

# 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)  
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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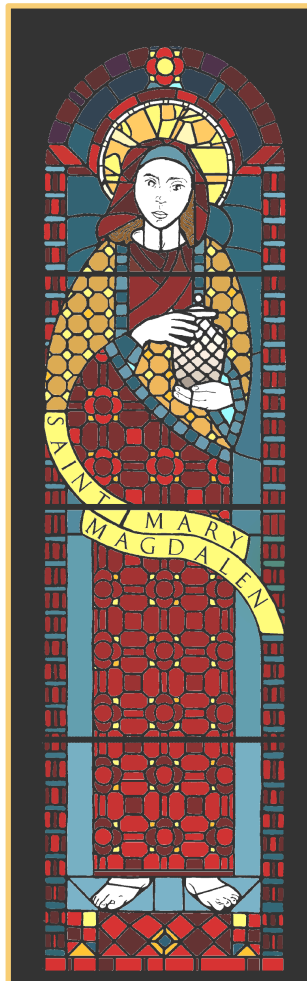
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**BAPTISM:** Preparation classes will resume in September.  
Please call the parish office for more information.

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

# Body and Blood of Christ, Year A ~ June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Parish Collections through May 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2026			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
05/31/2026	\$7,155.53	\$10,000.00	-\$2,844.47
Year-to-Date	\$242,302.52	\$232,000.00	\$10,302.52

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## Scripture Readings for the Week

- 7<sup>th</sup> **SOLEMNITY: MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**  
Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16/1 Corinthians 10:16-17/  
John 6:51-58
- 8<sup>th</sup> *Weekday (Tenth Week in Ordinary Time)*  
1 Kings 17:1-6 / Matthew 5:1-12
- 9<sup>th</sup> *Weekday [Saint Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor]*  
1 Kings 17:7-16 / Matthew 5:13-16
- 10<sup>th</sup> *Weekday*  
1 Kings 18:20-39 / Matthew 5:17-19
- 11<sup>th</sup> *Memorial: St. Barnabas, Apostle*  
Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3 / Matthew 5:20-26
- 12<sup>th</sup> **SOLEMNITY: THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**  
Deuteronomy 7:6-11 / 1 John 4:7-16 /  
Matthew 11:25-30
- 13<sup>th</sup> *Weekday [Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary;  
Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor]*  
1 Kings 19:19-21 / Matthew 5:33-37

## Mass Intentions

- Saturday 5:30 Intentions of Robert Tigbao
- Sunday 8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Carl Makarczyk RIP  
11:30 Intentions of Alys Yeh
- Wednesday 5:30 Intentions of Nora Barsali
- Friday 5:30 Bill Rauch RIP

## Parish Calendar through June 13, 2026

- June 5** Eucharistic Adoration (First Friday Holy Hour)  
Friday 6:05 pm, Church
- June 6** Liturgy Council Monthly Meeting  
Saturday 10:00 am, Conference Room & Zoom
- June 6-7** Preacher at Weekend Masses: Deacon Jeff  
Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00/9:30/11:30 am Sunday
- June 7** First Sunday Dinner for the Hungry  
Sunday Noon-4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. *Volunteers needed!*
- June 9** CONCERT: Andy Canepa w/ Halifax & Jeffrey  
Tuesday 1:00-1:45 pm, Church. (See page 2 for details.)
- June 9** Discussion of the Sunday Gospel Zoom link:  
Tuesday 2:00-3:00 pm, [tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup](http://tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup)
- June 9** Parish Pastoral Council Meeting  
Tuesday 7:00-8:30 pm, Conference Room & Zoom
- June 11** Interment of Parishioner Carl Makarczyk  
Thursday 1:00 pm, St. Mary Columbarium, Oakland
- June 12** Discussion of the Sunday Gospel  
Friday 9:15-10:15 am, Norton Hall. *All are welcome!*
- June 12** Peace & Justice Monthly Meeting  
Friday 4:00—5:00 pm, Norton Hall. *All are welcome!*
- June 13** Deacon Chris' Ordination to the Priesthood  
Saturday 10:00 am, St. Ignatius Loyola Church, Sacramento

## If We All Increase Our Donations by 10%, Our Parish Will Become 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](http://tinyurl.com/SMM-Donate).

Thank you for your consideration.

## Our Music Director Andy Canepa's First Concert in a Year

The San Francisco Early Music Society is putting on a series of events this week called **Berkeley Festival Fringe**. One event will feature the "House Band" of Barefoot Chamber Concerts — the founders Hallifax & Jeffrey (Peter Hallifax and Julie Jeffrey, viols), with their "*fabulous guest star Andrew Canepa, organist to the stars.*" They will perform rarely heard music for viols and organ by two legendary 17th century English composer/viol players: William Lawes and Christopher Simpson. Come celebrate Andy's return to the concert stage, here in our church!

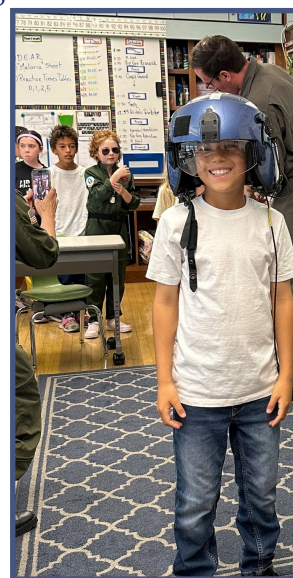
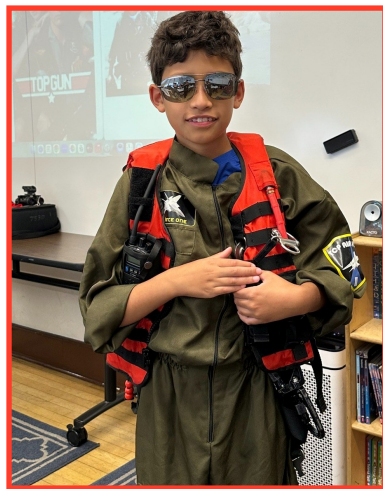


**Tuesday, June 9, 2026 from 1:00 to 1:45 pm in the Church**  
**Hallifax & Jeffrey (viols) with Andrew Canepa (organ)**  
**Fantasy-suites by Lawes ~ Divisions on Grounds by Simpson**  
**Suggestion Donation: \$20 - any amount acceptable**

## The School of the Madeleine Celebrates "Top Gun" Day



Top Gun Day is one of our school's favorite Third Grade traditions. This year, students explored the world of aviation: aircraft, aeronautics, technology, and the trailblazers who made it possible. Members of the U.S. Coast Guard (at left) shared their stories, inspiring our kids with what dedication and service look like in real life.



## Notes from Fr. Nick

# The Road to Character

As the school year winds up and graduations are at hand, it's appropriate to think about the next stage in our lives. How will we embrace the triumphs in life? Our response is the stuff of character or lack thereof. David Brooks' *The Road To Character* develops the idea of character through several brief biographies. He expands on this hard-to-define human trait and explains its evolution over the centuries.

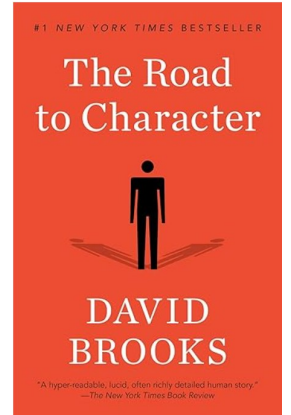
Character is closely allied with the idea of "vocation". As Brooks' discussion encompasses more than the Christian understanding of that word, he defines it as "*what life is calling you to.*" This is in contrast to following one's heart's desire, which has been the personal imperative since the middle of the twentieth century.

The traditional understanding of character in the West came from the Hebrew Scriptures and was amplified by such Christians as St. Augustine. This model sees human beings as flawed creatures in need of correction. In the eighteenth century, Romanticism presented a new model in which human beings in their natural state are wholly good. These two perspectives existed side-by-side until after WWII when the Romantic model won out. The "*anything-goes*" atmosphere of the 1960s was its full flowering.

Brooks is evenhanded in his presentation. He shows how the Traditional model of character produces selfless people who subordinate themselves to the greater good. But he also gives insight into how that model can breed racism, xenophobia, and oppression. On the other hand the Romantic model, while freeing people to let their talents and their inner spirits shine, has also produced the "me generation" and rampant commercialism.

In the end, Brooks believes the dominance of the Romantic model is now in need of correction. He provides a checklist of what is needed to build character in individuals and communities. If you find yourself a little put off by some of the people he chooses as examples, keep reading. He will explain why he chronicled them in his conclusion.

The book was on the *New York Times* bestseller list when it was first published, and it's easy to see why. It clarifies many of the conundra our world faces, and provides context for questions as diverse as why there is a shortage in religious vocations to Islam's hatred for the West. It's not light reading, but well worth the effort. At a time when some leaders in the highest offices demonstrate a complete lack of character, while others shine forth as models of hope, Brooks' book is a worthwhile read.



Sister Celeste Marie Botello, OP, Priorress General, with former Priorresses Sister Gloria Marie Jones, OP, Sister Cecilia Canales, OP, and Sister Rose Marie Hennessey, OP.



Weekly Reflections

Audio Version with Sister Johnellen



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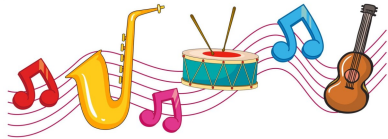
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## Do You Have a Musical Talent?

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](mailto:parish@marymagdalen.org)



### Mary Magdalen Festival Schedule:

Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>:

- ◆ MusicFest in Magdalen Hall

Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>:

- ◆ Lecture by Musicologist  
John Prescott

Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>:

- ◆ Open House-Potluck in the Rectory



Today, June 7<sup>th</sup>, is our **First Sunday Dinner for the Hungry**. Do you have an hour to spend in serving our poor neighbors from 2:15 to 4:00 pm?



You are 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**.

### A New Way to Sign Up to Volunteer!

By popular demand, we are offering a new signup form to all volunteers. All the slots are listed through the next few Dinners — we have many roles to offer!

Click here: [tinyurl.com/SundayDinnersSignUp](http://tinyurl.com/SundayDinnersSignUp) or email: [sundaydinners@marymagdalen.org](mailto:sundaydinners@marymagdalen.org).

# The Kids' Bulletin

*Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ*  
June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026



What did Jesus say in today's Gospel reading?  
Put the letters in order to fill in the blanks at the bottom.

6 G

3 V 5 N 11 D

1 L 7 B 10 A

4 I 9 E 2 I 8 R

"I am the \_\_\_\_\_  
which came down from Heaven."

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## Gospel Match-up



How well do you know today's Gospel story?  
See if you can match up the first parts with the second parts of what Jesus told the people.



I am the living bread

A

1 food indeed,

if any one eats of this bread,

B

2 which came down from heaven;

the bread which I shall give for the life of the world

C

3 abides in me, and I in him.

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood,

D

4 you have no life in you

For my flesh is

E

5 is drink indeed.

and my blood

F

6 he will live for ever;

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood

G

7 is my flesh.

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