

# Saint Mary Magdalen



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MARCH 31, 2019**

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

### Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday: 4:30pm • Sunday: 9 & 11am

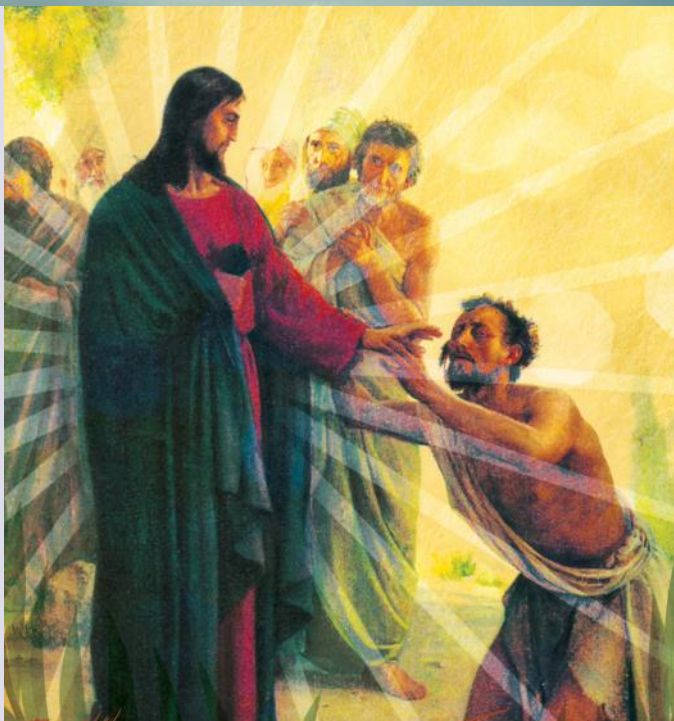
**Weekday Liturgies:** Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.: 9am Wed.: 7pm

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturday: 11am–12noon

**Infant Baptism:** Contact Erin Wolfe

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Please contact the office at least nine months prior to wedding date

## THE SECOND SCRUTINY



They said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” He replied, “The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went there and washed and was able to see.” - Jn 9:10-11

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### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday:** 8:30am–8:30pm

**Friday:** 8:30am–4:30pm

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## ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

**DSA 2019** Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge to the Diocesan Services Appeal this year. Our pledges and gifts affect the lives of thousands of people: in our 75 parishes, at colleges and universities and in county jails and prisons. There are also six social service agencies providing counseling, adoption services and substance abuse services. DSA also funds the education of future lay ministers, priests and deacons.

Please consider making a gift or pledge. Envelopes are available at the hymnal bookcases. Return it in the collection basket or to the parish office. You can also make a gift or pledge online at [www.dioceseoflansing.org](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org). Remember, 50% of all contributions, in excess of our parish goal, will come back to our parish to help pay down our debt!

**DIFFERENT VOICES** During the season of Lent we have been especially blessed to hear the heartfelt and prayerful reflections of different men and women from our community at Evening Prayer on Mondays and at the Stations of the Cross on Fridays.

Pat Metz will offer her reflection at Evening Prayer this Monday, April 1; and Dennis Brown will preach at the Stations on Friday, April 5. The last week of Lent Jen Ross will preach at Monday Evening Prayer, April 8 and Bob Metz will reflect during the Stations on Friday, April 12.

I hope you will join us for the prayer and these special reflections during our Lenten Journey.

**CELEBRATING PENANCE** Over the 40 days of Lent, our penances, prayer and reflection should make us more aware of the sin that separates us from God, each other and even our better selves. This awareness is not meant to be the cause of our "beating ourselves up." Rather, it is much like a person who goes to the doctor because he/she discovers that some illness has diminished their good health; so they go to the doctor for healing. In the same way, I bring my sin, the dis-ease of my spirit, to the Divine Physician and ask for healing. (The priest is there as the "Physician's assistant!")

There are 4 remaining communal opportunities to celebrate the richness of God's mercy in the Sacrament of Penance.

*Sunday, March 31 - St. Agnes, Fowlerville at 3 pm*

*Wednesday, April 10 – St. John, Hartland at 7 pm*

*Monday, April 15 - St. Mary Magdalen 7 pm*

*Thursday, April 4 - St. Augustine, Howell at 7 pm*

*Saturday, April 13 – St. Patrick, Brighton at 10 am*

I hope you and your family will take advantage of one of these opportunities.

*Fr. Dave Howell*

## THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

**April 1, Monday**

Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

9:00 am +Jesse Condash

7:00 pm Evening Prayer

**April 2, Tuesday**

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

9:00 am St. Mary Magdalen First Eucharist Candidates

**April 3, Wednesday**

Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

7:00 pm St. Mary Magdalen Religious Formation  
Catechists and Aides

**April 4, Thursday**

Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

9:00 am +Jesse Condash

**April 5, Friday**

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

9:00 am +Eileen Didyk

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

**April 6, Saturday**

Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

**April 7, Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45

4:30 pm Vigil +Dorothy Latcha

9:00 am +Keith Dunn & Jan Jandasek

11:00 am St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**Ezekiel 37:12-14** The prophet Ezekiel spoke to God's people during their exile in Babylon, 580 years before Christ. In today's passage, the prophet (using the image of death and resurrection) assures the people that God will one day bring them back to their homeland.

**Romans 8:8-11** Paul's letter to the Romans is his most detailed and important theological work. Throughout the letter, he teaches that Jesus overcame sin and the effects of sin. In today's passage, Paul stresses that through the Spirit, this saving power of Jesus is present and active in Christians of all times and places.

**John 11:1-45** John's strange and wonderful story about the raising of Lazarus is filled with strong emotions, dramatic scenes, and profound teaching about the person of Jesus. The combination of narratives with discussion is explained by the fact that John has taken a preexisting account of Lazarus being brought back to life and has overlaid it with his own special style of teaching.

**Reflect:** Are there parts of your life that Jesus has called back to life? What are they?

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

WEEK OF 3/25/19

Approximately 1249 people participated  
 Env/Cash \$ 13,893  
 Debt Reduction \$ 2,635  
 EFT/Online \$ 21,616  
**TOTAL \$ 38,144**  
*Children's Collection \$ 37.50*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Lee Barker	Jill Hibbeln	Emma Thompson
Henry Bergeron	Sr. Joyce Hoile	Marylyn Trader
Rayma Bilicki	Pete Kelly	Michelle Turner
Marilyn Bitterle	Alan Laginess	Eddi Watterson
Jimmy Blicharz	Linda Lambert	Geraldine White
Taylor Brake	Ian Lang	Sharyn Wild
Larry Buslepp	Herb Langer	Paul Wood
Jackie Callaghan	Gwen Maes	Jennifer Yanick
Lynn Carruthers	Deane Martell	Tom Zremski
Diana Coddington	Jean Mayer	Brenda
Carole Conklin	Hogan McCuan	Dan
Kevin Dewan	Diane Morrison	Emily
Cienna Ditri	John Nychypor	Jeanette
Terry Edwards	Stella Paweski	John
Jonathan Faiola	Cate Ross	Karen
Julie Glasgow	Kari Schifko	Marianne
Frederick Griffith	Ron Sherman	Veryl
Tom Hargrave	Lisa Shibley	
Michael Harrah	Rachel Stevens	

**Important Note About our Prayer List**

The names of the sick will run in this column for 6 weeks, at which time they will be removed. To add a name, re-list a name, or remove a name, please call the parish office at 810-229-8624. Many people have recuperated so we appreciate updates, in order to be current. Thank You!

***Paid Help Wanted for  
 St. Mary Magdalen Nursery***



Do you have a heart for children, a compassion for young parents? We are a ministry committed to providing a safe, welcoming place for small children to experience God's love through play.

Opportunities are available during Sunday morning Liturgies and other parish activities and events throughout the year where childcare is offered. This gives parents time to focus on prayer and grow in their faith. Please prayerfully consider joining this vital ministry. **This is part-time and pays \$10/hr.** For more info or an application, contact Julie Hargenrader at [juliaanne@ameritech.net](mailto:juliaanne@ameritech.net) or by phone (810) 908-0056.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, April 1**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen  
 7:00 pm Evening Prayer  
 7:30 pm K of C Business Meeting

**Tuesday, April 2**

9:00 am Preschool  
 10:00 am Jesus Lifestyle  
 6:30 pm ALPHA Celebration Dinner  
 6:45 pm Lenten Book Club  
 7:00 pm Artist's Way  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
 7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School of MI

**Wednesday, April 3**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:15 am MOMS Group  
 12:30 pm Community Life  
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 4:30&6:30 pm Religious Formation  
 7:30 pm Worship

**Thursday, April 4**

9:00 am Preschool  
 5:30 pm Religious Formation  
 6:00 pm Youth Leadership  
 6:30 pm JWJ Planning  
 7:00pm Baptism Class  
 7:00 pm Music Ministry  
 7:00 pm Jesus Lifestyle

**Friday, April 5**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 1:00 pm Pain Sake  
 2:00 pm Exercise & Balance  
 6:00 pm Soup and Bread Supper  
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
 7:30 pm RCIA Scrutiny

**Saturday, April 6**

8:30 am First Eucharist Retreat  
 4:30 pm RCIA

**Sunday, April 7**

9:00 am Family Program  
 10:10 am New Parishioner Meeting  
 5:30 pm 9th Grade Confirmation Session  
 6:00 pm Youth Depression Talk  
 7:00 pm Renew Group

**St. Luke's New Life Center Bake Sale  
 After Masses 4/6 & 4/7**



*Please remember in your prayers:*

*Connie Diamond and family in the death of her father, Lester Lacca.  
 Margaret Callaghan and family in the death of her father, Ron Sherman.*



## RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Roxanne Hundsrucker

**Lenten Journey**

We are celebrating the Fourth Sunday of Lent, traditionally known as *Laetare* Sunday. It is a time of rejoicing. The following passage taken from the Latin translation of Isaiah 66:10-11 sets the tone for the joyful anticipation of the Easter Mystery. Here is the quote from Isaiah: "Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her; Exult, exult with her, all you who were mourning over her!" We of course on Good Friday mourn the death of Jesus, but rejoice His resurrection.

**First Eucharist Retreat**

Next Saturday morning, April 6, we will enjoy a half-day retreat with the children and parents of our First Eucharist candidates. During the retreat there are many activities related to the Liturgy of the Eucharist and our role as disciples of Christ once the Eucharist is inside of us. Please pray for these children who will be joining us at the Eucharistic Celebration in one month.

**West Wing Bulletin Board**

Come see our Lenten bulletin board created by Stasia Eisenhut, Religious Formation assistant.

**Lenten Book Club**

**We will break open Sister Miriam's book Loved as I Am: An Invitation to Conversion, Healing, and Freedom Through Jesus**

Sister Miriam James Hiedland was the speaker at our Lenten Mission, and her book is spectacular. It is a very quick and enjoyable read that provides an opportunity to bring each of us to things in our lives we need prayer and healing over.

You can buy the book on Amazon or other book sources. After starting this past Tuesday, we will meet 3 more Tuesdays, at 6:45pm in the West Wing, rooms 11 & 12. We will read 3 chapters for each of the following: April 2, April 9 and April 16. You can journal and pray over the questions she provides, or write in your book for discussion each time we gather.

## YOUTH NEWS

Margaret Callaghan

*In looking ahead to your summer plans*, our week-long service trip with the National Relief Network this year is the week of July 21. If you're interested in participating and couldn't make the information meeting last week, contact me for more information via email at [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com).



*Our shared spring retreat with St. John's the Baptist* is next weekend, April 5-7. Spring into your faith with other youth from the area who, like you, are interested in growing in relationship with God. Use this weekend as a Lenten opportunity to grow through reflections, discussions, games, prayer and more!

*Many of our youth are selling Dearborn Meats* again for your Easter celebrations. If you are interested in purchasing one, email me or pick up a form in the Gathering Area. Proceeds earned from this fundraiser will help to lower the cost for our summer service trip or the cost of the National Catholic Youth Conference held this fall in Indianapolis. Orders are due by Sunday, April 7, and delivery will be Holy Tuesday, April 16.



*I pray that your Lent is going well and that you are finding courage, strength and peace; that your relationship with God is growing and deepening.*

**EDGE**

Our next (and last) two meetings are Monday, April 8 and 22. I can't even believe we only have two meetings left!! I hope that you are able to join us in April to wind down our year of EDGE together.

**EXERCISE AND BALANCE HOUR****Fridays, 2 - 3 pm**

The St. Mary Magdalen Pain Sake group is sponsoring an **Exercise and Balance Hour** with a professional therapist. Join them on Fridays April 5, 12 and 19, in the Community Room at St. Mary Magdalen.

## OF FAITH AND SERVICE

Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF

Soup and Bread Suppers:  
A Family Event

Fridays during Lent we share Bread and Soup at 6 pm. You are invited to share this meal with others, to be inspired and to inspire others. It is a simple Lenten meal and the alms donated are given to assist the Magdalen's Kitchen ministry. Sign-up at the Community Life Board if you can come, or if you can bring a pot of meatless soup or bread for one evening. Following the meal, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed in Church at 7 pm. This is a good opportunity to pray during Lent as a family. Take this opportunity to invite a seldom attending Catholic to join you.



Our Annual Seder Meal and potluck is Wednesday, April 17, 6:30 pm, in the Community Room. Father Dave will lead us in this Jewish Passover ritual to help us prepare for Holy Week.

What is the Seder? It is a Ritual Meal and social event. The Passover Meal is what Jesus and his apostles did the night when Judas betrayed Jesus. The Ritual is based on the Haggadah used in Israel. We will hear the story of how God saved his chosen people, when their homes were marked with the blood of the Passover Lamb and the angel of death passed over the homes of the believers. We will hear the retelling of the story and experience the prayers and ritual foods commemorating this event.

This promises to be an excellent experience for families with school-age children, and for everyone in our Parish Family. Look for the Passover Seder sign-ups in the Gathering Space!

St. Mary Magdalen  
Weekend Retreat for Women  
"From Chaos to Order"

April 26-28, 2019

At St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt

This weekend is mapped out in 12 "Rules for Life" across our six talks. Our goal is to give you hope--hope that rises from interior order in an otherwise chaotic world. You'll be presented with an antidote to the chaos of our day, in tips and suggestions, prayers and reflections. Order can replace chaos when we apply some basic "rules" for daily living that include prayer time with Jesus and joyful living with our family and community. Peace surrounds us and becomes the channel of peace that affects the lives around us. Order reigns in the sure knowledge that we can change the world, one lost soul at a time. **Register with the St. Francis Retreat Center by calling 517-669-8321 or at [www.stfrancis.ws](http://www.stfrancis.ws) online.**

## CHARITY &amp; JUSTICE

## Senior Giving Tree

Just a reminder ~

It is requested that no gifts be wrapped or placed in an envelope. Simply attach the tag to the item with a piece of tape. Place gift cards in the marked box under the tree. **Please return your item(s) by April 7.** If you have any questions, contact Jeanne Penneau at 920-840-0092. Thank you for your generosity!

BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER  
APRIL 6 & 7

Homemade Candy and Cookie Sale **after masses** on April 6 and April 7. Proceeds will benefit the St. Luke N.E.W. Life Center Pantry to help them feed the 3,000 people who come to them for food.



## VETERANS CARDS



Charity & Justice celebrate & honor our military this Armed Forces Day (**May 19**) by sending Thank You cards to members of any military branch. We will deliver them to the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor for distribution so they do not have to be addressed. Simply express your gratitude for their service in a card or note (please refrain from religious verbiage, as our military come from many different cultures) & drop into the box we will have in the Gathering Space marked '**Veterans**' before April 30. Thank-you for your support!



**Baby Bottles, Baby Bottles!**  
**Why are baby bottles all over the Gathering Space??**

**Answer:** They are there for **YOU** to fill with your spare change (bills will do also)!

All money goes to **Livingston County Pregnancy Helpline** in their efforts to support people experiencing unplanned pregnancy. This includes pregnancy testing, ultrasound, nurse consultation, parenting and relationship education and more.

**Please take one, or more, home with you and return them to the Gathering Space or to Deacon Dave's office!**

## Marriage & Banns

*III Rebecca Spada & Paul Gasieski*

### Easter Card Basket for Sister Joyce



Sister Joyce loves getting cards. For Easter, I will be creating a surprise Easter basket full of cards from our community. Please bring your card to the office so I may include yours!

### Card Making Class Tuesday, April 9, at 1 pm



Class is taught by a professional instructor and the \$5 fee includes all materials. You will make three cards. It is asked that you **donate one birthday card to Meals On Wheels**. Please consider helping us put a smile on the face of a client by joining this fun class. Please call Pam at 810-772-8252 to register so we have enough materials available.

### LIVINGSTON YOUNG ADULTS

[www.livingstonyam.com](http://www.livingstonyam.com)

events & connections for ages 18-35

*What ONE thing will you do to deepen your Lenten journey?*

### Monthly Mass & Young Adult Dinner Sunday, March 31

5pm Mass St. Joseph, Howell  
6:30pm Dinner at Aubree's, Howell  
Communion, companionship and conversation.  
Other plans for Mass? Join us for dinner.

### id 9:16 Livingston Disciples' Night Into the Longing with Anna Carter St. Joseph, Howell Thursday, April 4

6:30pm Mass followed by Dinner  
8:00pm Livestream and Discussion  
*ALL young adults are encouraged to join us for the conclusion of this three part series!*  
RSVP on Facebook or email [livingstonyam@gmail.com](mailto:livingstonyam@gmail.com)



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**THANK YOU** to everyone who has made a gift or pledge commitment to our Diocesan Services Appeal.

**If you have not yet made your gift decision, please consider doing so today.** Envelopes are available at the

bookcases where we store the hymnals. You may place your gift in the collection basket or return to the parish office. **You can also make a gift or pledge online at [www.dioceseoflansing.org](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org).**

Remember, 50% of all contributions, in excess of our parish goal, will come back to our parish to help pay down our debt!

### Adult Confirmation Classes

Are you an adult or high school student who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? If so, you are invited to attend 6 preparatory classes and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, June 9, 11 am, at St. Mary Magdalen. The classes will be here at St. Mary Magdalen, Tuesday evenings, 7-9pm, April 30 – June 4. High school students must have permission from their Pastor. Please contact Sr. Maryetta or Deacon Dave Scharf if interested.



Call 810-229-8624 or email

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### The Annual Saint Mary Magdalen Golf Classic

**Saturday, June 8**

Mystic Creek Golf Club – Milford, MI  
8:30 AM Shotgun Start  
All Are Welcome!

\$90 – Includes 18 Hole Scramble with Cart, Continental Breakfast, Lunch at the Turn and Awards Banquet Dinner.

Proceeds Benefit Knights of Columbus Charities  
**Sponsorship Opportunities Still Available!**

Contact Dave Alfanos (586) 212-3504  
[alfanosd@mscdirect.com](mailto:alfanosd@mscdirect.com)



**WELLNESS QUOTE**

*Live without pretending. Love without depending. Listen without defending. Speak without offending.*



**Men-on-Fire MEN's Night  
THURSDAY, April 11**

Prayer 5:45pm | Mass 6:15pm  
Speaker 7:00pm | 8:00 pm Fellowship  
Refreshments from the Wooden Spoon

**Hosted by: Holy Spirit Catholic Church**  
9565 Musch Rd., Brighton MI 48116  
Free-Will Offering

**Featured Speaker: Fr. Steve Mattson** is passionate about helping everyone come to know Jesus in a personal way, and grow as disciples of Christ. "God did not give us a Spirit of timidity, but a Spirit of POWER and LOVE and SELF-CONTROL."

For more information, contact Rory Clark:  
[Rory@SacredHeart.io](mailto:Rory@SacredHeart.io)

**MINISTERS OF PRAYER**

Sun. Mar. 31 Jerry Dolkowski  
Mon. April 1 Bob & Pat Metz, Larry & Gwen Maes  
Tues. April 2 Rachel Tuzinsky, Diane Whiton  
Wed. April 3 Joe Lubig, Jan Altermatt  
Thurs. April 4 Diane Davidson, Anna DeMonaco  
Fri. April 5 Clarence & Ginny Kroll  
Sat. April 6 Volunteer

**ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Mon.	April 1	8:30 pm	Senior Men's Basketball
Tue.	April 2	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wed.	April 3	4:30 pm	Religious Formation
		6:30 pm	Religious Formation
Thu.	April 4	5:30 pm	Religious Formation
		7:15 pm	Adult Coed Volleyball
Fri.	April 5	_____	_____
Sat.	April 6	_____	_____
Sun.	April 7	9:00 am	Family Program
		5:30 pm	9th Grade Confirmation
		7:00 pm	Youth Group