



The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the daily work of our Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries: *Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative, Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office; Catholic Migration Services; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation.*

All donations made to the ACA above our parish goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements. *The ACA is independently audited each year for full transparency.*



Appeal Prayer

God and Father of all gifts, we praise you, the source of all who we are. Teach us to acknowledge always with generous gratitude the many good things your infinite love has given us, as together we support the work of the Church in Brooklyn and Queens. Open our hearts that we may answer your call to follow the message of the Gospel as disciples in love and service, so that all may come to know You by the example of our faith and good works. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

FOR UPDATED CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION

- Please check our parish website (www.stmarymagdalene-queens.org) and our Facebook page often for updates and spiritual help and guidance. Additional information is available at the Brooklyn diocese website: <https://dioceseofbrooklyn.org/>
- If you have an urgent need, please call the rectory, leave a message and someone will get back to you.
- Masses can be seen on NET-TV; Spectrum (channel 97), Optimum (channel 30) and FIOS (channel 48)

Faith Formation registration for September

Both new and returning students are required to register or re-register for the new semester. If you are registering a child for the first time we need to a copy of the baptismal certificate.

Registration includes our Religious Education program, G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together - youth program), and the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program. If you are registering a youth for religious education or G.I.F.T., please complete the registration form and return to the rectory (forms will be on table in vestibule). If you are an adult needing any initiation sacraments, please call the rectory for information on our R.C.I.A. program.

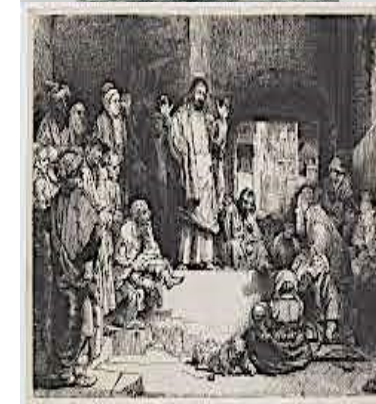
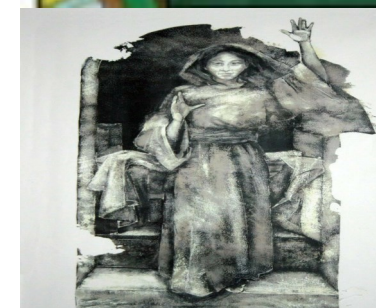
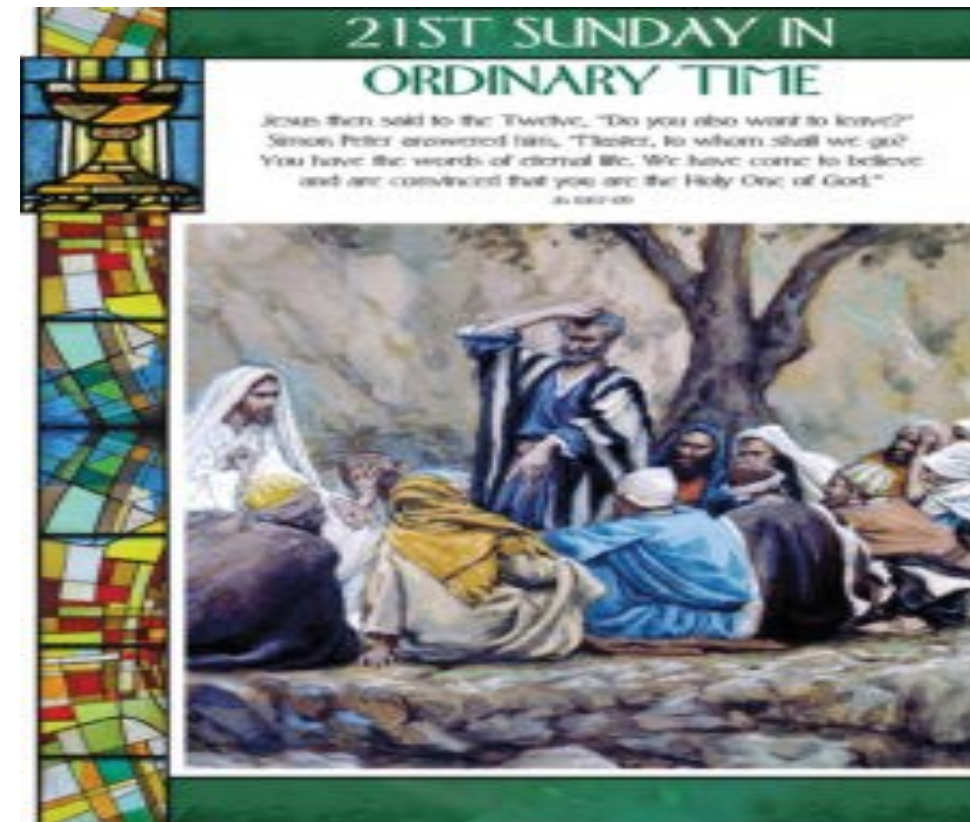


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MISSION STATEMENT: St. Mary Magdalene Parish is a welcoming Faith Community of followers of Jesus Christ bonded by the Eucharist. We go forth from this table into the larger community sharing our gifts and talents in order to bring about God's reign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

I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father."

([Gospel](#))

Masses

Sundays 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. Nzebalu –Parochial Vicar
Rev. Fr. Mark Cregan – Sunday Assistant

Deacon Lee Williams
Deacon Ernest Hart

Parish Staff

Mary Harris – Pastoral Associate
Aminta Maynard – Administrative Assistant

Parish Representatives:

Parish Trustee's: Ernest Hart, Price Olivier
Finance Council: Michael Dockett, Dr. Marva Chevalier

Liturgical Ministries & Coordinators

Altar Servers: Miriam Bettis
Baptism Preparation: Doris & Price Olivier
Choir Director: Nnecka Boyd
Consolation & Liturgical Ministry: Mikki Maynard
Evangelization: Betty Williams
Liturgical Dance: Stephanie Simeon
Musician: Gary Fisher
Men's Ministry: Ken Harrison
Pastoral Care/Homebound: Fr. Cosmas
Photography: Sarge Boyd
Prayer: Velma Samuels
R.C.I.A.: Dr. Marva Chevalier
Social Media: Taryn Bettis, Cara Elie
Women's Ministry: Stanlee Richards
Youth Ministry Coordinator: Najimah McKenzie

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B

August 22, 2021

Reading I: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Reading II: Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32
Gospel: John 6:60-69

Monday 8/23: Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

1 Thes 1:1-5,8b-10/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday 8/24: Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

**Wednesday 8/25: Saint Louis, Saint Joseph Calasanz,
Priest**

1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday 8/26: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51

Friday 8/27: Saint Monica

1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday 8/28: Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor
of the Church**

1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30



**PRAY FORTHE SICK, WHO ARE ILL IN BODY, MIND
OR SPIRIT, ESPECIALLY:**

Janet Brown, Barbara Weisenfeld, Ida Theodore, Alma Sheafe, Rosetta Hitchen, Tom De Rosa, Louise Aguilera, Georgina Smith, Teneshia MaxDixon, Errol Osborne, Martha Benjamin, Harold Williams, Pelham Jolly, Winnifred Smith, Ellington Jeffrey, Arnold W. Sweeney, Inga Watson, Sara Burnett, Cecile Augustin, Luisa Giscombe, Roberto Giscombe, John Anderson, Lennox Hypolite, Magalie Bloncourt, Mariano Bernuire, Ruby Thomas, Cecile Rivers, Vernon Gilmore, Louise Roberts, Arty Williams, Joan Butler



Sun. Aug 22, 2021

8:45 AM: **Louise Wallace (+)**

Req. by: Dolores Ward

8:45 AM: **Fr. Cosmas Nzeabalu (Anniversary -20
Years Priestly Ordination)**

11:00 AM: **Fr. Cosmas Nzeabalu (Anniversary -20
Years Priestly Ordination)**

Mon. Aug 23, 2021

8:30 AM: **In-Thanksgiving**

Req. by: Magdalene Ogunronbo



8/15/21 Regular Sunday Collection \$ 2,056.00

(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. Thank you.



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

Masses are LIVED STREAMED for your viewing on our website, YouTube and on our Facebook page



*St. Mary Magdalene offers
prayers and congratulations to
Fr. Cosmas Nzeabalu
as he celebrates
his 20th Ordination Anniversary
as a Priest*

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):

For registration and/or further information, please call the rectory or see Mrs. Harris after Mass.

Diocesan guideline:

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.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 or Reconciliation, Communion, and Anointing of the Sick, at home.