

September 22nd, 2019 | 25th 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. 21st & 22nd	SIGN-UP TABLES for ARISE Groups! After every Mass; both entrances to the Church.
Sept. 22 Sunday	4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless 12:00 (set up); 2:45 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
Sept. 24 Tuesday	RCIA Classes (Inquiring about the Faith) Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
Sept. 26 Thursday	Faith Studies: The Story of Salvation Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
Sept. 28th & 29th	SIGN-UP TABLES for ARISE Groups! After every Mass; both entrances to the Church.
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 Berkeley Food Pantry Drop off donations in either Vestibule.
October 6 Sunday	1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
October 7 Monday	St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting 7:15 pm, Norton Hall. <i>All are welcome!</i>
October 8 Tuesday	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm, Conference Room. <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 26 Saturday	Parish Book Group: Searching for Sunday 10:00 - 11:30 am, Parish Conference Room
October 27 Sunday	4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless 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 folks 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 15 th			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
09/15/2019	\$7,661.57	\$8,843.00	-\$1,181.43
Year-to-Date:	\$324,076.81	\$338,848.00	-\$14,771.19

School is back in session and Fall has begun. Please consider increasing your donations this Fall. Thank you.



In Luke's Gospel we see Jesus sending out his disciples two by two. In the same spirit, the members of our St. Vincent de Paul conference "go out two by two" to visit with our neighbors in their homes. In the family setting, we listen and learn about the hardships of juggling bills on limited incomes, where the cost to replace car tires or brakes can put anyone behind on their bills. We pray, offer advice, and provide assistance.

Thank you for helping bring Jesus' love and mercy to the children of God. *Your generous giving during the Fifth Sunday Collection in September will help with food, gas, rent, and utility bills.*

We also invite you to join us! We meet in Norton Hall at 7:15 pm on the first Monday evening of the month. (You may call Richard at 510-524-6747 for more information.) Thank you again for helping the poor and distressed in our parish.

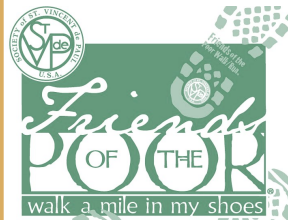
Judy & Richard, Ceara, Jennifer, and Troy

Walk for the Poor — This Saturday!

Supporters of the St. Vincent de Paul Conferences will lace up their walking shoes this Saturday 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	Intentions of Marilyn Knight
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Kelly Joseph McIver
	9:30	Walter & Alice Betschart RIP
	11:30	For the People of the Parish
Monday	8:30	Intentions of Br. Peter Ciolino, OFM Cap, & Brother Capuchins
	5:30	Intentions of Robert Kociuba
Tuesday	8:30	Carmel Mier RIP
	5:30	Intentions of Br. Luke Maria
Wednesday	8:30	Intentions of Br. Matthew
	5:30	Leonard Bowman RIP
Thursday	5:30	Intentions of Joe Fitzgerald
Friday	8:30	Intentions of Anne Godbold
	5:30	Intentions of Maria Hartman
Saturday	8:30	Doreen Saldanha RIP

Scripture Readings for the Week

22nd 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Amos 8:4-7 / 1 Timothy 2:1-8 / Luke 16:1-13

23rd Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Pius of Pietrelcina]
Ezra 1:1-6 / Luke 8:16-18

24th Weekday in Ordinary Time
Ezra 6:7-20 / Luke 8:19-21

25th Weekday in Ordinary Time
Ezra 9:5-9 / Luke 9:1-6

26th Weekday in Ordinary Time [Sts. Cosmas and Damian]
Haggai 1:1-8 / Luke 9:7-9

27th Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Vincent de Paul]
Haggai 2:1-9 / Luke 9:18-22

28th Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions; Blessed Virgin Mary]
Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15 / Luke 9:43-45

Notes from Fr. Nick

St. Vincent de Paul



Saint Vincent de Paul, whose feast takes place this Friday, had a profound impact on the Church. He worked with the poor and underprivileged and reformed the education of priests. Born in a poor small village in France in 1581, he was ordained at the age of 19. Five years later, he was captured by Barbary pirates and sold into slavery for two years, but he converted his master to Christianity and was freed.

Saint Vincent's ministry to the poor is well known. He inspired lay people and religious to work directly with the most vulnerable of the world, and that work continues today in the worldwide conferences of Saint Vincent de Paul. Members of our parish conference work directly with people living in our neighborhood to help them rise out of poverty. This can take the form of financial assistance, work programs, and counseling.

Saint Vincent also reformed seminary education. Before his time, training for the priesthood was often just an 'apprenticeship' with the local pastor. When the candidate was able to pronounce enough Latin to say the words of the Mass, the bishop would ordain him. This led to extreme inconsistencies in priestly qualification. These low standards for the clergy helped create the climate that prompted the Reformation. Vincent promoted the seminary system that, with modifications, remains in place today. Seminarians begin with training in philosophy (so they can think with precision) before a four-year program of theological training. Although seminaries have been much criticized recently, the quality of academic training remains high. Vincent founded the Confraternity of Mission or Vincentian Priests to preach and train seminarians. He also founded the Daughters of Charity to care for the poor.

Saint Vincent died in 1660 and was canonized in 1737. It's worth noting that until very recently, he was the only diocesan priest to be canonized a saint. This is likely due to the fact that religious orders have the time and money to pursue canonization of their members, while diocesan priests are on their own!

I hope you will be generous next Sunday, when we will devote our **5th Sunday Special Collection** to our St. Vincent de Paul Conference. The cost of living and the continued gentrification of Berkeley and Albany have placed people of even moderate income on the edge of financial collapse, and our St. Vincent de Paul Conference provides a safety net for many of our neighbors in need.

Perhaps more importantly, consider donating your time and talent, working directly with those who need a 'hand-up'. Our conference meets at 7:15 pm on the first Monday of every month in Norton Hall. For more information, contact Richard Vohs at rjvohs@sbcglobal.net, or simply show up at one of the meetings!



Small Christian Communities

TODAY: Sign-Ups for Small Faith Groups After All Masses!

Parish Renewal Begins on October 13th:

- ◆ **Adult Sunday School — 10:30 am**
- ◆ **Arise Small Faith Groups — all week**

Parish News



4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor

School is back in session but the 1st & 4th Sunday Dinners for the Poor & Homeless are always in session. *Can you lend a hand at this week's dinner?*

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

Peace & Social Justice

Choosing Peace – Is the Catholic Church Returning to Gospel Non-Violence?

Saturday, October 12, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. This year the *Pax Christi Northern California Annual Assembly* will be held in Berkeley at Newman Hall/Holy Spirit Church, 2700 Dwight Way (at College Avenue). Keynote speaker is *Marie Dennis*, Executive Board member of the *Catholic Nonviolence Initiative* and *Pax Christi International*. She will discuss how various non-violent approaches can effectively transform conflict, and how the institutional Catholic Church can foster peaceful solutions. Three break-out sessions will explore race, faith and immigration; war and nuclear abolition; and the spirituality of non-violence. *Information:* (510) 489-8096 or paxchristinorcal@gmail.com. This event is free, but please reserve at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com).

Who is a refugee? How does a refugee find refuge in our country?

Under U.S. law, a **refugee** is a person who is unable or unwilling to return to his or her home country because of a "well-founded fear of persecution" due to race, membership in a particular social group, political opinion, religion, or national origin. Applicants for refugee status are screened by *The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees*, a process that averages about two years. The *UN Commissioner* refers vetted refugees to a specific country for resettlement. Refugees referred to the United States must then pass several background checks and are assigned to a specific city and resettlement agency.

The *Refugee Act of 1980* established the legal basis for humanitarian admissions of refugees to the United States. Each year the president determines the number of refugees and asylum seekers who can be admitted, in consultation with Congress. The President has been accused of failing to do this.

The U.S. resettled up to 207,000 refugees annually during the 1980s. Now the caps have been significantly reduced, from 85,000 in 2016 to 30,000 in 2019. *The Trump Administration is considering lowering the cap to 10,000 (or zero) for 2020.* That decision is due on Monday, September 30th.

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Fr. Nick's "Thank-You Dinner" for Liturgical Ministers in the Rectory



Left: Sally & Dennis Smith, Joan Bell, Music Director Andy Canepa, Barbara Banks. Center: Jeremy Banks-Altekruse.



Standing: Pat Springer.
Seated: Maureen Wesolowski, Jeannie Whalen, Sharon Ceasar, James Pawlak, Velma Richmond.



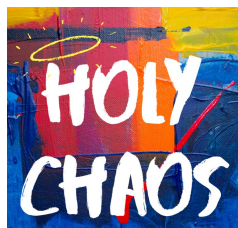
Fr. Nick serves up the pasta, made by parish staff Norah Hippolyte and Cat Nielsen.



Mark Bell and Jon Baumgartner (holding one of Fr. Nick's martinis).



Standing: Carol Seufferer & George Springer.
Seated: Bob Kelleher, Carolyn Tune, Laura Morland, Clif and Jane Taylor, new Priest-in-Residence Fr. Ngema.



Featuring Mark Hart and five other fabulous local speakers, the *Holy Chaos* retreat is on **Sunday, September 29th**, from 1:30-6:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc

Parish, 2601 San Ramon Valley Boulevard.

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

Panels Include the Following Topics:

Helping Your Kids Appreciate the Mass
Beyond the Our Father: Praying With Your Kids
Kids and Technology: Blessings and Challenges
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>

Next at the *Center for Education and Spirituality of the Dominican Sisters of Mission San José*: Former parishioner **Beverly Terlep** leads a workshop on altar-making for *El Día de los Muertos*.

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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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September 22nd, 2019



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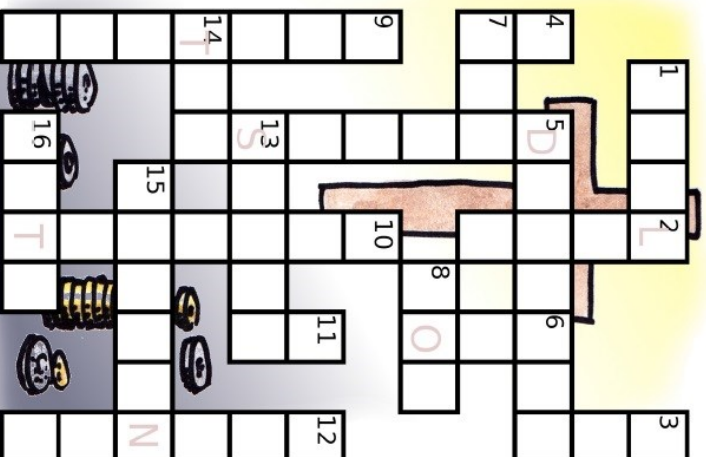
Look in the mirror to find out one of the lessons
Jesus taught from today's parable.

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Whom Do You Serve? Cross-Word

Use the words in the list to fill in the blanks in today's Gospel reading and fit them into the puzzle.

A=Across D=Down



- CANNOT
- HATE
- MASTERS
- SERVANT
- MAMMON
- THE
- SERVE
- HE
- DESPISE
- YOU
- TWO
- ONE
- LOVE
- NO
- DEVOTED
- GOD
- WILL

" _____ 4D _____ 10D can serve _____ 6D
_____ ;9D for either _____ 11D will _____ 16A
the one and _____ 2D _____ 14A other, or he
_____ 1A be _____ 5A to the _____ 7A
and _____ 5D the other. _____ 8A
_____ 12D _____ 13A _____ 3D and
_____, " 15A