

October 6th, 2019 | 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



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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)

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Monday – Friday
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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 October

October 5 & 6	Collection for the Berkeley Food Pantry Please 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 8, 15, 29	RCIA Classes (Inquiring about the Faith) Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
October 9, 16, 23, 30	SPRED (Special Religious Education) Wednesdays, 6:00—9:00 pm, Norton Hall
October 10, 17, 31	Faith Studies: The Story of Salvation Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
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 — 8:00 pm, Church. Worship in Song + Adoration of the Cross
October 13 Sunday	KICK-OFF FOR PARISH RENEWAL! 10:30 am, Church. <i>Arise meetings during week.</i>
October 18 Friday	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED <i>Indigenous People's Day [Columbus Day] Observed</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



THIS SATURDAY!

Parish Taizé Service:

Saturday, October 12th

at 8:00 pm



Berkeley Food Pantry Collection **Pickup THIS WEEKEND**

- 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.

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Collections: Week Ending September 29th

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
09/29/2019	\$7,349.64	\$8,843.00	-\$1,493.36
Year-to-Date:	\$338,660.26	\$356,534.00	-\$17,873.74

Our weekly collections are very good, but our budget is higher. Is it possible for you to increase your donations?
Thank you very much.

A Letter of Grateful Thanks

"Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"I was overwhelmed with joy to see again your generosity of heart. You are true soldiers in the army of our admirable Saviour. I am most grateful to you, and I thank you immensely.

"May our blessed Lord keep you under His tender care!"

~ Monique Duax



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take a step and change their future

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Intentions of Jim Maser
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Fr. Joseph Sergott, OP
	9:30	Akam Marc Thomas RIP
	11:30	For the People of the Parish
Monday	8:30	Jorge Mora RIP
	5:30	Intentions of Fr. Joseph Sergott, OP
Tuesday	8:30	Madeline Mancini RIP
	5:30	Intentions of Michael Mahoney
Wednesday	8:30	Intentions of Br. Philip Gerlomes, OP
	5:30	Intentions of Linda Fitzgerald
Thursday	8:00	Paul Kelly RIP
	5:30	Paul Kelly RIP
Friday	8:30	Intentions of Fr. Mark Padrez, OP
	5:30	Intentions of Chet & Monica Grycz
Saturday	8:30	Intentions of Steve & Frances Gervase

1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor



The seasons are changing but the **Dinner for the Poor and Homeless** is a constant. Can you spare some time this Sunday to help us out?

Here are the times to come: 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.** It's encouraging to receive 'reinforcements' as the Dinner winds down.

Attention all bakers! Our guests like sweets and really appreciate your desserts. Please drop them off at the Parish Hall anytime before 1:30 pm.

New to the parish? The Parish Hall is found via the steps from the parking lot. Turn left after the steps; knock on the door to the right.

Scripture Readings for the Week

6 th	27 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 / Luke 17:5-10
7 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [Our Lady of the Rosary] Joel 4:12-21/Luke 11:27-28
8 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time Jonah 3:1-10 / Luke 10:38-42
9 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [Saints Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest] Jonah 4:1-11 / Luke 11:1-4
10 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time Malachi 3:13-20 / Luke 11:5-13
11 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [St. John XXIII, Pope] Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2 / Luke 11:15-26
12 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time [Blessed Virgin Mary] Joel 4:12-21 / Luke 11:27-28

Notes from Fr. Nick

Parish Renewal: Adult Sunday School

In the first part of the 20th century, all the way through the 1960s, almost half of school-aged children attended Catholic parochial schools. In California, public school students had the option of an early dismissal one day a week so they could attend religious instruction in their churches. Although much of it was rote learning, most Catholics could claim an enviable level of religious literacy.

After the Second Vatican Council, the focus of religious education changed in significant ways. Our experience of faith became as important as our knowledge about it. This was a very positive development, but it also allocated less time for the basics of Church teaching. Today many committed Catholics often express a desire to learn more about the essentials of Christian and Catholic doctrine.

As part of our Parish Renewal, we've decided to try something that's at once old and new: **Adult Sunday School**. Beginning next Sunday at 10:40 a.m., we'll start a series of short presentations from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* in six-week modules (skipping the 4th Sunday Family Mass) throughout the year. Our goal is to give participants a grounding in Church teaching, so when topics come up in small groups, around the dinner table, or in conversations with family and friends, we'll be able to express what the Church actually teaches.

The new audiovisual equipment in the church will help make this new program possible. Whether in the classroom or at work, teaching has been revolutionized by multimedia, and we want to make full use of it. In addition, we'll provide complimentary materials for you to take home.

We're aware of the limitations in our format. Even after moving the 11:00 a.m. Mass to 11:30 a.m., we don't have much time between Masses, and a lot has to get done. Therefore the 'Question and Answer Period' will be limited. On the other hand, there is no better time or place for such a presentation than in church on Sunday morning. I'm sure we'll have some 'teething issues' but, with luck, these will be worked out and the program will run smoothly.

If you attend the 9:30 am Mass, please remain in your pews for the presentation — the coffee & donuts will wait for you downstairs! If you go to the 8:00 am Mass, please enjoy an extended Coffee Hour, and then come upstairs at 10:40 am. If you regularly attend the 11:30 am Mass, please come early!

We hope that, over time, Adult Sunday School will become a much-anticipated part of your Sunday worship, and will inform your faith throughout the week.



A few days ago Fr. Nick sent photos taken during his stop in Sorrento, including the *Basilica di Sant'Antonino* and Mount Etna.

Parish News

Arise Small Faith Groups

As most of you have heard by now, next weekend is the kickoff for our [Parish Renewal Program](#). Fr. Nick will begin his **Adult Sunday School** series at 10:40 am in the church, and the **Arise Small Faith Groups** will begin that day as well. **Arise** is a *RENEW International* program that uses the small group process to build small Christian communities. Each Arise group will comprise 8 to 10 people, and each meeting will last around 90 minutes.

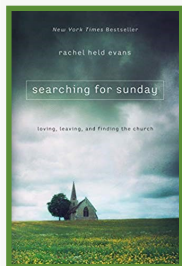
The groups will meet weekly for six weeks, beginning the week of October 13th. Times and locations are as follows (* = wheelchair-accessible location):

- Sunday 2:00 pm** Marin near the Alameda
Sally & Dennis Smith
- Tuesday 4:00 pm** Berkeley hills
Claire Broome
- Tuesday evening*** Albany
Charlie & Emma Deist
- Wednesday 7:30 pm*** Parish Conference Room
Jennifer Welch
- Thursday 1:30 pm** Rose near Bonita
Sharon Henthorn-Iwane & Laura Morland
- Thursday 5:00 pm*** Parish Conference Room
Chris DeRosa
- Friday 8:20 am*** Convent
Heather Skinner (*after school morning prayer*)
- Friday 9:00 am*** Parish Conference Room
Ann Fitzgerald
- Friday 6:30 pm*** Pinole
Soon-Young Namgoong & Dennis Colbert
- Saturday 3:30 pm*** Norton Hall
Laura Morland

If you weren't able to sign up after Mass these past two weekends, please call or stop by the Parish office this week — a few openings still remain!

The Parish Book Group Next Meets on Saturday, October 26th, 2019, at 10:00 am.

[Searching for Sunday](#) by Rachel Held Evans



“A memoir about making do and taking risks, about the messiness of community and the power of grace, *Searching for Sunday* is about overcoming cynicism to find hope and, somewhere in between, Church. Centered on the seven Sacraments, Evans' quest takes readers through a liturgical year with stories that are funny, heart-breaking, and sharply honest.”

Buy or check out *Searching for Sunday* from a nearby library & join us in the conference Room to discuss it!

Peace & Social Justice

[Refugees and The Catholic Worker](#): Last weekend our guests from *The Catholic Worker* shared their personal stories of seeking refuge in the United States, and the support they receive from *The Catholic Worker* here in Oakland. Some of you may have heard our speaker on Sunday place the Gospel reading *Luke 16:19-31* in a current context: nearly 71 million people worldwide have been displaced from their homes. Like Lazarus, they seek comfort, safety and nourishment, but cannot find sanctuary. We have so much to offer here in the United States, and our guests from *The Catholic Worker* illuminated the grace and hope of their work with refugees here in the Bay Area.

[Refugees and Quotas](#): As expected, the President announced September 27 that he is lowering the cap on refugee admissions to the United States to 18,000 for 2020. *This is the lowest number ever in the 40-year history of the refugee program*, and the fourth time Trump has reduced refugee admissions since January 2017. The President must consult with Congress over refugee admissions, but ultimately has the final say, and so destroying the refugee program has been an easy starting point to reduce overall immigration to the United States.

[Bay Area Border Relief](#) - You may be surprised at the small ways you can bring comfort to asylum seekers at the *McAllen Respite Center*, such as providing a pair of shoelaces, writing a card, or ordering a pizza to be delivered. Yes, you can do that! Read the information available on the home page of the parish website, and also on the [Peace & Justice](#) page. Together, we can make a difference!

[Friday, October 11, 11:30 am -12:30 pm](#): Please join the monthly Interfaith Vigil in solidarity for immigrant justice at 630 Sansome Street in S.F.

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

Saturday, October 12, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. The *Pax Christi Northern California Annual Assembly* will be held in Berkeley at Newman Hall/Holy Spirit Church, 2700 Dwight Way (at College Avenue). Information: paxchristinorcal@gmail.com or call (510) 489-8096. This event is free, but please reserve in advance at Eventbrite.com.



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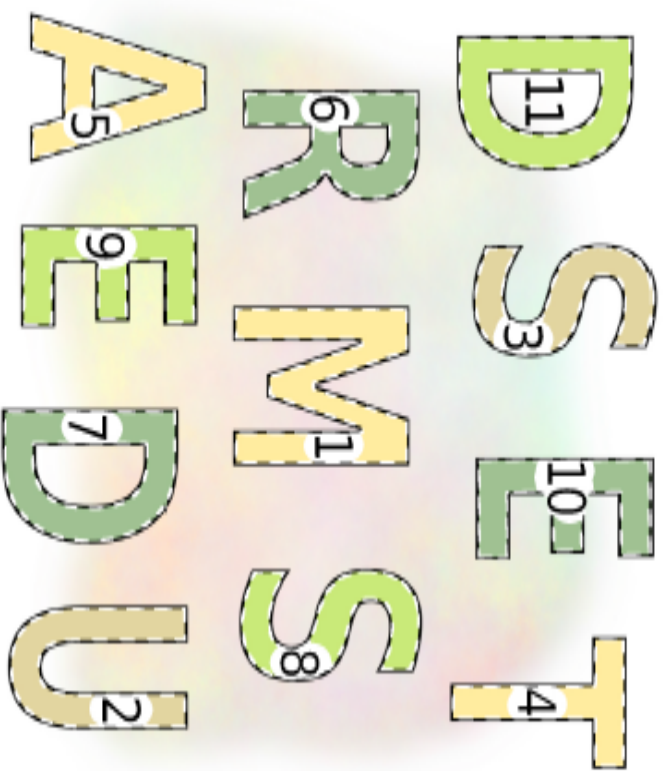
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The Kids' Bulletin

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 6th, 2019

What did Jesus say in today's Gospel reading when the apostles asked Him to give them more faith?

Sort out the letters by number and put them in the spaces below.



"If you have faith the size of a

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

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Mustard Seed Word-Find

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Here is part of today's Gospel reading. See if you can find all the words written in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

The APOSTLES SAID to the Lord, "INCREASE OUR faith." The Lord REPLIED, "If you HAVE FAITH the SIZE of a MUSTARD SEED, YOU would SAY to THIS MULBERRY TREE, 'Be UPROOTED and PLANTED in the SEA and it would OBEY you.'"

