

January 11th, 2026 | The Baptism of the Lord, Year A

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)

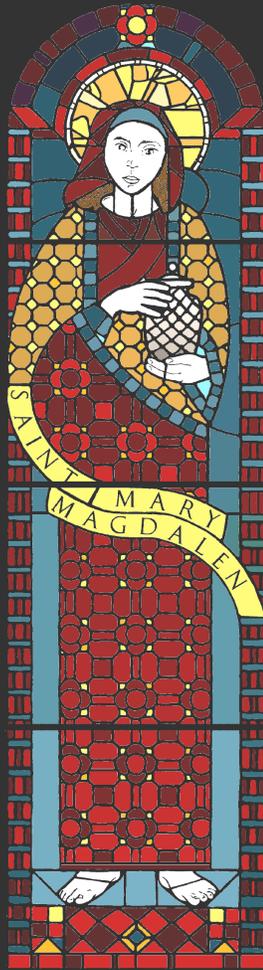
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BAPTISM:

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.

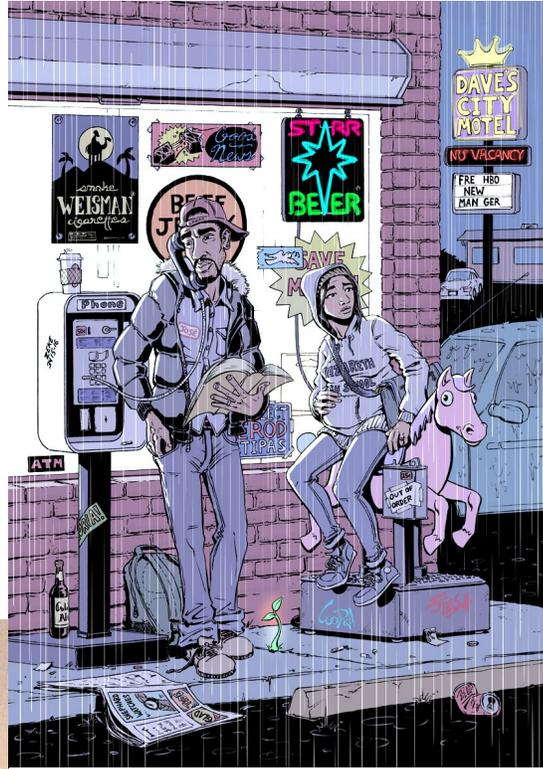
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Lectio Divina on the Nativity through Renaissance & Contemporary Art

Last Saturday evening, Fr. Nick led a group of parishioners in a fascinating discussion of renderings of the Nativity from Caravaggio and Biccio to the comic artist Everett Patterson and the modern iconographer Kelly Latimore.



Biccio di Lorenzo, *The Nativity*, c. 1425
Wallraf-Richartz-Museum, Cologne



Everett Patterson. *José y Maria*,
everettpatterson.com, 2014.



Kelly Latimore, *La Sagrada Familia*
Kelly Latimore Icons, 2016



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East Bay Sanctuary Covenant, in collaboration with Berkeley Freight & Salvage, invites you to a screening of the short documentary film *No Separate Survival*, followed by a discussion with the director & filmmakers. All funds raised will support EBSC's work in providing legal and social service and cash assistance for immigrants in the Bay Area. Tickets: bit.ly/nss-film

Date: TODAY, January 11, 2026

Time: 4:30 pm Reception; 5:45 Film

Location: Freight & Salvage (2020 Addison Street)

Suggested donation: from \$25; no one turned away



REFUGEE FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

RSVP HERE



Refugee Foster Care supports unaccompanied refugee minors fleeing persecution and violence. We are seeking nurturing families to welcome a refugee youth into their home. Join us virtually to learn more!



February 5, 2026

6:30 PM



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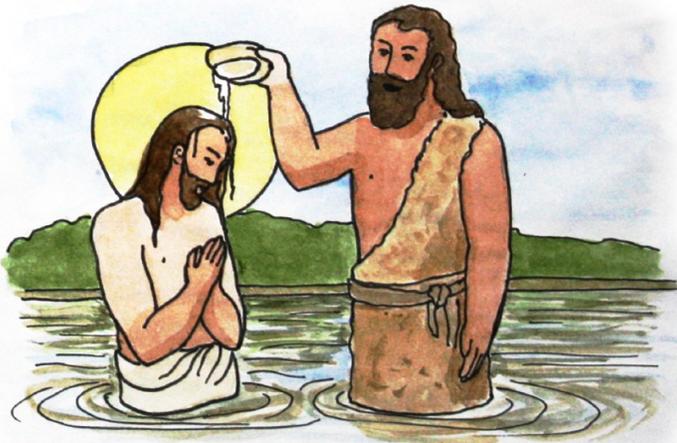
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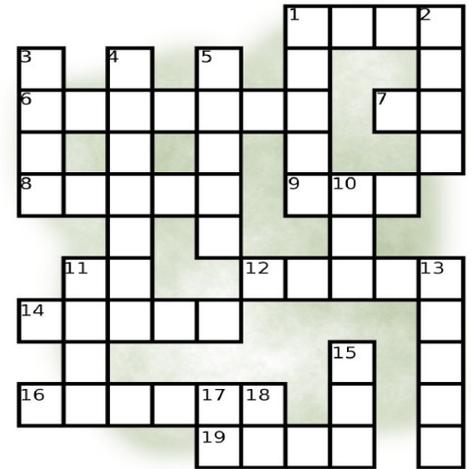
The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord
 Sunday January 11th, 2026



What did Saint John the Baptist see that showed him that Jesus was the Son of God? Connect the dots to find out!

Jesus' Baptism Cross-Word Puzzle



See if you can find all these words relating to Jesus' baptism and fit them into the puzzle:

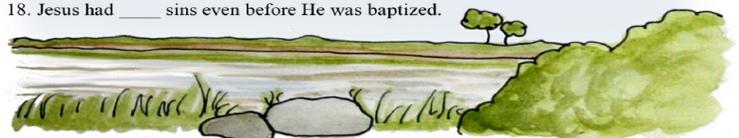
Across:

1. What was the name of the man who baptized Jesus?
6. The _____ opened and the Holy Spirit came down.
7. John said to Jesus, "You should baptize _____!"
8. John baptized with _____.
9. "This is my beloved _____ with whom I am well pleased."
11. "This _____ my beloved Son..."
12. _____ Jesus was baptized He came out of the river.
14. Once John had said about Jesus, "I am not worthy to _____ His sandal!"
16. What was the name of the river where Jesus was baptized?
19. Jesus _____ John that it was fitting for Him to be baptized.

Down:

1. Who had never done a sin but was baptized anyway?
2. John said, "I _____ to be baptized by you!"
3. Jesus did this to _____ us how important baptism is.
4. The John in this story is called John the _____.
5. They _____ a voice from Heaven.
10. John came _____ of the desert to preach and baptize.
11. When we are baptized, the Holy Spirit comes _____ our soul.
13. Jesus was baptized in a _____.
15. The Heavens opened and the Spirit of _____ appeared.
17. Jesus came from Galilee to John _____ the Jordan.
18. Jesus had _____ sins even before He was baptized.

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Notes from Fr. Nick

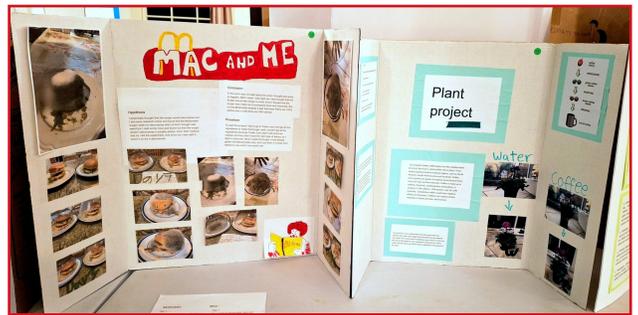
Madeleine Science Fair



Last week I wrote about critical thinking. This week, the students of our parish school are demonstrating how this kind of thinking works. When I was in school, I wish I had understood the point of these science projects more clearly. I assumed that the point of our school's science fair was to show off my creative mind. Although I once did win first prize at the fair (I graphically showed the features of series and parallel electrical circuits), it was more by accident than plan.

Science fairs are really about learning how to come up with an hypothesis and through observation, analysis, and logic, proving that hypothesis to be either true or false. In other words, the students are applying the scientific method (critical thinking) to an idea. The projects in our school's fair display the students' discipline to follow a procedure, and their ability to demonstrate how they arrived at their conclusions.

In all our lives, we tend to want our hypotheses verified. It takes a disciplined person to humbly admit that their theory is wrong. Experiments that yield conflicting results are not failures, but a part of the learning curve. As an example: stem cell research, at present, has yielded far more negative results than positive breakthroughs, but the process of eliminating these dead ends has narrowed the research to more promising outcomes. Learning to admit their hypotheses were wrong will give our students an advantage as researchers, in the job market, and as members of the community.



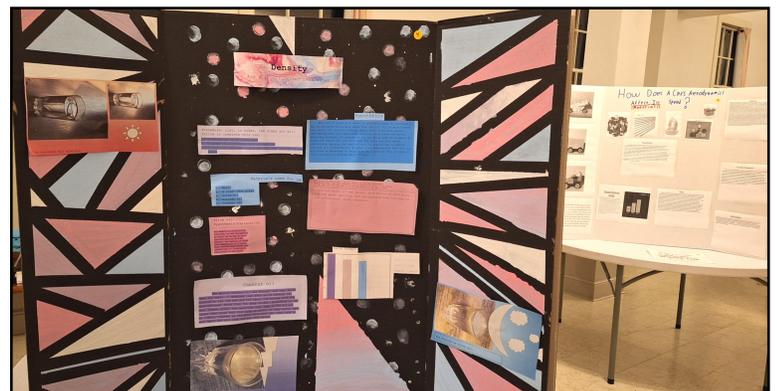
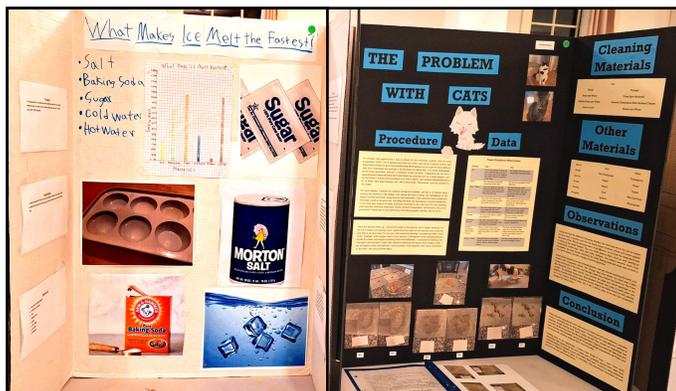
This week Magdalen Hall will be the setting for displays showing experiments on the environment, physics, biology, computer technology, and many other scientific fields. Our students (and their parents and teachers!) engaged in multi-part projects that proved they can collaborate, apply logic, record findings, draw conclusions

and display their work. But perhaps the most important skill the projects demonstrate is curiosity. Vacant minds accept the status quo or jump to conclusions. Our students' inquiring minds want to know why and how things work, and how they can be applied to our planet's welfare. They are learning the self-control to go deeper than the surface and relish the complexity of our world.

Take some time to go into Magdalen Hall this Wednesday and view our students' impressive work. Encourage our potential Nobel Prize



winner to continue their scientific inquiry. It will inspire you about our future and support our students as they pursue their dreams. *The Science Fair will be open on Wednesday, January 14th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*



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Weekly Collections through January 4 th , 2026			
	Actual	Budget	Difference
Christmas	\$50,909.25	\$48,000.00	\$2,909.25
12/28/2025	\$6,274.73	\$10,000.00	-\$3,725.27
2025 Total	\$467,726.00	\$532,000.00	-\$64,274.00
01/01/2025	\$290.00		\$290.00
01/04/2026	\$9,539.00	\$10,000.00	-\$751.00
YTD 2026	\$9,539.00	\$10,000.00	-\$461.00

Thank you all for the End-of-Year Donations!

SAVE THE DATE!

9th Annual Parish Conference

Saturday, February 21st, 2026

10:00 am - 3:00 pm (Lunch Included)

Magdalen Hall

Scripture Readings for the Week

11 th	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Isaiah 42:1-7/Acts 10:34-38 / Matthew 3:13-17
12 th	<i>Monday of the First Week in Ordinary Time</i> 1 Samuel 1:1-8 / Mark 1:14-20
13 th	<i>Weekday [St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor]</i> 1 Samuel 1:9-20 / Mark 1:21-28
14 st	<i>Weekday</i> 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20 / Mark 1:29-39
15 th	<i>Weekday</i> 1 Samuel 4:1-11 / Mark 1:40-45
16 th	<i>Weekday</i> 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22 / Mark 2:1-12
17 th	<i>Memorial: St. Anthony the Great, Abbot</i> 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1 / Mark 2:13-17

Mass Intentions

Sunday	8:00	Sybil Hippolyte RIP
	9:30	Alfred Hansen RIP
	11:30	For the People of the Parish
Monday	5:30	Intentions of Josephine Linde
Tuesday	8:30	Intentions of the Children of Mary Community
Wednesday	5:30	Intentions of Velma Bourgeois and Hugh Richmond
Friday	5:30	Thomas J. Manning RIP
Saturday	8:30	Nicholas Espejo RIP

Parish Calendar through January 23rd, 2026

January 9 Friday	CONCERT: Barefoot Chamber All-Stars 6:30 pm, Magdalen Hall. <u>Orlando Gibbons</u>
January 10-11 Weekend	Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Nick 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
January 13 Tuesday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel <i>Zoom link:</i> 2:00-3:00 pm, <u>tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup</u>
January 14 Wednesday	SCHOOL OF THE MADELEINE SCIENCE FAIR 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall
January 14 Wednesday	Meeting of SPRED Catechism 6:30 pm, Norton Hall
January 16 Friday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel 9:15 - 10:15 am, Norton Hall
January 17-18 Weekend	Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Wilson 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
January 20 Tuesday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel <i>Zoom link:</i> 2:00-3:00 pm, <u>tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup</u>
January 21 Wednesday	Meeting of SPRED Catechism 6:30 pm, Norton Hall
January 23 Friday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel 9:15 - 10:15 am, Norton Hall

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