

September 24th, 2023 | Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



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100 YEARS

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

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:30 pm
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
Mon./Wed./Friday 5:10 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 October 1st, 2023

September 22	Pray the Rosary for Peace in Ukraine Friday 3:00 pm, Church.
September 23	St. Vincent de Paul Regional Meeting Saturday 10:00 am - Noon, Norton Hall. <i>Email svdp@marymagdalen.org for information.</i>
Sept. 23 & 24	Preacher at All Masses: Deacon Jeff Burns Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
September 26	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel Zoom link: Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00 pm: tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
September 26	RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Tuesday 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Parish Hall. <i>See below for details.</i>
September 27	Bible & Faith Studies: <i>The Prophets</i> Wednesday 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Parish Hall.
September 29	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel Friday 9:15 am, Norton Hall.
Sept. 30/Oct. 1	Preacher at All Masses: L. Ryen Dwyer, SJ Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
Sept. 30/Oct. 1	Blessing of the Animals after All Masses! Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
September 30	INTERNATIONAL DINNER EVENT Saturday 7:00 - 9:30 pm, Parish Hall. <i>See page 4 for details.</i>

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)


process began last Tuesday, but you can still join! RCIA classes meet weekly and are for adults inquiring about the Catholic Faith; those interested in becoming Catholic; or people who have been baptized Catholic but who have yet to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation; including Baptized Christians who desire to be received into the Catholic faith, Baptized Catholics who desire to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. If interested, contact Cat Nielsen, phone (510) 526-4811 ext. 113, or by email to smm-rcia@marymagdalen.org.

Urgent Action Needed !

Global hunger is once again on the rise, due to the pandemic, the war in Ukraine and climate change. Millions of people in the poorest parts of the world are at the brink of starvation, and hunger is one of the primary causes of forced displacement and migration.

In Congress, the Farm Bill, which has been called *"the most significant piece of legislation for determining domestic and international hunger policy,"* is set to expire in September. Any new bill that replaces it will be in effect for five years.

*Our faith calls on us to feed the hungry. **Bread for the World** and **Catholic Relief Services** are urging us to write (or phone) our legislators to express concern for our hungry brothers and sisters. Specifically, we need to ask our legislators to **reauthorize** international aid programs that **fight acute hunger and malnutrition**, and that **work to improve the efficiency and the flexibility of such programs.***

Our representatives pay attention to what we ask for! A few personalized messages can change a legislator's mind. And bear in mind that a Bill passed by Congress accomplishes more than millions of donations to charitable organizations.

Please visit the websites of our elected representatives and voice your concern for the growing crisis of world hunger:

Senator Dianne Feinstein (202) 224-3841

feinstein.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/e-mail-me

Senator Alex Padilla (202) 224-3553

padilla.senate.gov/contact/contact-form/

Representative Barbara Lee (510) 763-0370

lee.house.gov/contact/email-me

Representative Mark De Saulnier (925) 933-2660

desaulnier.house.gov/zip_authentication

A Call from Monique Duax

Dear Parishioners,

It is time for me to rally troops for the poor of Saint Vincent de Paul. When sweet Jesus healed me of asthma on Pentecost Day thirty-seven years ago, I promised Him to walk for Him and his brothers and sisters — the poor.



I have kept my word. Therefore, on September 26th, I shall walk, as usual, from the parish to the Berkeley Bowl via Milvia, singing the praises of our Lord (in French) back and forth. I would be very grateful to receive your prayers.


Expect a call from me! I warmly thank you in advance for your support.

Monique



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Weekly Collection Report for September 17th, 2023

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
09/17/2023	\$6,797.80	\$8,980.00	-\$2,182.20
Year-to-Date	\$311,889.15	\$354,260.00	-\$42,370.85

*Stewardship is the gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure.
Our parish depends on all of us!*

TEEN CONFIRMATION FOR SOPHOMORES...

... and older highschoolers will be held this year at **St. Ambrose Parish!** Register this **Wednesday, September 27th** from **6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**. Fee: \$100.00.

Questions? Text 510-432-3829 or email stambrose.faithformation@outlook.com

St. Mary Magdalen Parish Honors Hispanic Heritage Month!

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Octaviano Larrazola

(1859 - 1930)



Octaviano Larrazola was the first Hispanic American to serve as Governor of New Mexico, and the first to be elected to the United States Senate. A gifted orator, he advocated for bilingual education and supported the civil rights of Mexican immigrants as well as the right of women to vote. Octaviano Ambrosio Larrazola Corral was born in Chihuahua, Mexico, to a family of wealthy landowners. When he was 10 years old, his family fell into bankruptcy and sent him to live with a priest in Arizona, who took Larrazola with him when he was made Archbishop of Santa Fe. There he completed his formal education at St. Michael's College. He considered the priesthood, but eventually became a school principal in Texas. He was admitted to the State Bar in 1888, where he became State Attorney of Texas' 34th District. In 1895, Larrazola moved to New Mexico Territory, where he continued to practice law and was also involved in politics, focusing on civil rights for the Mexicans and Hispanics who comprised two thirds of New Mexico's population. In 1911, as one of the Mexican American delegates to the convention for statehood, Larrazola and the other Latino delegates succeeded in implementing pro-Latino measures and language into the New Mexico State Constitution, insisting on the rights "guaranteed to the people of New Mexico by the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo."

In large part because of his advocacy of the civil rights of Hispanics, Larrazola was elected Governor of the State of New Mexico in 1918. In 1927, he was elected to the U.S. Senate. However, he was already ill when elected, and was able to attend only one session before illness forced him to return home to Albuquerque. He died in office on April 7, 1930.

"You [Hispanics] have allowed yourselves to be controlled by other men, but you will be controlled by bosses only as long as you permit the yoke to rest on you."

St. Mary Magdalen is honoring the different communities of our parish in 2023.

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Jovita Idár

(1885 - 1946)



Jovita Idár was a Mexican American journalist, teacher, political activist and civil rights worker. Jovita Idár Vivero was born in Laredo, Texas in 1885, to Jovita and Nicasio Adar, the editor of a Spanish language newspaper, *La Crónica*. She received a teaching certificate in 1903, but soon quit teaching, due to the inadequate schools for Chicano children. She worked henceforth as a journalist, documenting the inequalities faced by the Mexican American community: the violence, the lynchings, the lack of appropriate educational opportunities for their children. She also wrote about labor rights and gender equality. In 1910, Idár supported the Mexican Revolution, and she and her family organized "The First Mexican Congress" to address the social, economic and educational issues affecting Mexicans on both sides of the border. She then established *La Liga Femenil Mexicana* (the League of Mexican Women) and became its first president. Their primary project was educating Mexican American youth. A few years later she went to Mexico to tend to the wounded during the Mexican Revolution. When she returned, she started writing for the newspaper *El Progreso*, where her article criticizing President Woodrow Wilson for sending troops to the border so angered the Texas Rangers that they destroyed its printing press. After the Rangers' success — despite her brave stand against them — in shutting down *El Progreso*, Idár returned to *La Crónica*, becoming its editor. Later she married Bartolo Juárez and moved to San Antonio, where she promoted equal rights for women and volunteered in a hospital, translating for Spanish-speaking patients. She also started a free kindergarten. Earlier this year, Jovita Idár was recognized for her achievements with her image on the U.S. quarter.

"When you educate a woman, you educate a family."

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Ruben Salazar

(1928 - 1970)



Ruben Salazar was a prominent Los Angeles journalist, the first mainstream journalist to cover Chicanos. Born in Juárez, Mexico, and raised in El Paso, Texas, Salazar received his big career break when he joined the *Los Angeles Times* as a reporter in 1959. At the *Times*, Salazar interviewed figures from César Chávez to Robert Kennedy and even President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

In January 1970, Salazar left the *Times* to serve as news director of the Spanish-language station KMET-TV. On August 29th of that year, an estimated 20,000 to 30,000 demonstrators marched down the streets of East Los Angeles to protest the Vietnam war. It was a landmark moment in the burgeoning Chicano civil rights movement, called the "Chicano Moratorium." Salazar was covering the event on television and stopped to rest inside the Silver Dollar Bar. A deputy sheriff fired a 10-inch, wall-piercing tear gas projectile through a curtain into the bar, where it hit Salazar in the head, killing him instantly. Since his untimely death, Salazar has become a hero among activists and is widely regarded as a martyr of the Chicano Movement. Laguna Park, site of the Moratorium, has been renamed Salazar Park in his honor. He has been honored with a postage stamp and a recent PBS documentary: *Ruben Salazar, Man in the Middle*.

"Why do I always have to apologize to Americans for Mexicans, and to Mexicans for Americans?"

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Again this year, the parish Racial Equity Committee has selected a dozen remarkable individuals who made a significant impact on our country and our culture. See the posters on the walls of our church and on the Henry Street fence! The bios were researched and composed by committee members and by students at the School of the Madeleine. Each week, a few of the posters will be featured, in chronological order, in the Bulletin (clickable on the internet) and on our parish website. In addition to those shown above, you'll find Sylvia Mendez, Roberto Clemente, Joan Baez, Judy Baca, Antonio Villaraigosa, Sonia Sotomayor, Adriana Briscoe, Lin-Manuel Miranda, and "our own" Armando Rendón!

Mass Intentions



Saturday	5:30	Kathleen Hampton Parrish RIP
Sunday	8:00	Maria Curtis RIP
	9:30	For the People of the Parish
	11:30	Marvin Neveu RIP
Monday	5:30	Manuela Garcia RIP
Tuesday	8:30	Intentions of Joe Fitzgerald
Wednesday	5:30	Colette Sheehan RIP
Thursday	8:30	Intentions of Oscar Guillen
Friday	5:30	Peter Michael RIP
Saturday	8:30	Intentions of Trudie L. Chrisentary

Scripture Readings for the Week

24 th	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	Isaiah 55:6-9 / Philip. 1:20-24, 27 / Matthew 20:1-16
25 th	Weekday
	Ezra 1:1-6 / Luke 8:16-18
26 th	Weekday [Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs]
	Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 / Luke 8:19-21
27 th	Memorial: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
	Ezra 9:5-9 / Luke 9:1-6
28 th	Weekday [St. Wenceslaus & Saint Lawrence Ruiz, Martyrs]
	Haggai 1:1-8 / Luke 9:7-9
29 th	Feast: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 / John 1:47-51
30 th	Weekday [St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor]
	Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15 / Luke 9:43-45

Notes from Fr. Nick

Our First International Dinner

Jesus gathered a group of friends and believers from various professions, age groups and social statuses. Although they were attracted to Him by his example and preaching, they became a community around His table at a feast. Dining together constitutes one of the foundational acts of human community.

We continue to celebrate the formative event of the Lord's Supper in the Eucharist every week. However, our Eucharistic celebrations are so stylized and tradition-bound, that it is important for us to occasionally relax a little so that we can get back to the roots of Jesus' meal.

The International Dinner is such an occasion. Various and diverse peoples and cultures that constitute the community of Saint Mary Magdalen will gather in one place to acknowledge that which makes us distinct, but also what binds us together. We will taste each others' food and enjoy each other's company. Through this experience of community, we are better prepared to celebrate our Savior's great meal of the Eucharist and let its grace make a difference in the world.

The yearly International Dinner was a highlight of my time at St. Lawrence O'Toole parish, and I hope it will become a fixture here at Saint Mary Magdalen. Hopefully, you have made your reservations by now! If not, volunteers will be selling tickets on Berryman Plaza after all Masses, and at the Coffee Hour in Norton Hall. You may also click on the link (or scan the QR code) in the notice below.

No great feast comes about without careful preparation. Selvi McKay and her team have toiled tirelessly to see that the International Dinner is a success. Please help me extend my thanks to her and her co-workers for all their time, effort, and organization.

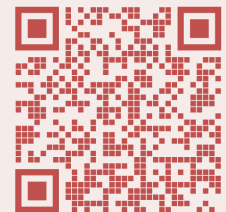
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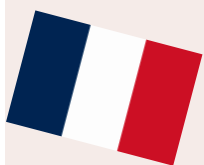
Join us at **7:00 pm** on **Saturday, September 30th** for an unforgettable International Dinner Event in the **Parish Hall**. Indulge in a diverse selection of delicious global dishes lovingly prepared by the talented members of our parish. Immerse yourself in a vibrant atmosphere filled with cultural connections and engaging conversations. Enjoy a live performance showcasing the artistic talents within our community.

Please **RSVP soon** to secure your place at this enchanting celebration. *Don't miss out!*

Tickets: bit.ly/smmIntlDinner As this is a fundraiser, please note rates: \$50 per Adult, \$30 per Student. Children under the age of two are free.



Parishioners leaving the 5:30 Mass may enter at 6:30 pm and enjoy some nibbles until the dinner begins!



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