



ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH

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Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
August 16, 2026

The Mercy of God

The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary

Saturday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have two Masses, a Vigil Mass, on August 14 at 5:30PM and the 8:30AM Mass on Saturday morning, August 15.

Peace and Justice Today

Join with parishioners, at 4:00PM in Norton Hall, to discuss how we work in our community and the world for Peace and Justice concerns.

A Special Collection

This weekend we are asking for the community to support our efforts to purchase several copies of the new Liturgy of the Hours. If everyone would add a dollar to the second collection, this weekend. We hope this collection will end in January at the latest. Thank you very much.

Summer Reconciliation Service

On Thursday, August 20, join us for a Reconciliation (Penance) Service in the church. The 20th happens to be the Memorial of St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church. Fr. Nick will use the relationship of Bernard and Suger and relate it to reconciliation.

Teen Confirmation Begins in September

Our Teen Confirmation Program for 10th-12th graders will begin on Sunday, September 13th. We will meet from 10:45-noon approximately every other Sunday from September through May. (I will distribute a calendar on the first day.) Come learn about the Church, Jesus's life and ministry, prayer, scripture, the Sacraments, and explore what it means to live a life of faith in today's world. This discussion-based class is a great place to ask questions and also experience community with other Catholic teens. If you are interested or have any questions, please write to Jen Welch at jwelch510@gmail.com. I hope to see you on Sunday, September 13th for our introductory meeting! Parents are welcome to join us for the first meeting where I will discuss the program and our schedule. For our first meeting, we will meet at 10:45AM in the 8th grade classroom at the School of the Madeleine.

Join Us for the International Dinner

Are you ready for food from many parts of the world and representative of parishioners? Asian, European, American and maybe more to come. The dinner will be held on Saturday, August 29, beginning at 6:30PM in Magdalen Hall. Tickets are \$30 by cash or check or \$31.30 by credit or debit card. Here is the link for card purchases: <https://bit.ly/IntlDinner2026>. More information will follow.

Join Us at the Parish/School Picnic?

The Parish/School Picnic is at the end of the month on Sunday, August 30 from 10:30AM to 1:30PM, at Live Oak Park. The parish will provide hot dogs, links, buns, condiments, and drinks. What will you

"Together we share our faith in Jesus Christ. We live the Gospel, and we care for others."

bring? Sign-up sheets are available in the vestibules this weekend. We also need a team of people to help with this family event. Are you willing to be a part of the staffing team? If so, please use the sign-up sheet on the bottom of the other picnic sign-up sheet and let us know how you will assist. Thank you

Deacon Jeff Burns and Pope Leo's Encyclical

Beginning September 14, at 7:00PM in Norton Hall, Deacon Jeff will begin a 5-week seminar on Pope Leo's encyclical, Magnificent Humanity. The seminar will meet weekly. To sign-up contact Deacon Jeff at: jburns@marymagdalen.org.

Grow Your Faith

If you would like to know your Catholic faith better and be able to hand the faith on to others more effectively, consider enrolling in the Serra Catechetical Institute of the Diocese of Oakland. The 60-hour course includes Spiritual Development, Doctrinal Formation, and Catechetical process and methodology. Use this link for more information and registration <https://bit.ly/OAKSCIReg>.

Adult Christian Formation

Register now for the next season of Adult Christian Initiation. Instruction begins in late August. The process is intended for those seeking Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist. If you know anyone who would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith and the Sacraments of Initiation, have them contact Cat Nielsen at initiation@marymagdalen.org or 510-526-4811 xt 113.

2026 Summer Fun Road Trip Scavenger Hunt

Come and explore beautiful parishes, answer Catholic riddles, discover hidden gems, win souvenirs and prizes and enjoy fellowship, fun, food, and refreshments. See the vestibule for more information.

See the Website, Bulletin, and Bulletin Board in the Church for more information