



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 (Vigil Mass)

DAILY MASSES

Tues./Wed./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)

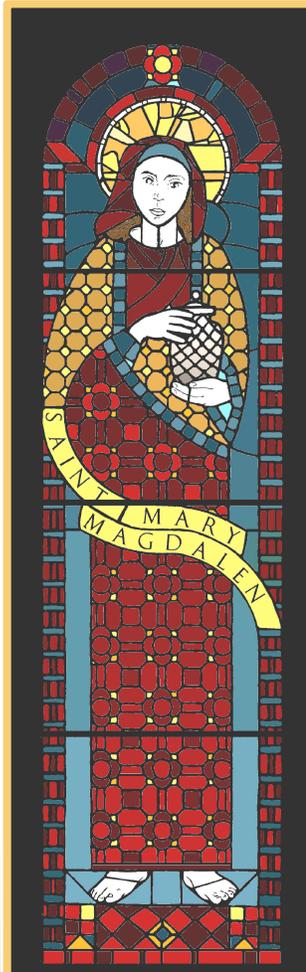
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Monday — Friday
9:00 am — Noon
1:00 pm — 5:00 pm
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BAPTISM: Preparation classes take place on the first Monday of the month. Please call the parish office for more information.

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.

*"Together we share our
Faith in Jesus Christ.*

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

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A ~ January 25th, 2026

Weekly Collections through January 18 th , 2026			
Time Period	Actual	Budget	Difference
01/18/2026	\$6,372.75	\$10,000.00	-\$3,627.25
YTD 2026	\$24,876.30	\$30,000.00	-\$5,123.70

We are shifting away from the goal.



Your Catholic School
in Berkeley



**Open House today (1/25) from 10:30 am to Noon —
Come and visit our beautiful parish school!**

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 25th **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Isaiah 8:23-9:3 / 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17 /
Matthew 4:12-23
- 26th *Memorial: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops*
2 Timothy 1:1-8 / Mk 3:22-30
- 27th *Weekday [Saint Angela Merici, Virgin]*
2 Samuel 6:12-15, 17-19 / Mark 3:31-35
- 28th *Memorial: Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor*
2 Samuel 7:4-17 / Mark 4:1-20
- 29th *Weekday*
2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29 / Mark 4:21-25
- 30th *Weekday*
2 Samuel 11:1-4, 5-10, 13-17 / Mark 4:26-34
- 31st *Memorial: St. John Bosco, Priest*
2 Samuel 12:1-7, 10-17 / Mark 4:35-41

Mass Intentions

- Saturday 5:30 Marcela Balbuena RIP
- Sunday 8:00 Wallis Curtis RIP
9:30 For the People of the Parish
11:30 Intentions of Erin & Carl
Makarczyk
- Monday 5:30 Intentions of Joyce Scotlan
- Tuesday 8:30 Intentions of Theresa Thomas
- Wednesday 5:30 Intentions of Anna Johnson
- Friday 5:30 Intentions of Haddiyah Johnson

Parish Calendar through February 3rd, 2026

- January 24-25 Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Wilson**
Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
- January 25 School of the Madeleine Open House!**
Sunday 10:30 am—Noon, School. (See page 4 for details.)
- January 25 Fourth Sunday Dinner for the Hungry**
Sunday Noon-4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. *Volunteers needed!*
- January 25 CONCERT—Music Sources: Corina Marti**
Sunday 5:00 pm, Church. [Baltic Keyboard Music](#)
- January 27 Discussion of the Sunday Gospel Zoom link:**
Tuesday 2:00-3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
- January 28 Meeting of SPRED Catechism**
Wednesday 6:30 pm, Norton Hall
- January 30 Discussion of the Sunday Gospel**
Friday 9:15 - 10:15 am, Norton Hall
- January 30 CONCERT—Barefoot Chamber Ensemble**
Friday 6:30 pm, Magdalen Hall. Bach Sonatas
- January 31- February 1 Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Titus**
5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
- February 1 First Sunday Dinner for the Hungry**
Sunday Noon-4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. *Volunteers needed!*
- February 3 Discussion of the Sunday Gospel Zoom link:**
Tuesday 2:00-3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup

AVAILABLE NOW!

PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

The Support of Your Business is Greatly Appreciated

Donna Touros from LPI, our bulletin printer, is securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. It is the support of the business community that helps to make our church thrive. Please consider purchasing a print and / or digital ad as your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

Church bulletin advertising is a cost-effective way to advertise 52 times per year and show support for your local community; in turn, parishioners will support you!

Digital advertising allows your business to be front and center to anyone who visits a church profile page on ParishesOnline.com — that's approximately 500,000 page views per month!



Donna Touros
916-284-4438

Today, January 25th, is our **4th Sunday Dinner for the Hungry**. Do you have an hour to spend in Magdalen Hall today from 2:15 to 4:00 pm?

You are very welcome to come help set up or serve our guests (*see times below*), but **we really need volunteers to help clean the kitchen and Magdalen Hall**.

We set up from **11:30 am to 12:30 pm**, prepare to serve at **2:15 pm**, start cleaning the kitchen at **2:30 pm** and put away tables & chairs at **~3:30 pm**.

Do You (or Your Children) Like to Bake?

Our guests like sweets, and they really appreciate your desserts. You may drop them off on any 1st or 4th Sunday morning during Coffee Hour (**7:30 am to 11:00 am**) or in Magdalen Hall (**11:00 am to 1:00 pm**). Thank you!



Join us for a thoughtful conversation as peacemaker and healer share their experiences from Gaza and regions impacted by conflict & war.

What is happening in Gaza?
and

What can we, the Church, do to facilitate peace & healing in the Middle East and other areas of great suffering?



Dr. Greg Shay
Global Health Pediatrician at American Academy of Pediatrics

Monday, January 26th
7:00 - 8:30 pm
Newman Hall/
Holy Spirit Parish
2700 Dwight Way
Berkeley



Reverend Allison Tanner
Pastor, educator and national organizer of the Apartheid-Free Communities

Read a 2025 NCR article about the work of Dr. Shay here.



PEACE & HEALING IN GAZA

Let us know you're coming!
RSVP here



Read about Rev. Tanner and her work here.



Photos: Fr. Nicholas Glisson



Come Join the Pilgrimage to our Sister Parish in Mexicali!

Join Fr. Nick and other parishioners for our fourth parish pilgrimage to our sister parish, Santa María de Guadalupe, a mission of the Western Dominican Province in Mexicali.

We'll meet up at the San Diego airport at noon on Friday, March 6, and return to the airport on Sunday, March 8. Fr. Nick will rent a van that will take us to the border, which we will cross on foot.

How much does this trip cost? You will be responsible for your travel to and from San Diego and for the cost of the hotel room for two nights (~\$50/night).

What will we be doing in Mexicali? We'll visit parish locations and catechetical centers, participate in charitable ministries and attend Mass. This is a wonderful time to get to know the lovely parishioners of Santa María de Guadalupe, to learn firsthand how God is at work serving the poorest in Mexicali and even participate in the work itself. You will see how St. Mary Magdalen has helped the parish in the past, and consult with them on how we can help them in future.

Interested? Contact Sharon Henthorn-Iwane
at volunteer@marymagdalen.org.

Catholic Schools Week

“Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community” is the theme of this year’s Catholic Schools Week, which begins today. According to the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA), *“The theme encompasses several concepts that are at the heart of Catholic education. Our schools are communities — small families in their own right, but also members of the larger community of home, church, city and nation. Faith and community are measures by which any Catholic School can and should be judged.”*



How does The School of the Madeleine stack up against this standard? Clearly our school is a community. It is part of the larger fellowship of St. Mary Magdalen Parish, but distinct in its mission and membership. It is about educating our students academically, spiritually and emotionally. While the community comprises students and teachers from both within and outside our parish and faith, our whole community is committed to the values of our Church and culture.

Do we measure up in terms of faith and community? Our children receive religious instruction every school day and participate in liturgy at least once a week, but this is not the only measure of faith. The real question is, *“Are they formed in the Gospel values that our faith professes?”* Again, while we all can live our lives better, my experience is these our students reflect their faith in the way they treat each other and in their spontaneous acts of kindness to each other, family, and even strangers.

Knowledge is not merely learning. It assumes one is able to integrate learning into practical experience. Examples of Madeleine students’ knowledge is their participation in last week’s Science Fair and other academic projects, but they demonstrate wise knowledge in countless

other ways every day that are both practical and profound.

If our school does not produce young men and women who understand their obligation to give to the community more than they receive, we have failed. The high schools to which our students graduate report regularly that they are well adjusted and eager to give their time and talent for causes and needs that can never *“pay them back.”*

By their nature, all students are “works-in-progress,” but I can emphatically state that the students of the School of the Madeleine live up to the NCEA’s theme for Catholic Schools Week this year. When you visit our school this weekend (**Open House will be from 10:30 am to Noon**), give them some words of encouragement and keep them in your prayers.





IT'S COOKIE SEASON!

Girl Scout Troop 32694 from Berkeley will be selling cookies after the 9:30 am Mass!

You have two dates to purchase in person:
Sunday 2/8 & Sunday 3/1
from 10:30 to 11:00 am

You may also purchase online and the Scouts will deliver to your door! Use the QR code above, or go to tinyurl.com/32694Cookies

Some of the proceeds will support a cultural & educational trip to the Dominican Republic, where we will explore the history, art, language, and cuisine of the country.

Thank you for supporting Troop 32694. **girl scouts**



REFUGEE FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

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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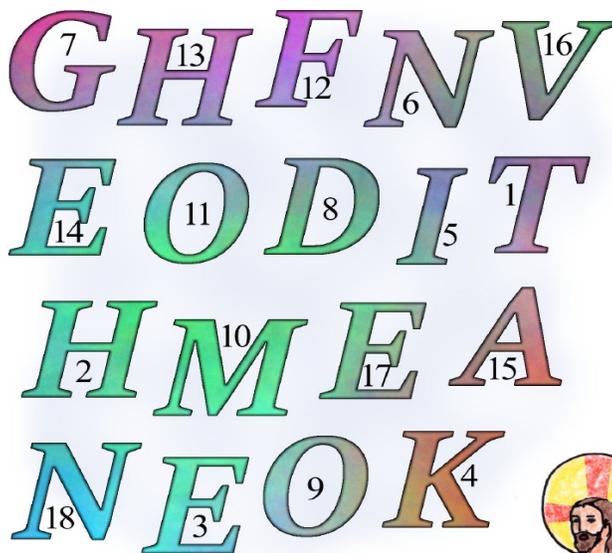


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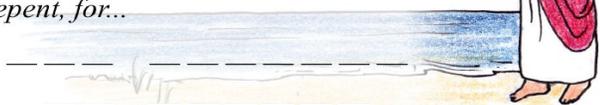
The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 January 25th, 2026



What did Jesus say as He began to preach by the sea?
 Sort out the letters by their numbers to fill in the blanks.

Repent, for...



... is at hand.

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Unscramble and Fill in the Blanks: A Prophecy about Jesus...



he people who walked in _____
 have seen a great light;
 upon those who dwelt in a land of gloom
 a _____ has shone.

You have brought them abundant _____
 and great rejoicing
 as they rejoice before you as at the _____,
 as people make merry when dividing spoils.

For the _____ that burdened them,
 the pole on their shoulder,
 and the rod of their taskmaster
 you have _____,
 as on the day at Midian.

Unscramble the words below to fill in the blanks in the prophecy from today's first reading.

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