

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
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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 from September through 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 with a priest.

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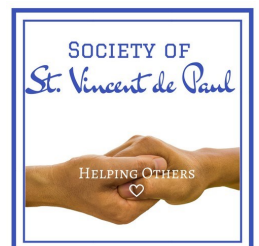


Parish Calendar for January

December 28 & 29	Anointing of the Sick at all Today's Masses (The sacrament takes place on every 5th Sunday.)
December 28 & 29	Special Collection for St. Vincent de Paul At all Masses, or via marymagdalen.org/donate
January 1 Wednesday	Holy Day of Obligation-Solemnity of the BVM Masses at 8:30 am & 5:30 pm
January 2 9, 16, 23, 30	Faith Studies: The Story of Salvation Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, Norton Hall
January 3 Friday	Eucharistic Adoration (Holy Hour) 6:05 pm, Church (First Fridays of the month.)
January 5 Sunday	1st Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
January 6 Monday	St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting 7:15 pm, Norton Hall. All are welcome!
January 7 14, 21 & 28	RCIA Sessions (Catechumenate) Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
January 8 15, 22, 29	SPRED (Special Religious Education) Wednesdays, 6:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall
January 10 Friday	Peace & Justice/Refugee Aid Meeting 4:00 pm, Norton Hall All are welcome!
January 11 Saturday	Training for Eucharistic Ministers & Servers 9:00 am - Noon, Norton Hall & Church
January 11 Saturday	Parish Book Group: The Little Paris Bookshop 10:00 - 11:30 am, Conference Room
January 12 19 & 26	Fr. Nick's Adult Sunday School – 2nd Session 10:40 am, Church.
January 14 Tuesday	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Conference Room. All are welcome.
January 17 Friday	CONCERT: Music Fundraiser for the Parish 8:00 pm, Church (Details to come.)
January 19 Sunday	CONCERT: Music Sources @ 5:00 pm , Church Uccellini, Muffat, Bach, Royer, and Mondonville.
January 25 Saturday	3rd Annual Parish Leadership Conference 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, St. Perpetua, Lafayette
January 26 Sunday	4th Sunday Dinner for the Poor & Homeless 12:00 (set up); 3:00 pm (dinner), Parish Hall
January 27 Monday	Lecture / Discussion: The Church & Politics 7:00 pm, Norton Hall

How to Help our Neighbors

The St. Mary Magdalen Conference of St. Vincent de Paul asks for your donations only four times a year. **This weekend, December 28th & 29th, you will find envelopes in the pews for this special collection.** Your generosity will help our Berkeley and Albany neighbors in need.



Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, Year A ~ December 29th, 2019

Due to the early publication deadline, the collection of December 22nd will be reported next week.



The first Exposition (Holy Hour) of 2020 will take place at 6:05 pm Friday, January 3rd.

“The Blessed Sacrament is the ‘Living Heart’ of each of our churches and it is our very sweet duty to honor and adore the Blessed Host, which our eyes see, the Incarnate Word, whom they cannot see.”

(Pope Paul VI, *Credo of the People of God*)

“Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love.”

(Pope John Paul II, *Dominicae Canae*)



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Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Peggy Reskin RIP
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Anthony Joseph Lukban
	9:30	For the People of the Parish
	11:30	Intentions of Silloway Family
Monday	8:30	Intentions of Tameka Robinson
	5:30	Intentions of Carlos Reyes
Tuesday	8:30	Intentions of Reyes-Lazo Family
	5:30	Pete Hurd RIP
Wednesday	8:30	Marjorie Mathias RIP
	5:30	For the People of the Parish
Thursday	8:30	Avril Saldanha RIP
	5:30	Alex Adelman RIP
Friday	8:30	Intentions of Br. Matthew Francis Pancoe
	5:30	Intentions of Fr. Michael Dodds OP
Saturday	8:30	Puriza Abrea Duremdes RIP

Berkeley Food Pantry Collection Pickup NEXT WEEKEND

Please Bring One or More of the Following Items to the Vestibules next Saturday or Sunday, January 4th & 5th.

- 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.

A Message from our Respect for Life Team

On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court legalized abortion throughout the United States in its companion decisions *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*. Since that time, millions of women and families have been wounded by abortion. This January, join the Respect for Life team in praying for the protection of unborn children. Keep an eye on upcoming bulletins for more details on the **9 Days for Life Novena** (Jan 21-29), **Walk for Life** (Jan 25), and the launch of **The Gabriel Project** here at our church (Feb 1). Please contact Emma Deist if you are interested in joining this new ministry (emmagracedeist@gmail.com).

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 29th *HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH*
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 / Colossians 3:12-21 / Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23
- 30th *6th Day of the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord*
1 John 2:12-17/Luke 2:36-40
- 31st *7th Day of the Octave of the Nativity [St. Sylvester I]*
1 John 2:18-21 / John 1:1-18
- 1st *SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD*
Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Luke 2:16-21
- 2nd *Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen*
1 John 2:22-28 / John 1:19-28
- 3rd *Weekday in Christmas [The Most Holy Name of Jesus]*
1 John 2:29—3:6 / John 1:29-34
- 4th *Weekday in Christmas [St. Elizabeth Ann Seton]*
1 John 3:7-10 / John 1:35-42

Notes from Fr. Nick

Happy New Year!

Nothing can completely prepare us for what is to come, and life would be rather boring if we could. Nevertheless, there are some obvious ways we can be prayerfully ready for what this new year presents:

Maintain contact with your community. If you come to church but remain mentally and spiritually in your own space, you'll be missing a primary way that God communicates with us. The Church is worthy of its name when we worship together. Beyond this, knowing other people and relying on them helps us to confront the challenges life presents us, as well as to enhance our appreciation of its joys.



Parable of the Wedding Feast. 2014. Canvas, oil. A.N. Mironov

Have a sense of humor. As far as we know, human beings are the only species that truly laughs. Beyond allowing us to cope with uncomfortable or even impossible situations, humor helps us see the irony in life and to deal with it creatively. Too often we believe that Church should be 'serious'. Instead, we should relax and be amused at ourselves whenever we are caught in the act of being human. I suspect that God laughs a lot more than we do!

May God's blessings be upon you and all your endeavors in the coming year.

Embrace surprises. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells the story of a bridegroom who invited guests to a wedding and nobody would come. Rather than cancelling his plans, he went out into the 'bad part of town' and invited everybody. The poor and rejected had no other plans, and so they celebrated with him. (22:1-14) How often do we refuse an invitation just because it would shake us out of our routine? Sometimes there is a legitimate reason for saying "no," but all too often we miss out on wonderful opportunities because we refuse to seize the moment.



SAVE THE DATE!

3rd Annual Parish Leadership Conference

Saturday, January 25th, 2020

9:00 am - 3:00 pm, St. Perpetua Parish, Lafayette

Topic: *Parish Renewal as we Approach our Centenary*

Parish News

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

**Holy Day of Obligation
for all Catholics in the
United States**

**Masses:
8:30 am & 5:30 pm**
Preceded by Morning
& Evening Prayer



Please Pray for our RCIA participants as they continue their journey toward full reception into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

Catechumens

Bach
Camillo
Morino
Yassin



Candidates

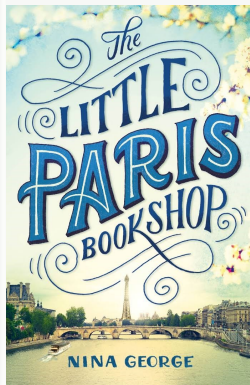
Edith
Lexi
Jeremy
Rhonda

The Parish Book Group Next Meets on
Saturday, January 11th, 2019, at 10:00 am.

The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George

With "The Little Paris Bookshop," No. 16 on the hard-cover fiction list, Nina George has her first bona fide international hit, the tale of a lovelorn bookseller who peddles his wares from a barge on the Seine and sees his calling as one part matchmaker, one part witch doctor. "There are books that are suitable for a million people, others for only a hundred," he explains. "There are even remedies — I mean books — that were written for one person only."

~ The New York Times



Buy or check out *The Little Paris Bookshop* from a nearby library and join us in the Conference

Peace & Justice

INTERFAITH VIGIL

Friday, January 10th, 11:30 am — 12:30 pm

Join the interfaith community in solidarity with immigrants and refugees seeking safety and new lives in the U.S. It meets monthly in front of the U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services Building, 630 Sansome St., S.F. (You may simply show up and join others outside the building.)



Be Informed!

Resources for immigration information: american-immigrationcouncil.org and the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops' justiceforimmigrants.org

Please consider joining the Parish *Peace & Justice Committee*, which meets monthly in Norton Hall at 4:00 pm on the second Friday after the second Wednesday (check the Bulletin or website for precise dates!). **Our next meeting will take place at 4:00 pm on Friday, January 10th.**

Supreme Court Halts Capital Punishment for Federal Prisoners:

The Supreme Court intervened and halted the December-January executions Attorney General Barr had ordered in July. Federal executions were stopped 16 years ago, but the Trump Administration has wanted to resume the practice. There are pending legal fights, and the Administration may still prevail in re-instituting the death penalty for federal prisoners, but the scheduled executions were not carried out because of the Supreme Court action. In 2018, Pope Francis updated the *Catholic Catechism* to read: "The death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person," and the Church "works with determination for its abolition worldwide."



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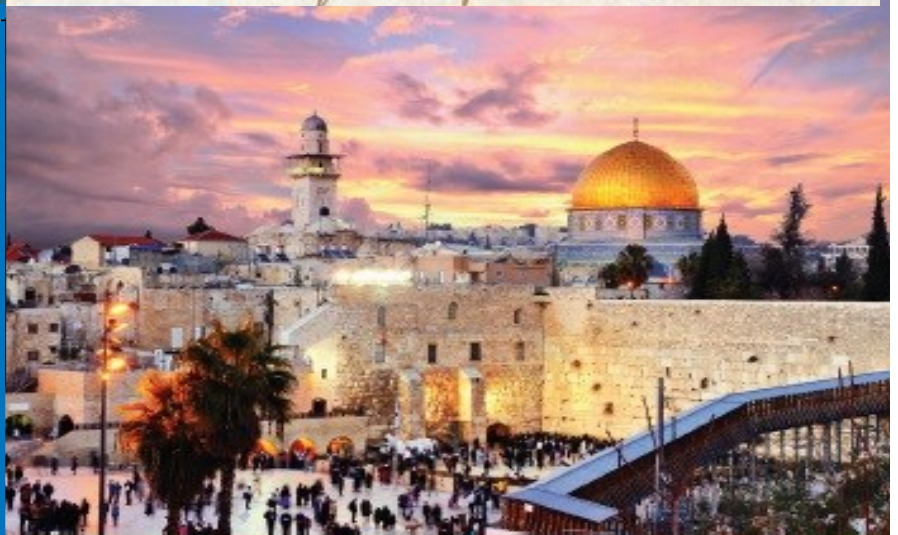
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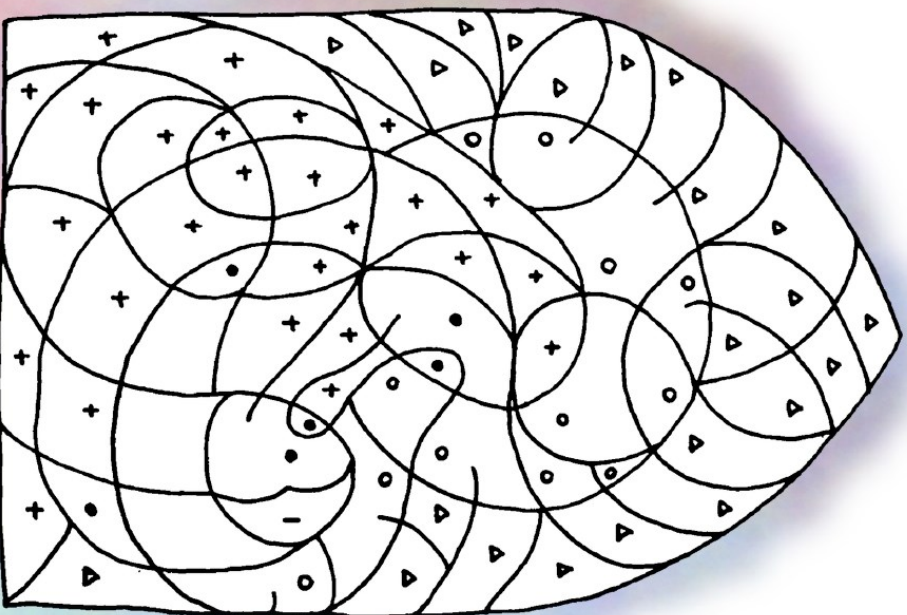
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The Kids' Bulletin

Mary the Mother of God



Whose feast is it on New Year's Day?

Colour in the spaces to see! Here's the code:

- + Blue
- ! Brown
- ▲ Pink
- Skin colour
- Yellow

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Octave of Christmas Word-Find



Can you find all the words in the list in the puzzle below?
Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

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|-----------|--------|-----------|
| ANGELS | GLORY | PRAISE |
| ANIMALS | GOD | SAVIOUR |
| BABY | HOLY | SHEEP |
| BARN | JESUS | SHEPHERDS |
| BETHLEHEM | JOSEPH | SING |
| BORN | MANGER | SKY |
| COLD | MARY | STABLE |
| FIELDS | MOTHER | WONDER |
| FOUND | NIGHT | WORSHIP |

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On the eighth
day of
Christmas we
honour in a
special way
