

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



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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
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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.

Parish Calendar through October 15th, 2023

October 6 Friday	Adoration & Benediction (Holy Hour) 6:05 pm, Church.
October 7 Saturday	Liturgy Committee Monthly Meeting 10:00-Noon, Conference Room & Zoom
October 7/8 Weekend	Preacher at All Masses: Deacon Jeff Burns 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
October 10 Tuesday	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel Zoom link: 2:00 - 3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
October 10 Tuesday	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm, Conference Room & Zoom
October 10 Tuesday	RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Parish Hall.
October 11 Wednesday	First Meeting of SPRED Catechism 6:00 pm, Norton Hall
October 11 Wednesday	Bible & Faith Studies: <i>The Prophets</i> 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Parish Hall.
October 12 Thursday	Advent Scripture Workshop (All are welcome!) 12:30– 3:00 pm, Norton Hall.
October 13 Friday	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel 9:15 am, Norton Hall.
October 13 Friday	Peace & Justice Meeting (All are welcome!) 4:00 pm, Norton Hall.
October 14/15 Weekend	Preacher at All Masses: Fr. Dana Michaels 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEALS FOR THE HUNGRY MINISTRY

CAN YOU HELP US FEED THE HUNGRY?

You may or may not be aware of our 1st and 4th Sunday Meals for the Hungry Ministry that have been supported over the years by the church and school. We currently serve to-go meals from the priests' garage. However, the number of our guests has dropped slowly, to the point where we are considering moving the meal distribution closer to where hungry people are in early 2024, in either downtown or west Berkeley. Any expansion of our service requires more hands — specifically, cooks, supervisors, and drivers, plus bag assemblers and clean-up crew. We can't do this without more people, and we invite you to join our family of volunteers. This is an opportunity to perform a good deed while meeting fellow parishioners.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact George Baranowski and Mary Jo Senica at georgebaran@att.net.

Our Scrumptious *International Dinner* in the Parish Hall!



More photos: tinyurl.com/SMM-IntlDinnerPix

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A ~ October 8th, 2023

Weekly Collection Report for October 1 st , 2023			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
10/1/2023	\$6,992.66	\$8,980.00	-\$1,987.34
All Saints/Souls	50.03		
Year-to-Date	\$325,928.13	\$372,220.00	-\$46,291.87
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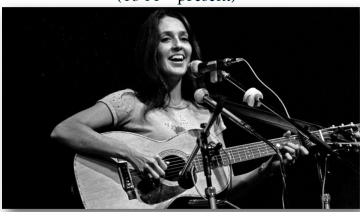
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St. Mary Magdalen Parish Honors Hispanic Heritage Month!

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Joan Baez
(1941 - present)



Joan Baez is an American singer, songwriter, and activist whose distinctive vocals and political activism had a significant impact on American popular music of the 1960s and beyond. She was one of the first musicians to use her popularity to promote social protest, and many of the songs in her six-decade career have focused on social justice, which she has stated is the true core of her life. "Singing larger than music." Joan Chaudros Baez was born in New York City in 1941, where her paternal grandfather had earlier moved from Puebla, Mexico, to become a Methodist minister. Her mother hailed from Edinburgh, Scotland, and her father was a co-inventor of the wavy microscope at Stanford. When Joan was a little girl, her family converted to the Quaker faith tradition, and this faith, with its emphasis on pacifism and social issues, shaped the young Joan as both a performer and activist. When touring in the South in the 1960s, for example, she refused to play at White-only venues, performing at Black colleges and universities. Baez became famous at age 19 while living with her family in Boston, where she performed at Harvard Square; the first of her 31 albums was produced the following year. Not long afterwards, she became friends with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and sang "We Shall Overcome" at his 1963 March on Washington. Baez has received countless honors, from induction into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame to a special award in her name at Amnesty International. She made Rolling Stone's list of "200 Greatest Singers of All Time". Some of our older teachers at the School of the Madeleine remember going to *Bread and Roses* concerts at the Greek Theater in the 70s and 80s to hear Baez sing with her sister, the late Mimi Fariña. Our Madeleine choir has also sung some of her classic Christmas songs. Our students are inspired by two sayings of hers: "Action is the antidote to despair." "That's all nonviolence is - organized love."

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Judy Baca
(1946 - present)



Judy Baca is a Mexican American muralist, activist, and professor of Chicano studies, world arts, and cultures. She is the co-founder of the *Social and Political Art Resource Center* (SPARC) in Venice, California. Judith Francisca Baca grew up in Watts and Pacoima, Los Angeles. When she was six years old, she knew little English, and her teacher put her in a corner desk and permitted her to paint while the rest of the class studied. She later received instruction from an art teacher who encouraged her to draw and paint. She graduated from Bishop Alemany High School in 1964 and received a B.A. from Cal State Northridge in 1969. Ten years later she earned an MFA (Master's in Fine Arts) from the same university. Baca returned to her high school alma mater to teach, but lost her job for engaging in a public protest against the Vietnam War. In 1970, she brought together twenty members from four different gangs to create murals in Boyle Heights. This project was so successful that Baca was hired as the director of a new citywide mural program, designing the murals and supervising the mural painting teams, who were made up of teenagers who had been in trouble with the law. This project has produced more than 300 murals. Three years later, Baca was engaged by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to create a mural depicting the history of Los Angeles on the large retaining wall of the San Fernando Valley Flood Control Channel. Entitled the "Great Wall of Los Angeles," the murals were painted by 400 participants and nine artists, and integrate the stories of Native American, Mexican, African American, Chinese, and Japanese Californians. The mural — already the longest in the world — will be completed when it reaches a mile in length.

"Break the mold! Have the biggest vision you can. If you can't dream it, it cannot occur."

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Antonio Villaraigosa
(1953 - present)



Antonio Villaraigosa is a Chicano politician, a former Speaker of the Assembly and Mayor of Los Angeles. He was born Antonio Ramón Villar, Jr. in East Los Angeles on January 23, 1953. At age 15, he volunteered for his first grape boycott, led by civil rights and labor leader Cesar Chavez. Although he was expelled from his Catholic high school, Cathedral High, he eventually graduated from night school at Roosevelt High School, earned a bachelor's degree in history from UCLA and, in 1985, a law degree from People's College of Law. (He never worked as a lawyer, not having passed the bar exam.) In 1997 he married Corina Raigosa, and they merged their names together to create the name under which he has become famous. After working as a labor organizer, in 1990 he was appointed to the L.A. Metro Transportation Board, where he remained until 1994, when he ran for and won a seat in the California State Assembly. Four years later, his colleagues elected him Speaker, and he served as the California Assembly Speaker for three terms. In 2005, after one term on the City Council, Villaraigosa became the 41st Mayor of Los Angeles, the first Hispanic mayor of the city since Cristóbal Aguirre had occupied the office in 1872. During his tenure, he created the "Subway to the Sea," and after being cut off by a hit-and-run driver while riding his bicycle, he became a champion of cyclist's rights, issuing a mandate to create 40 miles of new bicycle lanes each year. After serving for two terms as mayor, Villaraigosa ran for Governor of California in 2018, but lost to Gavin Newsom in what became an at-times bitter primary race. However, just last year, Gov. Newsom named Villaraigosa to be his new infrastructure czar, the position he holds today.

"Over the years I've learned — focus on the job at hand, and the opportunities will come after."

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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 biographies were researched and composed by committee members and students at the School of the Madeleine. Each week, a few of the posters in the Bulletin (clickable on the internet) will be published here. All are available on our website at marymagdalen.org/hhm. In addition to those shown above, you'll find Octaviano Larrazola, Jovita Idár, Ruben Salazar, Roberto Clemente, Sylvia Mendez, Sonia Sotomayor, Adriana Briscoe, Lin-Manuel Miranda, and "our own" Armando Rendón. *Note: At the 9:30 am Mass next Sunday, the St. Ambrose Spanish Choir will lead us in song!*

Mass Intentions

Scripture Readings for the Week

- Saturday 5:30 For the People of the Parish
- Sunday 8:00 Intentions of Michael Mahoney
- 9:30 Intentions of Linda Fitzgerald
- 11:30 Kahlua RIP
- Monday 5:30 Aldo Corsi RIP
- Tuesday 8:30 Intentions of Fr. Mark Padrez, OP
- Wednesday 5:30 Harriet Nielson RIP
- Thursday 8:30 Leonard Johnson RIP
- Friday 5:30 Eunice Jackson RIP
- Saturday 8:30 Intentions of Cincy Ward

- 8th TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Isaiah 5:1-7 / Philippians 4:6-9 / Matthew 21:33-43
- 9th Weekday [St. Denis & Companions; St. John Leonardi]
Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11 / Luke 10:25-37
- 10th Weekday
Jonah 3:1-10 / Luke 10:38-42
- 11th Weekday [St. John XXIII, Pope]
Jonah 4:1-11 / Luke 11:1-4
- 12th Weekday
Malachi 3:13-20 / Luke 11:5-13
- 13th Weekday
Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2 / Luke 11:15-26
- 14th Weekday [St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr; B.V. Mary]
Joel 4:12-21 / Luke 11:27-28

Notes from Fr. Nick

Recent Reading

By now you know that I am a compulsive reader. My ritual for falling asleep is opening a book and reading until I can't make sense of the words. Insomnia gets me through many a tome that would otherwise go unopened. That said, reading is one of the joys of my life. Through it I visit worlds and get to know people with whom otherwise I would have utterly no contact. Herewith are some books that graced my nightstand a few years ago, but still merit a read:

The Jesuit Guide to Almost Everything by James Martin, S.J., is a delightful romp through Ignatian spirituality. Saint Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, was a supremely practical person who built his spirituality upon human nature, especially the emotion of desire, which Ignatius believed orients us toward God. Thus, acting appropriately on desire not only satisfies our longings here on earth but gives us the tools to reach heaven. Ignatius teaches us how to pray in the *Examen* (more on this in a later column) and *Lectio Divina*. He explains how to make decisions in *The Three Times*. In addition, he discusses surrendering ourselves to the future and making peace with God. This is an easy read; one that adults and high school students should enjoy.

Robert Rowland Smith's *Breakfast with Socrates* is a philosophical discussion about the things one does in an ordinary day. Did you know that waking up is a profound philosophical statement and act of faith? Are you aware that having an argument with someone you love helps you define yourself? How about a philosophy of the shopping mall? You'll find out these things and much more in Smith's book. Along the way you'll get a good dose of the great philosophers' theories. Reading this book can help you impress your friends with knowledge of the great minds, and might give you a better vision of life.

Once in a while I like to go back and read the great novelists of English and American literature. *This Side of Paradise* was F. Scott Fitzgerald's first novel. If you enjoyed *The Great Gatsby* or *Tender is the Night*, you'll like this one. The plot rambles a little, but Fitzgerald's strength is in character development, deft word-smithing and wonderful imagery. Often, fiction paints reality more faithfully than any history or commentary. F. Scott Fitzgerald's work gives an insight into life in the early 20th century that we could never get from a textbook.

Blessing of the Animals - Last Weekend!



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