Saint Mary Magdalen Parish

Building a family of faith in Jesus Christ through Catholic Worship, Formation & Charity.

NOVEMBER 12, 2023

THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Joyful Mysteries of The Rosary Bless Us



At Saint Mary Magdalen, we spell JOY—Jesus, Others, and Yourself. When the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she was chosen to be the Mother of our Savior, it began the spiritual marriage between the Holy Spirit and her, which gave birth to our human and divine redeemer. To grow closer to God and our family and friends, we must believe that Jesus Christ is the Way and Truth to enjoy eternal life and love. We can only live a life of virtue with the grace and guidance of God's Powerful Spirit (GPS), which enables us to love and serve one another as Jesus first loved us.

I hope you will consider our fellow parishioner, Joseph Raspa's invitation to attend our upcoming series, *The Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary*, developed by *That Man Is You*. Joe states, "I have participated in this program at SMM for the last six years, and it has been an exceptional learning and sharing experience with other men. Last year, we watched *The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary* during Lent. These professionally produced segments include filming in the Holy Land."

Joe continues, "I can honestly say I was blessed with the most meaningful and powerful prayerful experience of my life. I gained a stronger appreciation for the suffering and death of Jesus. I was so moved that I asked John Gill, our core team leader, to present this series to all our parishioners and friends."

Please invite family and friends to experience their best Advent. *The Joyful Mysteries* series begins this Wednesday, November 15, and we welcome you and your family and friends to join us for the first session from 7 to 8 PM in St. Francis Hall. We will begin with Liturgy of the Hours: Evening Prayer (10 minutes), Rosary Video (25 minutes), and finish with sharing and discussion in small groups.

The additional sessions will be on Wednesdays, November 29, December 6, and December 13, and our final gathering will be on Monday, December 18, with light refreshments afterward.

All ages are welcome to attend. More information is available online at therosaryseries.com.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

8:30 AM & 4:30 PM Vigil

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, and 5:30 PM

Weekday

Monday thru Friday 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

ADORATION, ROSARY & CONFESSION TIMES

Adoration Chapel:

Monday at 7 AM through Friday until Midnight.

Confessions from 9 to 9:30 AM on Saturdays.

For a private confession time, please call the parish office.

Pro-Life Rosary & Reflection at 7 PM on Mondays in the Church. Legion of Mary at 9:30 AM on Tuesdays in the Gathering Room.

Rosary at 7:15 PM on Tuesdays in the Chapel.

Flame of Love Devotions on Friday at Noon in the Chapel.

ELECTRONIC PARISH GIVING

Make a single secure donation on our website's 'Giving' page, or sign-up for recurring electronic donations through the 'Parish Giving' program, or send your offertory to our parish office. Thank you!

Blessed Carlo's Exhibit

Eucharistic Miracles

Sunday, November 26 — Sunday, December 3

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit, collected and designed by Blessed Carlo Acutis, contains extensive images and historical descriptions of Eucharistic Miracles recognized by the Catholic Church.

Enjoy a self-guided tour of these miracles, on loan from Malvern Retreat House, and learn about Blessed Carlo.

Visit stmarymagdalen.net for special faith and family events to celebrate Jesus' most extraordinary gift of Himself to each of us—His presence in the Eucharist.

"The Eucharist is my highway to heaven."

— Blessed Carlo





Events

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

6:30 PM

Confessions

Vocation Story Fr. Jeffery Couture

7:30 PM

Holy Mass

8:30 PM

Exposition

Adoration Hour

for Vocations

Healing Service with relic of Blessed Carlo

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

8:30 AM

First Saturday MassBlessing of religious items

9:30-11 AM

Continental Hospitality Eucharistic Miracles Talk

Enjoy a talk on the Miracles of the Eucharist in St. Francis Hall.

Take a self-guided tour of 100 panels on display.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

8:30 AM to Noon

Continental Hospitality

in St. Francis Hall

Enjoy fellowship and self-guided tour of panels in Narthex & Lower Level.



TOGETHER, AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES, WE:

Renew. Revive. Rejoice.

THIS WEEK! THE ROSARY JOYFUL MYSTERIES SERIES BEGINS NOVEMBER 15 • 7 TO 8 PM

The Mysteries of the Rosary presents us with deeply reflective insights into the life of Christ and his salvific mission—all for the love of us. Join us for one-hour spiritual journies over five weeks and discover theological truths about this powerful gift of the Rosary. We will present a series on the Rosary's *Joyful Mysteries*, created by *Paradisus Dei*, and sponsored by *TMIY*, on Wednesdays (November 15, November 29, December 6, 13, and Monday, December 18) this Advent season in St. Francis Hall from 7 to 8 PM. We will begin with Evening Prayer, a 20-25 minute video, and a reflective discussion. Our December 18 session will conclude with light refreshments and Christmas fellowship afterward.

NEW! CYO NEWS

Our XC team has some exciting news from the Championship Meet last Sunday, as they earned several awards: Cadet Girls (age 13-14) came in First place, winning the Philly Archdiocese Champs for their age group. The team includes Cassidy Jones, Hanna Lake, Maddy Ruday, Ali Wolfe, and Anna Wolfe (see below). We congratulate these ladies and their coaches on their tremendous accomplishments. Overall, our girls' team (all age levels) finished 3rd in the Archdiocese. Congrats!



Cadet Girls win at the Archdiocese's Championship Meet.

NEW! ALTAR SERVER TRAINING NOVEMBER 13 & NOVEMBER 20

Deacon Joe will offer Altar Server training for students in grades 4 through 8. These trainings are for our families with students in SMM school, PREP, or private school. This is an excellent opportunity for those new, considering altar serving, or already serving but wanting a refresher. Practices are on Monday, November 13, from 3:15 to 4:15 PM, and Monday, November 20, from 3:15 to 4:15 PM. For more information about altar service, please contact Lisa Stratton at lastratton@yahoo.com.

"Jesus is Love, and He has made himself food and drink for us in the Eucharist. The more we nourish ourselves on the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ, the more we will be able

to love...The Eucharist configures us in a special way to God–who is Love."

- Blessed Carlo Acutis

NEW! KNIGHTS' OF COLUMBUS NEWS MOTHERS' HOME FUNDRAISER

Once again, SMM Knights of Columbus is joining forces with *One Hope Wine* to support the *Mothers' Home* in Darby. Now, through the end of the year, when you shop at One Hope Wine using the link provided below, 10% of your purchases will be donated to Mothers' Home. To order, go to *https://www.onehopewine.com/event/150400*.

If you shopped at One Hope Wine in the past, be sure to use this year's link. We thank you for your support of Mothers Home.

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NEW! MASS IN ITALIAN SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 • 7 PM

Join Msgr. Chieffo for Mass in Italian. All are welcome.

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CYO'S ANNUAL TURKEY DRIVE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Please help us support our neighbors in need.

Our CYO stewardship will collect frozen turkeys and other non-perishable foods and deliver them to the local food bank on Tuesday, November 14, from 6 to 7 PM. Pull up to our drop-off area in the front parking lot of the church, and our players will collect your donation turkeys and other items from your car. We will also accept free turkey vouchers. (Please do not drop off food at the school.) Through your generosity, we will provide Thanksgiving dinners to many of our neighbors throughout the Delaware County! We are grateful for your support.

Jesus, give me the courage to let down my guard, the grace to stop resisting you in all the ways I do, and the wisdom to make time to sit in your presence each day. Amen.

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JOIN US! THAT MAN IS YOU! THURSDAY MORNINGS

Join us on Thursday Mornings as we begin our free fall series 'Worthy of the Call.' As Catholic men, we are each called to live our faith fully and calling as we will delve into the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary in the weeks leading up to Christmas as we enter our sixth year of this incredible program. We welcome all Catholic men, age 18 and up, to attend TMIY on Thursdays except Thanksgiving, until December 15. Join us anytime. Doors open at 6 AM, and the program begins promptly at 6:25 AM.

Come to learn more or contact John Gill at johngill@comcast.net.

NEW! BLOOD DRIVEFRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Did you know that every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood?

Help save a life by giving blood at SMM on Friday, November 24, from 8 AM to 1 PM, in the school's gym. To schedule an appointment online, visit redcrossblood.org and use our sponsor code: SMM. We thank you for your support!

BETHESDA CASSEROLESCOLLECTION: NOVEMBER 21-22

SUPPORT! ST. CHARLES BORROMEO ANNUAL SEMINARY APPEAL

Today, **Seminarian Thomas Cipolla** will speak about his vocational call and the need to support the seminary as it forms our future clergy and lay leaders. Your gift provides for the future of our Catholic faith and its mission of vocation. Please pick up a donation envelope in our Narthex or visit **stcharlesseminaryappeal.org/donate**.

PRAY! THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY WANTS TO VISIT YOUR HOME

Msgr. Chieffo treasures his family photo of the Pilgrim Statue of the Blessed Mother when it was enthroned in his home for a week in Italy. He recalls, "My Dad built an altar, and Mom decorated Mary with beautiful linens and flowers. We prayed for increased faith in God, family, vocations, and the church community." SMM's Legion of Mary invites you to host their blessed Marian Statue in your home for a week. To arrange your Marian statue visit, please contact Eileen Mielcarek at eileen@facialrejuvenation.center.

THIS WEEK! JUSTIN FATICA, SPEAKER TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Justin Fatica is a dynamic and passionate speaker with a powerful message of hope and joy. He invites people to share their struggles and helps suffering people realize they are amazing and worthy of love. Justin Fatica's unique style will inspire you to take responsibility for getting what you want out of life. Justin will talk to our middle school students after the 8:30 AM Mass, in the church, on Tuesday, November 14. To learn more about Justin, visit justinfatica.org. All are welcome to attend.



That Man is You welcomes new participants-anytime!

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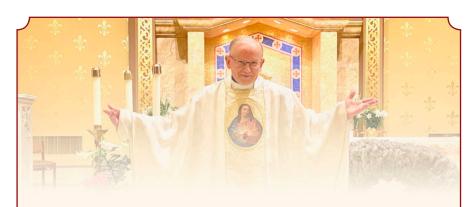
See additional SMM ministries and organizations on page 9

SIGN-UP! THE LEGIONARIES OF CHRIST SKI AUSTRIA & ROME PILGRIMAGE

The Legionaries of Christ invite college-aged men to join Fr. Marcus over their winter break, from December 28 through January 10, for community experiences of prayer and activities to help them discern and grow in their faith and deeper communion with Christ. Activities include meeting the Pope, sightseeing in Rome, Naples, Munich, Salzburg, daily Mass, skiing, snowboarding, and more. For more information, itinerary, and costs, please get in touch with Fr. Marcus at mstehmer@legionaries.org

NEED A NOTARY?

Gina Staiber, our parish office coordinator, offers notary services through our parish office. Email **Gina at gina@stmarymagdalen.net** to schedule an appointment for your notary needs.



Legacy of Love... BUILDER OF FAITH

Benefiting St. Mary Magdalen School

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 6, 2024

Drexelbrook 4700 Drexelbrook Dr, Drexel Hill, PA

2024 HONOREE

Monsignor Ralph Chieffo

WE WELCOME OUR NEW FAMILIES

Kevin & Shannon Doherty and family, Christopher Boylan & Victoria Stanton, Steven & Jacqueline Cavallero, Matthew & Susan Sullivan and family, Joseph & DanaMarie Barton, Taylor & Michelle Falcone

New family to our parish? Stop by or call the office to register.

WELCOMED HOME BY GOD

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to the families of John Vadino, Lynne Armstrong, Baby Emma Rose Campbell, Ryan McKnight, those souls have died from the wars in the Holy Land, Ukraine, and Africa, those lost recently due to natural disasters and violence, and the 4,000+ babies aborted daily.

A TIME TO HEAL

Please pray for our sick. Call the Parish Office if you or a loved one is ill.

Kevin Boylan, Joe Cahill, Anthony Carbo, Christine Cavaliere,
Joseph DeFabio, Yvonne DiVario, Kieran Doran, Rosemary Dougherty,
Theresa D'Orazio, Kevin Gallagher, Katie Garwood,
Jacquelyn Gibbons, Frank Franco, Bob Gentile, Cole Keith,
Gregory Lewis, Leonard Lombardi, Joe Malloy, Floyd Marvin,
Robin Marvin, Marion McCarthy, Mary Jane McCloskey,
Mary Theresa McDevitt, Al Mele, Dorothy Milliner, James Moerman,
Marian Moran, Carol Ortner, Bill Pace, John Pollera, Lynn Procopio,
George Rodgers, Naomi Rouse, Daught Ryan,
Peter Salemo, Angelina Scarpa, Brendan Shain, Susan Sowa,
Eleanor Tiongson, Amerigo Tomassi, Mark Torregosa, Peter Triponi,
Joann Trolio, John Vadino, Bill Virbitsky, Joanne Winchester,
Roseann Yannacone, and Ernie Zappacosta.

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to our newly baptized! For baptismal information, call Ext.107. Selah Monet Birzes, Taytum James Randazzo, Tanner Joseph Simkovich



Unico Village Foundation donates \$20,000 to the school's Italian program. Image with Nick Quercetti, President, and Maurice Lo Piccolo, Vice President.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

8:30 AM - Donald D'Angelo

4:30 PM - Robert Comeau

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7:30 AM – Mario Rinaldi

9:30 AM - Philip J. Cavalcanto

11:30 AM - Frank Ibbotson

5:30 PM - Nathan D. Orefice

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:30 AM - Salvatore Poidomani

8:30 AM - Michael Karl

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

6:30 AM - Thomas Shain

8:30 AM - Alex Wetzel

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

6:30 AM - Joseph Boyle, Sr.

8:30 AM - Hilda Migoyd

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

6:30 AM - Joseph Argentieri

8:30 AM – Peter & Yolanda DiMaggio

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

6:30 AM - Gabriele DiMichele

8:30 AM - John Daniels

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

8:30 AM – Ints. of Nick Quercetti & the Quercetti family

4:30 PM – Alphonse Edmundowicz

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:30 AM - Margaret Lindsey

9:30 AM – Catherine Hooven

II:30 AM – Deceased member of the Legion of Mary

5:30 PM - Jon Lebano

FLOWERS

In memory of Ryan McKnight

BREAD & WINE

In memory of John Vadino

CANDLE

In memory of Emma Rose Campbell

NEW! ST. VINCENT DEPAUL NEWS

Our ministry helps individuals and families facing a crisis with food and shelter. If you are wondering how to get more involved in helping others, or if you are retired, this ministry may be perfect for you. We are grateful for the many ways you serve others. You can place donations in our metal box in the Narthex. So, if you have a calling to serve those in our community experiencing crisis or poverty, call Paul Feuerstein at 610-529-1672.

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

Our School Board of Limited Jurisdiction seeks a Technology Leader to join our team. We desire a dedicated volunteer to attend five meetings annually and help us to provide support and leadership on our Technology Committee. They will assist with our three-year development and strategic plans, budget, and help us maintain best practices in the school's technology platforms.

If interested, please email the Board's President, Larry Donato, at donatol@comcast.net.

TODAY'S READINGS BEGIN ON 742
IN THE CHORAL PRAISE HYMNAL

NEW! SENIORS' SOCIAL CLUB CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Our Seniors' Social Club invites you to join them at their annual Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 13, at noon at the Springhaven Country Club in Wallingford. The cost per guest is \$40, and it includes an entree selection of either a filet of beef or crab cake. To RSVP, please contact Bette Diedrich at 610-544-6295 to reserve your seats by December 1, 2023.

SUPPORT US! 2023 PARISH APPEAL

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The 2023 Appeal is underway, we invite you to take a few minutes to review our annual fiscal financial report and news. The Newsletter is available in the Narthex and online.

We hope you and your family feel welcomed and renewed at Mass. We invite you to participate in any of our faith-filled events and programs. We are grateful for your enduring support and blessed to be your spiritual home. Thank you!

SPREAD JOY — JOIN A MINISTRY.

A LAUGH WITH THE PASTOR



STEWARDSHIP & TITHING

September 2023	\$102,297
Collection:	\$32,897
Mail-in:	\$23,601
EFT:	\$45,799

September 2022 \$114,789

Collection: \$38,566 Mail-in: \$40,886 EFT: \$35,337



Scan our QR code for a secure link to our electronic 'Giving' for Weekly Collection, Annual School Fund, In Memory, Single Gift, Stewardship, and more.

We are grateful for your generous spirit!

AA Meetings		267-934-3455	Thursdays at 7 PM in Rectory Basement
Adoration Chapel	Shelly Zeller	610-353-7739	-
Adult Choir	Ralph Purri	610-566-8821	<u> </u>
Altar Servers	Deacon Joseph	610-566-8821	, 9
Altar Society & Church Care	Monica Grzeczkowski	610-891-9483	, ,
Baptismal Class (Pre-Jordan)	Stephanie Davey		stephaniepdavey@gmail.com
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