

May 24th, 2025 | PENTECOST, Year A

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



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100 YEARS

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 MASS SCHEDULE

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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WEBSITE



marymagdalen.org



*“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.

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The Feast of Pentecost, Year A ~ May 24th, 2026

Parish Collections through May 17th, 2026

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
05/17/2026	\$7,142.95	\$10,000.00	-\$2,857.05
Year-to-Date	\$227,294.14	\$212,000.00	\$15,294.14

Let's keep us on the positive side.

It's Easy to Make a Financial Donation to your Parish!

This QR code leads to the Parish Donation page — use it to initiate a one-time Donation.



Or click below:

tinyurl.com/SMM-Donations

(See the Parish Council's Column on page 2 for more information about ways to donate.)

Scripture Readings for the Week

24th PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13/
John 20:19-23

25th Memorial: Blessed Mary, Mother of the Church

Acts 1:12-14 / John 19:25-34

26th Memorial: St. Philip Neri, Priest

1 Peter 1:10-16 / Mark 10:28-31

27th Weekday [St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop]

1 Peter 1:18-25 / Mark 10:32-45

28th Weekday

1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12 / Mark 10:46-52

29nd Weekday [St. Paul VI, Pope]

1 Peter 4:7-13 / Mark 11:11-26

30th Weekday [Blessed Virgin Mary]

Jude 17, 20-25 / Mark 11:27-33

Mass Intentions



Saturday	5:30	Intentions of the Ernst Family
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of Tom & Elaine Hall
	9:30	Intentions of Michael Cassidy
	11:30	For the People of the Parish
Monday	5:30	Intentions of Claire Robles
Wednesday	8:30	Eileen Mundt RIP
	5:30	Joanne & Paul Kelly RIP
Thursday	8:30	Charles Hippolyte RIP
Friday	5:30	William ("Bill") Rauch RIP

Parish Calendar through June 7, 2026

May 23-24 Weekend	FEAST OF PENTECOST (Preacher: Fr. Nick) 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
May 24 Sunday	Fourth Sunday Dinner for the Hungry Noon-4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. <i>Volunteers needed!</i>
May 26 Tuesday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel Zoom link: 2:00-3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
May 27 Wednesday	Final Meeting of SPRED until October 7:00 pm, Norton Hall
May 29 Friday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel 9:15-10:15 am, Norton Hall
May 30-31 Weekend	Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Wilson 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
May 30-31 Weekend	FIFTH SUNDAY—SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
May 31 Sunday	CONCERT: Cantata Collective 5:00 pm, Church
June 1 Monday	St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting 7:00 pm, Norton Hall <i>All are welcome!</i>
June 2 Tuesday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel Zoom link: 2:00-3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
June 5 Friday	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel 9:15-10:15 am, Norton Hall
June 6 Saturday	Liturgy Council Monthly Meeting 10:00 am, Conference Room & Zoom
June 6-7 Weekend	Preacher at Weekend Masses: Deacon Jeff 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
June 7 Sunday	First Sunday Dinner for the Hungry Noon-4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. <i>Volunteers needed!</i>

St. Vincent de Paul 5th Sunday Collection ~ May 30 & 31

Envelopes will be available in the pews for donations. Your contributions — whether made during Mass or online (*on the drop down menu, scroll for 'St. Vincent de Paul'*) — help us to provide essential assistance to people in our neighborhood, including support for utilities, rent, and groceries. See: tinyurl.com/smm-donate

Would you like to join us in our ministry of bringing Christ's love to our Neighbors in Need? We meet in Norton Hall at 7:00 pm on the First Monday of every month. Or send us an email for more information:



PENTECOST
MAY 24, 2026



A reading of John: 19-23 in eight languages
St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Berkeley, California

and said to them, "Peace be with you."



On the evening of that first day of the week



Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."



This Pentecost, we will hear the Gospel proclaimed in several languages — one for each verse of the Gospel — by parishioners of St. Mary Magdalen. Video prepared by Mary Ernst; project organized by Cat Neilsen.

If We All Increase Our Donations by 10%, Our Parish Will Be Financially Stable!

A message from the Parish Pastoral Council:

Thank you to those who have already responded to the Parish Council's campaign to increase your giving! The Council appreciates everyone's consideration of Father Nick's report on St. Mary Magdalen's operating budget outlined in his [Pastor's Column in March](#).

Please prayerfully reflect on whether you or your family could afford to increase your regular donations by 10%. You can adjust your EFT payment by scanning the QR code (or URL) to sign on (or create a new EFT account if you don't have one).



If you need assistance, please call the office, and our Business Manager, Norah, will help you. Her direct line is (510-526-4811 x 111)

The URL is tinyurl.com/SMM-Donate.

Thank you for your consideration.

This Sunday, May 24th, is our **Fourth Sunday Dinner for the Hungry**. Do you have an hour to spend in Magdalen Hall 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 the tables & chairs from around **3:40 to 4:00 pm**.

Do You (or Your Children) Like to Bake?

Our dinner 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 to 11:00 am**) or in Magdalen Hall (**11:00 am to 1:00 pm**).

For more info: tinyurl.com/SMM-DinnersSignUp or email: sundaydinners@marymagdalen.org.

Notes from Fr. Nick

Parish Scrapbook

The profile photo on my Facebook page was taken when I was fourteen years old. I use it rather than a more recent image because my appearance over the years has changed beyond recognition, and former classmates scrolling through photos would be unlikely to instantly connect with my present physique.

I love looking at old photos—even of people I never knew. They are windows into those people's lives and tell part of their story. Photos of my father as a child with club feet or my Uncle Bob in front of his F-86 fighter jet reveal a world about both of them. More deeply, the curve of a mouth or a glance off camera exposes much about their personalities. Were they kind or stern? Do their face and posture betray a life of hardship, or command of their world?

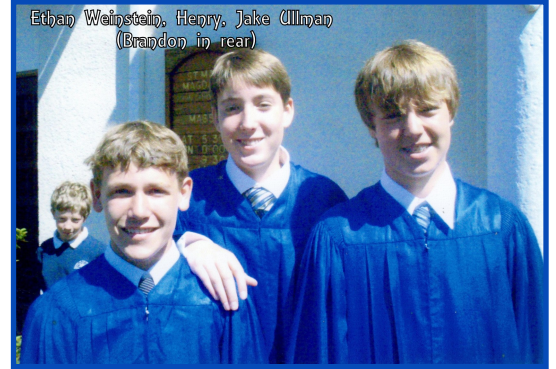
The Church defines itself as *"The People of God."* Photographs of people speak to the personality of each individual parish. Maybe you have an old parish directory that brings back happy or even difficult memories. Sharing images of our parish, families, and individuals lets us know from where we've come from, who we are, and a little of our future.

As part of our Ninth Mary Magdalen Festival (July 17th-19th), we hope to display images of our families from past and present. When I meet someone on their deathbed, it's sad that I don't know what they looked like as child, or on their wedding day, as a member of the community or active in their career. These photo displays will help fill in the blanks. Were you a hippie protester, a debutante, or a buttoned-down yuppie? Did you have braces or stringy hair? Does a portrait with your spouse reveal the deep love you share? I envision this project as St. Mary Magdalen's museum of the Body of Christ in us.



I don't expect anything fancy. I'm envisioning photos on those three-panel poster boards used for science fair projects with copies of family photos and some simple captions. We will display them in the church or Magdalen Hall.

As we celebrate the feast of our patron, Saint Mary Magdalen, let's also celebrate the Body of Christ in photos of our history. I expect it will be revealing, entertaining and inspiring.



Choir Members & Others, including Kathleen Maestas, Sr. Moira OP, Frank & Kay Kalmar, Ellen Logue, Dorothy Portner. circa 2003.

Do You Have a Musical Talent?

Are you a singer, a musician, or both? Share your gifts with the parish during our Ninth Annual Mary Magdalen Festival in July! How to enter? Submit your name, the name of the work to be presented, and the musical instrument you play to this address:



parish@marymagdalen.org



Mary Magdalen Festival Schedule:

Friday, July 17th:

- ◆ MusicFest in Magdalen Hall

Saturday, July 18th:

- ◆ Lecture by Musicologist
John Prescott

Sunday, July 19th:

- ◆ Open House-Potluck in the Rectory



St Columba Catholic Church

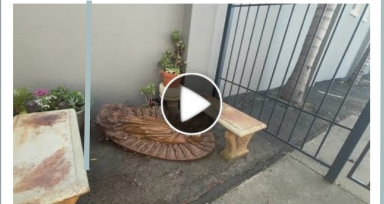
Vandalism at St. Columba Catholic Church, Known for its Peace and Justice Displays

St. Columba Church (Alcatraz & San Pablo) was vandalized early in the morning of May 5th, its memorial crosses to homicide victims ripped out.

Vandals rip crosses out, desecrate memorials at Oakland church - NBC Bay Area



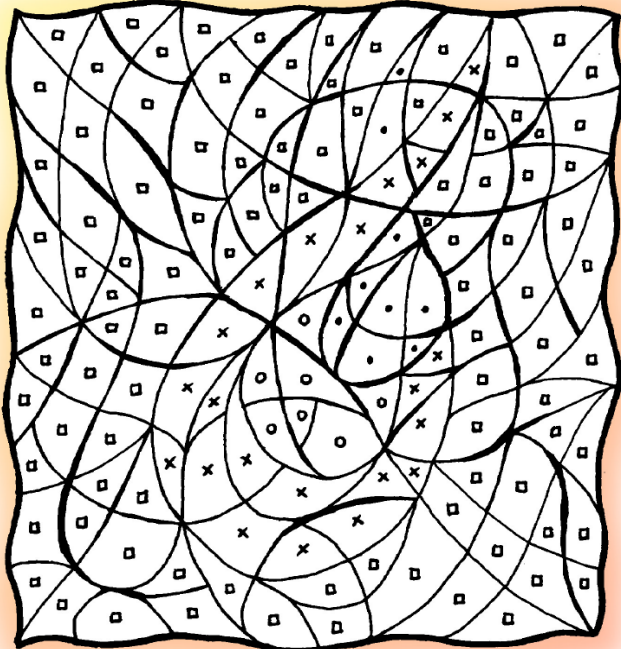
Sacred symbols vandalized at Oakland Catholic Church, pastor seeks justice | KRON4



Our neighboring parish, Saint Columba, was horribly vandalized on May 5th. Crosses representing this year's homicides in Oakland were ripped out and strewn across the street. A statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe was overturned, and a memorial fountain to the six Irish college students who died in a balcony collapse was desecrated. If you are moved to contribute to the repair of these items: go to tinyurl.com/SMM-donate, then select *Peace & Justice*.

The Kids' Bulletin

Pentecost Sunday
May 24th, 2026



In what form did the Holy Spirit come to the Apostles on Pentecost?

Use this colour code to colour in the picture and find out!

- red
- orange
- ◻ blue
- × yellow

Unscramble: The Pentecost Story

Unscramble the words to finish the story and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one _____⁷ [LCPAE] together. And _____⁸ [ENYLUSDD] there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving _____⁶ [DWINI] and it filled the entire _____⁵ [USHOE] in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of _____³ [ERFI] which parted and came to rest on each of them. And they were all _____² [ILFLDE] with the Holy Spirit and _____¹ [GNEAB] to speak in different tongues, as the _____⁴ [IPSTRI] enabled them to proclaim.

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Pentecost is the _____
of the Church!



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