

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 | Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday), Year C

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

# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:30 pm (Vigil Mass)

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

## DAILY MASSES

Tues./Weds./Thurs./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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### **BAPTISM:**

Preparation classes take place on the first Monday of the month.

### **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 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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Faith in Jesus Christ.*

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and we care for others."*

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# Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy), Year C ~ April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025

## Collections through Easter 2025

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
04/13/2025	\$7,747.50	\$10,000.00	-\$2,252.20
04/20/2025	\$5,802.68	\$0.00	\$5,802.68
Easter	\$12,915.20	\$22,000.00	-\$9,084.80
Year-to-Date	\$138,734.59	\$172,000.00	-\$33,265.41
Thank you for your support!			

This QR code leads to the Parish Donation page — use it to initiate a one-time **Easter Donation** — it's not too late!



(Or click below)

[tinyurl.com/SMM-Donations](https://tinyurl.com/SMM-Donations)

## Scripture Readings for the Week

### 27<sup>th</sup> SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 5:12-16 / Revelations 1:9-13, 17-19 / John 20:19-31

### 28<sup>th</sup> Easter Weekday [St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest]

Acts 4:23-31 / John 3:1-8

### 29<sup>th</sup> Memorial: St. Catherine of Siena, Doctor

Acts 4:32-37 / John 3:7-15

### 30<sup>th</sup> Easter Weekday [Saint Pius V, Pope]

Acts 5:17-26 / John 3:16-21

### 1<sup>st</sup> Easter Weekday [Saint Joseph the Worker]

Acts 5:27-33 / John 3:31-36

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Memorial: Saint Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor

Acts 5:34-42 / John 6:1-15

### 3<sup>rd</sup> FEAST: STS. PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

1 Corinthians 15:1-8 / John 14:6-14

## Mass Intentions



Saturday	5:30	Pope Francis RIP
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Elaine & Tom Hall
	9:30	Marcelo Zavala RIP
	11:30	For the People of the Parish
Monday	5:30	Tom O'Connor RIP
Tuesday	8:30	Intentions of Barbara Erickson
Wednesday	8:30	Pope Francis Memorial Mass
	5:30	Pope Francis Memorial Mass
Thursday	8:30	Joe O'Connell RIP
Friday	5:30	Intentions of Vivian Zelaya
Saturday	8:30	Intentions of Paul Sporer

## Parish Calendar through May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

<b>April 25</b> Friday	<b>CONCERT: Barefoot Chamber Ensemble</b> 6:30 pm, Magdalen Hall. <u>Trumpet music!</u>
<b>April 26/27</b> Weekend	<b>Offering of Letters (Bread for the World)</b> Before & after all Weekend Masses
<b>April 26/27</b> Weekend	<b>Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Wilson</b> 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
<b>April 27</b> Sunday	<b>Fourth Sunday Dinner for the Hungry</b> Noon - 4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall
<b>April 27</b> Sunday	<b>CONCERT: Bach Cantata Collective</b> 5:00 pm, Church
<b>April 29</b> Tuesday	<b>Reflection on the Sunday Gospel</b> Zoom link: 2:00 - 3:00 pm, <a href="https://tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup">tinyurl.com / SMM-GospelGroup</a>
<b>April 30</b> Wednesday	<b>Meeting of SPRED Catechism</b> 6:30 pm, Norton Hall
<b>May 2</b> Friday	<b>Reflection on the Sunday Gospel</b> 9:15 am, Norton Hall
<b>May 3</b> Saturday	<b>Filipino Cultural Celebration &amp; Feast</b> 6:30 pm, Magdalen Hall. See flyer on p. 5.
<b>May 3/4</b> Weekend	<b>Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Titus</b> 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
<b>May 4</b> Sunday	<b>Fourth Sunday Dinner for the Hungry</b> Noon - 4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall
<b>May 4</b> Sunday	<b>CONCERT: Music Sources-French Delights</b> 5:00 pm, Church. <u>Couperin &amp; D'Anglebert</u>
<b>May 5</b> Monday	<b>Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser for Mexicali</b> 6:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. See flyer on p. 5.

## It is possible to be a Catholic and a Feminist?

Join us at the Jesuit School of Theology at 7:00 pm on **Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**, for a discussion of a new book by **Julie Rubio**, *Can You Be a Catholic and a Feminist?* in which she attempts to reconcile the tensions between Catholics and feminists. As well, Rubio also endeavors to illuminate the possibilities of authentic belonging for a new generation.

Julie Rubio is Professor of Christian Social Ethics and Associate Dean at Jesuit School of Theology. Panelists include **Fr. Xavier Lavagetto, OP**, Pastor of Newman Hall-Holy Spirit Parish, and St. Mary Magdalen parish-ioner & School of the Madeleine librarian, **Sheila Ring**. The event is co-sponsored by our parish, as well as by Newman Hall Parish.



Prof. Julie Rubio

Jesuit School  
of Theology  
1735 Le Roy Avenue  
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[tinyurl.com/JST-Feminist](https://tinyurl.com/JST-Feminist)



Sheila Ring



## Two Baptisms & Five Confirmations Celebrated at the Easter Vigil



Lectors Mary Ernst, Liam Kozel, John Gray, Troy Kaji, Jim Pawlak (not pictured), and Joan Bell proclaimed the Vigil texts of Genesis & Exodus.



Fr. Nick baptized Catechumens William and Mahtab in the presence of their godparents and Candidates. Deacon Jim held the Paschal candle.



Jake, baptized Protestant, declared his allegiance to the Catholic faith; then he, Mahtab, William, Enrique, & Cristian were blessed by the priests.



Fr. Nick prepared to anoint Mahtab with the Chrism Oil while her mother filmed. Chris & Leon (baptized at the 2024 Vigil) Kiefer were servers.



## Notes from Fr. Nick

# Pope Francis

We were grieved to hear of Pope Francis' death this morning, April 21, 2025. In a way it is fitting that Francis died during Easter Week, the most hopeful of all times. Francis stood for a Church that truly lives up to Vatican II's definition of Church as *"The People of God"* (*Lumen Gentium*). His emphasis on *synodality* stressed that people from all walks of life should come together to work out the life and teaching of the Church for our times. He emphasized the Church's commitment to the poor and marginalized, and often used his office to give them a voice when world leaders would rather not hear from them.

For myself, Pope Francis' humility may have been his most prophetic trait. At the very inauguration of his pontificate, when he knelt on the balcony at St. Peter's Square and asked the gathered crowd to pray for him, I knew we were in for something different. I also liked his sense of humor. It's too easy to look askance at playfulness in the face of the world's grave crises. Having a sense of humor indicates a person who can keep things in proportion.

Maybe one of Francis' most important works was quietly appointing strongly pastoral bishops and cardinals around the world. Let us hope that they will continue his legacy by electing a successor who continues Francis' vision!



Pope Francis smiled as he arrived to lead his general audience in Saint Peter's Square at the Vatican on May 18, 2016. (CNS photo/Paul Haring)

Since we're in the Octave of Easter, we are waiting to have a Memorial Mass until next week. On **Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**, both the **8:30 am and 5:30 pm Masses** will be a Memorial Mass for the Pope. (I will not be able to celebrate them, as I will be in Florida on family business.) In the meantime, before each Daily Mass, I invite you to join in a novena in his memory. We will also remember Pope Francis in the Prayers of the Faithful. *Requiescat in pace.*

~ Fr. Nick, April 21, 2025

### From *Caritas International*:

"Throughout his papacy, Pope Francis was an extraordinary advocate for the poorest and most vulnerable members of society, reminding the world that **"the option for those who are least, those whom society discards"** is at the heart of the Church's mission."

"We give thanks for his prophetic voice in defence of peace, social justice, and the care of our common home." [tinyurl.com/Caritas-Francis](https://tinyurl.com/Caritas-Francis)

### From *Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns*:

"We remain inspired by his courage in taking risks, as when he kissed the feet of South Sudan leaders, urging them to work for peace; his visionary development of Catholic teaching to address modern challenges, as when he condemned the mere possession of nuclear weapons, and called climate change an urgent moral crisis; and his fidelity to love and mercy as evident in his unwavering welcome to migrants and refugees, and respect for the inherent dignity of every human person." [tinyurl.com/Maryknoll-Francis](https://tinyurl.com/Maryknoll-Francis)

In his own words, from *Laudato Si'* :

"St. Francis asked that part of the friary garden always be left untouched, so that wild flowers and herbs could grow there, and those who saw them could raise their minds to God, the Creator of such beauty." (12)

"What we need is an ecological conversion, whereby the effects of our encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in our relationship with the world around us." (217)

"The universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely. Hence, there is a mystical meaning to be found in a leaf, in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop, in a poor person's face. Standing awestruck before a mountain, we cannot separate this experience from God" (233). [tinyurl.com/LS-Quotes](https://tinyurl.com/LS-Quotes)





## Filipino Cultural Celebration!

Saturday, May 3, at 6:30 pm  
Magdalen Hall

Professor James Zarsadiaz  
University of San Francisco

"Filipino American History  
& Justice / Injustice"



Following the Lecture,  
a Filipino Feast!



Prof. James Zarsadiaz is an award-winning historian of the United States, often quoted in media publications. An Associate Professor of History at USF, he serves as Director of the Yuchengco Philippine Studies Program there. His recent book is *Resisting Change in Suburbia* (UC Press, 2022), currently serves on the board for the Association of Asian American Studies.

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## The Kids' Bulletin

Second Sunday of Easter  
Divine Mercy Sunday  
April 27th, 2025



John 20:19-31

What did Jesus and  
Thomas say to each other?  
Look in the mirror to find out!

thekidsbulletin.com

## True or False: When Jesus Came to the Apostles

1. When Jesus first came to the Apostles after His resurrection, He said "Peace be with you" twice. True or False?

2. When Jesus rose from the dead, you couldn't see the marks from the nails in His hands and feet any more. True or False?

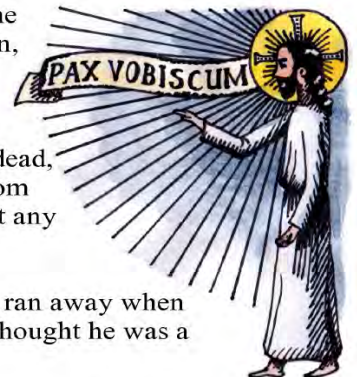
3. The Apostles panicked and ran away when they saw Jesus because they thought he was a ghost. True or False?

4. Jesus breathed on the Apostles and told them that they now had the power to forgive people's sins. True or False?

5. The Apostle Thomas was not with the others when Jesus first came to them after He rose from the dead. True or False?

6. Thomas believed that they had seen Jesus, so he wasn't surprised when Jesus came again a week later. True or False?

7. Jesus told Thomas to put his fingers in the nail-holes in His hands and put his hand in Jesus' side where the spear had gone in. True or False?







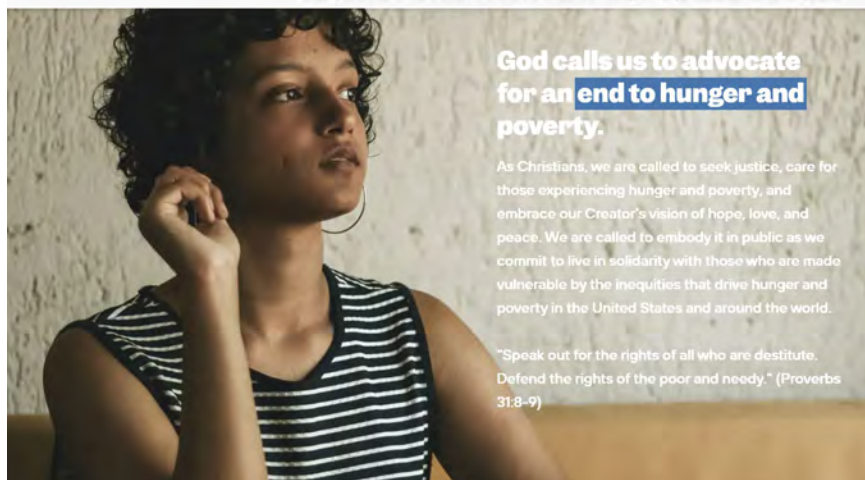
THE PROBLEM

## One in ten people around the world go to bed hungry each night.

One in four children under five are severely malnourished. But it doesn't have to be that way.

Every voice matters. With your help, we can reach the people with the power and resources to make hunger a problem of the past.

[tinyurl.com/BREAD-Act](https://tinyurl.com/BREAD-Act)



## God calls us to advocate for an end to hunger and poverty.

As Christians, we are called to seek justice, care for those experiencing hunger and poverty, and embrace our Creator's vision of hope, love, and peace. We are called to embody it in public as we commit to live in solidarity with those who are made vulnerable by the inequities that drive hunger and poverty in the United States and around the world.

"Speak out for the rights of all who are destitute. Defend the rights of the poor and needy." (Proverbs 31:8-9)

**Look for the *Bread for the World* tables before and after every Mass NEXT WEEKEND. We'll have letters for your U.S. congressperson and both California Senators for you to sign.**

As people of faith, we are called to give of our time, talent, and treasure for a greater purpose. **Bread for the World invites you to use your voice to help end hunger.**

Every year, BFW organizes people of faith from across the country to write letters and emails to their members of Congress who have the power to impact the policies and programs that can end hunger. **By signing 2 or 3 of the Bread for the World's 2025 Letters to you representatives, you will help support domestic and international nutrition programs that offer a hand up to families and a brighter future for children.**

**Your letter matters.** Combined with other letters of advocates across the country, your letter or email is an expression of faith and hope, urging U.S. decision-makers to pursue a world without hunger.

God uses these letters to change hearts and minds, and again and again, Bread for the World wins help and opportunity for our neighbors who face hunger.

## Please Donate or Join Us in the Annual CROP Hunger Walk

The Annual **Berkeley CROP Walk** will take place on **Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** and will leave from our parking lot at **1:45 pm**. There are long route and short route options, and ice cream will be served to walkers upon our return to the Parish!

### Where will your local donations go?

#### (1) Dorothy Day House, serving breakfast daily for 34 years:

- DDH now serves lunch to roughly 250 persons/day
- They have added innovative shelters for the unhoused (four 24-hour shelters and two winter shelters)
- Daytime Drop-In for showers and grooming
- Recently added Dorothy's Closet — guests may shop for clothing and supplies

#### (2) Berkeley Food Pantry, which provides food for an average of 160 client families each day:

- They now provide pet food, diapers, and baby food
- Pre-pandemic, the BFP served an average of 40 people/day, 100 at the holidays. Food insecurity continues to grow in our area--now never fewer than 100 people/day, even in inclement weather.
- Staff furloughs and cuts in federal assistance programs are affecting food distribution to the larger food banks, along with cuts to farmers; USDA surplus food programs. The BFP is relying heavily on donations to provide enough food, and a healthy variety.



*The CROP Hunger Walk is a nationwide movement sponsored by Church World Service to raise funds to end hunger and poverty in the U.S. and around the world and choose their own location and experience.*

You may drop off your check in the collection plate, or at the Parish Office — be sure to note "CROP WALK" in the Memo Line. Or, you may donate online at [tinyurl.com/SOM-SMM-CropWalk](https://tinyurl.com/SOM-SMM-CropWalk)



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