

June 25th, 2023 | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



CELEBRATING
100 YEARS

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, 11:30 am

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday 8:30 am
Monday/Wednesday/Friday 5:30 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 pm
(and by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – Noon
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
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*“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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The Sacrament is offered at every 5th Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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Parish Calendar through July 7th, 2023

June 23 Friday	Rosary for Peace in Ukraine 3:00 pm; Church. <i>All are welcome!</i>
June 24/25 Weekend	Preacher at All Masses: Fr. Nicholas Glisson 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
June 24/25 Weekend	Presentation on our Sister Parish in Mexicali 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
June 24 Saturday	Mexican-themed Dinner re: our Sister Parish 6:30 pm Saturday, Parish Hall. <i>See below!</i>
June 27 Tuesday	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel <i>Zoom link:</i> 2:00 - 3:00 pm: tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
June 28 Wednesday	Funeral for Michael Gorman 10:00 am, Church
June 30 Friday	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel 9:15 am, Norton Hall.
July 1 Saturday	Liturgy Committee Meeting 10:00 am, Conference Room + via Zoom
July 4 Tuesday	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel <i>Zoom link:</i> 2:00 - 3:00 pm: tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
July 7 Friday	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel 9:15 am, Norton Hall.
July 7 Friday	First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 6:05 pm, Church

Dinner for our Mexicali Sister Parish 6:30 pm Saturday, June 24th in the Parish Hall



— All are welcome! —

After the Vigil Mass next Saturday, come down to the Parish Hall for a delicious Mexican-themed dinner, where you'll hear an update on our parish February trip to Mexicali, as well as exciting news about the seven parishioners — plus one priest — who will come to help us celebrate our Mary Magdalen Festival on July 22nd & 23rd. Come and join the celebration!



Fr. Nick & Fr. Bart at dinner with SMM and Santa Maria de Guadalupe parishioners, six of whom will visit us in July!

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Weekly Collection Report for June 18th, 2023

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
06/18/2023	\$5,900.00	\$8,980.00	-\$3,080.00
Year-to-Date	\$211,226.53	\$237,520.00	-\$26,293.47

Thank you for your gifts.



Caterer: parishioner Rhonda Pittman Hart

Berkeley Clergy-Scholar 'Meet & Greet'

On Thursday, June 8th, Fr. Nick invited all the clergy from every center of worship in Berkeley, a well as faculty from the colleges of the GTU, to an informal gathering in Norton Hall; it was the first in a series of such get-togethers.

Photos: Fr. Nicholas Glisson



The Rev. Dr. Lizette Larson-Miller & Dr. Mary McGann, RSCJ of the Divinity School of the Pacific chatted with Fr. Rigo Caloca-Rivas.

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 25th **TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 Jeremiah 20:10-13/Rom. 5:12-15/Matthew 10:26-33
- 26th *Weekday*
 Genesis 12:1-9 / Mt 7:1-5
- 27th *Weekday [St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor]*
 Genesis 13:2, 5-18 / Mt 7:6, 12-14
- 28th *Memorial: St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr*
 Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 / Mt 7:15-20
- 29th **SOLEMNITY: STS. PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES**
 Acts 12:1-11 / 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 / Mt 16:13-19
- 30th *Weekday [The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church]*
 Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 / Mt 8:1-4
- 1st *Weekday [Saint Junípero Serra, Priest; BVM]*
 Genesis 18:1-15 / Mt 8:5-17



Fr. Chris Renz, OP, Dean of the Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology greets a Mormon minister.

Mass Intentions



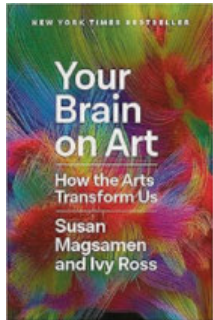
- Saturday 5:30 Felicitas P. Guerero RIP
- Sunday 8:00 Olga Bejarano Pagan RIP
 9:30 For the People of the Parish
 11:30 Philip Edward Doran RIP
- Monday 5:30 Joseph & Claire McWalters RIP
- Tuesday 8:30 Intentions of Eamon Fitzgerald
- Wednesday 5:30 Libraba Donor RIP
- Thursday 8:30 Intentions of Luke & John Ernst
- Friday 5:30 Willard Tressel RIP
- Saturday 8:30 Intentions of Fr. David Farrugia, OP



Dr. Peter Hess, Fr. Nick, Lizette Larson-Miller, Deacon Jeff Burns, Dr. Mary McGann, RSCJ & Dr. Scott MacDougall

Recent Reading

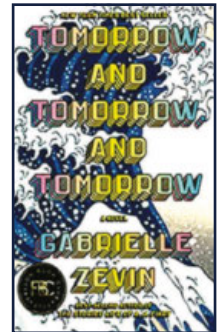
For some reason, I'm getting through books at a slower rate than I used to a few years ago. It's not that I'm reading any less, but that my reading has slowed down. Perhaps my insomnia has abated a little, and I'm not spending so many sleepless nights reading! Nevertheless, here a few recent reads I found worthwhile.



Your Brain on Art by Susan Magsamen and Ivy Ross looks at the function of art in our brain. This book is similar to Robert Strickgold's book, *When Brains Dream*, that I reviewed a few years ago. Strickgold's work shows that the brain uses dreams to test loose associations that can ultimately lead to creativity and breakthroughs impossible in our focused waking life. Magsamen and Ross see the brain using art to release tension and open connections that would be impossible through logical and discursive thinking. The creativity of Art enables the mind to look at the world differently, similarly to the way dreams work.

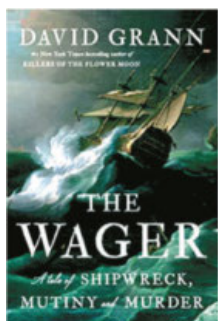
The authors of both books look at how their subjects operate neurologically, rather than aesthetically or psychologically (respectively). Both books reveal why human beings engage in these activities from interesting and less-discussed angles.

Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin is a novel for our times. Several millennials carry on friendships from their childhood in the 1980s through the present. For me it kindled an interest in video games I never thought possible. My sensory-motor skills have never been great, and I lost interest in video games after Pac-man. This book opened a world to me that has the makings of a new artform. Video games enable one to live in a new world similar to the way movies and television opened new worlds for older generations, but they add the ability for the player to influence how the game progresses and its outcome. A talented game designer can create a world as beautiful as a great artist, but the viewer can experience it from within, rather than from outside the "fourth wall."



Beyond the world this book opened up, Zevin's writing style is elegantly insightful. Many passages brought out my highlighter so I can return and relish them again:

- ◆ Grandmother to granddaughter: *"Life is filled with inescapable moral compromises. We should do what we can to avoid the easy ones."*
- ◆ *There is a time for any fledgling artist where one's taste exceeds one's abilities. The only way to get through this period is to make things anyway.*
- ◆ *The alternative to appropriation is a world where white European people make art about white European people, with only white European references in it. Swap African or Asian or Latin or whatever culture you want for European. A world where everyone is blind and deaf to any culture or experience that is not their own.*



David Grann's *The Wager* isn't about a bet, but is the true story of a disastrous eighteenth-century British naval expedition wherein one of the ships (the *Wager*) was wrecked off the coast of southern Chile and how some of the marooned sailors made it back to England. This is a story of unbelievable hardship, heroism and ingenuity, but it's also a tale of arrogant British foreign policy, egotistical naval officers and, in the end, a cover-up by the Admiralty.

Having traveled in Patagonia (southern Chile and Argentina), I can attest to the majestic beauty and forbidding landscape of the place, as well as its lack of wildlife, and so I can appreciate what it might have been like to survive in it. If you like adventure and seafaring, this is the summer book for you.

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