

December 1st, 2019 | 1st Sunday in Advent, Year A

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
Closed for Lunch: Noon-1:00 pm
Phone: 510-526-4811

WEBSITE



marymagdalen.org



*“Together we share our
Faith in Jesus Christ.*

*We live the Gospel,
and we care for others.”*

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 December 2019

December 1	Collection for the Berkeley Food Pantry
Weekend	Please drop off donations in either Vestibule.
December 1	1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless
Sunday	12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
December 1	CONCERT: Cantata Collective
Sunday	5:00 pm, Church. <i>Tonia D'Amelio & Heidi Waterman</i>
December 2, 9, 16, 23	Eucharistic Adoration (Holy Hour) 6:05 pm, Church (<i>See pages 5 & 6 for more details.</i>)
December 2	St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting
Monday	7:15 pm, Norton Hall. <i>All are welcome!</i>
December 3, 10, 17	RCIA Sessions (Catechumenate) Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
December 4, 11, 18	SPRED (Special Religious Education) Wednesdays, 6:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
December 5, 12, 19	Faith Studies: <i>The Story of Salvation</i> Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
December 6	CONCERT: Women's Antique Vocal Ensemble
Friday	8:00 pm, Church. <i>Hildegard, Palestrina, Britten....</i>
December 7	MOVIE NIGHT w/ Fr. Nick: <i>Pleasantville</i>
Saturday	6:30 pm, Norton Hall. <i>Bring Potluck to Share!</i>
December 8	CONCERT: Music Sources (Harpsichord)
Sunday	5:00 pm, Church. Tickets: musicsources.org
December 13	Peace & Justice/Refugee Aid Meeting
Friday	4:00 pm, Norton Hall
December 14	TAIZÉ SERVICE with Adoration of the Cross
Saturday	8:00–9:00 pm, Church (See p. 6 for details.)
December 21	CHRISTMAS CONCERT: <i>Schola Magdalena</i>
Saturday	8:00 pm, Church
December 22	4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless
Sunday	12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
December 24	Christmas Eve: Children's Mass: 5:00 pm, Church Mass in the Night; 10:00 pm, Church
December 25	Masses of Christmas Day
Wednesday	9:00 am & 11:00 am [Parish Office will be closed.]

HELP NEEDED FOR TODAY'S 1st SUNDAY DINNER FOR THE POOR AND HOMELESS

Let's talk turkey! Today's Dinner falls on Thanksgiving weekend. Looking for a way to express your thanks? We invite you to join us; no experience is needed.

We set up/cook from **Noon to 1:00 pm**, prepare to serve at **2:45 pm**, and clean up at **3:30 pm**.

We especially need volunteers to set up (now that Mass starts at 11:30) and also to clean up.

The guests appreciate your desserts. Your sweets can be brought to the Parish Hall by **1:30 pm**.

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Collections: Week Ending November 24 th			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
11/24/2019	\$7,351.54	\$8,843.00	-\$1,491.46
Year-to-Date:	\$402,440.74	\$427,278.00	-\$24,837.26

May this Season be a time of preparation for our coming Saviour!

Berkeley Food Pantry Collection Pickup THIS WEEKEND

Please Bring One or More of the Following Items to the Vestibules next Saturday or Sunday, November 30th & December 1st.

- Canned **tuna** — low-sodium & low-fat
- **Peanut butter** (in plastic jars only)
- **Breakfast cereal** — low-sugar
- Canned **soups & beans** — low-sodium
- **Healthy snack foods** for kids
- **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, herbs, spices, cooking oil
- **Teabags**—in boxes
- **Meal replacements.**
- **Toiletries**—toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, etc.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	John Betschart RIP
Sunday	8:00	For the People of the Parish
	9:30	Christine Ndzefer Ngwane RIP
	11:30	Joan Wendell RIP
Monday	8:30	Jewel De Bellis RIP
	5:30	Alice Mazzucchi RIP
Tuesday	8:30	Intentions of Br. Matthew Pancoe
	5:30	Intentions of Carlos Reyes
Wednesday	8:30	Martin Alonso RIP
	5:30	Intentions of John & Constance Dalton
Thursday	8:30	Intentions of Benedetta Pilla
	5:30	Intentions of Walter & Evelyn Betschart
Friday	8:30	Intentions of Br. Matthew Pancoe
	5:30	Intentions of Matthew Wahl
Saturday	8:30	Intentions of Renato Fringuello



Hosted by
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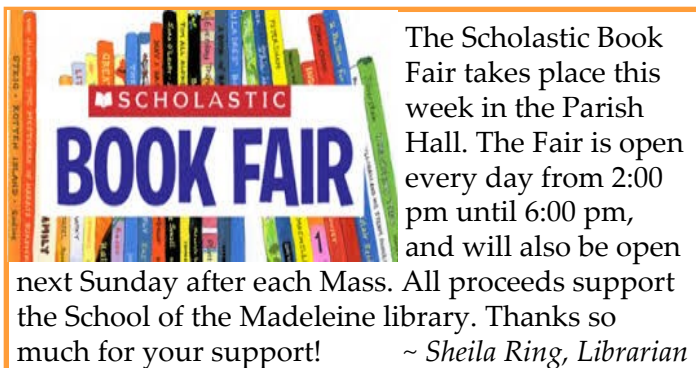
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SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair takes place this week in the Parish Hall. The Fair is open every day from 2:00 pm until 6:00 pm, and will also be open next Sunday after each Mass. All proceeds support the School of the Madeleine library. Thanks so much for your support!

~ Sheila Ring, Librarian

Scripture Readings for the Week

1 st	1 ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Isaiah 2:1-5 / Romans 13:11-14 / Matthew 24:37-44
2 nd	Weekday in Advent Isaiah 4:2-6 / Matthew 8:5-11
3 rd	Weekday in Advent [Saint Francis Xavier, Priest] Isaiah 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24
4 th	Weekday in Advent [Saint John Damascene] Isaiah 25:6-10a / Matthew 15:29-37
5 th	Weekday in Advent Isaiah 26:1-6 / Matthew 7:21-27
6 th	Weekday in Advent [Saint Nicholas, Bishop] Isaiah 29:17-24 / Matthew 9:27-31
7 th	Weekday in Advent [Saint Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor] Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 / Matthew 9:35—10:1-8

Parish Renewal: Photos from the Plenary Meeting of ARISE Group Members



Dinner on the patio: Caroline Swinehart chats with Patty Lipinska, while Clif & Jane Taylor and Ann Fitzgerald seem amused by their conversation with Vince Lipinski.



The Plenary Session began with the first speaker, Gordon Graham, informing the assembled ARISE members of results of the discussion on Parish Renewal at his Thursday afternoon small faith session.



Claire Broome (center, both photos), Chair of the Parish Renewal Committee, addressed the members present from the nine small faith groups which had met for the past six weeks. A representative from each group delivered a brief report to the plenary session.

An Historic Event: Three Pastors Celebrate the Life of Jerry Thomas



Upper left: Two recent former pastors, Fr. David Farrugia, OP (left) and Fr. Carl Schlichte, OP (right), concelebrated the funeral of decades-long parishioner Jerome (Jerry) Thomas. Parishioners were privileged to hear Fr. David preach for the first time in nearly a decade. He and Fr. Nick distributed the Eucharist to the packed assembly. Fr. Carl later hobnobbed with old friends at the reception.

Parish News

What is the *Buck\$ for Blanket\$* Campaign?

You can help asylum-seekers awaiting immigration hearings at the border who are enduring the squalid conditions at the Matamoros, Mexico, encampment, where health workers are now seeing [cases of frostbite!](#) Making a donation to *Buck\$ for Blanket\$* [see column at right] will provide much-needed blankets for refugees.



The *Peace & Justice Committee* of St. Mary Magdalen has already sent \$500.00 to the **Buck\$ for Blanket\$** campaign.

However, our goal is to provide 100 blankets before Christmas! The cost will be \$2,500.00.

Please prayerfully give what you are able.

Why Spend Time in Eucharistic Adoration?



According to Saint Pope John Paul II: "Our communal worship at Mass must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic adoration in order that our love may be complete." (*Redeemer of Man.*)

In the encyclical *Dominicae Cenae*, he wrote: "***The Church and the world have a great need of eucharistic adoration.***"

Adoration will take place tomorrow (December 2nd) and on all the subsequent Mondays of Advent, immediately after the 5:30 pm Mass (approximately 6:05 pm). The people who come to this hour of prayer do so to find some quiet time to be with God, to discern the movement of God in their lives, and to dive more deeply into building a relationship with the divine.

Consider attending at least one of these evenings of communal contemplation before the Lord.

Peace & Justice

Join the *Buck\$ for Blanket\$* Campaign!

Make a donation on the Parish website to *Refugee Aid* (under [Special Collections](#)) or drop off a check at the office (specify *Refugee Aid* on the memo line). The *Peace & Justice Committee* will then donate to *Buck\$ for Blanket\$*. [Campaign details at left.]

New Trump Administration Policy Sets a Dismal Historical Record

For the first time in American history, large numbers of refugees can now be returned to a third country without their consent. Under the so-called 'Safe Third Country' policy, asylum seekers from El Salvador and Honduras may now be sent to Guatemala for processing rather than be allowed to seek protection at our southern border.

The *United Nations High Commission on Refugees* has expressed "serious concerns" about this agreement between the U.S. and Guatemala, and *Department of Homeland Security* officials privately stated that Guatemala is not equipped to take in refugees. The humanitarian crisis is being pushed out of our sight, but we cannot let it be forgotten. As the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops reminds us: "*Rather than turn away the vulnerable, we must answer the call to act with compassion towards those in need ...*"

Bread for the World: Consider picking up an envelope in the vestibule of the church and becoming a member. Or visit [bread.org](#). Members receive a quarterly newsletter explaining what our government does to alleviate hunger. ***Bread for the World*** is not a charity, but a highly effective lobbying organization for legislation and policies to reduce hunger at home and abroad.

Poor People's Campaign 2020: A National Call for Moral Revival

The campaign will be in San Francisco on Wednesday, December 11th, and is designed to raise public awareness of the need to address environmental degradation, poverty, racism, violence and other social ills. Meet at San Francisco City Hall at 6:00 pm for the march through San Francisco to Glide Church, 300 Ellis Street.

For more details, see [poorpeoplescampaign.org](#).

SAVE THESE DATES !

The Giving Tree

Holiday Outreach
2019 Has Arrived!



On Thanksgiving Day, a Giving Tree was placed in the church. Its ornaments indicate gifts for young children, Target Gift Cards, or monetary contributions. **On Sunday, December 15th, we'll welcome volunteers of all ages to help sort and wrap the gifts from 8:00 am to Noon.** Please drop off unwrapped gifts on Sunday, December 15th, between 8:00 and 11:00 am in the Parish Hall. You can also drop off donations (before Dec. 15th) at the Rectory. Make out checks to St. Mary Magdalen with « HO » on the memorandum line. *Thanks for your support!*

HOLY HOUR
Will Take Place at
6:05 pm on MONDAY,
DECEMBER 2nd, 9th,
16th & 23rd



Exposition and Benediction (Holy Hour) will take place on all four Mondays of Advent.

Please join your fellow parishioners as we are led by Fr. Laurent, Fr. Ngema, and Dn. Stanley.

Bishop Fulton Sheen once wrote, "Every parish observing regular times of adoration will thrive." We are fortunate to be able to spend an hour in meditative prayer before our Blessed Sacrament.

Parish Movie Night:



TOBEY MAGUIRE JEFF DANIELS JOAN ALLEN
WILLIAM H. MACY J.T. WALSH AND REESE WITHERSPOON

With the assistance of parishioner Ben Stone, Fr. Nick has started a tradition of *Parish Movie Nights*. This Saturday we'll screen a stunning sociological drama, Gary Ross' *Pleasantville*.

Nominated for three Oscars, this unforgettable film spans the genres of science fantasy and social comedy.

Come to Norton Hall after the 5:30 pm Mass on **Saturday, December 7th.**

Potluck welcome!

Senior
Christmas Luncheon
THURS., DECEMBER 12TH AT NOON



Registration for the Senior Luncheon has now begun! You can register by phoning 526-4811 or visiting the parish office; with Carolyn during Coffee Hour; or at marymagdalen.org/xmaslunch.

Taizé Service



Taizé Service on Saturday, Dec. 14th

The next Taizé service will take place from 8:00 to 9:00 pm on **Saturday, December 14th** in the church. Come, join us in song, prayer, and adoration of the Cross!

What is Taizé ?

Read: tinyurl.com/what-is-taize

Les Fils Médiévaux:



Featuring pieces from the:

Cantigas de Santa Maria
Llibre Vermell
Roman de Fauvel

and works by:

Dufay ~ Binchois ~ Anchieta



Featuring:

The Schola Magdalena, voices
Letitia Berlin & Francis Feldon, recorders
Roy Whelden, vielle, viola da gamba
Amy Brodo, viola da gamba
Cheryl Ann Fulton, harps
Andy Canepa, conductor and percussion



Saturday, December 21st
8:00 p.m. in the Church

Tickets range from \$15 to \$35

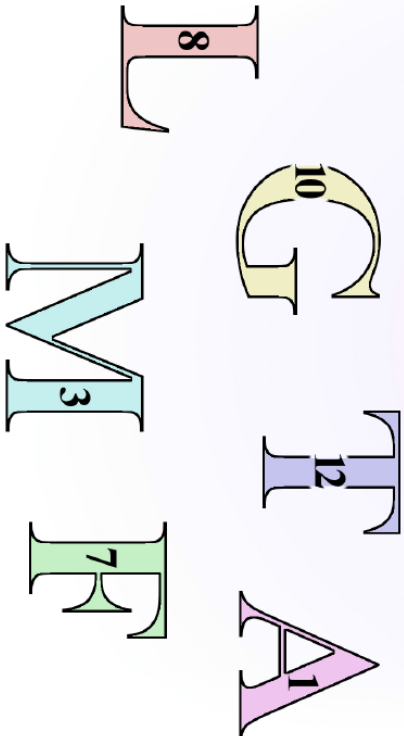
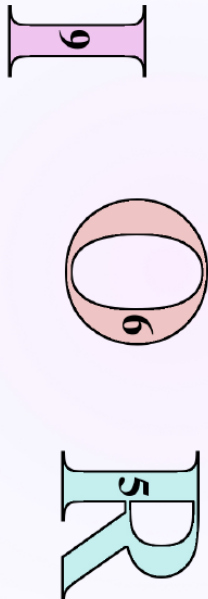
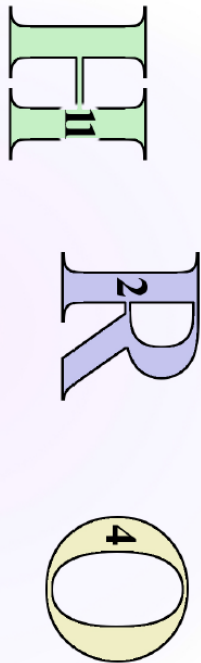
Advance (discount) tickets: medievalthreads.bpt.me



The Kids' Bulletin

First Sunday of Advent
December 1st, 2019

Sort the letters to fill in the blanks at the bottom



*In today's second reading
Saint Paul tells the Romans to throw off the
works of darkness and put on the*

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

thekidsbulletin.com

Fill in the Blanks: The Lord is Coming!



*Use the words in the list at the bottom to fill in the blanks in today's Gospel reading.
Use the letters in the boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.*

As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

In those days the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah the ark.

They did not know until the flood came and them all away.

So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man.

Two will be out in the field; one will be , and one will be left.

Two women will be at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left.

Therefore, awake!
For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.

STAY ENTERED MEN BEFORE
GRINDING TAKEN CARRIED

