lace up their walking shoes the last Saturday in September for the *Friends of the Poor Walk*, which will start at 9:00 am at the Fernandez Park Baseball Field, located at 595 Tennent Avenue in Pinole.

Support Our Local Walker!

Longtime parishioner **Monique Duax** is our parish representative to the Walk for the Poor. You may leave cash or a check for Monique at the Parish Office. Please make your check payable to **St. Vincent de Paul** (and be sure to write *"Walk for the Poor"* on the Memo Line.) The suggested donation amount is **\$35.00**, but our St. Vincent de Paul Conference will gratefully accept any amount you are able to give.



SAVE THE DATE!

Next Taizé Service:
**Saturday,
October 12th
at 8:00 pm**



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Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Anna Maria Lukban & Zach Joseph Lukban
	9:30	Thelma Ramos RIP
	11:30	Joan Ireland RIP
Monday	8:00	Intentions of Val Fan
	5:30	Intentions of Mary Day
Tuesday	8:00	Marjorie and Ben Mathias RIP
	5:30	Eleanor Barbanes RIP
Wednesday	8:00	Intentions of Br. Kevin Peter Cantu
	5:30	Patrick Villette RIP
Thursday	8:00	Intentions of Mary Ann Onglatco
	5:30	Intentions of Abby Karpin
Friday	8:00	Doreen Saldanha RIP
	5:30	Intentions of Alex Ubillus
Saturday	8:00	Intentions of Olivia Marie Lukban

Scripture Readings for the Week

15 th	24 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 / 1 Timothy 1:12-17 / Luke 15:1-32
16 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian] 1 Timothy 2:1-8 / Luke 7:1-10
17 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop] 1 Timothy 3:1-13 / Luke 7:11-17
18 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time 1 Timothy 3:14-16 / Luke 7:31-35
19 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Januarius, Bishop] 1 Timothy 4:12-16 / Luke 7:36-50
20 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions] 1 Timothy 6:2-12 / Luke 8:1-3
21 st	Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist] Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13 / Matthew 9:9-13

Notes from Fr. Nick

The Organization of the Roman Catholic Church

Organization and rank in the makeup of the Catholic Church is rather complicated. No one designed the Church's configuration at the beginning. Rather, it developed more or less *ad hoc* and there are more than a few anomalies. Nevertheless, it has served the Church, nearly unchanged, for more than 1500 years. This structure varies a little from one part of the world to another, and sometimes the names of Church departments and the titles of its officers differ, but it's a remarkably efficient institution. I'll just try to scratch the surface here.

The primary office in the Church is bishop. In the earliest Church, those from communities of Jewish origin called their sacramental leaders *presbyters*; those of Greek background were called *episcopos*. As the Church grew, these leaders appointed assistants who could celebrate the sacraments with outlying communities. Today's bishops trace their ancestry to *presbyters* and *episcopos*. Priests trace their heritage from these assistants of ancient bishops.

The Roman Empire provided the pattern for the Church's geographical order. Each Roman province was carved up into *dioceses* (the word means "a division of ten"), and the Church followed suit. Bishops were in charge of major cities (or market towns) and the surrounding territory, with priests assisting the bishop. A bishop in charge of a diocese is also called *the Ordinary*.

Over time, the largest cities were named *archdioceses*, and its bishops, *archbishops*. These archbishops often have assistant or auxiliary bishops, who exercise more authority than do priests. However, the only authority an archbishop exercises outside his archdiocese is to arbitrate disputes between dioceses within his province. (Note: since the Pope regularly awards the title of "archbishop" to those who work in Roman offices, the term "Metropolitan Archbishop" distinguishes those who preside over archdioceses.)

Most dioceses are subdivided into smaller units or clusters of parishes called *deaneries*, which are supervised by a *Dean*. It is the Dean's responsibility to make sure the sacramental books of parishes in the deanery are in order. He can also call meetings of pastors to coordinate ministries. For example, in our Berkeley deanery our dean is Fr. Ken Nobrega of Saint Joseph the Worker Parish.

The number two position under a Bishop is the *Vicar General*, who often functions in the bishop's absence and carries out the bishop's policies. He and the bishop work with a small group of priests appointed by the bishop, called *Consulters*. In addition, there is an elected *Presbyterial Council* representing the priests of the diocese.

The diocesan offices are called the *Chancery*. It consists of the various ministries and business functions of the diocese and is presided over by the *Chancellor*. The Chancellor need not be a priest or bishop, and ours is a layperson, Stephen A. Wilcox. An important office within the Chancery is the Tribunal which is well known, as it handles matters of Church or "Canon" law, including the granting of marriage annulments.



Small Christian Communities

Kickoff for Parish Renewal: The Week of October 13th!

- ♦ **Adult Sunday School — 10:30 am**
 - ♦ **Arise Small Faith Groups — all week**
- See the Bulletin Insert for Details.*

Parish News

A Letter from Fr. Robert Gbedolo, S.J.

Dear Friends at St. Mary Magdalen Parish,
Greetings and peace from N'Djamena, in the central part of Africa. I am really happy to email you and to give you news from my new mission field as well as to receive yours. After I left Berkeley, I spent June in



Kenya visiting friends, then July and half of August at home in Benin.

I arrived in Chad three weeks ago to begin my new assignment as head of the academic department in primary and secondary schools.

Please pray for me and my team here in this vineyard of our Lord. It is a great source of joy and communion to me here: serving the poor in the best way, and with the opportunity of education.

Missing you guys of St. Mary Magdalen Parish.

Madeleine Graduate Honored at CAIFF

MAD graduate **Robert Hess** shared accolades at the California Independent Film Festival when his film, *Sharks and Minnows*, won first prize in the short film category. Robert, who co-stars in the comedy/drama, studied film at the Berkeley Repertory Theater, and is now a student at California State University at San Diego.



Director Matthew Riutta at the California Independent Film Festival with Robert Hess and his parents, parishioners Viviane and Peter Hess.

Peace & Social Justice

Dates for Social Justice Action:

Wednesday, September 18, 6:30 pm: Welcome *Fr. Ismail Moreno (Padre Melo)* to the Bay Area.

Padre Melo is a Jesuit priest and human rights activist in his native Honduras. He is Director of Radio Progreso, a Christian-based radio station that is a national leader in investigative reporting. Hear from Honduran activists directly and help them raise funds to support their work. *St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley.*

Friday, September 20th: *Worldwide Climate Strike* led by youth who will walk out of their classes and jobs to call for action on the climate crisis.

Local strike locations: Laney College's Main Quad (Oakland, 10:00 am) and Cal's Sproul Plaza (Berkeley, 11:00 am). The timing is meant to influence the September *United Nations Youth Climate and Climate Action Summits*. For more information: www.climatestrike.net.

Saturday, September 21, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm: *"A Call to Engage This Chaotic and Painful World"* featuring *Sister Simone Campbell* at *Notre Dame High School, 1540 Ralston Avenue, Belmont*. This conference examines Pope Francis' writing, and explore the mandate for political engagement and the challenge to live 21st century holiness. Registration: www.nacar.org. Registration fees apply.

Ignatian Solidarity Network is a national Catholic organization standing up for immigrant children who are separated from families, and held in unsanitary conditions. If you would like to join their efforts and urge the Administration to end child detention, go to www.ignatiansolidarity.net "Take Action: End Immigrant Child Detention" and call the White House!

Changes in Due Process for Immigrants:

Immigration judges in four cities (including San Francisco) are reporting that the Administration's policy eliminating in-court interpreters for initial court hearings is actually causing court delays, rather than speeding up the process. Non-English speaking immigrants are now shown a video that covers information not relevant to each case, which is slowing down the hearing process.

Holy Chaos!

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The retreat will take on **Sunday, September 29th, from 1:30-6:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc Parish**, 2601 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon.

Cost: \$25 for one parent, \$40 for both. Child care available for \$10, advance registration required.

[Panels Include the Following Topics:](#)

Mass Appeal: Helping Your Kids Appreciate the Mass

Beyond the Our Father: Praying With Your Kids

Kids and Technology: the Blessing and the Challenge

Under Pressure: Helping Kids Cope with Anxiety/Depression

Why God Gave Us Bodies

For more info and/or to register, go to

<https://www.oakdiocese.org/ministries-formation/youth-ministry/holy-chaos>

School Corner

News from the School of the Madeleine:

Thank You! - MAD 2020



Our School of the Madeleine is well positioned to achieve its goals for 2020. Some of the highlights:

- ◆ The School of the Madeleine is **THRIVING** financially, educationally and spiritually.
- ◆ The **ADVISORY BOARD** and **PARENT ASSOCIATION** are integral parts of our success.
- ◆ We continue to incorporate the **FOUR DOMINICAN PILLARS** of **PRAYER, STUDY, COMMUNITY** and **SERVICE** into our curriculum, yearly schedule and long-term plans.
- ◆ The Administration and Advisory Board have made positive progress on the **DOMINICAN LEARNING LABS** building project.
- ◆ The **MAD ANNUAL FUND** plays a critical role in continuing the Mission and Goals of the school. We have had **100% family participation** for the past five years. This is an incredible accomplishment and we aim to continue it in 2020.

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 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 by email: pastor@marymagdalen.org.



Join Us

Dominican Center
**Saturday,
October 19, 2019
1-5pm**

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\$5 per child
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at
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Join us as we learn about Dia de Los Muertos and make ofrendas (altars) and paper marigolds for our home celebrations to honor our ancestors and loved ones who have died. Paper skulls will be available for coloring, and other decorations can be made for your homes. Bring your own box or buy a small one for \$2; and bring pictures, mementos, ribbons, and other things to make your personal altar to a loved one.

Facilitator: Beverly Terlep enjoys working with people of all ages to explore what it means to be human, to be body and spirit, and how to give visual expression to our spiritual lives. For over twenty- five years, Beverly has worked with individuals and groups in hospitals, churches, senior centers, and the local community dealing with spirituality, as well as self-awareness and personal growth. Beverly has an M.A. in Applied Theology from the School of Applied Theology and Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley and a post-Master's Certificate in Art Therapy from the University of California, Berkeley.



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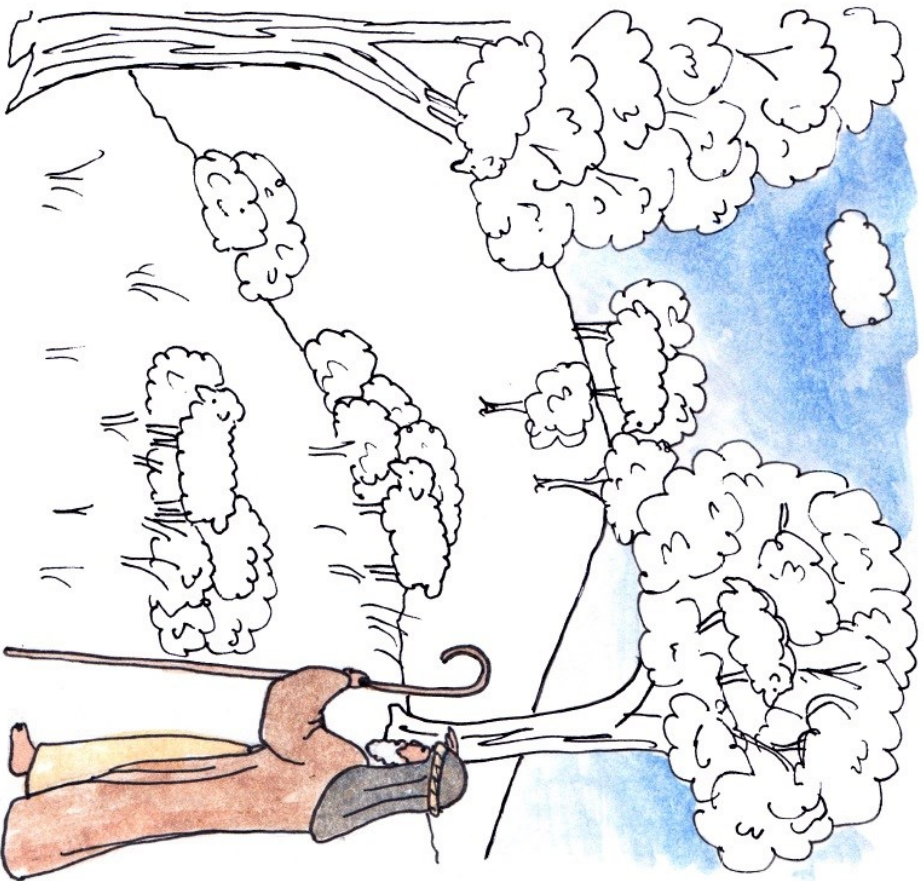
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The Kids' Bulletin

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*Jesus told us that God is like a shepherd
that cares for every one of His sheep.
There are some sheep lost in this picture.
Can you find them?
Then you can colour in the rest of the picture.*

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Fill in the Blanks: The Lost Coin

Here is part of today's Gospel reading. See if you can fill in the blanks and use the marked letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

"Or what woman, having ten silver coins,
if she _____ one coin, does not light a lamp
and sweep the house and seek diligently

until she finds it?

And when she has _____ it, she calls
together her friends and neighbors, saying,

'Rejoice with me, for I found the coin
which I had lost.'

Just so, I you, there is joy before
the angels of God over one _____ who
repents."

*This parable helps to show us how much
God _____ each of us.*

God 1 2 3 4 5

