

ST. MARY MAGDALENE FAMILY OF PARISHES

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

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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.*

St. Andrew the Apostle Church
552 Main St.
Milford, OH 45150
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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
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Milford, OH 45150
(513) 575-0119

St. Veronica Church
4473 Mt. Carmel-Tobasco Rd.
Cincinnati, OH 45244
(513) 528-1622

Please visit our parish website for full parish staff listing www.saintmarymagdalene.org.

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

As a component of the Archdiocesan Synod 2027, we are encouraging all parishioners to participate in Sessions throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. These sessions are called “Conversations in the Spirit.” By participating in a “Conversations in the Spirit” session, you will join others across our archdiocese in prayerfully considering what the Holy Spirit is asking of our Church at this time. This is your opportunity to contribute to Synod 2027 and assist Archbishop Casey as he establishes pastoral priorities for the future.

Synod 2027 has been designed to encourage broad participation from across the archdiocese. Sessions are offered in two formats: location sessions open to all, and cohort sessions designed to hear from specific groups of people.

Please note:

- Each participant must register individually, not as a couple or family
- To ensure as many people as possible can participate, individuals can only register for one “Conversation in the Spirit” session
- The sessions below are listed in chronological order. Some cohorts have multiple sessions to choose from.



To sign up for a session, please go to our parish web site at saintmarymagdalene.org and click the link. Not only can you sign up for one of the sessions, but you can also read complete details about the Synod.



In other news, welcome back to your school students. Last week and this coming week brings our faculty, staff and students back to our three campuses. We are positioned to grow our enrollment, and these are exciting times as we see growth in both of our schools. Please watch the Mass schedule carefully as our school Mass times have changed this year.

Finally, thank you to Tom and Kim Picket for all of your hard work in organizing the Seton Festival last weekend. Of course it also takes booth chairs, volunteers and parish and community support. We will soon have the St. Veronica Festival Report out, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's report will be shared when expenses are all settled. Thanks to you all!

Fr. Del Staigers

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

August 30, 2026
Twenty-second Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Matt 16:21-27

When is it difficult for you to be a follower (and not just an admirer) of Jesus?



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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 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.



MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday, August 24

8:00 a.m. (S) Raymond Iarussi †
7:30 a.m. (V) Raymond Snyder †

Tuesday, August 25

7:30 a.m. (A) Michelina Petla †
7:30 a.m. (V) Jim Cappel †

Wednesday, August 26

12:00 p.m. (S) Janet Logan † / Jaineck Me Navarro Gaffud
9:00 a.m. (V) Lois Radcliff †

Thursday, August 27

8:30 a.m. (A) Sara Boyer †
12:00 p.m. (V) Beth Snyder †

Friday, August 28

8:00 a.m. (S) Sue Gutendorf †

Saturday, August 29

7:30 a.m. (A) People of our Parish
5:15 pm (A) Eleanor Alexander †
5:00 p.m. (S) Joan Armstrong †
4:00 p.m. (V) Alan Fodor † / Jason Bonfield †

Sunday, August 30

9:00 a.m. (A) People of our Parish
11:00 a.m. (A) Denny Thompson †
8:00 a.m. (S) Karen Bush †
10:00 a.m. (S) Cliff & Patti Watkins' 50th Anniversary
8:00 a.m. (V) Melba Hughes †
9:30 a.m. (V) Roy Belmont †
11:30 a.m. (V) People of our Parish

† – Deceased



SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

By Fr. Chris Worland

I've always found it comforting to be a member of Christ's church built upon the rock of Peter. In our Gospel today, Jesus asks "who do you say that I am?" Peter responds with a remarkable statement of faith: "you are the Christ, the Son of the living God." At this point, Jesus hands Peter the keys of the kingdom. The next thing that happens in Matthew's Gospel is that Jesus predicts His death for our salvation. Then Peter responds, "God forbid it, Lord." For this, he received Jesus' admonishment: "Get behind me, Satan." Peter goes from receiving the keys of the kingdom to "get behind me, Satan" in about 2 minutes. In the Garden of Gethsemane, Peter took his sword and cut off the soldier's ear. Sometime later, he denied knowing

Jesus at all – THREE TIMES!

That is why I find it comforting to be a member of Christ's church built upon the rock of Peter. Christ builds His Church on the foundation of an apostle of exceptional faith and exceptional humanness. By picking Peter, Christ shows us that His church must first and foremost be about mercy for those who sometimes fall short – that includes all of us.

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, Declan Martin, Captain Daniel Renner, Battalion Chief Jeff Moore Lt. Steven Johnston, 2nd Lt. Ian Johnston, Noah Kocher, Lt. Patrick Pyles
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.

Anointing of the Sick



The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that "The Anointing of the Sick conveys several graces and imparts gifts of strengthening in the Holy Spirit against anxiety, discouragement, and temptation, and conveys peace and fortitude." (Catechism 1520)

To make the Sacrament more accessible and as a way of planning ahead when a medical procedure is planned, we will be offering the Sacrament on the fifth Saturday and Sunday of the month, following Mass.

Upcoming Anointing of the Sick
August 29 & 30 and November 28 & 29

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Sharing God's Gifts – Sunday Offering for August 16, 2026

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

St. Andrew

Weekly Collection Total	\$ 7,372.00
Weekly Collection EFT.....	\$ 4,000.00
Weekly Collection Budget.....	\$ 15,000.00
Weekly Total.....	\$ 11,372.00

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Weekly Collection Total	\$ 7,587.00
Weekly Collection EFT.....	\$ 4,200.00
Weekly Collection Budget.....	\$ 15,000.00
Weekly Total.....	\$ 11,787.00

St. Veronica

Weekly Collection Total	\$ 10,381.04
Weekly Collection EFT.....	\$ 8,269.00
Weekly Collection Budget.....	\$ 15,000.00
Weekly Total.....	\$ 18,650.00



SAVE THE DATE



Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 27

Jesuit Spiritual Center
4:00-7:00pm



Outreach Racetrack Ministry

HELP US TO PROVIDE DINNER AND
MINISTRY TO THE BARN WORKERS AT
BELTERRA RACE TRACK!



August 25, 2026

THROUGHOUT HORSE RACING SEASON, DIFFERENT CHURCHES TAKE TURNS PROVIDING DINNER TO THE BARN WORKERS WHO ARE OFTEN MIGRANT WORKERS WITHOUT RELIABLE ACCESS TO FOOD OR MEALS. AFTER DINNER, VOLUNTEERS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORSHIP WITH THE CHAPLAIN AND THE WORKERS.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE REACH OUT TO
KELLIE MCLAUGHLIN AT
MCLAUGHLIN9497@GMAIL.COM.



CHOIR PRACTICES RESUME!

All 3 of our church choirs will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, August 26. Isn't it time YOU joined the choir? All are welcome! St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Veronica rehearsals begin at 7pm and St. Andrew begins at 6:30 p.m.

ST. ANDREW LADIES SODALITY

The Ladies Sodality group will meet on Monday, August 24 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Andrew in the Parish Center Meeting Room. All ladies are welcome!



Miscarriage Support

Provided by Respect Life/Walking With Moms in Need Outreach

If you or someone you know is facing a miscarriage, please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of your precious baby. As a Parish Family, we want to support you during this difficult journey, while promoting the dignity of human life. If you are facing a first trimester miscarriage at home, please consider picking up a free miscarriage kit (from the lawn box pictured above/located in the grotto at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church). Miscarriage kits are delivery aids from Heaven's Gain Ministries with instructions on how to identify and care for your baby for dignified burial. Heaven's Gain can help you create a miscarriage or stillbirth birth plan (virtually or in-person). In addition, they provide nonmedical, emotional support and affordable baby burial caskets/urns/and memorial items. For more information, visit heavensgain.org.

ST. VERONICA

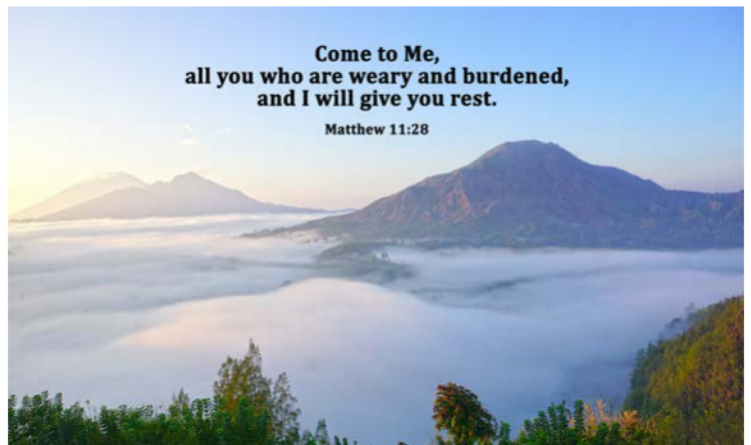
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS:

The food of the month for September will be canned mixed vegetables. The bins will be in the Narthex the weekend of September 5 & 6. As always, thank you for your generous support of the mission of St. Vincent de Paul.



**Come to Me,
all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest.**

Matthew 11:28



MAGNIFICENT HUMANITY

"MAGNIFICAS HUMANITAS"

*Safeguarding the Human Person
in the age of Artificial Intelligence*

by Pope Leo XIV

St. Andrew Church Basement
4-Part Series, Tuesdays

September 22, 29, & October 6 & 13
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Presented by
Catholic Charities of Southwest Ohio



When
Fridays beginning
September 11
6:00 am Breakfast
6:30 -7:30 am
Program/Discussion

Location
St. Andrew
Church
Basement



FALL SEMESTER

Week 1:	The Battle Over the Bride
Week 2:	Marriage Feast of the Lamb
Week 3:	To Till and to Keep
Week 4:	Fully Given: A Sacrificial State
Week 5:	Man in Communion
Week 6:	Woman in Communion
Week 7:	The Two Become One
Week 8:	A Foretaste of Paradise
Week 9:	Remember Your First Love
Week 10:	Praying with Your Spouse
Week 11:	The Road to Emmaus
Week 12:	The Holy Sacrifice of the Eucharist
Week 13:	The Lamb's Supper

That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and the greater society. Join us for food, fellowship and faith.

**All men are welcome,
Join any time!**

SAINT OF THE WEEK

SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

Saint of the Day: August 23

Patron Saint of Americas, Florists and Latin America

Rose of Lima was born to parents of Spanish descent in Lima, Peru, at a time when South America was in its first century of evangelization. She seems to have taken Catherine of Siena as a model, in spite of the objections and ridicule of parents and friends.

The saints have so great a love of God that what seems bizarre to us, and is indeed sometimes imprudent, is simply a logical carrying out of a conviction that anything that might endanger a loving relationship with God must be rooted out. So, because her beauty was so often admired, Rose used to rub her face with pepper to produce disfiguring blotches. Later, she wore a thick circlet of silver on her head, studded on the inside, like a crown of thorns.

When Rose of Lima's parents fell into financial trouble, she worked in the garden all day and sewed at night. They refused to let her enter a convent, and out of obedience she continued her life of penance and solitude at home as a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic. So deep was her desire to live the life of Christ that she spent most of her time at home in solitude.

During the last few years of her life, Rose of Lima set up a room in the house where she cared for homeless children, the elderly, and the sick. This was a beginning of social services in Peru. Though secluded in life and activity, she was brought to the attention of Inquisition interrogators, who could only say that she was influenced by grace.

What might have been a merely eccentric life was transfigured from the inside. If we remember some unusual penances, we should also remember the greatest thing about Rose of Lima: a love of God so ardent that it withstood ridicule from without, violent temptation, and lengthy periods of sickness. When she died at 31, the city turned out for her funeral. Prominent men took turns carrying her coffin.

Read the full article: "Saint Rose of Lima" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-rose-of-lima/> (Accessed July 24, 2026).

