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Daily Masses

Monday Novena Mass ... 7:00 PM
Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday & Saturday 8:30 AM
Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM
Sunday Mass 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Reconciliation

30 minutes before Mass
or by appointment



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Monday Mornings with Mary and Her Son
8:30 AM Holy Hour
Monday 7:00 PM with Mass

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, ESPECIALLY:**

Our parishioner, Joseph Liston. *May God grant peace and comfort to his family!*

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS**THIS WEEK: (DECEMBER 14TH)**

For the special intentions all St. Mary Magdalene and St. Agnes parishioners... May the new year bring renewed faith and inner strength, helping us to navigate life's journey with divine support.

**THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION (DECEMBER):****For Christians in areas of conflict**

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**Saturday, December 13 –****Vigil: Third Sunday of Advent**

4:00 p.m. Patricia Heston – Linda Boggs

Sunday, December 14 – Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. The Living and Deceased of SMM

11:00 a.m. Janice Holtschulte – Marilyn Durbin

Monday, December 15 – Advent Weekday

7:00 p.m. Ken Miller – Lew and Bobbi Lindner

Tuesday, December 16 – Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Stephany Wilbert – Friends and Family

Thursday, December 18 – Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Ida Vanslavis – Mary Jane Johnston

Friday, December 19 – Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Sharon Radich – Pat Scales

Saturday, December 20 – Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. The Special Intentions of the Priest

Saturday, December 20 –**Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Advent**

4:00 p.m. Patricia Heston – Linda Boggs

Sunday, December 21 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. The Living and Deceased Members of the Higgins Family

11:00 a.m. Ron Sexton – Dee Sexton and Family

TODAY'S SPECIAL COLLECTION**WILL BENEFIT THE RETIREMENT FUND****FOR RELIGIOUS:**

Across the United States, hundreds of religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and healthcare needs of aging members. Today, retired religious outnumber wage-earners by nearly three to one. The Retirement Fund for Religious helps religious communities care for senior members—today and tomorrow.

Please give to those who have given a lifetime!

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

If I am honest with myself, what part of Jesus' message offends me?

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRIEST:

"What did you go out into the desert to see?" This Third Sunday of Advent invites us to live in joy; it is called Gaudete Sunday, which means "rejoicing." It awakens a feeling of closeness, of being on the verge of celebrating the greatest event. The color rose is used in the priest's vestments at Mass and is associated with beauty and serene joy. And who better than John the Baptist, the greatest among those born of women, is presented this Sunday, inviting us to go with Jesus and ask him: "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?" Let us seek the answer with Jesus, and He will tell us who He is. Let us find our joy in Jesus; He is the hope of all, in a world that increasingly seeks to distance itself from the supreme beauty of encountering Him.

Fr. J. Fernando Bonilla Sánchez, MSP

DEL ESCRITORIO DEL Sacerdote:

"¿Qué fueron ustedes a ver en el desierto?" Este III domingo de Adviento nos invita a vivir en alegría, es el llamado Domingo del "Gaudete" que significa "regocijo". Y despierta una sensación de cercanía, de que estamos a punto de celebrar el más grande acontecimiento. El color rosa se utiliza en los ornamentos del sacerdote en la Misa y se asocia a la belleza y a la serena alegría. Y quién más sino Juan Bautista, el más grande entre los hijos de una mujer, es presentado este domingo invitándonos a ir con Jesús y preguntarle: "¿Eres tú el que ha de venir o tenemos que esperar a otro?". Busquemos la respuesta con Jesús y Él nos dirá quién es Él. Encontremos nuestra alegría en Jesús, Él es la Esperanza de todos, en un mundo que cada vez más se quiere alejar de la belleza suprema de encontrarse con Él.

P. J. Fernando Bonilla Sánchez, MSP

14 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2025 – TERCER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO INTRODUCCIÓN A LA LITURGIA DEL DÍA

El domingo de Gaudete nos alegramos, porque sabemos que el Señor está cerca. Con ojos de fe, podemos percibir su presencia incluso mientras nos preparamos para la celebración de su llegada a nosotros como un recién nacido. Con ojos de fe, podemos ver su llegada así como al profeta Isaías o al profeta del Nuevo Testamento Juan el Bautista, quienes prepararon a su pueblo para la presencia transformadora de Dios. Con ojos de fe, gloriémonos en la presencia de Jesús aquí y ahora: en la palabra de Dios, en la Eucaristía y en quienes nos rodean.

ÚNETE A NOSOTROS DEL 16 AL 23 DE DICIEMBRE, 7PM - LAS POSADAS: UNA TRADICIÓN NAVIDEÑA MEXICANA

Cada noche comenzará con misa a las 7pm, seguida de una celebración festiva.

Calendario de ubicaciones:

16 y 17 de diciembre – Santa Inés

18 de diciembre – Santa María Magdalena

19 y 20 de diciembre – Santa Inés

21 de diciembre – San Esteban el Mártir

22 y 23 de diciembre - Santa Inés



PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA:

Si soy honesto conmigo mismo, ¿qué parte del mensaje de Jesús me ofende?

LA COLECCIÓN ESPECIAL DE HOY BENEFICIARÁ AL FONDO DE JUBILACIÓN PARA RELIGIOSOS:

¡Por favor, dad a quienes han dado toda la vida!

DATE EL REGALO DE TIEMPO CON JESÚS Y TUS HERMANAS EN CRISTO EN LA CONFERENCIA DE MUJERES CATÓLICAS DE COLUMBUS EL SÁBADO 21 DE FEBRERO DE 2026:

¡Invitando a todas las mujeres! Por favor, marque ahora en su calendario la Conferencia de Mujeres Católicas de Columbus el sábado **21 de febrero de 2026, de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.** en el Ohio Expo Center. Nuestro tema es "Mira a Él y sé radiante, Salmo 34:6". Regístrate ahora en columbuscatholicwomen.com.

LA INTENCIÓN MENSUAL DEL PAPA (DICIEMBRE):

Para los cristianos en zonas de conflicto, recemos para que los cristianos que viven en zonas de guerra o conflicto, especialmente en Oriente Medio, sean semillas de paz, reconciliación y esperanza.



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY MAGDALENE**Garden Ministry Cookie Sale after all Masses****Monday, December 15 –**

8:30 a.m. Monday Morning Hour with Mary –
 Miraculous Medal Novena,
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
 the Rosary and the Divine Mercy
 Chaplet.

7:00 p.m. Novena Mass

Tuesday, December 16 –

8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday, December 18 –

8:30 a.m. Mass

7:00 p.m. Mass followed by Posada Celebration

Friday, December 19 –

8:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, December 20 –

8:30 a.m. Mass

Monday, December 22 –

5:00-7:00 p.m. Volunteer Fingerprinting in the
 Church Hall

DECEMBER 14, 2025 –**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT****Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day**

On Gaudete Sunday we rejoice, for we know that the Lord is near. With eyes of faith, we can sense His presence even as we prepare for the celebration of His coming to us as a newborn infant. With eyes of faith, we can see His coming as well as the prophet Isaiah or the New Testament prophet John the Baptist, who each prepared his people for God's transformative presence. With eyes of faith, let us glory in Jesus' presence right here, right now: in God's word, in the Eucharist, and in those around us.

Altar servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers:
Please sign up in the gathering space if you can help with the Christmas and Solemnity of Mary Masses.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR YOUR PARISH:

We put many people on our Christmas shopping list. Please consider a Christmas gift to your parish. We celebrate our faith and come to know fellow parishioners on our journey through life to God. Help keep your parish financially strong for the future – remember St. Mary Magdalene Parish this Christmas!

**NEW BACKGROUND CHECK****REQUIREMENTS:**

The Diocese of Columbus now **requires all volunteers**, including coaches and officials, to renew their fingerprint background check every five years. If you were last fingerprinted in 2020 or earlier, you need to update your fingerprints with the Diocese.

St. Mary Magdalene is offering a fingerprinting session on Monday, December 22nd in the Church Hall from 5:00-7:00 p.m. No appointment needed. Cost \$37.00 for BCI by credit card only. Any questions contact Julius Palazzo at 614-946-5729 or jmpalazzo@juno.com.

We may have future sessions and they are TBD.

To check the date you were last fingerprinted, contact Alice Carrier at 614-274-1121 or email acarrier@saintmarymag.org.

THE MUSEUM OF CATHOLIC ART AND HISTORY NATIVITY DISPLAYS

Come and celebrate the Season of Advent with a tour of various nativity displays at the Museum of Catholic Art and History. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The last tour of every day will be held at 2:30 p.m. Admission is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children (ages 4-18) and seniors (65+), and \$30.00 for a family of four or more. The museum is located on the 1st floor of The Catholic Foundation, located at 257 E. Broad Street in Columbus, OH.

**PRAY FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS
EVERY FIRST THURSDAY**

Please join us every first Thursday at parishes around the diocese to pray for an increase in priestly vocations. The first one will be held on **Thursday, January 1, 2026** at St. Catharine Church in Bexley. It begins with **Mass at 10:00 a.m.** followed by Holy Hour at 11:00 a.m.

*Welcome!
Father Héctor Del Río Piña*

Effective December 1, Father Hector has been appointed as Parochial Vicar at St. Mary Magdalene and St. Agnes Parishes.

Fr. Hector belongs to The Order of Clerics Regular, also known as Theatines. We will learn more about Fr. Hector in the coming weeks.

We are so blessed he is here and look forward to getting to know him and growing in faith together!

Financial Report as of December 7, 2025

Regular Sunday Collection - 60 Envelopes	\$ 4,219.00
Children's Envelopes - 16 Envelopes	\$ 57.58
Online Giving	\$ 3,019.00
Giving Tuesday	\$ 175.00
Other Parish Income	\$ 302.00
Total Income	\$ 7,772.58

2025 Appeal

Parish Goal	\$ 35,675.78
Amount Pledged as of 12/08/2025	\$ 34,112.78
Amount Left to Goal	\$ 1,563.00

**JOIN US DECEMBER 16-23, 7:00 P.M.
LAS POSADAS: A MEXICAN CHRISTMAS
TRADITION**

The story of Christ's birth has been told and retold so many times it could have lost its luster generations ago. But it hasn't – not even close. If anything, in this world of war, famine and natural disasters, holding on to something as simple and as singularly important as the Nativity story is a necessity to our faith. And perhaps nowhere on earth is the Nativity story told with more flourish and faith-based exuberance than in the annual celebration of *Las Posadas*.

Each evening will begin with Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by a festive celebration.

Schedule of locations:

December 16 and 17 – St. Agnes
December 18 – St. Mary Magdalene
December 19 and 20 – St. Agnes
December 21 – St. Stephan the Martyr
December 22 and 23 – St. Agnes



THE GRACES THAT COME WITH HAVING A MASS SAID FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION ARE IMMEASURABLE.

Since the Catholic Mass is the most powerful form of prayer, it is a common practice to have it offered for a specific intention. Having a Mass said for someone is a powerful way to intercede or pray for them on their behalf. Mass intentions can be requested on behalf of another living person – for example, the healing of someone who is sick or to commemorate a wedding anniversary. However, Mass intentions are most commonly offered in remembrance of a person who has died.

We offer Masses for our deceased loved ones to aid them in their journeys to heaven. We pray with hope that the graces imparted by the Mass usher them further towards eternity with God.

The Mass unites the Church on earth to the Church in heaven. The intentions of the Mass are lifted by the Body of Christ in its entirety.

These graces are especially important for the dead, as they can no longer pray for themselves. Pope Francis said that offering the celebration of the Eucharist for the dead "is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to the most abandoned ones."

We are currently scheduling Mass Intentions for 2026. We are most in need of intentions for the weekday Masses. You can request a Mass by email (acarrier@saintmarymag.org), on our website (stmarymagdalenecolumbus.org) or by calling the Parish Office. The suggested stipend for a Mass intention is \$10.00.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Vigil: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Eve) – Wednesday, December 24th

4:00 p.m. Children's Mass

**Christmas Music will begin at 3:30 p.m.



The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) – Thursday, December 25th

10:00 a.m. Christmas Day

**Christmas Music will begin at 9:30 a.m.



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Vigil Mass – Wednesday, December 31, beginning with Exposition and prayer for peace at

4:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 1, 10:00 a.m.

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