

November 14th, 2021 | 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



Rev. Nicholas Glisson, Pastor. The Most Reverend Michael Barber, SJ, Bishop – Diocese of Oakland

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:30 pm (Livestreamed)
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 (Garden Mass)
11:30 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday – Saturday 8:30 am
Monday – Friday 5:30 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday – Saturday 8:00 am
Monday – Friday 5:15 pm

ROSARY

Monday – Saturday 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 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 from September through May; contact the office for more information.

MARRIAGE:

Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding.

ANONING OF THE SICK: The Sacrament is offered at every 5th Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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Collection for the Week Ending November 7 th , 2021			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
11/07/2021	\$10,187.00	\$8,471.00	+\$1,716.00
Year-to-Date	\$360,786.15	\$391,724.00	-\$30,937.85
Great week — we surpassed our weekly goal!			



St. Mary Magdalen parishioners have now donated 78% of our goal! If you haven't yet donated, you may click the **Donate Button** on our parish website.

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Readings for the Week

- 14th THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Deuteronomy 12:1-3 / Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 / Mark 13:24-32
- 15th WEEKDAY [St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor]
1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-63 / Luke 18:35-43
- 16th Weekday [St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude]
2 Maccabees 6:18-31 / Luke 19:1-10
- 17th Memorial: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31 / Luke 19:11-28
- 18th Weekday [The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne]
1 Maccabees 2:15-29 / Luke 19:41-44
- 19th Weekday
1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59 / Lk 19:45-48
- 20th Weekday [Blessed Virgin Mary]
1 Mc 6:1-13 / Lk 20:27-40

Mass Intentions

- Saturday 5:30 For the People of the Parish
- Sunday 8:00 Holy Souls
9:30 Adam Ye RIP
11:30 Intentions of Fr. Michael Dodds, OP
- Monday 8:30 Intentions of Owen W. Fitzgerald
5:30 Holy Souls & Stefan Hammerch RIP
- Tuesday 8:30 Holy Souls & Paula Conant RIP
5:30 Intentions of Carolyn Tune
- Wednesday 8:30 Intentions of Grace Elizabeth Wang
5:30 Holy Souls & Aurora del Rosario RIP
- Thursday 8:30 Elisabeth de Vogelaere RIP
5:30 Holy Souls & Daniel Cawthon RIP
- Friday 8:30 Patricia & Jim Wagner RIP
5:30 Holy Souls & Remedios Rodriguez RIP
- Saturday 8:30 Holy Souls & Bob Edmondson RIP

Peace & Justice Notes

Donate gently used eyeglasses and hearing aids: They can find re-use through the *Lions Club* donation program for vision and hearing. A collection box is located in Norton Hall; please leave your donations there for those who can use them.



Community Friday Night Walks: *Ceasefire Oakland Strategy* is an Oakland City effort to end gun violence and *Ceasefire* community walks promote awareness. The next two walks (6:00-7:30 pm) sponsored by local Catholic churches:

- ◆ Friday November 19th
St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 1500 34th Avenue
- ◆ Friday December 17th
St. Benedict Catholic Church, 2245 82nd Avenue

For more information, contact Faith in Action East Bay: info@fiaestbay.org or (510) 382-1687.

It is important to adhere to the sponsor's walk protocols, and so please contact them prior to joining a walk.

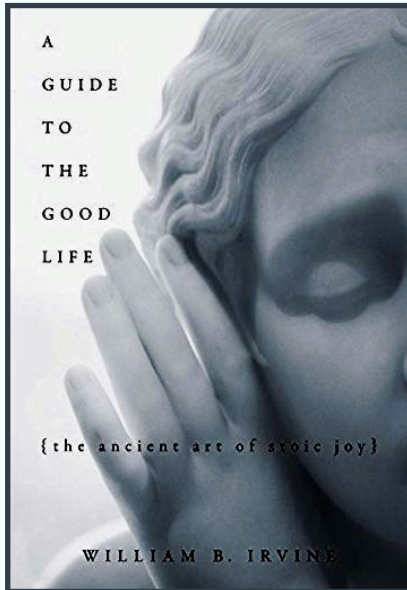
Immigration News: *Geo Group*, one of the largest private prison companies that own and/or manage dozens of immigrant detention centers in the U.S. violated Washington state's minimum wage laws according to a recent Court ruling. *GEO* has been ordered to pay over \$23 million; \$17.3 million will go directly to immigrants who worked for **one dollar per day** while in *GEO's* detention center.

The ruling comes after years of challenges to the "dollar-a-day" program, a practice that coerces many immigrants to work for insignificant pay in immigration detention centers. The decision sets a new precedent: immigrants who work while held in detention are **employees** and **subject to minimum wage laws**.

Geo Group and *CoreCivic*, another major private prison company, have faced multiple lawsuits, but the government has argued that detained people are voluntary workers. Advocates say detainees report threats of punishment if they do not work. Source: immigrationimpact.com.

Notes from Fr. Nick

Philosophy of Life



Recently Debbie Dineen (parishioner and Director of Development for the school) gave me a book called *A Guide to the Good Life: the Ancient Art of Stoic Joy* by William Irvine. The author proposes that everyone should have a conscious philosophy of life. As a professor of philosophy, Irvine recommends Stoicism as an appropriate one for our times; he suggests that Stoicism can fit within Christianity without conflict. If Christianity is the *what* of our life, philosophy might be the *how*.

Zeno of Citium founded Stoicism in the third century B.C. Later, many Romans adopted the philosophy including, most famously, the Emperor Marcus Aurelius. Stoicism preaches detachment from the material world, but not extreme asceticism. A Stoic can possess worldly goods and even become wealthy, but she or he should not get attached to them.

Irvine calls the primary practice of Stoicism “negative visualization.” One rehearses the trials and calamities that might befall them so when they do, they will be prepared. While this can be helpful—I remember my

mother rehearsing how to get out of our house if there were a fire—it can also lead to pessimism. Visualizing only bad things can rob us of hope. If we don’t speculate on how to deal with good fortune as well, we might miss positive opportunities. Taken too far, detachment may keep us from really enjoying life.

While I think Irvine has something very positive to contribute by suggesting we should articulate our philosophy of life, Stoicism isn’t the method that suits me. If not Stoicism, then what? The answer was staring me in the face—Christianity! Clearly, the teaching and example of Jesus Christ is my philosophy of life.

That said, there are many valid ways of living as a Christian: There is the ascetical tradition of the Desert Fathers and Mothers; many Protestant Christians find the core of their faith in the scripture; Catholics have a new-found appreciation of God’s Word, but also emphasize the sacraments. Nonetheless, I feel the need to express my Christian-Catholic faith in a more defined way.

I’m still developing my philosophy of life, but addressing it explicitly has led me to St. Ignatius Loyola’s spiritual exercises. I’m not an ascetic, nor could I live a monastic life. Pope Francis said recently, “Wherever history is being made, Jesuits should be present.” Although I don’t participate in world events, I like the idea of an active life. Saint Ignatius’ *examen* is especially helpful to me. Unlike negative visualization, the *examen* places one in God’s presence, assesses both positive and negative events on one’s day, and gives them over to God in prayer.

Do you have a conscious philosophy of life? For me, articulating one has helped my prayer life and has placed my joys and sorrows in perspective. Consider intentionally describing the *how* and *what* of your life philosophy. You may more fully appreciate all that life brings you.



JAZZ CONCERT & CUISINE

1:00 p.m., Sunday, November 14, 2021

Join us for a fundraiser with sophisticated music and refreshment provided by Janine de Souza's jazz band and foods from Agrodolce Osteria.

\$100 per person

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Mary Ernst & Emily Onglatco installed the images on Henry Street.



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