

ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH



Parish Mission Statement

We, the Catholic parish of St. Mary Magdalen, Church and School, are Christian stewards who follow the example of our patron and invite all to come and see the Lord by:

- Setting the table of worship together to nourish and strengthen our faith;
- Welcoming others to share a life-long journey of faith by opening the doors to our spiritual home so that no one walks alone;
- Creating a community of disciples and leaders who listen to and serve each other, accepting challenges as the Spirit leads us;
- Demonstrating our commitment to the sacredness of life by acting as the hands and feet of Christ for others.

Rectory

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Daily Masses

Mon - Thurs 8 am in Rectory Chapel

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4 pm

Sunday 8:30 am and 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3-3:30 pm in Church

Parish Staff

Pastor - Rev. Thomas Hickey

Deacon - George Pettinico

School Principal - Mrs. Deborah Mulhall

Coordinator of Faith Formation - Kelly A. Shamansky

Parish Administrator - Roberta Hardt

Music Director - Jacqueline Cote

Please remember Saint Mary Magdalen Church in your Will.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, February 17, 2018

Vigil Mass First Sunday of Lent

4:00p.m. ✘ Vincenzo Zappone
requested by his wife

SUNDAY, February 18, 2018, First Sunday of Lent

8:30a.m. ✘ Pasquale & Marie Addona
requested by their family

10:30a.m. ✘ George Stukshis, Sr.
requested by his family

MONDAY, February 19, 2018, Lenten Weekday

8:00a.m.

TUESDAY, February 20, 2018, Lenten Weekday

8:00a.m. ✘ Anne Lally
requested by the SMMC Community

WEDNESDAY, February 21, 2018, Lenten Weekday

8:00a.m. ✘ Felix, Petit, & Claire Scully
requested by their family

THURSDAY, February 22, 2018, The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

8:00a.m.

FRIDAY, February 23, 2018, Lenten Weekday

NO MORNING MASS

SATURDAY, February 24, 2018

Vigil Mass Second Sunday of Lent

4:00p.m. ✘ Paolo & Paula Bordonaro
requested by their family

SUNDAY, February 25, 2018, Second Sunday of Lent

8:30a.m. ✘ Lucia Mancini
requested by her son Carmine & family

10:30a.m. ✘ Carlo Longo
requested by the Perugini Family



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Church: Carmine Guerrera reserved by his family.



Vocations: This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand. Let us reform our lives and believe in the Good News. Consider becoming an instrument of God's Good News

through the ministry of priesthood. Call **Fr. Michael Casey**, Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, Tel 860-761-7457, e-mail vocations@aohct.org

Candle Intentions The parish office is now accepting candle intentions for a donation of \$20.00 for the Sanctuary candles that burn weekly in honor, celebration or in remembrance of an individual. The candles are located at the Tabernacle in the Church and Chapel.

Mass Intentions The parish office is now accepting Mass intentions for a donation of \$15.00. The Holy Mass is the most precious gift one can offer for another person. Remembering someone with a Mass honors him or her in a unique way surrounding them with the warmth of God's love. A Mass may be offered for anyone, living or deceased. To arrange a Candle or Mass intension please call the parish office or stop by **Monday-through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** and speak with Roberta.

Activities & Meetings

February 18 - 24, 2018

SUNDAY

10:30a.m. Wee Celebrate, Church Hall

MONDAY

6:00-7:00p.m. Monday Night Lenten Confessions, Church
6:45p.m. REACH, Youth Group, Church Hall

TUESDAY

6:30p.m. Cub Scouts, Church Hall
7:00p.m. Parish Safety Meeting, Church

WEDNESDAY

6:30p.m. Ecumenical Lenten Program, Church Hall

THURSDAY

7:00p.m. Boy Scouts, Church Hall

FRIDAY

7:00p.m. Stations of the Cross, Church

SATURDAY

3:00- 3:30p.m. Confessions, Church



St. Mary Magdalen School

ST. MARY MAGDALEN SCHOOL

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Annual School Auction St. Mary Magdalen



School will be holding its 18th Annual Auction and Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 10th from 6:00-11:30 pm at the Grand Oak Villa. At this year's event we are celebrating St. Mary Magdalen School's 55th Anniversary. SMMS would like to invite the parish to join us for a sit down family-style dinner, open bar, and dancing. There will be hundreds of amazing items up for auction like sports memorabilia, jewelry, and show tickets. You don't have to be a school parent to enjoy this great night out! In honor of our anniversary, tickets for parishioners are \$55 per person. Please contact the Auction Committee at smmsauction@gmail.com to purchase tickets or for more information.

New Parishioners: Welcome to our parish. Please introduce yourself to Father Thomas Hickey after Mass. We want to know and serve you. Please register by stopping in or calling the parish office weekdays from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. We encourage you to use our Offertory Envelope system and to share your time, talent and treasure for our parish community. You are a blessing to our Parish Family... and we're glad you're here!

Stewardship of Treasure: Our parishioners need to give **\$5,500 every week to our spiritual home in order to maintain it financially.** The weekly stewardship offering for February 10 & 11 weekend totaled \$3,237.00 On-Line \$1,043.75 totaling \$4,280.75. Thank you good stewards!



Online Giving Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at: www.stmmagdalen-oakville.org



Food collection...

During the season of Lent, may our fasting be a reminder of the many among us who hunger for food and the basic needs of life. Although “man does not live on bread alone,” nutritious and sufficient food is a basic requirement for life. Let us be sure that those in need find the nourishment they seek.

The grocery lists will be available this weekend, February 17/18, and can be returned next weekend with your donation of food. Please use a plastic bag from your own home for your donation. Remember to check the expiration date and avoid glass jars for donated items. We will have another food collection in March. Thank you for your participation in our food collections and other parish programs of service. You have fed countless families with your donations of food.

Confession Mondays



The door of faith is always open for us, ushering us into the life of stronger Communion with God and offering entry into his Church. During Lent, our Church and others in Archdiocese of Hartford will be open on Monday evenings from 6:00p.m. to 7p.m. for Lenten Confessions. Father Tom will also be offering Confession after all Masses on the weekends as well as Saturdays in the Reconciliation Room from 3:00p.m. to 3:30p.m.

Visit: ConfessionMondays.com to look up parish locations and times.

Local Area Churches' Lenten Series

The Ecumenical Council of Watertown/Oakville will be offering a Lenten Program on Wednesday evenings. Each week a lite Soup and Bread Meal will be shared at 6:30pm with a service at 7:30pm. This year's theme is “**That we all may be one.**” All are asked to bring a pair of new unused socks for the free will offering, at the end of the six weeks the socks collected will be donated to the Greater Waterbury Interfaith Mission. Please join us each week as we come together as one:

- Dates and Church Locations for the following weeks are:*
- Wednesday, February 21st St. Mary Magdalen Church, Oakville*
 - Wednesday, February 28th Union Congregational Oakville*
 - Wednesday, March 7th St. John of the Evangelist Church, Watertown*
 - Wednesday, March 14th Methodist Church, Watertown*
 - Wednesday, March 21st All Saint Episcopal Church, Oakville*

Stations of the Cross

During the season of Lent, many of our parishioners come together each Friday evening to pray the Way of the Cross in remembrance of our Lord's walk to the hill of Calvary. Try to set aside the Friday evenings of Lent and be a part of this traditional devotion of the church beginning Friday, February 16 and continuing through March 23, at 7:00pm.

Each week, we will reflect on one of the objectives of our Parish Mission Statement as listed below.

- February 23: To set the table of worship
- March 02: To welcome others
- March 09: To create a community of disciples
- March 16: To demonstrate our commitment to the sacredness of life
- March 23: To act as the hands and feet of Christ

From Our Pastor's Desk:

New title for Roberta Hardt. Roberta has served for many years as our Parish Secretary, working well beyond the limits of her job description. In recognition for the outstanding work that she has done, and to make her title more accurately reflect the work she is actually doing, her position is now called ***Parish Administrator***. This involves very little change in her current duties, but it will increase her responsibilities and authority.

As a result, the **office will be closed on Fridays** from now on. Please congratulate Roberta on this long-overdue recognition.

Parish Champion Outreach Program

Dynamic Catholic is an organization with a mission to re-energize the Catholic Church in America by developing world-class resources that inspire people to rediscover the genius of Catholicism. To keep our parish aware of these resources Kelly Shamansky has signed up to be a part of Dynamic Catholic Institute's (DCI) Parish Champion Outreach program.

What is a Parish Champion?

- Kelly will pray for Father and our parish intentions
- Share with Father and parish staff FREE DCI resources we can use as a parish
- And distribute a FREE case of 44 books or 50 CD's to parishioners each month.

(As quantities are limited, you can order free books and CD's with S&H on their website below)

If you would like to be a part of Kelly's prayer team, kindly contact her email address: kshamansky@gmail.com or at the parish office.

To learn more about Dynamic Catholic's Mission and why they offer this outreach, visit www.DynamicCatholic.com.

Divorce Support Group Our Lady of Loreto Church BE A SURVIVOR— NOT A VICTIM!!

The Separated/Divorced Support Group is a 10 week program to help participants regain balance in their lives. The pain and suffering that accompanies a marital breakup is a shared experience with all who have been in this situation. The group will help participants understand what they are going through and that others have gone through the same things.

The group has a maximum of 10 participants in order to insure everyone has the chance to express part of the program. The facilitator has survived divorce and her experiences and education background make her most qualified to conduct the sessions.

If you are recently separated or divorced and are interested in attending our meetings or would like to learn more about the program, please contact Barbara at 203.910.1561. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential and all are welcome!!

The spring session begins on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 in our Parish hall. Classes begin at 6:30 p.m.

Spring session sign-up deadline in March 7th.