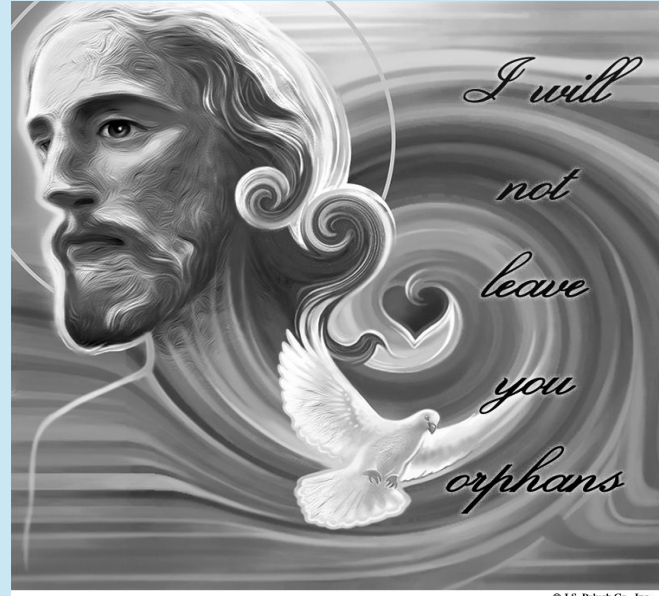


6th Sunday of Easter

PEOPLE OF HOPE

Throughout this Easter season the readings have drawn us into the experience of the early church. We have tasted the excitement and zeal of the first Christians. Now, with them, we listen to the words of Saint Peter, who reminds us that when people notice that we are people of hope, we should be ready to explain why. This challenges us. Do others even notice that we are people of hope? In a world often marked by cynicism and hopelessness, do we stand out as people who offer hope and reassurance to others? In today's Gospel Jesus promises that when he leaves the earth he will not leave us orphaned. Today he promises to send his Advocate, the Spirit of truth who will be with us always. Let us acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit and ask the Spirit to make us people of hope.

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St. Mary Magdalen Parish Mission Statement

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church is called to foster a welcoming community, to form disciples for Jesus Christ and to joyfully evangelize. **Unifying Vision:** Walking together with Christ, igniting the Spirit within, living God's Call.

Parish Weekly Bulletin

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday.....9:00AM - 4:00PM
After hours by appointment only

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon.- Fri., 6:30 AM & 8:30AM; Sat., 8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

6:00 PM

SCHOOL OFFICE

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In Church, be sure to visit:

**PRO-LIFE CORNER; ADULT PARISH
LENDING LIBRARY; CHILDREN'S
CORNER/LIBRARY/PRAYER CENTER**

SOCIAL APOSTOLATE MINISTRY

Hours: Wednesdays, 5:30PM-6:30PM
Facility Entrance on W. Metairie Ave. to right
of church.....734-5833

GIFT SHOP & PRAYER GARDEN

Hours: Tues. & Fri.....1:00PM-5:00PM
Saturdays.....2:00PM-5:00PM
Sundays.....8:30AM-12:15PM
Phone.....734-5833

BAPTISMS: Every 2nd Sunday before/during 11AM Mass & 3rd Sunday at 12:15PM. Pre-Registration for Baptism Seminars is now required by calling 733-8980.

Archdiocesan Policy on Infant Baptism:

[www.arch-no.org/Human Resources/Policies/Policy on Infant Baptism](http://www.arch-no.org/Human_Resources/Policies/Policy_on_Infant_Baptism) OR may be found on the Parish website.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION: Must have 2 consecutive years of Catholic religious instruction prior to reception of these sacraments. Contact Parish Religious Education Coordinator for further information.

WEDDINGS: Contact Parish priest at least 6 to 8 months prior to planned date of marriage. Celebrated Friday evenings; Saturday mornings, early afternoons or evenings. Church Fee: \$300; Chapel Fee: \$100.

FUNERALS: You are encouraged to celebrate funerals in our Church or Chapel. Wakes & visitation also possible.

CARE OF THE SICK: Communion brought to Homebound weekly by Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. Anointing of Sick available on individual basis by appointment.

CARE OF THE NEEDY: See Social Apostolate Ministry.

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Sundays, 12:15-1:15PM

Call Parish Office for further information.

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN
St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Metairie, Louisiana
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Rev. Christian W. DeLerno, Jr.

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 22

6:30 AM Gloria Jensen
8:30 AM Beryl Paulin Chaix

Tuesday, May 23

6:30 AM Tyler Levy
8:30 AM L.J. Falgout

Wednesday, May 24

6:30 AM Living Intention for J.A.
8:30 AM Mary Morgan

Thursday, May 25

6:30 AM Charles Cerise
8:30 AM Anthony "Bud" Pitalo

Friday, May 26

6:30 AM Tyler Levy
8:30 AM Joseph Torres

Saturday, May 27

8:00 AM Peggy Hileman

Saturday, May 27

Feast of Ascension Vigil

4:00 PM Rosalie Couch, Dean D'Arcangelo,
Jerry Puyau, Aimee Marus, Norma &
Lance Hubble, Julio Anleu, Garcia
Anleu, Kevin Reynolds, Marian &
Vincent Pizzolato, Tony DiFranco,
Maryann deLaneuville, Living
Intention for Mark Dyer

Sunday, May 28

Feast of Ascension

8:00 AM Jud Mitchell, Lacinak Family
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners
11:00 AM Cindy Spence, Marion Schwegmann,
Zenobia Drury, Ronald Krummel, Sr.,
Gloria Robles, Jane Pugh, Sarita
Coughlin, JoAnn Hirstuis, Living
Intention for Marsha Robert, Brett
Radecker

6:00 PM Bonura & Harmon Family



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Jackie Markey, Teresa Lacour, Ryan Thiel, Gracelyn Chaplain, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Kelly Fletcher Growl, Kenneth & Kevin Teen, Ben Todd, Joe Giarratano, Luca Scozzari, Evelyn Olwell, Brian Dufour, Mary Ann Meaux, Dilly Surratt, Yvonne Toups, Ryan Songy, Gayle Songy, Nathan Lopiccolo, Linda Nicholls, Sherry St. Pe, Rosemarie Entringer, Judge Thomas Wicker, Ivan Antunovic, Arianna Crawford, Claire Duplantier, Daphne Dufour, Melissa Glueck, Danny Adams, Allison Daigre, Olivia Sumrall, Michael Borne, Bob & Linda Veitinger, Elise Ramcourt, Jeanene Moran, Kelly Nagy, Cindy Hogman, Addison Couvillion, Jerry Fender, Linda Conran, Kayla Pelman, Nick Doize, Marcia Graff, David Robins, Ashley Clement, Wanda Adams, Jenny Mayeur, Judith Massa, Carol P. Ramos, Rosemary Pizza, Julianne Andressen, Lauretta Erwin, Ryan Olwell, Judy Copping, Mark Morice, Jessica LeBlanc, Viola Juneau, Betty Feltey, Barry Stephens, Lori Lambert, Kathryn Feltey, Frank Kent, Ray Groves, Michael Rodriguez, Kathleen E. Jones, Melanie Gaumond, Alice Rockvoan, Rose Marie Curran, Anthony James Lapinto, Louise DeLuca, Mark Lucich, Willie Arnouville, Chad Costes, Sherry Gaffney, Ray Talbot, Dean Babin, Janet Kaleher, Norvin Schexnaildre, Dianne Seman, Matthew DiBuono, David Williamson, Toni Landry, Musette Barrouquere, Daniel Hereford, Katherine Sclafani, Catherine Carlin, Edie Dorion, Carl Caffarel, Heidi Nuss, Luke Nuss, Donald Booth, Nicholas Galliano, Kristi LeBlanc, Tammy Graves Coen, Janice Childress, Nick Marzoni, Tina Guillot, Glen Buras, John Bartchy, Jr., Joyce Chiusano, Richard LeBlanc, Marsha Robert, Rose Keller



BURIED IN CHRIST

Lorraine Morel Beninato
Iris Fogarty
Joycelyn L. Klamann

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

Living the Word

6th Sunday of Easter

Be intentional about saying "I love you" to family members, or find little ways to express your love, such as a note in a lunch box or on a pillow, an extra hug, or a phone call.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

MAY: Month of Mary. Prayer Center Theme is: *Mary, Queen of Peace, help me to bring peace to others by....* Put written intentions in prayer pig; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.



SMM SCHOOL & PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAMS

May

Congratulations to the newly inducted members of the SMM Junior Beta Club: Dwight Alexander, Beau Lally, Tristan Perkins, Joshua Picou, Courtney Stall, Ashley Turner, and Aiden Vasquez

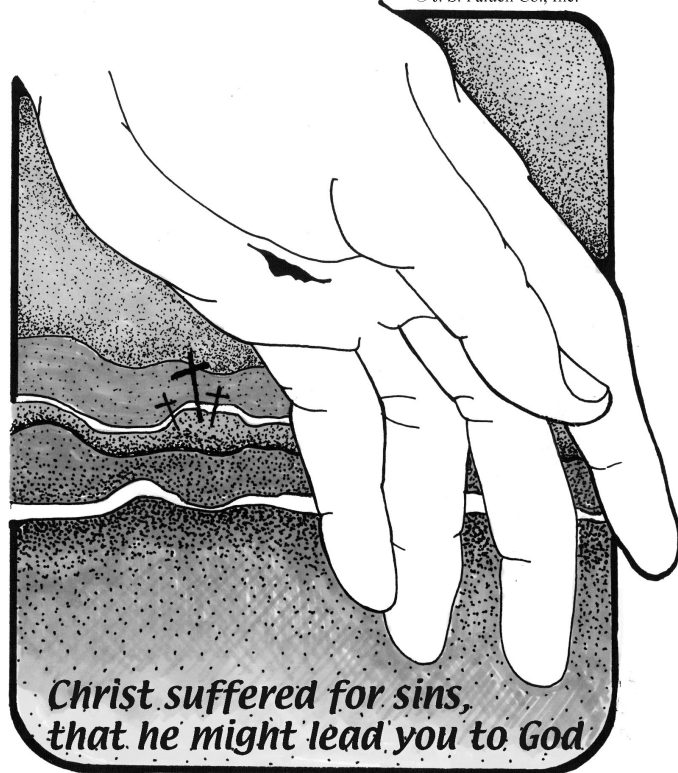


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"I will ask the Father, and he will give you . . . the Spirit of truth."

— John 14:16-17

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*Christ suffered for sins,
that he might lead you to God*

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The custom of genuflection is not found everywhere in the Catholic Church. In fact, it is a bit of breach of etiquette to genuflect in most Eastern Catholic Churches. If you're visiting an Eastern Catholic or an Orthodox church, the "when in Rome" rule should be adopted. Watch what the home team is doing! Usually, Eastern Catholics and Orthodox reserve a small portion of the eucharistic bread for the dying in a cupboard or eucharistic dove, but it is not a center of attention or devotion. The rule is to make a profound bow, called a "metasis," toward the altar—bowing deeply while making the sign of the cross. East and West split years before we Westerners began to reserve the Blessed Sacrament prominently in our churches. Thus, the East never changed the original custom of bowing toward the altar. Increasingly, as tabernacles became more widespread in the West and moved into prominent placement within churches, we replaced the bow toward the altar with a genuflection toward the Blessed Sacrament when its place of reservation is visible. In a church where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in a special chapel or off the main axis of the building, normally you should bow toward the altar when you enter your pew, because the eucharistic table is the principal sign of Christ's presence in the church building. If you have ever participated in the liturgy of Dedication of a Church and Altar, there is no mistaking the altar's significance: it is first slathered with chrism and then adorned with a brazier billowing clouds of incense that fill the whole church as a sign of prayer and presence!

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Readings for Sunday, May 28:

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11). **Psalm** — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47). **Second Reading** — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23). **Gospel** — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

Prayer to Saint Michael, the Archangel

St. Michael, Archangel defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host cast, by the power of God, into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes (5/07)	\$ 7805.00
Loose Collection	\$ 2166.15
Total	\$ 9971.15
2nd Collection-Priests Retirement Fund \$ 3054.00	

LET'S PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

In order to support vocations in our diocese, you are asked to add a special prayer for seminarians to your daily prayers. The best way to encourage and support our seminarians is to pray for them.

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Prayer for Vocations

Loving God, How awesome are your ways! Through your abundant love you bless us with gifts that can make our world holy and just. Dwell deep in our hearts that we may know how to share these gifts. Inspire many to respond generously to your call to service in the Church. May the fire of your love direct us on our journey that we may act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with you. We give you the praise and honor now and forever. Amen.

VOCATIONS

All too often we forget to express appreciation to those in service-oriented jobs, including priests, sisters and brothers. We forget because we think, "It's their *job* to help." Priests and religious aren't superhuman. They need genuine support from those they serve. Let them know how you feel.

Serra for priestly and religious vocations

A PRAYER FOR EVERY FAMILY

by St. John Paul II

God, from whom all fatherhood in heaven and earth descends, Father, who are Love and Life, ensure that every human family on earth shall become, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, "born of woman," and through the Holy Spirit, the source of divine charity, a true shrine of life and love for the generations which are always renewing themselves. Ensure that Your grace shall guide the thoughts and the works of spouses toward the good of their families and of all families in the world. Ensure that the young generations shall find firm support in the family for their humanity and their growth in truth and love. Ensure the love, reinforced by the grace of the Sacrament of Matrimony shall show itself to be stronger than any weakness and every crisis through which our families pass at times. Amen.

PRAYER LIST FOR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

We pray for those in our parish who are fighting overseas for our country and against terrorism.

SPC Donald Monteleone, Jr., Air National Guard; Sgt. Brian Lane, Lt. Col. Jason E. Burkett, USMC; Matthew J. Scott, USN; Seth Restivo, Evan Lina; PFC Kenny Grunberg; Lt. Spencer Farmer, Army Rangers; PFC Matthew Ballard; Lt. Joseph Bush, US Army; GySgt Albert Latour Jr., USMC; Maj. Ignacio Assasf, USANG; Sgt. Matt Llewelan, USANG; SPC Derek Vial, US Army; MN3 Ethen Meyers, Michael J. Cristie, Sp. Serv., Brian Calvo, US Army; SPC Scott Hale, PFC Scott Hale, USMC



Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, our buildings and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY!

Your spiritually adopted baby was born this month — nine months after conception occurred. The only change at birth is that the baby is no longer receiving life support through the umbilical cord. That is, the baby is no different than before birth except that he or she is now breathing air as we do and needs feeding and nurturing. This baby is truly a miracle. He or she began as a 46 chromosome cell and has developed over the past nine months into this unique human baby. Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist who is just like your spiritually adopted baby. Your prayers have helped to save this baby's life. Thank you, on behalf of all the little babies, that you cared enough to pray for this little one and his or her mother.

VISIT SMM PRAYER GARDEN & GIFT SHOP

Our Gift Shop is open 2 days during the week (Tuesdays & Fridays) AND before and after all weekend Masses (except 6PM). We offer a beautiful assortment of cards & gifts. We invite you to visit our beautiful Prayer Garden & Gift Shop today.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, May 22

Tuesday, May 23

SMM 7th Grade Promotion in Church 8:30AM
KC Ladies Auxiliary Mtg in Ministries Bldg 7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 24

Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM
St. Jude Society Meeting in Chapel 7:00 PM
General Fair Meeting in Convent Bldg 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 25

Friday, May 26

Saturday, May 27

Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM

Sunday, May 28

Family Mass 9:30 AM
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 12:15-1:15 PM

SOCIAL APOSTOLATE NEWS

The Social Apostolate is deeply appreciative of all food & monetary donations they receive thru-out the year. They ask however, that any food donated NOT have an old expiration date—by law, they have to throw those donations away as they cannot be given to those in need.



2017 SEAFOOD FESTIVAL INFORMATION

Save the dates: The Seafood Festival is **October 13 – 15, 2017**. As the Festival Committee continues planning, we ask Parishioners to participate with submitting Theme and Art for the Festival and T-Shirts. There are forms at the entrances to the Church. Please take one & submit your entry to the Committee by May 17, 2017. You may send it in thru the school or the Rectory Office. General Festival Meeting, **Wednesday, May 24** at 7 PM in the D-Building (old Convent). All welcome to come & contribute to the planning.



MEMORIAL DAY

The only Mass celebrated on Memorial Day, **Monday, May 29** will be at **8:30 AM**. The Rectory/Parish Offices will be **CLOSED** in observance of this federal holiday.

NINE DAY DEVOTION TO ST. JUDE

The St. Jude Society will be holding their semi-annual devotion to St. Jude at SMM from **Monday, June 5** and ending **Tuesday, June 13**. The celebrant will be **Fr. James Ward**. His homilies will ease you through these nine special days and we promise you a renewed strength and peace in your life.

St. Jude Novena Schedule

Weekdays, Monday thru Friday:

12:15 PM - Devotion ONLY; 6 PM - Mass & Devotion

Saturday: 4 PM - Mass & Devotion

Sunday: 11:00 AM - Mass & Devotion

6 PM - Mass & Devotion

"Remember, All Things Are Possible Through St. Jude."

TERESIAN SISTER ROCK-N-BOWL

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN. Hope you can join us for the annual Teresian Sisters fundraiser to be held on **Sunday, June 4th** at Rock N Bowl, 3000 S. Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. Tickets are \$30.00. Send your check made payable to Teresian Sisters to 800 Oriole Street, Metairie, LA 70003. Sr. Gina will be with us this year and she is looking forward to seeing all of us. She tells me that Father Chris would like to see a large group from SMM attend. If you have any questions please call Loretta Keane at 812-5400.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

Lost your spouse? By either death or separation/divorce? Beginning Experience Weekend, sponsored by the Archdiocese of New Orleans Family Life Apostolate, can give you a new start! For information contact: Jeani (985) 640-8505 or Genevieve (504) 236-1052.

SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Congratulations to our PK and Kindergarten students who all finished school this past Friday! Please call the school office at (504) 733-1433 to schedule a private tour or to receive registration information. Forms are also available on our website at: www.smmcougars.org