

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



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)

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Monday – Friday
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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.

Centennial Gala

Co-Chairs: Joan Bell & Lisa Aliferis
Music: Janine de Souza & Friends
Caterer: Angelo D'Alo of Agrodolce Osteria
Emcee: Patricia Hurley



Maureen Wesolowski, Kristin Collins, Claire Broome



Laura Morland Patty Lipińska



Former Pastor (1980s & 2014-2015) Kieran Healy, OP, expressed his delight. Sharon Ceasar, OP



Michael Ward with emcee Patricia Hurley



Olivia Lang

Co-Chair Lisa Aliferis

More photos from the Centennial Gala (including videos) are found here: tinyurl.com/SMM-GalaPix.

Annual Parish Conference

9:00 am - 3:00 pm on Saturday, February 10th
St. Mary Magdalen Parish Hall

— Continental Breakfast & Lunch included —



We are honored to have **Fr. Orobator, SJ**, the new Dean of the Jesuit School of Theology, as our Keynote Speaker

this year. Dean Orobator will share with us his experiences as a member of Pope Francis' *Synod on Synodality* last October.

All Parishioners are invited!
parish@marymagdalen.org



The Kids' Bulletin

February 4th, 2024



At the end of today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells Simon that they will go to the nearby villages to preach. Can you find your way through the maze to the nearby village?

Sort-out-the-Pictures: An Evening and Morning with Jesus

What happened in today's Gospel reading?
See if you can sort out the order of these pictures by putting the numbers 1 to 6 in the boxes.



Notes from Fr. Nick

Our Centennial Year

Twenty twenty-three was an eventful year. We opened our 100th anniversary with liturgical celebrations and a reception during the weekend of January 29th. The following weekend a delegation visited our sister parish, Santa María de Guadalupe in Mexicali (Baja California). After Covid, it was great to see our sister parishioners and clergy again. I painted a country scene from that trip as my 2023 Christmas card. Then the Annual Parish Conference, also in February, surveyed plans for the centennial and the health of our parish.



With Lent and Easter behind us, the high point of our anniversary was the Mary Magdalen Festival at the end of July. Our own Heather Skinner, Vice Principal of the School of the Madeleine, gave a lecture on Saint Mary Magdalen's spirituality, and Bishop Michael Barber presided at the Centennial Mass the next day, followed by a splendid reception. Musicians from our sister parish in Mexicali joined our choir for the celebration.

In August a group of us sailed to Alaska aboard the *Ruby Princess* for a parish cruise. The Princess cruise line doesn't normally offer Catholic services aboard, but fellow voyagers wanted to celebrate the Eucharist with us, and by the end of the cruise attendance at our Mass had swelled to more than three times the size of our group. Aside from the relaxation and beautiful scenery, the cruise was a great bonding experience for all of us who sailed.

The centenary occasioned an International Dinner in October. It was an opportunity for the various ethnic groups within the parish to show off their culinary art. We ate delicious food from more than 10 countries and got to know the cultures of many parishioners through it. This may be an event we'll bring back annually!

Although not technically part of the centennial celebration, *Benediction, Bourbon and Barbecue* was a event in November to address men's spirituality. Forty-three men joined together on a cold, rainy, Friday night to discuss their relationship with Christ and His Church. Then, after prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, we adjourned to the rectory for refreshment and food. A follow-up gathering will take place on March 14th, and we will continue to address this need, as well as women's spirituality, in future.

Now that the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays are past, we are bringing our centennial to a close. Masses this weekend will acknowledge the many people who have celebrated their faith at Saint Mary Magdalen over the last century; the dedication of the Dominican fathers and sisters who lead the parish for most of that time as well as the wonderful complement the School of the Madeline has been and is to the parish. We will watch the video history that Tony Bucher filmed and edited from some of our senior parishioners who remember our history first hand.

There is still some unfinished business from our Centennial. A splendid icon of Mary Magdalen will be placed in the church, and a new reconciliation chapel is to be constructed. We'll truly conclude our celebration when we mark the 100th anniversary of our church building (completed a year after the parish started) this August.

I think our Centennial has been a prayerful and joyous commemoration. It has helped us define our identity and refined our mission in North Berkeley. It has helped me understand the powerful yet gentle impact of our faith within our parish and to the larger community. May the next 100 years be so fruitful!



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B ~ February 4th, 2024

Collection Report for the Week of January 28 th , 2024			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
01/28/2024	\$6,573.30	\$8,980.00	-\$2,406.70
Year-to-Date	\$30,317.40	\$35,920.00	-\$5,602.60
<i>The numbers are not looking good.</i>			

Sign up now for the
Annual Parish Conference
this Saturday in the Parish Hall.
parish@marymagdalen.org
 (See page 3 for details.)

Scripture Readings for the Week

4th FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 Job 7:1-4, 6-7 / 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 /
 Mark 1:29-39

5th Memorial: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
 1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13 / Mark

6th Memorial: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30 / Mk

7th Memorial
 1 Kings 10:1-10 / Mark 7:14-23

8th Weekday [Sts. Jerome Emiliani & Josephine Bakhita]
 1 Kings 11:4-13 / Mark 7:24-30

9th Memorial: Saint Scholastica,
 1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19 / Mark 7:31-37

10th Weekday [Blessed Virgin Mary]
 1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34 / Mark 8:1-10

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Lorraine Gebrin and Helen Hopp
	9:30	Intentions of Presentation Sisters of Warrenmount
	11:30	Delma Brunetti Campbell and Melvin Brunetti RIP
Monday	5:30	Gerald Pilz RIP
Tuesday	8:30	Alberta Huerta RIP
Wednesday	5:30	Sallie Wells RIP
Thursday	8:30	Intentions of Najee Johnson
Friday	5:30	Intentions of Michael Wahl
Saturday	8:30	Jvona Isais RIP

Parish Calendar through February 10th, 2024

February 2	First Friday Holy Hour (<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>) Friday 6:05 pm, Church
February 3/4	CENTENNIAL CLOSING MASSES Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
February 4	First Sunday Dinner (<i>See below for details.</i>) Sunday Noon - 4:00 pm, Norton Hall
February 5	Pre-Baptismal Seminar Monday 5:30 pm, Conference Room
February 5	St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting Monday 7:00 pm, Norton Hall <i>All are welcome!</i>
February 6	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel <i>Zoom link:</i> Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
February 6	Racial Equity Committee Meeting Tuesday 7:00 pm, Zoom. <i>Contact parish for link.</i>
February 6	RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) Tuesday 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Norton Hall.
February 7	Meeting of SPRED Catechism Wednesday 6:30 pm, Norton Hall
February 9	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel Friday 9:15 am, Norton Hall
February 10	ANNUAL PARISH CONFERENCE Saturday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm, Parish Hall

Volunteer Opportunity Today



Fr. Stanislas Kimpeye Mundibi, SJ, sat at the Welcome Table last Sunday with longtime Sunday Dinners volunteer Gvenna Banfield.

Today, **February 4th**, will mark the second indoor Sunday dinner since March 1st, 2020! Last Sunday, after 46 months of receiving chili & sandwiches from the priests' garage, thirty-six men and women sat down in Norton Hall for a delicious meal together. (*Thanks to our parishioner-bakers for their yummy deserts!*)

We need volunteers to help cook the chili dinner, set up, serve, and clean up. Questions? You may email us at sundaydinners@marymagdalen.org, or simply show up anytime from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Our guests love your homemade desserts! Please drop them off in Norton Hall beginning at Noon.

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