

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

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)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – Noon
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
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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.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK: The Sacrament is offered at every 5th Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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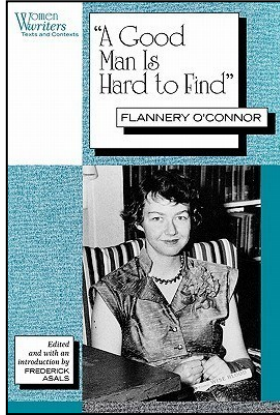
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Flannery O'Connor Reading Group

~ with Deacon Jeff

Our Deacon, Jeff Burns, Ph.D., will host a three-week study group on the works of the great Southern Catholic author



Flannery O'Connor. We will read and discuss several of her renowned short stories, among them: "Everything That Rises Must Converge," "The Life You Save May Be Your Own," "Good Country People," and "A Good Man is Hard to Find."



You can choose between two tracks:

- (1) **Zoom** from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- (2) **In Person** (in Norton Hall) from 7:15 pm - 8:15 pm.

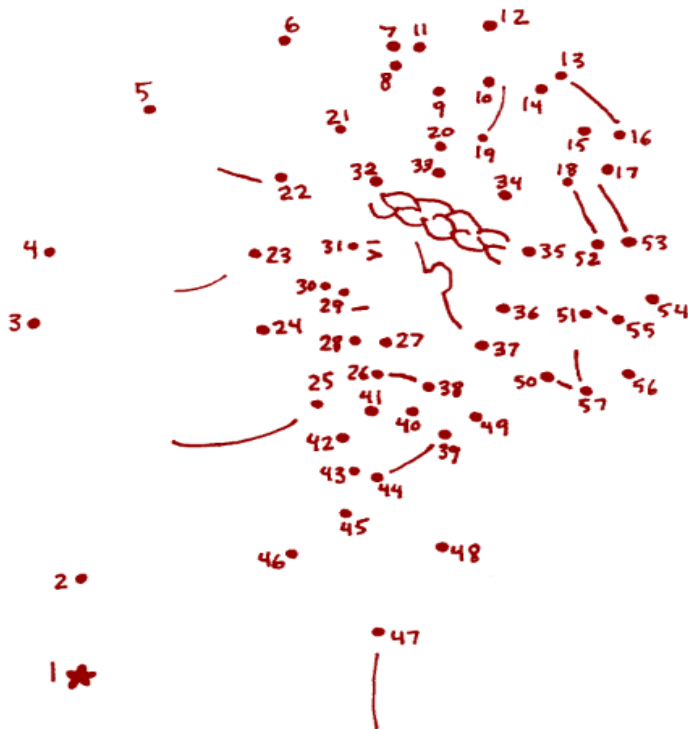
Dates — Three Mondays: November 9th, 16th, & 23rd.

Interested? Contact Dn. Jeff: jburns@marymagdalen.org.



The Kids' Bulletin

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today's Gospel reading, some men asked Jesus if it was right to pay tax. What did Jesus ask them to show Him? Connect the dots to find out!

Sing 2 the Lord... a math puzzle

Figure out the answers to the math questions and use the answers to find the right words to fill in the blanks in today's Psalm.



Sing to the _____ a new _____;
4+4=_____ 1+4=_____

_____ to the Lord, all you _____.
4+2=_____ 6+3=_____

Tell his _____ among the _____;
3+4=_____ 1+1=_____

among all _____,
2+1=_____

his wondrous _____.
2+2=_____



2 nations
3 peoples
4 deeds
5 song

6 sing
7 glory
8 Lord
9 lands



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Notes from Fr. Nick

A Gospel Economy?

Can a Gospel-based economy be successful? Can it compete with our market economy as it is now configured? I suspect that the answer to both questions is “No,” but I’d like to be proven wrong. Too much regulation and state control — although necessary to protect the vulnerable and those of limited means — can ultimately hinder growth.

If this is the case, what can be done to curb the excesses in our economy? It stands to reason that those motivated to “play the market” — hedge fund managers, day traders and corporate raiders — will ultimately come out on top. Fair enough, but can the common good trump personal greed?

From the time of Theodore Roosevelt to the first years of the 21st century, political leaders appear who seem to be dedicated to curbing to excesses of capitalism. Nevertheless, are we now experiencing a sort of economic Darwinism wherein only the aggressive survive?

Henry Ford (no paragon of virtue) understood that he needed to pay his workers enough for them to afford to buy his cars. Ultimately, he was better off than if he had kept wages low and all the profits for himself. Now the rich seem content to follow the model of “banana republics,” where a few people control almost all the wealth. Their rationale seems to be that it is preferable to have people living in subsistence than to succumb to their demands, even if the long-term payout would be better for everyone.

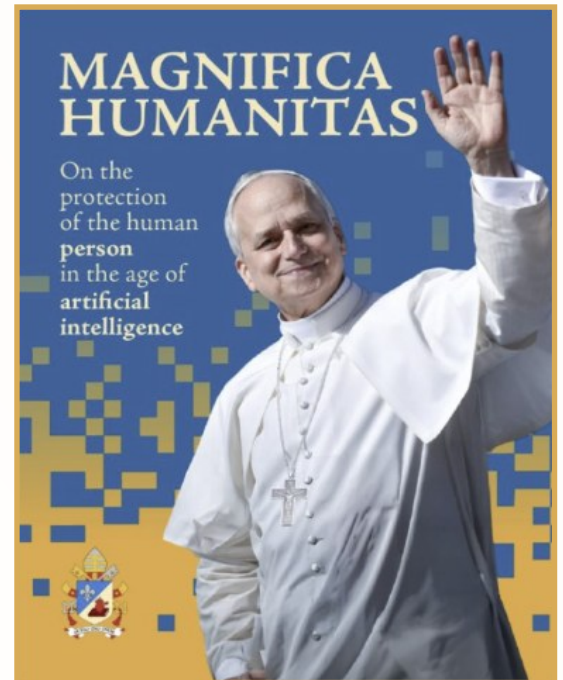
Southwest Airlines is one of the latest companies to fall victim to this kind of capitalism. Their business model used to be: treat your employees right, and they’ll do the same for your customers who will, in turn, reward the stockholders. Recently, corporate raiders have come in to “fix” this model. The result will be mediocre service, like almost all other airlines. And a few people getting even richer.

I suspect that in the long run, an equitable economy could be based more on the family household model than on productivity. Each member would work hard to sustain themselves, as well as those family members who are unable to be fully productive. Leaders, like parents, would sacrifice for the family’s welfare (*noblesse oblige*). The uncle with Downs Syndrome would be a valued part of the family group, along with head of the household. This model cannot maximize productivity and profit, but allows room for all. The question is: *Would this economy finally succumb to the forces that buried Southwest’s approach?*

Pope Leo addresses this conundrum in his recent encyclical on technology and artificial intelligence, *Magnifica Humanitas*:

157. The labor market is one area in which the risks associated with new technologies more clearly emerge. It is thus necessary to remember that economic freedom is not absolute; it must always be measured against the common good and the dignity of every person. Entrepreneurial initiative can indeed be a true vocation, generating wealth and improving lives, rather than a variable that is dependent only on profit. This is possible when it recognizes that the creation of dignified, valuable jobs are an essential part of its proper service to society.

The challenge of a Gospel economy is to build one that addresses more than efficiency and profit: an economy that rewards hard work and shelters the vulnerable, an economy that protects our planet’s resources and also cultivates them for the common good.



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A ~ October 18th, 2026

Parish Collections through October 11th, 2026

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
10/11/2026	\$8,807.99	\$10,000.00	-\$1,192.01
Year-to-Date	\$405,808.78	\$422,000.00	-\$16,191.22
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Scripture Readings for the Week

18th **TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 / 1 Thes. 1:1-5 / Matthew 22:15-21

19th *Memorial: Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs*

Ephesians 2:1-10 / Luke 12:13-21

20th *Weekday [Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest]*

Ephesians 2:12-22 / Luke 12:35-38

21st *Weekday*

Ephesians 3:2-12 / Luke 12:39-48

22nd *Weekday [St. John Paul II, Pope]*

Ephesians 3:14-21 / Luke 12:49-53

23rd *Weekday [St. John of Capistrano, Priest]*

Ephesians 4:1-6 / Luke 12:54-59

24th *Weekday [St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop; BVM]*

Ephesians 4:7-16 / Luke 13:1-9

Mass Intentions



Saturday	5:30	The Burhans Family RIP
Sunday	8:00	For the People of the Parish
	9:30	Mary Cao RIP
	11:30	Intentions of Marie Bernadette Canoy
Monday	5:30	Briccio Tenorio RIP
Tuesday	8:30	Intentions of Mary Emily Onglatco
Wednesday	8:30	Dorothy Portner RIP
	5:30	John Rengel RIP
Thursday	8:30	Victor Espejo RIP & Intentions of Fatima Espejo
Friday	5:30	Bill Rauch RIP
Saturday	8:30	Intentions of Maria Beatrice Canoy

Parish Calendar through October 27th, 2026

October 16	Peace & Justice Monthly Meeting
Friday	4:00 - 5:00 pm, Norton Hall
October 16	Barefoot Chamber Concert
Friday	6:30 pm, Magdalen Hall. Joye des Violes .
October 17-18	Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Wilson
Weekend	5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00 / 9:30 / 11:30 am Sunday
October 20	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel Zoom link:
Tuesday	2:00-3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
October 20	Adult Christian Initiation
Tuesday	7:00 pm, Norton Hall (<i>Inquirers welcome</i>)
October 22	NO MEETING of SPRED Catechism
Thursday	6:30 pm, Norton Hall
October 23	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel
Friday	9:15 - 10:15 am, Conference Room
October 24-25	Preacher at Weekend Masses: Fr. Nick
Weekend	5:30 pm Saturday; 8:00 / 9:30 / 11:30 am Sunday
October 24	School of the Madeleine FALL FESTIVAL!
Saturday	11:00 am - 3:00 pm, Parking Lot & Garden
October 25	Fourth Sunday Dinner for the Hungry
Sunday	Noon-4:00 pm, Magdalen Hall. Sign-Ups: 
October 27	Discussion of the Sunday Gospel Zoom link:
Tuesday	2:00-3:00 pm, tinyurl.com/SMM-GospelGroup
October 27	Adult Christian Initiation
Tuesday	7:00 pm, Norton Hall (<i>Inquirers welcome</i>)

Volunteer Opportunity Next Sunday

Next Sunday, October 25th, is our 4th Sunday Dinner for the Hungry. Would you have an hour or so to spare? If so, come down to Magdalen Hall sometime today from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm!

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

We prepare to serve at **2:15 pm**, and then we start cleaning the kitchen at **2:30 pm** and putting away tables and chairs at **~3:30 pm**.



Attention All Bakers!

Our guests like sweets and really appreciate your desserts. You may drop them off during Coffee Hour (**7:30 am to 11:00 am**) or in the Magdalen kitchen (**11:00 am to 1:00 pm**). Our guests will be so grateful!



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Questions? sundaydinners@marymagdalen.org

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