



In Baptism, the Holy Spirit moves us to answer Christ's call to holiness. As we all remember and renew our baptismal promises; anyone baptized in 2023 will be asked to come forward for a special Baptism Blessing at today's Masses.



The members of the Last Judgment Ministry would like to bring awareness that January is designated National Slavery and Human Trafficking Awareness Month. According to the Department of Justice, human trafficking is a serious crime whereby force, fraud or coercion is used to perform labor, services or commercial sex. This crime impacts negatively on society. If you are aware of human trafficking, the hotline # is 1-888-373-7888. There are flyers on the table in the vestibule.



Join us in Indianapolis!

Pilgrimage to the National Eucharist Congress

Diocese of Brooklyn 5-Day Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21, 2024 Diocesan Pilgrimage Led by Bishop Robert Brennan. For more information flyers are on the vestibule table.



Our women's group will be sponsoring a Black History celebration Mass in February. Additionally information to follow.



St. Mary Magdalene R. C. Church

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Masses

Sunday	8:45 AM & 11:00 AM
Weekday	8:30 AM
Saturday	9:00 AM

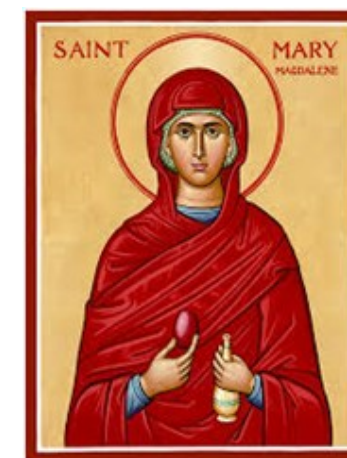
Parish Clergy

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



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.

Liturgical Ministries & Coordinators

Altar Servers:	Miriam Bettis
Baptism Preparation:	Doris & Price Olivier
Choir Director:	Marc Phillip
Consolation Ministry:	Mikki Maynard
Evangelization:	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
O.C.I.A.:	Dr. Marva Chevalier
Social Media:	Taryn Bettis, Cara Elie
Women's Ministry:	Stanlee Richards
Youth Ministry	
Coordinator:	Najimah McKenzie



January 7, 2024



Baptism of the Lord



Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2024

Reading I: Is 60:1-6

Eph 3:2-3a,5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Monday: Baptism of the Lord/Is 55:1-11or 1

Jn 5:1-9 /Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mt 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10,19-20/Mt 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mt 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mt 2:1-12

Sun. Jan. 7, 2024

8:45 AM: Deceased of the Parish (+)

11:00 AM: Sara & St. Clair Burnett (+)

Req. by: Burnett Family

Mon. Jan. 8, 2024

8:30 AM: Deceased of the Parish (+)



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

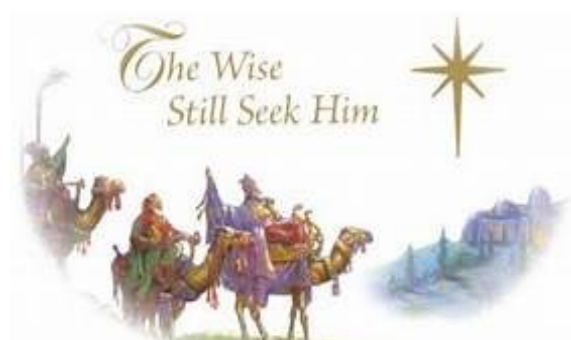


COLLECTIONS: DECEMBER 31, 2023

REGULAR COLLECTION: \$ 4,710.00

(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.



PRAY FORTHE 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, Andre Chase



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.

Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 7, 2024



Epiphany, also known as Three King's Day, is a Christian feast celebrating the revelation of God to man (a theophany) and the presence of God in human history. In Western Christianity, the feast commemorates the Gospel of Matthew, according to which the Magi from the east came to Bethlehem to worship Jesus Christ. Eastern Churches commemorate on this day mainly the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River, seen as his manifestation as the Son of God.

We conclude the Christmas Season, Monday, January 8th, with "The Baptism of the Lord"



SACRAMENTS & FAITH FORMATION

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants:

(Infants—3 years old):

Baptisms are held on the first Sunday of the month (Exception: There are no Baptisms in December or March). Please register your child at least one month in advance by coming to the rectory. You must complete the registration form and submit the child's birth certificate. In addition, parents and Godparents MUST attend preparation class PRIOR to Baptism.

Religious Education -

(Faith Formation for young people):

Our classes have begun! **Classes begin at 9:30 AM.** This 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

We welcome Adult members into full communion through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. We welcome all who worship with us who are not baptized or were baptized in a different Christian tradition to join us as full members of the Catholic Christian Community through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please speak with Marva Chevalier for more information. We also welcome baptized Catholics who have not been confirmed or received the Eucharist.

Sacrament of Marriage: 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.

Funerals: 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.