

Rev. Nicholas Glisson, Pastor
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Notes from Fr. Nick

Our Catholic School

Did you attend Catholic school when you were young? If you did, you participated in a subculture that shaped you and how you see the world — hopefully, in a very positive way. This Catholic formation has been celebrated in plays that run the gamut from *Do Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?* to *Doubt*.

Catholic schools are known for their academic standards, but schooling is more than the acquisition of knowledge. Religious teaching is integrated into the Catholic school curriculum that cannot be obtained in other settings. The quality in Catholic education that stands out most to me is the molding of boys and girls into well-rounded Christian men and women. Ideally, this formation activates Gospel teachings into a habit of being. Graduates of Catholic schools should be so steeped in Christ's message that they mostly go about Christian living without having to think about it.

Let it be known that all these qualities are alive and well at the School of the Madeleine. As a testament to our academic standing, Catholic high schools actively recruit our eighth-graders. The students regularly participate in the worship life of the school and parish, and they engage in apostolic work for the larger community. Finally, there is an *esprit de corps* among our student body that comes from a renewed sense of discipline. Madeleine students are taking the first steps necessary in becoming the professionals of tomorrow.

It can be said without exaggeration that this academic year has been the most challenging in our school's existence. Yet we have thrived in spite of livestream classes, distance learning, and disrupted schedules. Our administration, faculty and staff have had to re-learn everything they knew about pedagogy, and are better and more resourceful on account of it. Further, our students and their families have been extraordinarily flexible as they have adapted to learning under the pandemic. Let us hope that life will return to 'normal' soon, but that we will be the better for having lived through these trying times.

If you have school-aged children or grandchildren, consider sending them to the School of the Madeleine. We offer a preparation for life that goes far beyond knowledge. If your children are no longer school-aged, consider volunteering your time to promote our school. You'll be furthering a fine tradition that makes our society a better place to live and promotes the message of Jesus Christ.

Annual Parish Conference

This coming Saturday — January 30th — is our Fourth Annual Parish Conference — on Zoom!

Schedule: 10:00 am: morning session moderated by Deacon Jeff. Speaker, Joel Thompson, SJ.
11:30 am: Lunch Break. A special (discount) meal can be ordered ahead from *Agrodolce Osteria*.
1:30 pm: 'Breakout' and closing sessions.

Topic: *How do we evangelize ourselves and our surrounding communities?*

Moderator: Deacon Jeff Burns, Ph.D.

Speaker: Joel Thompson, SJ

How to Register? Call the office (510-526-4811) or email Norah at parish@marymagdalen.org

Please call the office soon to order your lunch!

"Together we share our Faith in Jesus Christ."

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MASS TIMES

Sunday 9:00 am — Livestream Mass

Sunday 11:00 am — Dominican Garden

OFFICE HOURS

Monday — Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed for Lunch: Noon-1:00 pm

Phone: 510-526-4811

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm
(and by appointment)

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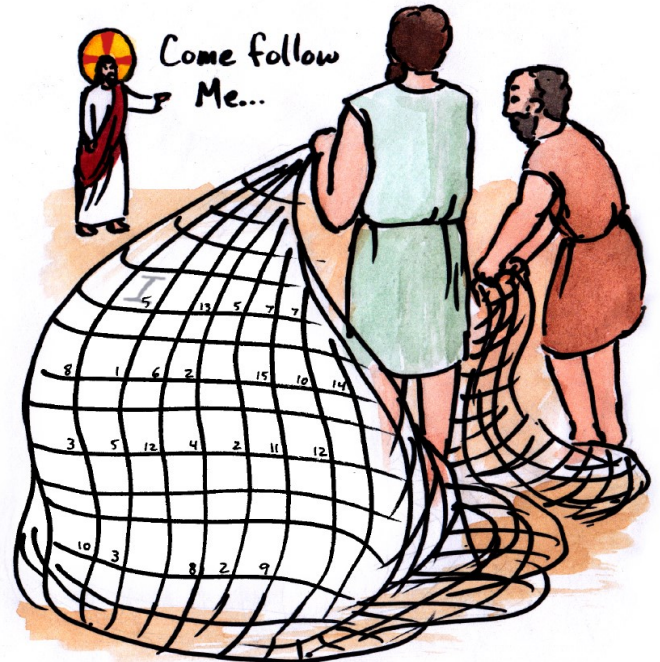
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The Kids' Bulletin

What else did Jesus say when He called the fishermen?

Find the letters that match the numbers in the net to fill in the spaces in the net and find out!

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A E F H I K L M N O R S W U Y
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

JONAH GOES TO NINEVEH: TRUE OR FALSE?

How well do you know the second part of Jonah's story?
Which of these are true and which are false?

1. After Jonah's incident with being inside a whale for three days, God asked him to go to Nineveh again. True or false?
2. Jonah refused to do what God asked this time too. True or false?
3. Nineveh was only a small city, so Jonah walked across it in a couple hours. True or false?
4. Jonah cried out that in forty days the city would be overthrown. True or false?
5. The people ignored Jonah and went on with their lives. True or false?
6. All the people believed in God, proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth. True or false?
7. God saw what the people were doing and decided that the city would not be overthrown. True or false?



January 24th, 2021 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collection for the Week Ending January 17 th , 2021			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
01/17/2021	\$5,833.30	\$8,471.00	-\$2,637.70
Year-to-Date	\$21,555.29	\$25,413.00	-\$3,857.71

Our weekly goal for 2021 is \$8,471.00.
This goal is \$358.00 lower than last year's goal. Let's do it!

Last Chance to Support Andy's Parish Fundraiser!

- Our Music Director, **Andy Canepa**, is presenting the same Beethoven solo piano concert *five times*: twice on the internet (*maximum number of attendees: 100*), and three times in the church: (*maximum number of attendees: 9*).
- Please support Andy's and parishioner and caterer **Lourdes Guzman's** hard work for this, our first fundraiser of 2021. All dates are *this weekend* (Jan. 22nd-24th).
- Note: you must call the parish office at 510-526-4811 to order your tickets;** they cannot be purchased online.

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 24th *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*
John 3:1-5, 10 / 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 / Mark 1:14-20
- 25th *Feast: Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle*
Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 / Mark 16:15-18
- 26th *Memorial: Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops*
2 Timothy 1:1-8 / Mark 3:31-35
- 27th *Weekday [St. Angela Merici]*
Hebrews 10:11-18 / Mark 4:1-20
- 28th *Memorial: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor*
Hebrews 10:19-25 / Mark 4:21-25
- 29th *Weekday*
Hebrews 10:32-39 / Mark 4:26-34
- 30th *Weekday [Blessed Virgin Mary]*
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 / Mark 4:35-41

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Teresa Garcia RIP
Sunday	9:00	Marie Smith RIP
	11:00	For the People of the Parish
Monday	8:30	Teresa Hansen RIP
	5:30	Gerald Pilz RIP
Tuesday	8:30	Flora J. West RIP
	5:30	Marybeth Lynch RIP
Wednesday	8:30	Rita V. Fields RIP
	5:30	Intentions of André Sanchez
Thursday	8:30	Julian Guerrero RIP
	5:30	Intentions of Fr. Anthony Rosevear, OP, and the Dominican Novices
Friday	8:30	Harry Brill RIP
	5:30	Roberta Quan RIP
Saturday	8:30	Intentions of Fr. Stanley Goh, SJ

Peace & Justice Notes

Tonight, Sunday, January 24th, 7:00-8:30 pm:

Interfaith Prayer Service for Racial Atonement.

Sponsored by the *Peacemakers Ministry of St. Joan of Arc Church (San Ramon)*. All are invited to join (via Zoom) in an evening of prayer, reading, story, song, and acknowledgement of "our individual sorrows and shortcomings with regard to racism." To register or participate, see the link at marymagdalen.org.

Multiple parishes have embarked on this critical work. Our parish will offer its second racial justice program (*JustFaith & Racial Healing*) in February. See the note below or visit [our parish website](http://ourparishwebsite) for more information about our groups here at SMM.

Your Help Needed! *SHARE* is seeking to raise \$112,450 for emergency support in El Salvador and Honduras, (1) for *Food Baskets*, and (2) *Seeds of Hope* for planting. These communities have been devastated by violence, natural disasters and Covid-19. A Mercy Sister in Honduras put it bluntly: "People will simply die here, if not from the virus, from hunger." Tax-deductible donations of any amount will help offset the crushing blow of lost work, healthcare costs, and hunger alleviation. You can donate online at share-elsalvador.org or send your check to the *SHARE* Foundation, 2425 College Ave., Berkeley 94704. Your donation is a way to address the **root causes** of outward migration from these countries.

Join a JustFaith Group during Lent!

You are invited to be part of St. Mary Magdalen's ongoing commitment to small groups to discuss our faith with fellow parishioners. Over a period of 8 weeks, two different Small Faith programs will support prayerful discussion of current issues, and renew our commitment to faith and action. Groups will meet virtually, on Zoom.

A full description of the two programs (*Racial Healing* and *Engaging Spirituality*) with the scheduled meeting times (Tuesday through Thursday, afternoon and evening choices) is available on the Parish website. All are welcome and invited to participate.

While *Racial Healing* is our second racial justice program, it is not necessary to have participated in the first one.

Email the Parish Office (rsvp@marymagdalen.org) or call (510) 526-4811 to sign up for either *JustFaith* program.

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