

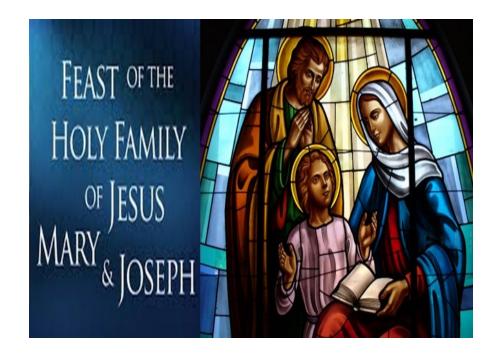
To our Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Wishing all of you a Blessed and Happy New Year!

Fr. Gordon Kusi, Fr. Cosmas Nzeabalu, Deacon E. Hart, Deacon L. Williams, Fr. Mark Cregan, Mary Harris, Dr. Marva Chevalier, Mikki Maynard, Najimah Mckenzie



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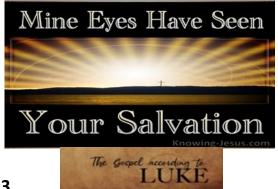




#### **MISSION STATEMENT: St.**

Mary Magdalene Parish is a welcoming Faith Community of followers of Jesus Christ bonded by the Eucharist. We go forth from this table into the larger community sharing our gifts and talents in order to bring about God's reign through works of justice and responsible stewardship.





December 31, 2023

# St. Mary Magdalene R. C. Church

Masses

Sunday Weekday Saturday

8:45 AM & 11:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:00 AM

#### Parish Clergy

Rev. Fr. Gordon P. Kusi - Administrator Rev. Fr. Cosmas C. Nzeabalu –Parochial Vicar Rev. Fr. Mark Cregan – Sunday Assistant

Deacon Lee Williams Deacon Ernie Hart

### **Parish Staff**

Mary Harris - Pastoral Associate Aminta Maynard - Administrative Assistant Dr. Marva Chevalier- Director of Religious Education

#### Liturgical Ministries & Coordinators

| Altar Servers:               | Miriam Bettis           |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Baptism Preparation:</b>  | Doris & Price Olivier   |
| <b>Choir Director:</b>       | Marc Phillip            |
| <b>Consolation Ministry:</b> | Mikki Maynard           |
| <b>Evangelization:</b>       | Betty Williams          |
| Last Judgment                |                         |
| Ministry/Social Justice:     | Miriam Bettis           |
| Liturgical Dance:            | Stephanie Simeon        |
| Men's Ministry:              | Ken Harrison            |
| Musician:                    | Gary Fisher             |
| Pastoral Care/               |                         |
| Homebound:                   | Fr. Cosmas              |
| Prayer:                      | Velma Samuels           |
| <b>O.C.I.A.:</b>             | Dr. Marva Chevalier     |
| Social Media:                | Taryn Bettis, Cara Elie |
| Women's Ministry:            | Stanlee Richards        |
| Youth Ministry               |                         |
| Coordinator:                 | Najimah McKenzie        |

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary And Joseph December 31, 2023 Reading I: Gn 15:1-6,21:1-3/

Reading II: Heb 11:8,11-12,17-19

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

Monday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29-36/Jn 1:29-34 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42 Friday: 1 Jn 4:11-21/Jn 1:43-51 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11

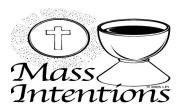




PRAY FOR .... THE SICK, WHO ARE ILL IN BODY, MIND OR SPIRIT, ESPECIALLY:

Janet Brown, Georgina Smith, Teneshia MaxDixon, Martha Benjamin, Pelham Jolly, Winnifred Smith, Ellington Jeffrey, Inga Watson, Cecile Augustin, Louise Roberts, Geraldine Kelley, Roy Henry, Lisa Moore, Thaddeus Scott, Jason Trotman, Lynette Bass, Cecile Rivers, Magalie Bloncourt, Louise Aguilera, Lonny Chattergoon, Dr. Phillip Clifton, Ashanti Rimes, Grace Mogul, Roberto Giscomb

Sun. Dec. 31, 2023 8:45 AM: Deceased of the Parish (+) 11:00 AM: Sara & St. Clair Burnett (+) **Req. by: Burnett Family** Mon. Jan. 1, 2024 10:00 AM: Deceased of the Parish (+)



Your intentions are being remembered at Mass and we are praying for everyone's health and well-being.



COLLECTIONS: DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH **REGULAR COLLECTION: \$4,243.00 CHRISTMAS EVE: \$2,220.00 CHRISTMAS DAY: \$1,287.00** 2ND COLLECTION: \$1,025.00 CATHOLIC CHARITIES **ADVENT PRAYER BREAKFAST \$955.00** 

(excluding on-line giving, which is reported at the end of the month). We thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity.

Sunday offerings are critical to the ongoing vitality and sustainability of our parishes to carry out the Mission of Jesus Christ. We are always thankful for the continuing generosity of our parishioners, and during this difficult time we ask that you please continue to support your parish to the extent that you are able.



-SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING-

Please remember your parish. Donations can be mailed to the rectory or you can use on-line giving at: www.givecentral.org/dob.

#### E-Giving info for online giving:

• Go to give central: www.givecentral.org/dob.

- Follow instructions on page: In search bar type in St. Mary Magdalene, click on St. Mary Magdalene and complete form
- Again, we thank everyone for their continued generosity and ask if they could, to please consider increasing their weekly offering.



#### **SACRAMENTS & FAITH FORMATION**

#### Sacrament of Baptism for Infants:

#### (Infants—3 years old):

Baptisms are held on the first Sunday of the month We welcome Adult members into full communion (Exception: There are no Baptisms in December or March). through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. We welcome all who worship with us who are not baptized Please register your child at least one month in advance by or were baptized in a different Christian tradition to join coming to the rectory. You must complete the registration us as full members of the Catholic Christian Community form and submit the child's birth certificate. In addition, through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and parents and Godparents MUST attend preparation class Eucharist. Please speak with Marva Chevalier for more PRIOR to Baptism. information. We also welcome baptized Catholics who have not been confirmed or received the Eucharist.

#### **Religious Education** -(Faith Formation for young people):

Our classes have begun! Classes begin at 9:30 AM. will allow our young people and Catechist to participate in our 8:45 AM or 11:00 AM Mass Celebration.

For registration and/or further information, please call the rectory or see Dr. Marva Chevalier after Mass.

#### Diocesan guideline:

A two year sacramental preparation is required to receive Sacraments of Holy Eucharist/Communion and Confirmation.

#### **OCIA INVITATION**

#### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.):

Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation for Adults

| This<br>in | <b>Sacrament of Marriage:</b> Requires a time of six months before the proposed date of the wedding for the Marriage Preparation Program. Registered participating Parish members should contact the parish office to begin the process. |
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| le         | <b>Funerals</b> : Please call the parish office when planning the Wake. All funeral arrangements are made through the Funeral Director who notifies the church.  |
| )          | Pastoral Care of the Sick: Please call the parish  |

office to arrange for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion, and Anointing at home.