



St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

Sunday, December 26th, 2021

Feast of the Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28 (The first reading from Cycle A may also be chosen, *Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14*)
Hannah dedicates her son, Samuel, to the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 (The psalm from Cycle A may also be chosen, *Psalm 128:1-5*)
Those who dwell in the Lord's house are happy.

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-2, 21-24 (The second reading from Cycle A may also be chosen, *Colossians 3:12-21*)
We are God's children now.

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:41-52
The boy Jesus was found in the Temple.



REMINDER

- Please wear a mask, wash hands frequently, and stay home if you feel ill.
- St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church prohibits the open carry of firearms except for law enforcement.

WELCOME!

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am, 11:30am,
1:30am Español, 5:00pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday 6:00pm

Tuesday 9:30am English

6:00pm Español

Saturday 10:00am

Masses are also available LIVE on our
[Facebook](#) page and [Website](#)

Confession

Saturday 3:00 - 4:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 7:00am - 5:45pm

Rosary at 9:00am (Available on FB)



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Weekly Calendar and Prayers

Saturday, December 25th MERRY CHRISTMAS!

10:00 am MASS—Pro Popolo

Sunday, December 26th

9:00 am MASS— Ann Marie Durst, RIP
 10:30 am NO RCIA
 11:30 am MASS—Pro Popolo
 1:30 pm MASS—Celia Fuentes de Silva, RIP
 5:00 pm MASS—John Moran & Alinda Ellis, RIP

Monday, December 27th OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 pm Mass—Personal Intention

Tuesday, December 28th

7:00 am Adoration
 9:00 am Rosary
 9:30 am MASS—Bruce Clifton, RIP
 6:00 pm MASS (Spanish) - Jesus Coss y Leon & Aurora Ortiz Cazares, RIP
 7:00 pm Cursillos
 7:00 pm Men's Rosary Group

Wednesday, December 29th

6:00 pm Mass—Ignacia Gonzalez, RIP

Thursday, December 30th

6:00 pm MASS—Ed Stocks, Healing

Friday, December 31st OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 pm MASS—Athalie Oppenheimer, RIP

Saturday, January 1st

10:00 am MASS— Ed Stocks, Healing
 5:00 pm MASS—Ann Marie Durst, RIP

Sunday, January 2nd

9:00 am MASS—SMM Dearly Departed
 NO RCIA
 11:30 am MASS—Emma Lambert, Thanksgiving for Gift of Life
 1:30 pm MASS—Pro Popolo
 5:00 pm MASS—Luz Billote Rovillos, RIP

-PREVENT ABUSE-

"The Diocese of Tyler is committed to provide help to anyone who may have been abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Concerns about the conduct of Church personnel can be directed to the pastor or to the Promoter of Justice

at 1-877-415-6423 or promoter@dioceseoftyler.org

Anniversaries of our Dearly Departed December

John Holmes	Harriet Overstreet
Marilisa Safford	Forest Nation
Becky Cool	Wayne Jackson
Peaches Owen	Mary Bacica
James Hickey	Paul Droder
John Michael Peacock	Mike Retchless
Carol Councilor	Hilary Wiegman

Pray for Service Members

Lt. Cmdr. Sarah Pritchard McGuire,
 U.S. Navy Pilot; Prague, Czech Republic

CW02 Jonathan Schlattner
 U.S. Army Aviation/Blackhawk Pilot, Ft. Stewart, Georgia

Jeremy Obach
 Navy Officer - Pilot, Pensacola, FL

Lt. Michael Patrick Crookshanks,
 United States Marine Corps , Camp Penelton, CA

Staff Sergeant Taylor Stiles,
 U.S. Air Force, Medic, Washington D.C.

Lance Corporal Sebastian Patterson,
 U.S. Marine Corps Intelligence. Virginia

If you have a loved one in active service for our country, please email the office with their rank, name and where they are deployed.

Please pray for

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| • Mary Elizabeth Brooks | • John & Roseann Patane |
| • Louise Burnett | • Jane Prokesh |
| • Gary Cool | • Joel Rivera |
| • Bert Dennison | • Millie Seldenwright |
| • "Nani" Escobedo | • Tracy Stolle |
| • Alfred & Carolyn Hebert | • Thomas Torre |
| • Cheryl Jansen | • Carly Walker |
| • Jan King | • The Wright family |
| • Emma Lambert | • Arthur Gomez |
| • Paul Landers | • Venita Jackson |
| • Rose Londo | • Lois Lander |
| • Jim & Suzanne Meyer | |

Saints of the Week

Saturday, December 25, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Sunday, December 26, THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

Monday, December 27, SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST -- died in 100 at Ephesus; son of Zebedee, brother of James; "disciple whom Jesus loved"; authored three letters, the book of Revelation and the most spiritual of the gospels; symbolized by the eagle; patron of Asiatic Turkey; mentioned in the Roman Canon.

Tuesday, December 28 -- THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

Wednesday, December 29, Saint Thomas becket, Bishop, Martyr -- died in 1170, killed by order of Henry II; eight years chancellor of England; as archbishop of Canterbury defended the freedoms and rights of the Church; canonized only three years after his death; considered the most famous martyr of the Middle Ages.

Friday, December 31, Saint Sylvester I, Pope -- died in 335; as bishop of Rome (314-335) organized public worship and dedicated the Lateran basilica; represented at the Council of Nicea which condemned Arianism; one of the first non-martyrs venerated as a saint.

Bible Studies, Faith Sharing, Spiritual Growth

Men's ACTS Faith Sharing Group will start meeting at SMM in Peaches Hall
beginning Thursday, January 6th at 7:00 am.
They will NOT meet 12/23 or 12/30.

Men's Prayer Group

Grow as a disciple of our Lord and Savior with other men from the St. Mary Magdalene community. Every **Tuesday at 7:30 pm** meet in Peaches' Hall for prayer for the intentions of the Parish and the group. Contact Steve Graves at sjgraves@gmail.com with subject line "Men's prayer group" for more details or to share the names of those in need of prayers.

Cursillos

De Colores! Miembros del movimiento de Cursillos están invitados cada **Martes a las 7pm** a reunirse en oración y estudio bíblico. Para información puede comunicarse con el señor Humberto Vences al 903-258-4255

SEEK

SEEK meets after 9 am Mass to discuss and reflect on the Sunday Scriptures. Everyone is welcome!

R.C.I.A. Sundays 10:15-11:00am. Join us for RCIA classes every Sunday after the 9:00am Mass. These classes are for anyone who would like to learn more about Catholic teachings & the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Please contact Deacon Dennis at 903-969-0864 for more details.

MEN'S A.C.T.S. Faith Sharing Group

Every man that has been on an A.C.T.S Retreat is welcome to join us every **Thursday morning at 7:00 am at Harvest Bakery** for prayer and faith sharing.

Quest Women's Bible Study

Join us every Thursday 10:00—11:30am. This is a wonderful group of ladies that share their faith in prayer and fellowship. Group meets in first classroom upstairs. EVERY WOMAN IS INVITED! Contact Emily for more info 903-534-0381



Dear Families of St. Mary Magdalene,

Thank you for a wonderful semester of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry! We are very proud of our church and the living sacraments that we are together.

We wish you and your family a happy and blessed Christmas! May the joy and birth of our Savior fill your home and His Holy Spirit bring you the grace to start a new year in His love.

Important Dates:

Jan 5 - Faith Formation and Middle School Resumes

Jan 9 - Sacramental Preparation Class

Mission Trip to "Las Joyas", Mexico - July 30 to Aug 8, 2022

Informational Meeting

Sunday, January 9 in Peaches Hall after Mass 6:00pm

Open to 8th - 12th graders. Limited space available.

(We will be joined by the team of Auge via Zoom.)



Parish Events & News

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE
4:00PM 7:00PM 10:00PM

CHRISTMAS DAY
10:00AM

NEW YEAR'S: NORMAL SCHEDULE;
JANUARY 1ST IS NOT A HOLY DAY OF
OBLIGATION THIS YEAR

St. Mary Magdalene



Council #14636

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DAY OF SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

The St. Mary Magdalene, Knights of Columbus Council #14636 is sponsoring a half-day retreat directed by Fr. Augustine (Gus) THARAPPEL at the WELLSRING CENTER for SPIRITUALLY, located at 16828 FM 16828 FM 2964, Whitehouse, TX. From 8:30 – 1 on Saturday, 2/5/2022.

TOPIC: "HOPE IN A TROUBLED WORLD"

WITH AN ABUNDANCE OF PROBLEMS IN THE WORLD TODAY, FR. GUS WILL
LEAD A DISCUSSION AND TEACHING ON THE CHRISTIAN VIRTUE OF HOPE

SATURDAY, FEB 5, 2022 - 8:30 AM - 1 PM

There is no charge, but you must register by providing this form to Joe Canterbury via mail, email, or delivery to him at jcanterbury@canterburylaw.com or 6913 Hollytree Circle, Tyler, TX 75703. You can also call Joe at 214-912-4608 and reserve your place.



Thank you to all who
purchased the wreaths,
ribbon and candles' for
the Faith Formation
classrooms and Youth
Ministry. We truly
appreciate your
kindness.

Baptism Announcements

WITH GREAT JOY, THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
ANNOUNCES THAT

ELISA JEWEL ALLEN,

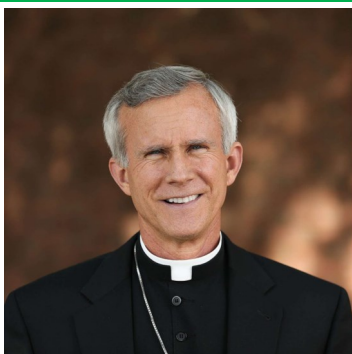
AN INFANT, IS TO BE BAPTIZED BY WATER
AND THE HOLY SPIRIT
ON DEC.29TH AT 2:00 PM

WITH GREAT JOY, THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
ANNOUNCES THAT

CECILIA GRACE CUSTER,

AN INFANT, IS TO BE BAPTIZED BY WATER
AND THE HOLY SPIRIT
ON JAN.8TH AT 1:00 PM

Diocese of Tyler



"I encourage all the faithful in the Diocese of Tyler to enter into a day of prayer & penance on the tragic anniversary of Roe vs. Wade on Saturday, January 22nd. In particular, I would ask that you make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception for a special Mass in reparation at 12 noon on that day. Let us atone for the over 64 million unborn children whose lives have been tragically cut short due to this unjust decision." - Bishop Joseph Strickland

Make plans now to do a pilgrimage to the Cathedral on January 22nd in reparation for the millions of lives lost.

SAVE THE DATE

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



FEBRUARY 12, 2022

CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
TYLER, TEXAS

2:00 PM

MORE INFORMATION TO COME

Catholic Schools



St. Gregory Catholic School

SAVE THE DATE – ST GREGORY GALA

Mark your calendar today! The St. Gregory Gala, A Golden Event, will be held on Saturday, January 22nd!! The Gala will be held at the beautiful Ornelas Center on the campus of University of Texas at Tyler. There will be dinner and dancing along with a silent and live auction! This is a great opportunity to celebrate our community and spend time together! You will not want to miss this exciting event!

NOW GIVING TOURS FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

We would love for your family to join us for a school tour and meet our administration, faculty and staff. You will have the opportunity to visit our classrooms, counseling room, library, cafeteria, gym, science lab, chapel and our inclusive sensory playground. Please call the office at 903-595-4109 or visit our website at www.stgregory.info



Bishop Gorman Catholic School

CHRISTMAS BREAK

St. Gregory will be on Christmas break from Monday, December 20th through Friday, December 31st. Classes will resume at 8:00 on Monday, January 3rd.

MAKE THE SWITCH TO CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN JANUARY!

No other school in Tyler will give your children these opportunities to deepen and enrich their Catholic faith:

- Daily Mass offered in the Chapel of Divine Mercy on campus
- Attending Mass weekly with their classmates
- Participating in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament the first Friday of every month in the Chapel of Divine Mercy
- Participating in the 40 Days for Life prayer vigil and the March for Life
- Learning to be faith-filled servant leaders by completing at least 125 service hours during high school, including a Christian Service Immersion experience in their junior year

Parish News & Weekly Gifts



Every gift counts and thanks to all our parishioners, our church continues to be blessed and bless others in return. We have many ways to receive your contributions. You may use our online giving page at:

<https://catholicflint.org/online-giving>.

Automate your gifts through your bank, use weekly envelopes, or bring your gifts directly to the office. 10% of all collections go to help the needy through our Alms giving account.

Please refer to the calendar for office hours during the holidays. Sonia, Marge and Eduardo will be on vacation but there will be someone answering phones.

Weekend Collections	<p>Collection totals for the weekend of December 18th & 19th= \$7,980.00</p> <p>Collection totals for Retirement Fund for Religious = \$1,930.00</p> <p>Online Collection Totals Dec.1st-22nd = \$26,919.00</p> <p>THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!</p> <p>TITHE</p>
Candles	<p>The 7-Day Candle for the week of December 25th—31st is donated by Shelia Hocker in memory of her husband, Bob.</p>
Advent Arrangements and Christmas Flowers FLOWERS	<p>Donated by Vanessa & Matt Maxwell in memory of Ricardo Flores</p> <p>Donated by Frank & Melissa Rivera for Francisco Rivera Sr. , Maureen Mayer McNeel, Marion Collier, and Mary Collier.</p> <p>Donated by Bill & Kathie Whitehurst in memory of Harry & Evelyn Whitehurst and Pete & Frances Corazzi</p> <p>Donated by Paula Park for Leo & Olga Tursi, Mary Brienza and Dawn Tursi</p>

Building Project



BUILDING FUND

Helping the Needy

Food Pantry

Last week we served 92 clients, giving out 104 food bags, and 240 lunches.

The Food Bank is always looking for volunteers on Wednesday mornings.

12/8/21

FOOD PANTRY

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