

He is not here, for
He has been raised
just as He said.

Matthew 28:6



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Vision

St. Mary Magdalene Family of Parishes
will celebrate Christ in the Eucharist,
form joyful disciples, and evangelize others
through loving service and acts of kindness.

www.saintmarymagdalene.org

Parish Office Hours –

Monday - Friday: 9:00AM - 4:00PM

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www.saseasschool.org

St. Veronica School - (513) 528-0442
www.stveronica.org

Easter
2026

WELCOME

Whether you are just passing through the area or looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you to the St. Mary Magdalene Parish Family – Saint Andrew, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and Saint Veronica. We hope you find our worship environment hospitable and prayerful. If you are interested in knowing more about our parish family, please contact the parish office or visit www.saintmarymagdalene.org.

POINTS TO PONDER

He died singing love. He rose singing love. If the song is to continue, we must do the singing.

Today the church reverberates with our Alleluias. Christ is Risen, Alleluia. Life is stronger than death.

Those sentiments roll off our tongues easily, but to say that Jesus is risen is not merely a nice sentiment, nor a pious thought that we think we should say, nor a metaphor which expresses something that may – or may not – have happened. In faith we believe that this is true. Christ rose from the dead, and so we sing for the rest of our lives that we believe that His Resurrection has restored us to the dignity that God intends for us.

And yet, this kindness of God goes beyond what we can fathom. And let's be honest, the world is pretty messed up, and people can be awfully selfish and self-centered, and the church (made up of fallible human beings) has its problems and barely seems to be what Christ intended some days. With all that, why should I have faith that Christ rose from death? Seriously.

Here's one example of why the Resurrection might make a difference. Fr. Rutilio Grande was a priest in El Salvador during that country's civil war, and was murdered on March 14, 1977. Those in power were threatened by his message of empowerment for the country's poor.

Archbishop Saint Oscar Romero (his feast day is March 24, the anniversary of his martyrdom in 1980) preached at Fr. Rutilio's funeral saying, "He died because the social doctrine of the Church is confused with the political doctrines that disturb the world. The church's social doctrine is often slandered as subversive, like other things far removed from the prudence which the church's doctrine posits at the basis of existence."

I wonder if we have such a difficult believing in the Resurrection of Christ because we are so easily confused by competing doctrines, believing that they all hold equal value. For Christians, they do not hold equal value, only the doctrines of our faith are lasting. Only the social doctrine of the Church, not political doctrines, or any other doctrine, has the fullness of meaning that the Church gives us, rooted in the Resurrection.

Lots of things offer us passing meaning and happiness, only the Resurrection gives us eternal joy. The social doctrine of the Church is rooted in Easter where the poor, the sorrowful and dispossessed have a place of honor. That's all of *us* in one way or another. If the song is to continue, we must do the singing. Alleluia.

Fr. Del Staigers



PLEASE JOIN US AT THE

Baptism Class

for parents who would like their children under the age of 7 to be Baptized

Tuesday April 14, 2026 at 7:00 pm

St. Andrew
Parish Office Meeting Room
To Enroll, go to:
saintmarymagdalene.org/baptism
and select a Baptism class at the bottom

Children's Liturgy of the Word

This month, Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place April 12 at St. Veronica!



MASS INTENTIONS

Key: (A): St. Andrew, (S) St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, (V) St. Veronica

Monday, April 6
NO MASS

Tuesday, April 7
7:30 a.m. (A) People of our Parish
7:30 a.m. (V) Intentions of Kevin Cronin

Wednesday, April 8
12:00 p.m. (S) Thomas Hoffman †
9:00 a.m. (V) Liam Snyder †

Thursday, April 9
12:00 p.m. (A) Eleanor Alexander †
12:00 p.m. (V) Audrey Kirschbaum †

Friday, April 10
8:00 a.m. (S) Larry Steimle †

Saturday, April 11
7:30 a.m. (A) People of our Parish
5:15 p.m. (A) Madeleine Garvin †
5:00 p.m. (S) Mary Boellner †
4:00 p.m. (V) Dennis & Steve Doherty †

Sunday, April 12
9:00 a.m. (A) Karen Hurm †
11:00 a.m. (A) Denny Thompson †
8:00 a.m. (S) People of our Parish
10:00 a.m. (S) Leo John Suer, Jr. †
8:00 a.m. (V) Bill Row †
9:30 a.m. (V) Mary Holthaus †
11:30 a.m. (V) People of our Parish/ Doug Cook †

† – Deceased

Pray for Those Who Serve...

Please pray for the family members and parishioners of the Saint Mary Magdalene Family who serve our community and country as Active-Duty Military, Firefighters, Police Officers, and EMTs: Ben Buscek, Alex Koszo, Larry Johnson, Colleen Johnson, Sgt. John (Jack) Muthig, Michael Knecht, Jeff Ridge, Major Brian Tilly, Kyle Norris, Airman Charles Hatfield, Michael Olind, Jasmine Howard, Paul Lane, Phil Nause, Jacob Pearson, Captain Nick Whitehead, Josef Schwartz, Commander Shelly Moeller, Lt. Dan Moeller, Lt. Ryan Pfanstiel, Charles Evans, Chad Evans, Brian Evans, Marcus Rose, Andrew Komaromy, Caleb Barcomb, USMC 1st Sgt. Michael Westlund. May God grant them strength, protection, wisdom, and peace in their service, and comfort and assurance to their families. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

REGISTER NOW

June 8-10, 2026
9am-noon

RAINFORREST FALLS

Exploring The Nature of God

Registration for Vacation Bible School is now open for both participants and volunteers!

To register, scan the QR code above or visit:
saintmarymagdalene.org/vacation-bible-school

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Sharing God's Gifts

Sunday Offering for March 29, 2026

Not available at the time of printing!

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

ONLINE DONATING

Please consider using our online donation option – an easy, convenient, and secure way to make your weekly contributions. You can set up one-time or recurring donations and even direct funds to specific ministries if desired.

To get started, visit our website at SaintMaryMagdalene.org and click on the "Donate" tab. Select your parish and complete the simple form.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office for assistance.

SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

By Fr. Chris Worland



Alleluia, HE IS RISEN!

After fasting from the Gloria and Alleluias for the last 40 days, there's nothing that sounds quite so joyful on Easter Morning than our music filled with glorious Alleluias. While the music is certainly joyful at Easter, this is not the only source of joy. On this day we remember that even death could not keep Jesus Christ down. After nailing our sins and death to a tree, He would rise again to give us hope in eternal life.

As Christians, Easter reminds us that we are first and foremost a people of hope. When we are struggling in our relationships or struggling in our lives, Easter reminds us that we are a people of hope. When we are ill, Easter reminds us that we are people of hope. Even when we face death (our own or someone close to us), Easter reminds us that we are a people of hope. When we face profound changes in our lives, we may struggle. However, we know that things will get better. Why should this be any different. Jesus never promises that things would stay the same. In fact, He asks His disciples to change constantly – to repent, to convert and to believe in the Gospel. Easter reminds us that things do and will change, but for those who believe, there is always hope because mercy and eternal life with God awaits.

MEALS IN A BAG FOR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Mary Magdalene Outreach Commission is partnering with St. Vincent de Paul to provide shelf-stable meals-in-a-bag to families who need extra support at this time. We are asking our parishioners to help us provide these meals. How can we help?



1. Scan the QR code or visit the St. Mary Magdalene webpage. Under the "Fellowship and Outreach" tab you will find **Meals-in-a-Bag**.
2. Pick from 9 recipes. Make 1 meal bag or make a few. But please **print out the recipe card and include it in your meal bag**.
3. Pack your meal and recipe card in a plastic grocery bag
4. Return your meal(s) to the bins at your church beginning **April 11 until April 26**.

Each St. Vincent de Paul Society will gather the meal bags and distribute them as needed to their clients.

FAITH, FAMILY, FRIENDS, and FUN



Football has it all... coming this Fall!

The Bulldogs Football Program welcomes all active parishioners, religious education, homeschool, and parish school students of St. Andrew, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Gertrude, and St. Louis Parishes in grades K-8 to this year's football season!

Bandit: K - 2nd Grades
Pony: 3rd & 4th Grades
Reserve: 5th & 6th Grades
Varsity: 7th & 8th Grades

Registration Fee:
Opens March 1st
\$200
Late fees apply after May 15th!

QR code in now for registration and more information at:



Cheerleading REGISTRATION



**Grades K-8
Register Today!**

Open to all girls in St. Andrew/St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishes

Registration Fee: \$75 - Registration closes June 30th



Important Dates:
July/Aug - Cheer Camp/Practice Starts
Aug - Bulldog Bash/Games Begin
End of Oct thru Nov - Playoffs
Nov - Bulldog Tailgate

Register at
teamsideline.com/sites/stgertrude/program/111180/Cheerleading-2026

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Blessed Families is a ministry that facilitates pastoral care for parents and families of LGBTQ+ children seeking to accompany, celebrate, and safeguard the church's teachings regarding the dignity of all people.

Our next meeting will take place on **Saturday, April 18**. Please contact us for more information! 513-831-3353 x112 or blessedfamilies@saintmarymagdalene.org

GRIEF SUPPORT TEAM SPONSORED:

Coffee & Desserts

Our Grief Support Team is sponsoring coffee and desserts for anyone who has had a funeral for their loved one or might need some emotional support.

April 15 from 7-8:30pm
St. Andrew Parish Center
Meeting Room

Join us for support and connection.

RSVP encouraged. Please call either parish office: 528-1622 or 831-3353



Grief Support Group

Navigating the Death of a Spouse

St. Veronica Welcome Center
 Second Wednesday of every month from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

April 8, 2026
@ 6:30 pm

You're suddenly single...
 Now what do you do?
 We understand what you're going through.

Questions? Contact Carol,
 cglaser@saintmarymagdalene.org






April Topic:
 St. George

April Speaker:
 Lori Anne Fothergill,
 Director of Faith Formation

Learn... Enjoy Fellowship... Pray

Sacred Sisters' Stories

All Women are Welcome!

Thursday April 23, 7:00pm
 St. Andrew Church Basement




Get to know our Priests Night

Back by popular demand!
 Come learn about our priests in a casual setting and ask questions about their vocation and life as a priest.

Thurs. April 30
7:00pm-8:30pm
St. Andrew Church Basement

Feel free to bring a snack to share!



PRAYING IN SOLIDARITY

Join parishioners from across the Archdiocese of Cincinnati in prayerful support of our immigrant brothers and sisters through the Archdiocese's Immigration Task Force Praying in Solidarity ministry. These prayer-based gatherings offer a meaningful opportunity to come together in faith, reflect, and stand in compassion with those in need. All are welcome; however, registration is required. To sign up or learn more, please visit: <https://resources.catholicaoc.org/offices/catholic-social-action/task-forces-committees/immigration/praying-in-solidarity>. For questions, please contact Outreach Coordinator Michael Detzel at mdetzel@saintmarymagdalene.org.

PRESENTATION FROM KENNETH CRAYCRAFT

"How do we engage politically while maintaining our Catholic moral ground? Theologian, attorney, and author Kenneth Craycraft will be holding a presentation visiting this issue in the St. Andrew Church basement on May 4 at 7:00 p.m. **Citizens Yet Strangers: Living Authentically Catholic in a Divided America** will examine how we engage with politics as Catholics. American Catholics have been largely influenced by political ideologies over historic Catholic moral theology. For most Catholics, their positions are directed solely by their party affiliation, not by Catholic moral doctrine. Craycraft explains how Catholic theology transcends partisan politics, and he challenges Catholics to move away from the individualistic American political identity, whether on the left or the right.

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

St. Andrew

Saturday: 5:15 p.m., Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Saturday: 5:00 p.m., Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

St. Veronica

Saturday: 4:00 p.m., Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Andrew

Tuesday: 7:30 a.m., Thursday: 12:00 p.m.,

Saturday: 7:30 a.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Monday & Friday: 8:00 a.m., Wednesday: 8:45 a.m. (August-May when school is in session), 12:00 p.m.

St. Veronica

Monday & Tuesday: 7:30 a.m., Wednesday: 7:30 a.m. (only when school is not in session), 9:00 a.m.

(August-May when school is in session), Thursday: 12:00 p.m., First Friday of the month only: 7:30 a.m.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

St. Andrew:

Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton:

Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

St. Veronica:

Saturday, 2:30 p.m.

Other times are available by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

St. Andrew: First Tuesday of the month, after 7:30 a.m. Mass until Noon.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: Fridays after 8:00 a.m. Mass until 1:00 p.m. and the first Friday of the month, 6:00 p.m.-Midnight

St. Veronica: First Wednesday of the month, 1:00-5:00 p.m.



MINGO NIGHT
St. Andrew Ladies Sodality invites the women of the St. Mary Magdalene Parish Family to our first:

MINGO NIGHT
April 20 | 6:30 PM
St. Andrew Church Undercroft

What is Mingo?
A fun evening to *mingle* and play Bingo for prizes!

Enjoy light refreshments and drinks.
Cost: **\$5.00 at the door**

Bring your friends and family – perfect for a Mother & Daughter night!

YOU ARE LOVED

ATTENTION young adults, parents and all parishioners with hearts for our youth, the poor, homeless, addicted and incarcerated

This Easter Season, our prison ministry welcomes
Bobby Kenney of "You Are Loved"
to St. Mary Magdalene to share the eternal message that
You Are Loved!

Thursday, April 16TH
7:00PM, St. Andrew Undercroft
** Small dinner bites served beginning 6:30PM*



*Come, you who are blessed by my father...
I was in prison and you visited me. Mt 25:36*

SAINT OF THE WEEK



SAINT VINCENT FERRER

Saint of the Day: April 5

Patron Saint of Builders, Businessmen, Reconciliation

Despite parental opposition, Saint Vincent Ferrer entered the Dominican Order in his native Spain at 19. After brilliant studies, he was ordained a priest by Cardinal Peter de Luna – who would figure tragically in his life.

The Western schism divided Christianity first between two, then three, popes. Clement VII lived at Avignon in France, Urban VI in Rome. Vincent was convinced the election of Urban was invalid, though Catherine of Siena was just as devoted a supporter of the Roman pope. In the service of Cardinal de Luna, Vincent worked to persuade Spaniards to follow Clement. When Clement died, Cardinal de Luna was elected at Avignon and became Benedict XIII.

Saint Vincent Ferrer worked for him as apostolic penitentiary and Master of the Sacred Palace. But the new pope did not resign as all candidates in the conclave had sworn to do.

Vincent became disillusioned and very ill, but finally took up the work of simply "going through the world preaching Christ," though he felt that any renewal in the Church depended on healing the schism. An eloquent and fiery preacher, he spent the last 20 years of his life spreading the Good News in Spain, France, Switzerland, the Low Countries and Lombardy, stressing the need of repentance and the fear of coming judgment. He became known as the "Angel of the Judgment."

Saint Vincent Ferrer tried unsuccessfully, in 1408 and 1415, to persuade his former friend to resign. He finally concluded that Benedict was not the true pope. Though very ill, he mounted the pulpit before an assembly over which Benedict himself was presiding, and thundered his denunciation of the man who had ordained him a priest. Benedict fled for his life, abandoned by those who had formerly supported him.

Read the full article: "Saint Vincent Ferrer" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-vincent-ferrer/> (Accessed March 20, 2026).