



The Visionary

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NEW SPACE – NEW ACTIVITIES!! †

We formed an Activities Team earlier this spring and 18 people signed up to serve! They have created a mission statement for our efforts and a set of policies for both the gym and the athletic fields at the back of the property. They have also created a calendar of activities that we hope will meet the health, fitness and community needs of our parish. So far, the gym may be in use for 6-8 hours a day!

This is our mission as the Activities Team: *St. Mary Magdalen Parish has provided these athletic facilities to enhance the quality of life for our community and to promote faith, fellowship and Christian sportsmanship. All participants are expected to treat each other with dignity and respect.*

Our schedule attempts to provide time for all of our community's different age groups. On weekday mornings, the gym will be available for adult and preschool activities. The evenings will include activities for youth – middle school on Mondays and high school on Wednesdays. Men's basketball will be scheduled for Monday and Thursday evenings (8:30-10); Women's basketball or volleyball on Tuesdays and couples volleyball on Friday. We are also hoping to have a yoga class in morning and early Thursday evenings.

The weekend schedule will have time for Young Adult and Community Life activities, with Sunday evening reserved for the high school youth.

Now that we have a tentative schedule of activities, we will begin assessing the depth of interest in each activity and look for folks who are willing to take on the responsibilities of activity coordinator for each of the scheduled activities. Sign-up sheets can be found in the Gathering Area at the Activities Team desk!! Or you can go to the parish website; click on ministries and then click on the Activities Team.

JWJ

OUR SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SETS SAIL AUG 2-6!!

Ahoy Mates! We are gathering our crew for a faith-filled JWJ Voyage this summer! Plan to come aboard as we sail the high seas in search of ways to explore God's love! Sign-up sheets for ship hands in 6th grade or older and for adults can be found in the Gathering Area at the Formation Ministry desk!

Sign up now to help us hoist the sails for a whale of a time this August 2-6, 9:30-11:45!! All youth 4 years old (by Sept. 1) and older are invited to sign on as deck hands to come aboard to learn about God's love as we explore the ocean of fun this summer!

MAGDALEN'S LITTLE PEOPLE *from Kathie Anderer*

Another school year is behind us. It was such an exciting year! The new classrooms are so nice and the children really love the gym. We had our Mother's Day Tea and our Daddy Donut Day... such fond memories!

Class lists for next year are being put together. The four-year-old classes are filling up fast. We still have room, but we need to hear from you soon. There are applications available online on the church website www.saintmarymagdalen.org Children need to be three years of age by December 1st. We would love to have you join us for next school year. If you know of someone looking for a preschool for their child next year, please pass along this information. We would love to hear from you.

Have a wonderful summer. Enjoy the special moments and warm weather. We look forward to September!

PAPER RECYCLING at MARY MAGDALEN!!

Two green and yellow recycling bins are located near the barn to collect your paper for recycling! We invite everyone to bring newspapers, magazines, office and school papers, shopping catalogues, shiny paper, mail, envelopes, thin cardboard. (You need not sort the paper, but please NO phone books or hard bound books.)

The pick up truck will come every 2 weeks, will weigh the contents and credit us accordingly. We will use the income from this project to assist those in need in our area!



POLICIES FOR THE USE OF THE GYMNASIUM & ATHLETIC FIELDS

Supervision:

1. Children 10 years of age or younger MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times
2. When children & youth under the age of 18 are present, there must be at least 2 adult supervisors and one more for every additional 10 youths.
3. All athletic activities must have a responsible, parish designated supervising adult. All supervising adults must have completed the *Protecting God's Children Program* of the Diocese of Lansing.
4. All participants under the age of 18 must provide emergency contact information to the supervisor before any athletic activity.

Apparel:

5. Participants must wear clean, appropriate activity shoes. Dirty or muddy; dark soled or wheeled shoes; turf, spiked or street shoes must not be worn in the gym.
6. Appropriate clothing (*with a minimum of T-shirts and basketball length shorts*) must be worn at all times.

Behavior:

7. St. Mary Magdalen, including the gym, is a smoke free facility.
8. No food, chewing tobacco or gum is permitted in the gym.
9. Only non-alcoholic beverages in spill-proof containers are permitted in the gym.
10. No foul language is permitted.
11. No dunking is allowed. No hanging from the basketball rim or backboard.
12. Only the supervisor is allowed to make adjustments to the sports equipment or basketball goals.
13. Each group using the gym is responsible for making sure the gym and restroom are clean when they are finished.
14. Groups using the athletic fields are responsible for keeping the fields litter free. If they use the field on a regular basis, they must provide outdoor toilet facilities.

Policy Changes:

15. Any situation not covered by these policies will be acted upon at the discretion of the activity supervisor. Anyone in violation of the rules will be dismissed from the gym and is subject to loss of future privileges.
16. The Activities Team reserves the right to change these policies at any time without notice.
17. All sports and recreational activities must be scheduled through the church office.

Liability

18. The use of this facility will be at the risk of the participant.
19. St. Mary Magdalen Parish, the staff and activity supervisors do not assume liability or responsibility for any participant.
20. St. Mary Magdalen does not make any express or implied warranty of the premises, the equipment, fixtures, or furniture.
21. Individuals or groups who use the St. Mary Magdalen equipment or property will be financially responsible for equipment that is damaged, lost, destroyed or stolen.

COUNCIL COMMENDATIONS

The Council commends all those who volunteered their time and those who brought baked goods for the Parish Open House. Thank you one and all!!



RELIGIOUS FORMATION *from Mary Mahar*

In our Formation program we have been blessed by the many Catechetical Ministers: women, men and teens who have come, week after week, prepared to share lessons with your children. Even on the week off of classes, many of them met with other team members to plan ahead. Each team works hard to meet the needs of each child and family, and to assure that we make the Church's teachings comprehensible at each grade level. Many even made time to take Formation classes for certification. We have several women who break open the Word every Sunday morning in the Children's Liturgy of the Word. We are grateful to all of you who worked so hard to share the Gospel of Christ with our younger sisters and brothers. God bless all our Catechetical Ministers:

WE THANK THE FOLLOWING CATECHETICAL MINISTERS:

Tracie Waldron	Marsha McBride	Peggy Weingartz	Kevin Blanck	Linda Coffman
Cheryl Stecewicz	Elizabeth Slack	Kimberly Cauley	Michelle Halliwell	Devon Wolfe
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Thank you to our Lead Catechists for this year! Jill Gautherat, Peggy Weingartz, Kelli Habarth, Jen Ross, Kevin Blanck, Sandi Phillips, Diane Neitzke, Beth Slack and Devon Wolfe.

A special thanks also goes out to all those who substituted in classes and who helped in the halls and nursery. We could not have done it without all of you!

Kitty McLaren	Betty Prise	Linda Zaccagni	Dana Burant
Linda Keeling	Sandi Glowacki	Keith Gokey	Diane Olsem
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Ginger Hauck	Nikki Schutz	Denise Schifko	Nicole Doyle
Jill Joyce	Mary Ann Hargrave	Mary Cesarz	

MARKING THE CALENDAR

June 28 (Monday) FEAST of PETER & PAUL *our DEDICATION*

This feast marks the Seventeenth Anniversary of our parish and the twelfth anniversary of the dedication of our church. Both of these will be commemorated at the special Liturgy at 7 pm when we also celebrate the pillars of the Church: Saints Peter & Paul.

July 19-23 NRN

Our youth will be going all this week to do disaster clean up! Their destination will not be announced until shortly before their departure but their efforts will assist people who have no government assistance to begin anew after a natural disaster.

July 24\25 (Sunday) FEAST of ST. MARY MAGDALEN

With the bishop's permission, we move the feast of our patron saint from July 22 to the nearest weekend.

This year we will celebrate the 50th Jubilee of Sr. Maryetta and the 50th Anniversary of Dave & Judy Scharf at the 4:30 Liturgy. A reception will follow the Liturgy.

Aug 2– Aug 6 (Mon-Fri) JOURNEY WITH JESUS

Our Vacation Bible School meets each day from 9:30 until 11:45 for one of the best fun-filled times of faith and entertainment to be found anywhere! Register soon!

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