



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
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 am

DAILY MASSES

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)

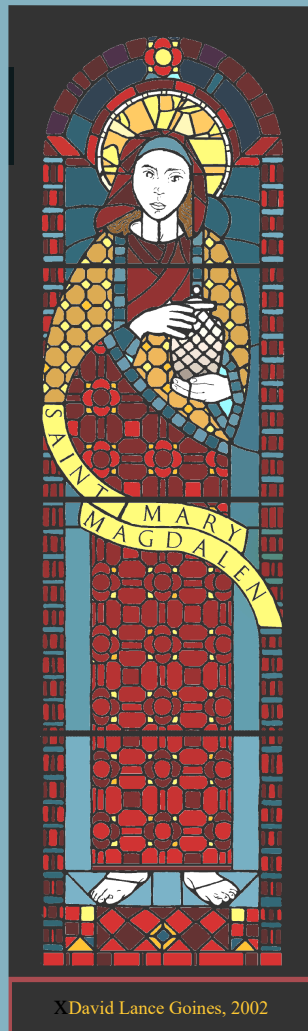
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"Together we share our Faith in Jesus Christ."

"We live the Gospel, and we care for others."

BAPTISM: Classes take place at 5:30 pm on First Mondays; contact the 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.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C ~ March 2nd, 2025

Collections for the Week of February 23rd, 2025

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
02/23/2025	\$9,486.50	\$10,000.00	-\$513.50
Year-to-Date	\$63,549.05	\$80,000.00	-\$16,450.95

We almost made our goal this week!

This QR code leads to the Parish Donation page — use it to initiate a one-time payment or increase the amount you give to your parish every month.



tinyurl.com/SMM-Donations

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 2nd **EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 Sirach 27:4-7 / 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 /
 Luke 6:39-45
- 3rd *Weekday [USA: Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin]*
 Sirach 17:20-24 / Mark 10:17-27
- 4th *Weekday [Saint Casimir]*
 Sirach 35:1-12 / Mark 10:28-31
- 5th **ASH WEDNESDAY**
 Joel 2:12-18 / 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2 /
 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
- 6th *Thursday after Ash Wednesday*
 Deuteronomy 30:15-20 / Luke 9:22-25
- 7th *Friday after Ash Wednesday [Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs]*
 Isaiah 58:1-9 / Matthew 9:14-15
- 8th *Saturday after Ash Wednesday [Saint John of God]*
 Isaiah 58:9-14 / Luke 5:27-32

Mass Intentions



- Saturday 5:30 Intentions of Julia Guerra
- Sunday 8:00 Ann Flemer RIP
 9:30 Intentions of Katie Wahl
 11:30 For the People of the Parish
- Monday 5:30 Intentions of Pope Francis
- Tuesday 8:30 Benito A. Gonzalez, Jr. RIP
- Wednesday 5:30 Intentions of Dorothy Portner
- Thursday 8:30 Phillippe Hippolyte RIP
- Friday 5:30 Cyril Dodds RIP
- Saturday 8:30 Patricia Apone Glisson RIP

Parish Calendar through March 10th, 2025

- March 1** **Liturgy Committee Meeting**
 Saturday 10:00 am, Conference Room + Zoom
- March 1** **MOVIE NIGHT: Conclave** (See p.3 for details.)
 Saturday 6:30 pm, Norton Hall. Discussion follows.
- March 1/2** **Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Wilson**
 Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
- March 2** **Girl Scout Cookie Sales—Troop 32694** 
 Sunday 10:30 am, parking lot.
- March 2** **First Sunday Dinner for the Hungry**
 Sunday Noon-4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. *All are welcome.*
- March 3** **St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting**
 Monday 7:00 pm, Norton Hall *All are welcome!*
- March 4** **Reflection on the Sunday Gospel** *Zoom link:*
 Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00 pm, [tinyurl.com / SMM-GospelGroup](https://tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup)
- March 4** **Racial Equity Committee Meeting**
 Tuesday 7:00 pm, Zoom. *Contact office for Zoom link.*
- March 5** **ASH WEDNESDAY—See Schedule on page 4.**
 Wednesday 8:30 & 10:30 am; 5:30 & 7:30 pm
- March 5** **Meeting of SPRED Catechism**
 Wednesday 6:30 pm, Norton Hall
- March 7** **Reflection on the Sunday Gospel**
 Friday 9:15 am, Norton Hall. *(All are welcome to join!)*
- March 7** **STATIONS OF THE CROSS + SOUP SUPPER**
 Friday 6:00 pm, Church; 6:30 pm, Norton Hall.
- March 8/9** **Preacher at Weekend Masses: Deacon Jim**
 Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
- March 9** **Girl Scout Cookie Sales—Troop 32694** 
 Sunday 10:30 am, parking lot. *(Final chance to purchase!)*
- March 10** **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION—HOLY HOUR**
 Monday 6:00 pm, Church. *On all the Mondays of Lent.*

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FR. NICK

“A parishioner was approached via email by someone purporting to be me and asked to send a contribution. This type of scam happens so often that stopping it would overwhelm all of my work (if it is even possible).”

“All parishioners should be aware that **I will never ask for personal donations to me.** Any fundraising would take place through the parish. If anyone approaches you purporting to be me, you should contact the parish office immediately.”

~ Fr. Nick

Frank & Kay Kalmar Celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary!



At last Sunday's 9:30 am Mass, longtime pillars of the parish, Frank and Kay Kalmar, received a priestly blessing on the 50th Anniversary of their marriage. Afterwards they celebrated with friends and family — including their two beautiful grandchildren — in Norton Hall.

Although Frank and Kay moved to San Francisco several years ago, their hearts remain here in our parish. They participate in major events, "and the donation envelopes, too!" says Frank.

May God continue to bless their marriage.

Bouquet: Cici Nguyen.

Decorations: Carole Schloz

Donut Picker-Upper: Chris Swain

Cake Builder & Photographer: Selvi McKay

Cleaner-Uppers: Catie Nakamura, Cici Nguyen

"A LIVING DIRECTORY" ~ AFTERNOON OF DISCUSSION & FOOD

Two weeks from today, the parish Racial Equity Committee will debut a series of encounters we're calling a "Living Directory."

Based on the model established by the Men's Group, we'll gather around small tables to answer some questions, and then share our responses with the larger group.

The theme: *our identities* — familial, regional, ethnic, spiritual, national, gendered, religious....

The first gathering will take place after the 11:30 am Mass (~ 12:30 pm) on **Sunday, March 16th**. Food and drink will be provided; salads & desserts are welcomed. Questions / RSVP to bulletin@marymagdalen.org.

SATURDAY ~ MARCH 1ST
6:30 PM ~ NORTON HALL

CONCLAVE CONCLAVE

NOMINATED FOR EIGHT ACADEMY AWARDS
SAVORY & SWEET TREATS ~ CLEAR SUBTITLES
DISCUSSION LED BY FR. NICK FOLLOWING THE FILM



Notes from Fr. Nick

Ash Wednesday & Lent

This week has more than enough happening! Much of it is because Easter falls so late this year.

At St. Mary Magdalen in recent years we have used the Sunday before Ash Wednesday to burn the palms we received last Holy Thursday to make ashes for the Ash Wednesday liturgies. Pulverized and blended with a little olive oil, they will mark our foreheads as we begin fasting and preparing for Easter.

Most of us know that *mardi gras* is French for "Fat Tuesday." In many parts of the world it is a bacchanal before the rigors of Lent. The word *Carnival* is also used for the celebration in many parts of the world, and is said to derive from the Latin *carne vale*, meaning "farewell to meat."



Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence in the Church. **Fasting** means one full meal plus two small meals which, combined, will not equal a single normal meal. Nothing should be consumed between meals besides water. The fast applies to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. **Abstinence** means no meat for the day. Abstinence from meat is required for people 14 and over on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent. People with special dietary needs are excepted, but should try to exercise some other form of penance.

For me, Lent is like listening to an opera by Richard Wagner; I both dread and enjoy it. I suppose there is an infantile part of me that dislikes the idea of any restrictions, and so I'm glad it only lasts six weeks. But Lent is also a time when I become more focused. Easter preparations begin early on and I anticipate the beauty and glory of the resurrection celebration. It requires a level of discipline I would not engage strictly for self-improvement. I feel similarly about the music of Richard Wagner. It isn't "easy listening." I must invest some discipline in listening to the composer's long and complex works. But, the reward at the end is a deeper appreciation of their structure and beauty.

May this Lent bring all of you many blessings.

Schedule for Ash Wednesday & Lent

- ◆ 8:30 am: Mass with Distribution of Ashes
- ◆ 10:30 am Mass with Distribution of Ashes (School Mass; anyone may attend)
- ◆ 5:30 pm Mass with Distribution of Ashes
- ◆ 7:30 pm Ceremony of Distribution of Ashes

Special Lenten Activities

- ◆ Every Monday of Lent: Mass at 5:30 pm, followed by **Eucharistic Adoration**
- ◆ Every Friday of Lent: Mass at 5:30 pm, followed by **Stations of the Cross**
- ◆ Every Friday of Lent: **Soup Supper** in Norton Hall, following the Stations of the Cross

Every Wednesday of Lent:

JustFaith Group from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in the Parish. (*All are welcome to join.*)

Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!



Family Potluck

Saturday, March 15th, 6:30 pm

Norton Hall & Magdalen Hall

Live Celtic Music

Children's Activities & Movie

Fun for the whole family!

We will provide the Corned Beef, Drinks & Dessert

Please bring a dish for 4-6 people to share:

Last Name A-J : **Appetizers or Salad**

Last Name K-Z : **Side Dish**

RSVP to Parish Office by March 13th (510) 526-4811

*Please leave a message with your name and
number of people attending.*

Adults \$20 & Children FREE!!





Blackfriars Gallery & Library Presents

The Spirit of Cinema

February through May 2025

At the Blackfriars Gallery
Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology
2301 Vine Street | Berkeley, California

and the Manresa Gallery
Santa Clara University's Jesuit School of Theology
1735 Le Roy Avenue | Berkeley, California

Opening Reception & Film Festival

Friday, February 28, 2025

3~4:30 pm Opening Reception
at Blackfriars Gallery, 2301 Vine Street

5 pm Film Screening of *The Song of Bernadette* (1943)
with introductory comments by James Martin, SJ
at Manresa Gallery, 735 LeRoy Ave

Saturday, March 1, 2025

5 pm Film screening of *Phil's Camino* (2016)
followed by discussion & pizza
at Blackfriars Gallery, 2301 Vine Street

Sunday, March 2, 2025

3 pm Film screening of
The Way (2010)
at Blackfriars Gallery,
2301 Vine Street



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JustFaith Lenten Series

Will this be the year that you make a commitment to deepen your experience of Lent?

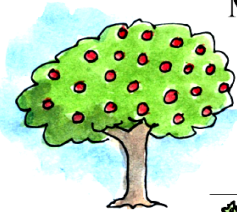
Parishioners who have engaged in small faith group discussions in the past have always found them spiritually rewarding. The **JustFaith Lenten Series** consists of **six one-hour sessions, an optional mini-retreat, and discussion questions for an optional post-Easter gathering.**

Are you interested? At present, we are planning an **in-person group** that would meet in the parish on Wednesday morning from 10:30 am to 11:30 am, and a virtual group that would meet over Zoom.

Please email Mary Hurd (mbhurd@comcast.net) or Maureen Wesolowski (mwesolowski@gmail.com), letting them know which day would work best with your schedule. **Groups will begin meeting THIS WEEK, and finish before Holy Week.**

The Kids' Bulletin

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2nd, 2025



In today's Gospel reading Jesus told a parable about trees. What did He say? Use the code to find out!



A B D E F G I N O R S T U

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Psalm 92 Unscramble

Unscramble the missing words to complete today's Psalm!

It is good to give _____ (KNSHTA) to the Lord,
to sing praises to thy _____ (MNAE), O Most High;
to declare thy steadfast _____ (OVLE) in the morning,
and thy faithfulness by _____ (HGNTI).
The righteous flourish like the _____ (LMAP) tree, and _____ (ORGW) like a cedar in Lebanon.
They are planted in the _____ (UOESH) of the Lord, they flourish in the courts of our _____ (DGO).
They still bring forth _____ (UFIRT) in old age, they are ever full of sap and _____ (ERGNE) to show that the Lord is upright, he is my _____ (KCRO) and there is no unrighteousness in him.



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WHEN IT'S TIME TO
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