

Mary Magdalen Festival 2021

Saturday, July 24—Sunday, July 25

Rev. Nicholas Glisson, Pastor
The Most Rev. Michael C. Barber, SJ, Bishop of Oakland



Notes from Fr. Nick

Cynicism

The goal of ancient Greek cynics was to live a life of extreme virtue freed from want. Cynics offered the possibility of happiness and freedom from suffering in uncertain times. Cynics often espoused extremely ascetic lives. This is far from my mental picture of today's cynics: people who have an opinion on just about everything, and rail against all who do not agree with them or meet their standards. There is a certain comfort in forming an opinion, then passing judgment on all those who can't or won't follow along.

I think it's important to distinguish the cynic from the skeptic. Skeptics are leery of accepting things at face value. They want evidence to back up the validity of others' claims. "Prove it!" is the skeptic's maxim. Skeptics often keep us from charging down avenues of thought which turn out to be cul-de-sacs.

Cynics, on the other hand, dismiss and even scorn other people's ideas outright. Often this is because the other person belongs to an age group, lifestyle, political party, ethnicity, or geographical region that the cynic has already rejected. The cynic assumes that others are motivated purely out of self-interest. The cynic paints with a very broad brush, and his or her pallet is always dark.

On the political right, cynical people conceived and spread many of the conspiracy theories that called the previous presidential election into question. However, liberals and progressives are not immune from cynicism. As I walked down Hopkins Street last summer, a guy yelled from his car, "Take off the cowboy hat, you racist!" I doubt he was aware that I choose to live with people of color — the hat was enough to brand me.

Cynicism stifles debate, cuts off creative solutions, and forces people to choose sides. Maybe the most miserable thing about cynics is their anger. Blind righteousness corrodes their sense of humor, sympathy, and trust in others. They sit alone in their silos, laptops in hand, interacting only with those who agree with them.

Are you a cynic? It's very easy to slip into cynicism. It can start with healthy skepticism, but when we see dark motivations behind uncomfortable ideas, the cynic inside us begins to develop. If others agree with us, we're well on the way. At this juncture, our concerns may be very valid and require addressing. But when we stop respecting others because our opinions differ, we've fallen into the cynic's trap. The best antidote is to remain humble, maintain a sense of humor, and truly engage our opponents as human beings.

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

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

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:30 pm—Vigil Mass
Sunday 9:00 am—Livestream Mass
Sunday 11:00 am—Dominican Garden

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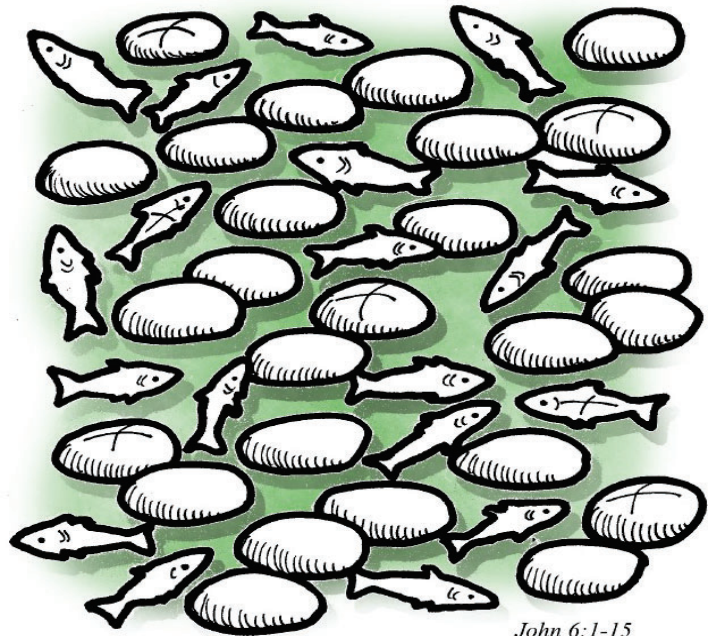
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The Kids' Bulletin

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John 6:1-15

*When five thousand people came to hear Jesus,
 He turned one boy's bread and fish
 into enough for everyone.
 How much did He have to start with?
 Colour and count the loaves and fishes
 with crosses on them to find out!*

Loaves and Fishes Word-Find



*See if you can find all
 the words in CAPITALS.
 Use the leftover letters
 to fill in the blanks
 at the end.*

E A T E N C R O W D
 B R E A D G M U B L
 A B S N T A G M A J
 R U T D I T R A S E
 L Y F R T H A N K S
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 H P W A N T E D E D



When Jesus saw that a large CROWD was coming to him, he said to PHILIP, "Where can we BUY enough food for them to eat?" He said this to TEST him, because he knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of BREAD would not be enough for each of them to have a LITTLE." ANDREW said to him, "There is a boy here who has five BARLEY loaves and two FISH; but what good are these for so MANY?" Jesus said, "Tell the people to sit down." Now there was much GRASS in that place. So the men SAT down, about five THOUSAND in number. Then JESUS took the loaves, gave THANKS, and distributed them to those who were seated, and also as much of the fish as they WANTED. When they had EATEN their FILL, he said to his disciples, "GATHER the PIECES left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled TWELVE BASKETS with fragments of the loaves, left by those who had eaten.



Jesus _____ the bread and fish.

July 25th, 2021 ~ Patronal Feast of St. Mary Magdalen

| Collection for the Week Ending July 18 th , 2021 | | | |
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| Sunday | Actual | Budget | Difference |
| 07/18/2021 | \$8,011.90 | \$8,471.00 | -\$459.10 |
| Year-to-Date | \$234,854.53 | \$256,188.00 | -\$21,333.47 |
| Thank you to all who donated (separately) to the Concert! | | | |

As of now, we have pledged or donated 65% of our goal!

The goal for the 2021 Bishop's Appeal is \$3 million. The funds raised will help offset the costs of services and ministries.

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BISHOP'S APPEAL



Mary Magdalen festival events

Sunday, July 18

Video presentations made available on the website www.marymagdalen.org:

A Song from a Saint: A Pilgrimage through Art and Music for the Feast of Mary Magdalen by Dr. Kathryn Barush

The Iconography of St. Mary Magdalen by Fr. Brendan McAnerney, OP

Mary Magdalen, the Lady of the Labyrinth, a School of the Madeleine student presentation exploring pilgrimage in place in our Dominican Garden

Saturday, July 24

10:00-11AM Virtual Event with Madeleine parent Dr. Kathryn Barush A Song from a Saint: A Pilgrimage through Art and Music for the Feast of Mary Magdalen, discussion and response by Fr. Chris Renz, OP, and questions from the audience. 9:15AM viewing of video presentation on same zoom link (if video not previously viewed)

3:00-4:00PM Virtual Event with Fr. Brendan McAnerney, OP The Iconography of St. Mary Magdalen, discussion and response followed by questions from the audience. 2:15PM viewing of video presentation on the same zoom link (if video not previously viewed)

5:30 PM Vigil Mass in the church will be livestreamed. Dr. Gina Hens-Piazza will provide the reflection at all of the Masses this weekend. The Mass will be followed by a Happy Hour in Rengel Plaza outside of Norton Hall.

Sunday, July 25

9:00 AM Mass in the church. This Mass with Dr. Gina Hens-Piazza features music in a more traditional style.

11:00 AM Mass in the Dominican Garden, also with Dr. Hens-Piazza.

12:00 PM Noon cookout is in the parking lot near Norton Hall. Please register as soon as possible at parish@marymagdalen.org. We need to get a headcount for the food. The cost for the cookout will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Also, Heather Skinner will be leading a Labyrinth activity for kids.

2:00 - 4:00PM Blackfriars Gallery Reception at the DPST. A Sunday afternoon exhibit of icons by Justyn Zolli, a Dominican student with light refreshments served - 2301 Vine Street, Berkeley

Come Together and Bless Each Other and Our Patron Saint!
Details available on our website www.marymagdalen.org

Mass Intentions

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|-----------|-------|------------------------------------|
| Saturday | 5:30 | For the People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 9:00 | Intentions of Joe & Ann Fitzgerald |
| | 11:00 | Thelma Ramos RIP |
| Monday | 8:30 | Intentions of the Lukban Family |
| | 5:30 | Bernice McMillan RIP |
| Tuesday | 8:30 | José de Mesa RIP |
| | 5:30 | José Ras RIP |
| Wednesday | 8:30 | Herman Hendricks RIP |
| | 5:30 | Eunice Jackson RIP |
| Thursday | 8:30 | Carolyn Britschgi RIP |
| | 5:30 | José Ras RIP |
| Friday | 8:30 | Simplicio Gabuya & Marian Tan RIP |
| | 5:30 | José Ras RIP |
| Saturday | 8:30 | Intentions of Will Silloway |

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 25th SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
2 Kings 4:42-44 / Ephesians 4:1-6 / John 6:1-15
- 26th Memorial: Sts. Joachim & Anne
Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34 / Matthew 13:31-35
- 27th Weekday
Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 / Matthew 13:36-43
- 28th Weekday
Exodus 34:29-35 / Matthew 13:44-46
- 29th Memorial: Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus
Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38 / Jn 11:19-27
- 30th Weekday [Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor]
Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37 / Matthew 13:54-58
- 31st Memorial: St. Ignatius of Loyola
Leviticus 25:1, 8-17 / Matthew 14:1-12

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