

Saint Mary Magdalen Church

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

19 JULY 2026

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+JMJ+

Dear Faithful & Friends,

Praised be Jesus Christ! As we settle into the middle of July, hopefully, you have had a chance to enjoy some of the blessings of the summer season—whether on vacation in the mountains or at the shore, or enjoying fireworks, BBQs, the Phils, the World Cup, and many other fun-filled recreational activities. Despite all of these great blessings, the one aspect of summer that was always a challenge for me was yard work.

After the annual spring clean-up, there would be a need to do some maintenance in the mulched beds, such as pulling weeds. The thistles were the worst, especially when you went to pull them, and the root remained in the ground. If you have never had to pull weeds in the yard, then you are most blessed.

The *'Parable of the Wheat among the Weeds'* (Mt 13:24-30) brings to my mind yard work. We continue in Matthew 13, where we ended last week in our Gospel. Our good Lord continues to teach us about the Kingdom of God through parables. In this parable, the wheat and weeds grow side by side until harvest. Our Lord is teaching us the reality of His patience.

Many consider the dynamic of evil not only in the world but also in the Church. The Church consists of faithful and unfaithful members. Nevertheless, Almighty God allows this to happen for a certain amount of time. As we hear in our Gospel, there will be a time for the harvest or "judgment" (Mt 13:39-43).

The introduction of the weeds in the field is the result of an enemy. The intention is to ruin the wheat. We know an individual's wicked actions can stifle, prevent, or ruin motivation for doing good. However, our motivation is rooted in the triumph of Christ. Our hope is in Him in the midst of any evil we face.

continued on next page



CLERGY

610-566-8821



Rev. Kenneth L. Cavara

Pastor

frcavara@stmarymagdalen.net

Extension: 110

Rev. Msgr. Ralph J. Chieffo

Pastor Emeritus

fralph@stmarymagdalen.net

Rev. Robert A. Pesarchick

Parochial Vicar

frbob@stmarymagdalen.net

Extension: 123

Deacon Joseph Boyle, M.Th.

Director of Parish & School Operations

deaconjoe@stmarymagdalen.net

Extension: 126

Deacon James DiFerdinand, M.A.

Permanent Deacon

jamesdiferdinand@gmail.com

Deacon Bob Szipszky, M.Th.

Permanent Deacon

OCIA Program

deaconbob@stmarymagdalen.net

Deacon E. Peter Zurbach, Ph.D.

Permanent Deacon, Retired

SCHOOL

Mrs. Amy Crawford Bauer

Principal

abauer@stmarymagdalen.net

PREP

Mrs. Ryan Cassidy

Director of Religious Education

prep@stmarymagdalen.net

Extension: 125



PARISH MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 7 PM

Weekday

Tuesday through Friday

6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

On Mondays Mass is at 8:30 AM.

Saturday

8:30 AM & 4:30 PM Anticipated Mass

Confessions from 9 to 10 AM on Saturdays,
and 6:15 to 6:45 PM on Sundays.

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



PARISH DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE

Adoration Chapel:

Monday from 7 AM to Friday until 1 PM.

Morning Prayer:

7:15 AM from Tuesday to Friday in the Chapel.

First Friday Holy Hour:

6:15 PM to 6:45 PM Confessions, followed by Adoration,
Vespers, & Benediction at 7 PM to 8 PM

Legion of Mary:

9:30 AM on Tuesdays in the Gathering Room.

Rosary:

7:15 PM on Tuesdays in the Chapel.

Flame of Love Devotions:

Noon on Fridays in the Chapel.

See ministries and parish services on our website.

continued from cover

Our baptismal call is to patiently do good where we can in our lives of faith. There will be a judgment at the end of our lives and at the end of time. We are not called only to wait for the final judgment but to look to do good so that evil does not proliferate and lead us, as well as others, astray. If we pursue Gospel values in our lives, such as forgiveness, feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick or lonely (cf. Mt 25:31-46), then we will experience peace.

There may be times to do some spiritual weeding in the garden of our souls this summer. Although weeding is not a favorite summer pastime for me, it was a great feeling when it was done, and the beds were all clear. How many of us find peace after a good Confession?

Our good Lord is patient with sinners. With each moment, He offers each one of us time to repent. In imitation of Christ, we bear all things with patience. We do the good we are called to do and entrust all those things outside of our control or sphere of influence into His hands. In addition, through sanctifying grace, any evil, suffering, and even death can be a way to unite ourselves to Christ our Savior. There is peace in trusting His will that far exceeds even the satisfaction of a nice yard.

Have a blessed week.

May our Lord bless you and our Lady keep you!

In Christ,
Father Cavara



NEW! FEAST OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN

Next weekend we will celebrate the feast of our patroness, St. Mary Magdalen.
All are welcome.



NEW! MASS PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 25

4:30 PM—Fr. Kenneth Cavara

Sunday, July 26

7:30 AM—Msgr. Francis Beach

9:30 AM—Fr. Kenneth Cavara

11:30 AM—Msgr. Francis Beach

7 PM—Fr. Kenneth Cavara

**This schedule may be subject to change without notice.*



Help us support families in need.

Please leave donations in our metal box, next to the food bin in the Narthex.

Thank you for your continued support!



St. Vincent De Paul,
Pray for us.

PREP REGISTRATION

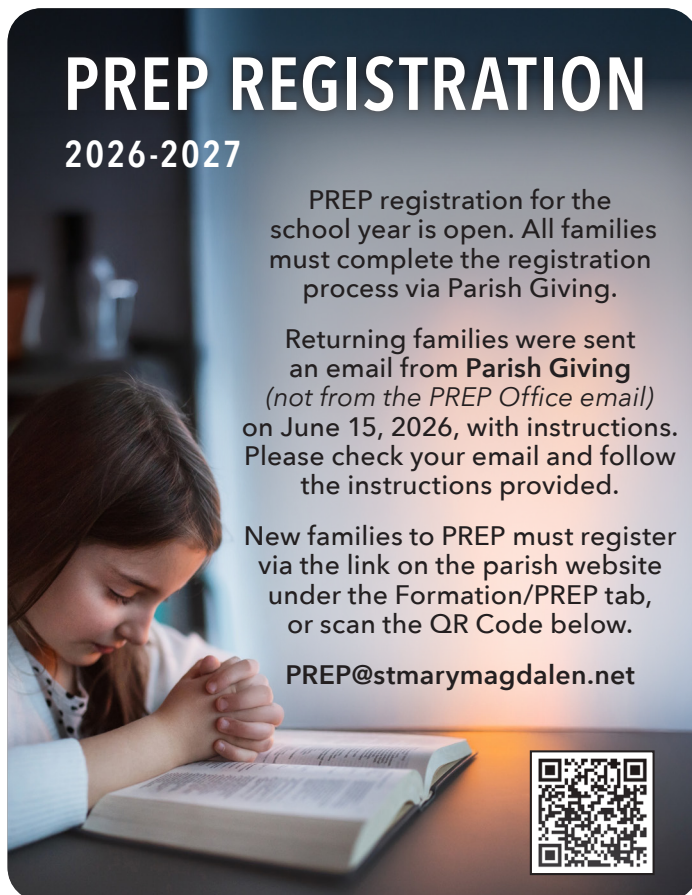
2026-2027

PREP registration for the school year is open. All families must complete the registration process via Parish Giving.

Returning families were sent an email from **Parish Giving** (not from the PREP Office email) on June 15, 2026, with instructions. Please check your email and follow the instructions provided.

New families to PREP must register via the link on the parish website under the Formation/PREP tab, or scan the QR Code below.

PREP@stmarymagdalen.net



PARISH

610-566-8821



Mrs. Gina Staiber

Office Manager & Notary
gina@stmarymagdalen.net
Extension: 111

Mr. Ralph Purri

Director of Sacred Music
rpurri@stmarymagdalen.net
Extension: 128

Mrs. Kerry Boyle

Director of Communications
kerry@stmarymagdalen.net

Mrs. Jessica Savko

Communications Coordinator
jessica@stmarymagdalen.net

Mr. John Gill

Director of Advancement
jgill@stmarymagdalen.net
Extension: 121

Mrs. Daniela DiCandilo

Finance Manager
daniela@stmarymagdalen.net
Extension: 124

Tina Augustine

FOCUS Missionary
tina@stmarymagdalen.net

Jacob Barajas

FOCUS Missionary
jake@stmarymagdalen.net

Mrs. Stephanie Davey

Baptismal & Pre-Jordan Coordinator
stephanie@stmarymagdalen.net

Mrs. Shelly Zeller

Mrs. Mary Lou Mayer
Office Administrators
Extension: 107



LEGION OF MARY

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF ANGELS

**Tuesdays at 9:30 AM
in the Gathering Room**

We invite Catholics who would like to draw closer to Jesus through Mary to join us. Our members meet weekly to pray, plan, discuss, and perform Spiritual Works of Mercy within our parish and community.

Pray with our Blessed Mother
To make arrangements to host our blessed Marian Statue in your home, text Eileen at 484-431-1904.

*Mary, Our Lady,
Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!*



Philly Catholic Singles

MARIANIST FAMILY RETREAT CENTER

A Spirit-Filled Retreat for Catholic Singles



GROW IN
YOUR FAITH



DISCOVER & DISCERN
YOUR CHARISMS



BUILD COMMUNITY
& FRIENDSHIPS



DEEPEN YOUR
RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD



AUG 28-30
2026

AGES 30-45



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEMBERS

As we pray for peace in the Middle East and around the world, let us pray for our veterans, all those currently serving in our military, their families, and especially those in our SMM family:

Timothy Brown, 1st Lieutenant USMC,
C-130 Pilot, stationed at Iwakuni, Japan.

Mick Horrocks, Lieutenant, US Navy.

Thomas Kerr, Petty Officer 2nd Class, US Navy,
stationed in Rota, Spain, deployed on USS Bulkeley.

Michael Macdonald, US Navy Ensign,
studying to instruct nuclear propulsion to officers,
stationed in Charleston, South Carolina.

Evan Rosenberg, 1st Lieutenant, US Army,
1st Battalion, 41st Field Artillery Regiment
stationed at Ft. Stewart, Georgia.

Fernando Sommo, Lieutenant, US Navy, Nuclear
Power Officer, deployed on USS George H W Bush.

Brian Szipszky, Lieutenant Junior Grade,
stationed in Norfolk, VA, serving on the USS Ross.

Jack Szipszky, US Air Force Captain, 21st Special
Operations Squadron. He is a CV-22 Osprey pilot
based in Yokota Air Base in Tokyo, Japan.

Mikayla Szipszky, US Space Force Captain,
(wife of Jack), based in Yokota Air Base in Tokyo.

Eli Volk, Lieutenant, US Navy.

If you have a loved one or friend currently serving,
or a veteran in need of prayers, please let us know
by emailing Jessica at jessica@stmarymagdalen.net.



NEW! RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE JULY 31 TO AUGUST 2

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. Couples learn to develop practical communication skills and enhance their intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties, or crises. The next program will be held from July 31 to August 2 at the Family Life Center in Malvern. An additional program will be held October 2 to October 4.

For more information or to register, visit MarriageHelpDelVal.org, or call 215-766-3944.
All inquiries are strictly confidential.

SMM Seniors' Social Club and Tourific Travel
are delighted to present a fall tour of the

HUDSON RIVER VALLEY

Wednesday, September 30 to Friday, October 2

The Multi-Day Excursion Includes:

- Round Trip Travel in a Deluxe Motor Coach.
- Two Nights Stay at the Fishkill Comfort Inn in NY.
- **Five Meals** (2 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 2 Dinners), including dinner at the renowned **Culinary Institute of America**.
- Explore **FDR's Presidential Library and Museum**, including his childhood home.
- Visit **Val-Kill**, the home of Eleanor Roosevelt.
- A Guided Tour of **Lyndhurst Mansion**—the grand Gothic Revival style home of Jay Gould.
- Delight in **The Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze** at Van Courtland Manor with its breathtaking display of over 7,000 carved pumpkins and much more.
- Tour **Sunnyside**, the romantic cottage home of Washington Irving on the Hudson.
- A Guided Tour of **Sleepy Hollow** in Old Dutch Church's Graveyard.
- Tour of **Boscobel House & Gardens**.

Trip price includes taxes & gratuities for hotel, meals, driver, and baggage handling—Rate per person is based on room occupancy: \$1259.00 (Single), \$1099.00 (Double), \$1069.00 (Triple).

Reserve Now! RSVP by July 20, to Ken Brown at brownk1212@gmail.com, or call his cell at 610-733-2610. Kindly make checks payable to St. Mary Magdalen Seniors and remit it with the reservation form (available in the narthex) to: 12 Saddle Run Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073.

Lyndhurst Mansion



MOMS MINISTRY

MOMS is an inspiring women's ministry developed for moms and created by moms. Consecrated to Mary, it is a ministry of women bound by their Catholic faith and vocation. We come together to share the joys and struggles of motherhood, and to make every woman feel appreciated and valued. The Delaware County MOMS group invites all women to join us on a select Friday each month during the school year from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. We gather in St. Francis Hall, located on the lower level of St. Mary Magdalen Church in Media, PA.

Our upcoming 2026 dates are:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Plus, enjoy the convenience of complimentary babysitting and light refreshments.

ADVENT *by* CANDLELIGHT

We invite all women to join us for special Evening of Reflection on Friday, December 11. More details to follow.

For more information, please contact Sarah Albanese at sarah.albanese@gmail.com.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Are you interested in joining our parish? Visit our website or stop by our parish office to register. We welcome new parishioners weekly.

**Ryan & Anna Brady, The Hilson Family,
The Lanahan Family, The Traister Family**



CALLED HOME TO GOD

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to the families of **Brian Downey, Michael J. Amalfitano, Margaret M. Murphy, Rose M. Jordan**, those souls who died due to wars or conflicts, including our Service Members recently lost in the Middle East, those lost to natural disasters or acts of violence, and the 4,000+ babies aborted daily.

A TIME TO HEAL

Please pray for our sick. If you or a loved one is ill and would like to be included for the quarter, please call the Parish Office.

**Mary Cichanowsky, Jean Cotter, Diane Delaney,
Betty Diedrich, Lynn Finelli, Jean Godorecci, Penny Henwood,
Rodie Henson, Judy Larkin, Fr. Alan Okon, Michelle Okon,
Nicholas Quercetti, Sr., Naomi Rouse, Cynthia Sannutti,
Quintin Sarne, Mark Scaleri, Bill Snyder, Maria Johnson Twining,
Roseann Yannacone, and Ernie Zappacosta.**



MARRIAGES

Congratulations to our newest newlyweds!

Riley Schmidt & Jackie Lerro

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to our newly baptized! For baptismal information, visit our website for an intake form, call, or email baptisms@stmarymagdalen.net.

Francesca Jane Acchione



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 18

8:30 AM – Nicholas Rubino
4:30 PM – Corinne Murphy

SUNDAY, JULY 19

7:30 AM – Kathleen MacDonald
9:30 AM – Philip Mullen
11:30 AM – Edward J. Kinslow, Sr.
7 PM – The People of the Parish

MONDAY, JULY 20

6:30 AM – No Mass
8:30 AM – Thomas Boylan

TUESDAY, JULY 21

6:30 AM – Al Spinelli
8:30 AM – Robert Gordon

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

6:30 AM – Rose M. Jordan
8:30 AM – Sal Massare

THURSDAY, JULY 23

6:30 AM – For all the souls
of the Khattar Family
8:30 AM – John Inzaina Jr.

FRIDAY, JULY 24

6:30 AM – Ints. of Karen DelGrosso
8:30 AM – Carter Wilson

SATURDAY, JULY 25

8:30 AM – Robert Magliano
4:30 PM – Ints. of Thomas
& Regina Logan

SUNDAY, JULY 26

7:30 AM – The People of the Parish
9:30 AM – Kathleen Logan
11:30 AM – Alice Maguire
7 PM – The People of the Parish



FLOWERS

In memory of Margaret M. Murphy

BREAD & WINE

Intentions of Sebastiano
& Silvia Agozzino

CANDLE

In memory of Michael J. Amalfitano

8 Tithing News & Notes

NEW! CONVERSATIONS OF FAITH WITH DEACON BOB

Interested in partaking in some spiritual exchange about Pope Leo's recent AI encyclical *Magnifica humanitas: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence*, or Bishop Barron's new read, *What Do Their Deaths Demand?: Christian Persecution Today*, which highlights global atrocities against Christians and urges Western Christians to end their silence? Maybe both? Then, join Deacon Bob for a cold beverage and conversation this summer. Contact him at deaconbob@stmarymagdalen.net, and he will contact you to make arrangements.



NEW! HONOR ROLLS

Our parish received the following notifications of the performance of our high school students who earned Academic Honors for the 4th quarter.

VILLA MARIA ACADEMY

Distinguished Honors: Victoria Bradley

First Honors: Alyssa Sexton

Second Honors:

MaryGrace Coyne, Madelyn Bonner

CARDINAL O'HARA

First Honors:

Matthew Chin '26, Gianna Mariano '26,
James Smith '26, Molly Carroll '27, Griffin Saleski '27,
Ella Eusebio '28, Kylie Sobel '28, Bella DiPaulo '29,
Kate Kalinchak '29, Julie McAnally '29,
Keira Stonelake '29, Joseph Thompson '29.

Second Honors:

Abigail Adolph '26, Connor Bray '26,
Nathan Evert '26, Avery Murphy-Costanzo '26,
Owen Flowers '27, Eva Marquis '27,
Penelope Miller '27, Alanna Phillips '27,
Kathleen Rayfield '27, Isabella Tillilie '27,
Harry Bastian '28, Colette Breen '28,
Alex Foster '28, Fiona Gribbin '28.



REMINDER! MORE NEWS & EVENTS

For more parish news and information on events, visit stmarymagdalen.net, follow us on social media, or pick up flyers in the Narthex.



NEW! SMM CAR MAGNETS

St. Mary Magdalen car magnets are available for a donation of \$5 in the Parish Office.



NOTE! MASS INTENTIONS

Our Mass Intentions Book is available on our homepage, or scan the code.

St. Mary Magdalen Church Offers Venmo:
@StMaryMagdalenParish

We are grateful for your support!



venmo

Don't forget to add your gift type (e.g., Mass Collection).

STEWARDSHIP & TITHING

June 2026 \$102,853

Collection: \$28,107

Mail-in: \$17,397

EFT: \$57,349

June 2025 \$112,409

Collection: \$35,479

Mail-in: \$26,023

EFT: \$50,907

We are grateful for your generous spirit!



Scan our QR Code for a secure link to our 'Parish Giving' link for Weekly & Special Collections, Annual School Fund, In Memory, Single Gifts, Stewardship, School Fund, and more.

AA Meetings		267-934-3455	Thursdays, 7 PM in Rectory Basement
Adoration Chapel	Shelly Zeller	610-353-7739	shellsing2@aol.com
Adult & Children's Choir	Ralph Purri	610-566-8821	rpurri@stmarymagdalen.net
Altar Servers	Julie Mita		altarservers@stmarymagdalen.net
Altar Care	Monica Grzeczowski	610-891-9483	monicajmj@gmail.com
Baptisms & Pre-Jordan	Stephanie Davey		stephanie@stmarymagdalen.net
Bethesda Project	Joanne Hinkle	610-246-4529	johinkle@verizon.net
Centering Prayer	Fran Poole	610-565-4090	fmpoole1@verizon.net
Charity Board	Paul Feuerstein		paulfeuerstein@comcast.net
Children's Liturgy (CLOW)	Carol Lachowicz		CLOW@stmarymagdalen.net
Communion Calls & Anointings	Parish Office	610-566-8821	
CYO Ministry	Mike Sirkin	215-313-3356	CYO@stmarymagdalen.net
Extraordinary Ministers	Julia Puchtler		julia.w.puchtler@gmail.com
Events & Hospitality	Kerry Boyle	610-566-8821	kerry@stmarymagdalen.net
Greeters	Kathy Valtos	610-357-4988	kvaltos@gmail.com
Finance Committee	Joe Powell		powelljjr@gmail.com
FOCUS Missionaries	Tina Augustine	610-566-8821	tina@stmarymagdalen.net
Food Pantry & Collection	Susan Fromhold	610-356-3626	squirrel333@verizon.net
Flame of Love	Regina Dougherty	610-565-0694	reginadoc@comcast.net
Funeral Planner	Ralph Purri	610-566-8821	rpurri@stmarymagdalen.net
Guitar Group	Bernadette Ciavardini	610-353-1375	bernsing@yahoo.com
Home & School Association	Leslie McCarthy		homeandschool@stmarymagdalen.net
H.O.P.E. Ministry	Kelly Hassey	610-972-6042	kellyhassey@msn.com
Knights of Columbus	Fran McIlvaine		fxm.561127@yahoo.com
Legion of Mary	James Fawcett	610-565-5986	jamesfawcett400@verizon.net
Lectors	Fred Strittmatter	215-327-8292	fjstrittmatter@icloud.com
Little Church School	Elizabeth Logan		elogan26@gmail.com
Malvern Retreat	Ed Pazulski	215-806-4399	pazulskicarp@comcast.net
Marriage Encounter	Lorraine Kinslow	610-742-7693	lorrainekinslowre@gmail.com
Marriage Pre Cana	Randy & Elese Wichmann		precana@stmarymagdalen.net
MOMS Ministry	Sarah Albanese		sarah.albanese@gmail.com
Notary Services	Gina Staiber	610-566-8821	gina@stmarymagdalen.net
OCIA	Deacon Bob		deaconbob@stmarymagdalen.net
Pastoral Council Board	Mike Puchtler		michael.puchtler@gmail.com
PREP	Ryan Cassidy	610-566-8821	PREP@stmarymagdalen.net
Religious Endowment Board	Joseph Raspa	610-613-0294	lizraz@comcast.net
Respect Life	John Duffin	610-565-5032	jduff1973@comcast.net
Ushers	Carmen DiMichele	610-742-4696	cdimichele1@gmail.com
School	Amy Crawford Bauer	610-565-1822	abauer@stmarymagdalen.net
School Board	Vince Canzanese		smmboard@stmarymagdalen.net
Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites	Mike Gormley	610-246-1639	mikegormley245@gmail.com
Seniors' Social Club	Winnie Rogalski		winnie.ro@verizon.net
SHE Women's Ministry	Patty Szipszky		pszipszky@gmail.com
St. Vincent de Paul	Mike Mullin	267-716-1337	msmullin@comcast.net
That Man Is You	John Gill	610-864-8074	johngill@comcast.net
Wedding Coordinator	Parish Office	610-566-8821	weddings@stmarymagdalen.net