

# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

## 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### BLESSED

When we think of the word "Beatitude" we think of today's discourse from Luke's Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins "Blessed are the poor in spirit . . ."). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, "Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord" (Jeremiah 17:7). Following his resurrection in John's Gospel, Christ proclaims, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" (John 20:29). The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next. In Latin, the saints are called the *Beati*, the "Blessed," for they are the ones who lived the "blessed" life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels. How blest are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!

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*Your reward will be great in heaven*

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## February 17, 2019

### 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.

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday-Thursday.....9:00AM - 4:00PM  
Friday.....CLOSED  
After hours by appointment only

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE  
In CHAPEL**  
Monday-Friday, 6:30 AM & 8:30AM  
Saturday, 8:00 AM

**CONFESSIONS**  
Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**  
Saturday Vigil Mass - 4 PM  
Sunday Masses - 8, 9:30 & 11AM; 6PM

**EXPOSITION OF BLESSED  
SACRAMENT:**  
Sundays, 12:15-1:15PM  
1st Monday, 9:15-10:15AM (Sept-May)

**In Church, be sure to visit:**  
**RESPECT LIFE CORNER**  
**ADULT PARISH LENDING LIBRARY**  
**CHILDREN'S CORNER/LIBRARY/PRAYER  
CENTER**  
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**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**  
**NEW** Hours: Mon. & Fri.....1:00PM-5:00PM  
Saturdays.....1:00PM-5:00PM  
Sundays.....8:30AM-12:15PM  
Phone:.....734-5833

*Call Parish Office for further information*

**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/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptism](http://www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptism) 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 for further information.

**WEDDINGS:** Contact Parish priest at least 6 to 8 months prior to planned date of marriage. FOCCUS Survey by appointment only. Weddings 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.

**PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN**  
**St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church**  
**Metairie, Louisiana**  
**February 17, 2019**

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**Shari Mader & Caren Favaloro, Co-Directors**

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, February 18**

6:30 AM Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen  
8:30 AM Elizabeth Read Bourgeois

**Tuesday, February 19**

6:30 AM Deacon Glen Viau  
8:30 AM Cindy Spence

**Wednesday, February 20**

6:30 AM Special Intention for J.A.  
8:30 AM Gus Barbier

**Thursday, February 21**

6:30 AM Deacon Charles Nunez  
8:30 AM Living Intention for Margaret Baldo

**Friday, February 22**

*Feast of Chair of St. Peter the Apostle*

6:30 AM Fr. Ear LaRose  
8:30 AM Errine M. Ferro

**Saturday, February 23**

8:00 AM Living Intention for Giselle Ford

**Saturday, February 23**

*7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil*

4:00 PM Joe Paci, Joan Ferry, Aimee Marus,  
Jack & Rosalie Couch, Julio Anleu,  
Gracia Anleu, James Maunoir, Norma  
& Lance Hubble, Patrick Croy, Gus  
Chappetta, Sr., Dean D'Arcangelo,  
Donald Gautreaux, Vetter Amadeo  
Taylor

**Sunday, February 24**

*7th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM Frances Baker  
9:30 AM SMM Parishioners  
11:00 AM Ian Racine, Hiep Van Dang  
6:00 PM Clyde "CJ" Reou



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**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Mark Lucich, Sherry Gaffney, Ray Talbot, Norvin Schexnaildre, Joyce Chiusano, Richard LeBlanc, Marsha Robert, Rose Keller, Leah Conlin, Abigail Robertson, Patrick Mulhern, Marilyn Reynolds, George "Mickey" Krause, Tommy Keller, Brenda Simon, Jena Serigne, Deborah Woodward, Kevin Pineo, Rosemarie Entringer, Teresa Lacour, Mary Ann Meaux, Gayle Songy, Jerry Fender, Jonathan Robertson, Judy Massa, Kevin & Kenneth Teen, Gracelynn Chaplain, Celine Wild, Carol P. Ramos, Dominic Manthey, Deavon Dill, Lauretta Erwin, Larry & Clara Leslie, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Hector Benoit, Kevin Colton, Russell Palmer, Ann Robert, Nancy Fitzsimmons, Gaynell Robin, Linda Speciale, Rose Mary Pizza, Baby Sean, Daphne Dufour, Dave "Brother" Dupuy, Janice Liang, Macy Guidry, Matt Niclosi, Richard Moss, Gay Foto, Riley Joseph Grawl, Kenneth Blanke, Michelle & Jason Branch, Kelli Broussard & Family, Janice LeBlanc, Tony Earle

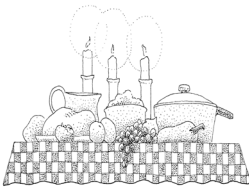


**BURIED IN CHRIST**

*Frances Schneider Baker  
Hiep Van Dang*

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 17, 2019**

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied." — Luke 6:20-21a



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**FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP**

*In gratitude for God's gifts we gratefully appreciate:*

**January On-Line Giving Report:**

<b>Regular Sunday Donations:</b>	<b>\$2585.00</b>
<b>Building &amp; Maintenance Fund</b>	<b>\$ 345.00</b>
<b>Envelopes (2/03)</b>	<b>\$ 7928.50</b>
<b>Loose Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2676.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,6004.50</b>
<b>2nd Collection-Latin American Church</b>	<b>\$ 1642.50</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

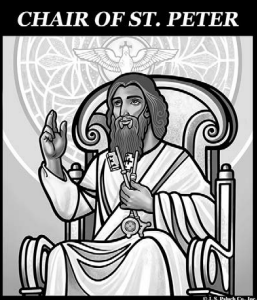
**EVANGELIZATION**

*The one who trusts  
the Lord is like  
a tree planted  
near running water*



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This feast commemorates Christ's choosing Peter to sit in his place as the servant-authority of the whole Church. The Pentecost event when the Apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to express themselves in foreign tongues completed Peter's experience of the risen Christ. Peter becomes the spokesman for the Twelve about their experience of the Holy Spirit and he is the first to preach the Good News to the Gentiles.



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**Readings for Sunday, February 24:**

**First Reading** — David found Saul in a deep sleep, but would not harm him (1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23). **Psalm** — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103). **Second Reading** — We shall bear the image of the heavenly Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45-49). **Gospel** — Give to everyone who asks of you. Lend expecting nothing back (Luke 6:27-38).

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## FOR THE CHILDREN

### CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES

#### *Living the Word*

#### 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ask each family member to make a list of their blessings. Make a paper chain with one blessing on each link. String this up as a reminder of all the good things for which your family is thankful. When someone is feeling down, detach one of the blessings and read it as a reminder.

### CHILDREN'S CORNER

**FEBRUARY:** Month of *Jesus loves me*. Prayer Center Theme is: *I can show Jesus how much I love Him by....*



Put written intentions in prayer pig; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.

### SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Please keep our 7th graders in your prayers as they receive their high school acceptance letters this week.

### SMM PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religion Classes for students attending public or private school are held every Monday evening from 6:45 PM -8:00 PM. Call Linda Earle, PCL at 733-8980 for further information about registering your child for these classes.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

This program is for Baptized, catechized Catholics who have received their 1st Communion, but were never confirmed. Classes will be held during the Easter Season with Adult Confirmation Mass at St. Louis Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday, June 9. For more information or to register for classes, please call the Parish Religious Education Office at 733-8980.



## PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent years, there has been remarkable progress in drawing persons with disabilities into full celebration. Now it is generally accepted that worship places need accommodations such as ramps or elevators, large-print materials for those who are sight-impaired, and perhaps even an assisted hearing system or signing in American Sign Language. American Sign Language is not merely English translated into movement, but a distinct language with its own grammar, syntax (word order), and vocabulary. For this reason, the American Catholic bishops have approved American Sign Language (ASL) as an official language of the liturgy. Celebrating liturgy in our own language (the vernacular) means that liturgy must be accessible to all languages and cultures. The fact that Mass is celebrated this weekend in some places in total silence, but with the full participation of deaf people praising God in the movements of their hands, and sometimes even with a priest who is deaf, is nothing less than the Church being faithful to the image of Jesus, who made the deaf hear and the mute speak. Remember too that deafness is an invisible disability, and that there may well be people in your parish who are quietly yearning for Mass to be signed for them in ASL.

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## PARISH ADVOCATES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

SMM Advocates for Persons with Disabilities are Shirley Bertucci and Cindy Graham. In keeping with the mission of the Archdiocesan Commission, we at SMM want to ensure that individuals with disabilities and their families are full, active participants in all aspects of our church community. If you or a family member is a person with a disability and: Would like to know about accessibility at SMM; Have questions or concern about inclusion in our parish; Have suggestions about how we can improve participation in the life of our parish as a person with a disability....we want to hear from you. Please contact Shirley Bertucci: [shirlb2c@cox.net](mailto:shirlb2c@cox.net) or Cindy Graham: [grahamo@cox.net](mailto:grahamo@cox.net)

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Monday, February 18-*Presidents' Day*

Come, Lord Jesus in Discipleship Ctr 9:00 AM  
Parish School of Religion Classes, 6:45PM-8:00 PM

### Tuesday, February 19

Marian Servants® of Our Father's Love in Disciple  
ship Ctr 9:30AM-12Noon  
Come, Lord Jesus in Discipleship Ctr 7:00 PM  
Boy Scout Meeting, Rm. 1 7:30 PM

### Wednesday, February 20

Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM

### Thursday, February 21

Come, Lord Jesus in Discipleship Ctr 7:00 PM

### Friday, February 22

Men's Club Cruise Night, 5PM-10PM

### Saturday, February 23

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

### Sunday, February 24

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

## MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Congratulations to the 12 couples who participated in the 2019 Wedding Anniversary Mass on February 10.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** *Robert & Anna Campos; Jimmie & Marilyn Choppin; Fred & Jill G'sell; Louis & Kathy Shaw; Kenneth & Gayle Vicknair*

**40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** *Mike & Cindy Bowman; Tommy & Colleen Cloninger*

**25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** *Alan & Jennifer Edwards; Tom & Stacy Finicle; Mark & Charlene Gagnet; John & Jeanne Illg; David & Janice Liang*  
What an inspiring example of love and commitment they all are to our parish community! Many thanks to the Altar Society & Parish Unity Ministry for their help with this special event.

## SPECIAL PARISH EVENTS

### MEN'S CLUB CRUISE NIGHT

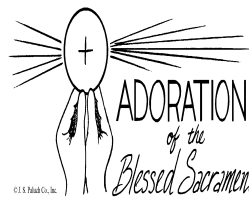
Please join us for our monthly car and bike cruise night on **Friday, February 22**. Visit with old friends, or make new ones while you walk around and enjoy classic and (some not so classic) cars and bikes. While you are here, you can buy tickets for our 50/50 raffle which also includes giveaways every 30 minutes for tools and car products. We also have food, drinks and music. We are located in the St. Mary Magdalen Church Parking lot, on the northeast corner of Airline Park and W. Metairie.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### SMM PARISH LENDING LIBRARY

All are invited to visit our Parish Lending Library located in the Pro-Life corner of the church. Seventy new books were recently added to the library and you can view them (plus much of the original collection) online at LibraryThing. The URL is <http://www.librarything.com/catalog/smmchurchlibrary/yourlibrary>. Take a few minutes to browse through our selections. Donations of religious or spiritual books, videos, CDs & DVDs for the library are always welcome and may be dropped off to the rectory office during regular business hours.

### PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL NEWS



You are invited to spend 1 hour in prayer at the Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at OLDP Parish (sponsored by parishioners of SMM & OLDP Parishes). Contact David Clarkson for further information (919-9407). Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is also available every Sunday from 12:15-1:15PM in SMM Chapel.

## OUTSIDE PARISH EVENTS

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary Celebration will take place on **Sunday, June 2, 2019** at 3:00 PM in St. Philip Neri Church, Metairie, for all couples married 50 years this year. This ceremony will be a Prayer Service, not a Mass. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation must be met within one's parish. To register call 733-8980 by **March 5**.