

Saint Mary Magdalene

The image shows the exterior facade of Saint Mary Magdalene church. The building is constructed from light-colored stone blocks. At the top center is a cross. Below it is a niche containing a statue of the Virgin Mary. The facade features a large, multi-paned stained glass window in the center. Below this window is a decorative frieze with a central cross and flanking figures. The entrance consists of three sets of dark wooden double doors, each with a small window above it. The overall style is traditional Gothic Revival.

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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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday Mornings with Mary and Her Son

8:30 AM Holy Hour

Monday 7:00 PM with Mass

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**Lectors, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)... PLEASE!**

Sign up in the gathering space to help with the Palm Sunday and Easter Masses. It is only through your help that we can accomplish the smooth, efficient, and reverent atmosphere of the Mass. New volunteers are always welcome!

Saturday, March 28**4:00 p.m.**

Lector: Need Volunteer

Eucharistic Minister: * Need Volunteer

Server: Need Volunteer

Sunday, March 29**9:00 a.m.**

Lector: Need Volunteer

Eucharistic Minister: * Need Volunteer

Server: Need Volunteer

11:00 a.m.

Lector: Need Volunteer

Eucharistic Minister: * Need Volunteer

Server: Need Volunteers

COLLECTION COUNTERS (MARCH 29):

Ries, Graham, Briggs

LITURGICAL LINENS (APRIL): S. Hagood**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

Isaiah 50:4-7 / Philippians 2:6-11 / Matthew 26:14-27:66

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK: (MARCH 22ND)

The Special Intentions of Alyssa Toczek

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS****Saturday, March 21 –****Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent**

4:00 p.m. Juli Appel – Greg Appel and family

Sunday, March 22 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

11:00 a.m. Joseph Lesnau – Thom and Alice Carrier

Monday, March 23 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 p.m. Jim Toner – Pat Martindale

Tuesday, March 24 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Lew Lindner – Pat Martindale

Thursday, March 26 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Sam and Mary Gerardi – Joe and sons

Friday, March 27 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Joseph Regan – Adrienne Dearing

Saturday, March 28 – Lenten Weekday

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

Saturday, March 28 –**Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

4:00 p.m. Judy Gerardi – Joe Gerardi and Sons

Sunday, March 29 –**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

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

11:00 a.m. James Policaro – Patricia Policaro

**WE WILL BEGIN HOLY WEEK WITH A PROCESSION OF PALMS ON PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH.**

Join us in the Gathering Space prior to the start of Mass for this special commemoration of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

In addition to recalling the historical events of Jesus' triumphal entry, there is more going on here than meets the eye. By participating in this dramatic expression of our Christianity, we also show a public profession of faith. It reminds us that we are sent to carry the message outside the walls of the church and the hours of Sunday morning. **"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"**

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

What sins are keeping me entombed, isolated from God's love and from others? What can I do to free myself from my tomb?

“COME TO ME ALL OF YOU WHO ARE WEARY AND FIND LIFE BURDENSOME AND I WILL REFRESH YOU...”



Spend quiet time in prayer and worship with Our Lord. Join us every Thursday for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass until the 7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass.

Members of our parish are asked to unite in taking hours of Adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament. Sign up online ttsu.me/smmadoration or in the gathering space.

Jesus is waiting for you!

Lent is a beautiful time to celebrate the reconciling love and the healing graces our Lord offers us.

During the Thursdays of Lent: Fr. Héctor will be available for Confessions from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Financial Report as of March 15, 2026

Regular Sunday Collection - 53 Envelopes	\$ 2,844.00
Children's Envelopes -12 Envelopes	\$ 32.00
Online Giving	\$ 431.00
Other Parish Income	\$ 244.00
Total Income	\$ 3,551.00

2025 Appeal

Parish Goal	\$ 35,675.78
Amount Pledged as of 03/15/2026	\$ 37,599.78
Amount Over Goal	\$ 1,924.00

MARCH 22, 2026 –

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

As we approach Holy Week and the final days of Lent, we hear the well-known story of Lazarus, the brother of Martha and Mary, whom Jesus raises from the dead. John’s account of this miracle is one of the most dramatic accounts in any of the Gospels, save Jesus’ own Passion, Death, and Resurrection. We can only imagine the emotions coursing through Martha and Mary and their loved ones when Jesus stands at the tomb and dramatically cries: “Lazarus, come out!” On this final scrutiny Sunday, may we hear Jesus calling out to us as well, to come out of our tombs of sin and death and embrace new life in the resurrection.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH

Monday, March 23 –

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, March 24 –

8:30 a.m. Mass (English)

7:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Wednesday, March 25 –

7:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Thursday, March 26 –

Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

8:30 a.m. Mass (English)

7:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Friday, March 27 –

8:30 a.m. Mass (English)

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (English)

7:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

8:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

Saturday, March 28 –

8:30 a.m. Mass (English)

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday – April 2:

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Good Friday – April 3:

3:00 p.m. Mary’s Way of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday – April 4:

11:00 a.m. Practice for Easter Vigil Mass

7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass (Spanish @StAg)

9:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass (English @SMM)

Easter Sunday – April 5:

9:00 a.m. Mass in English @SMM and 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Mass in Spanish @StAg and 1:00 p.m.



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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRIEST:

One of the few occasions where it is highlighted that Jesus speaks with a “powerful voice” is this one—when He says to the man who had already been dead for four days: “Lazarus, come out!” All this occurs so that we may behold the Glory of God, just as Jesus Himself had told Martha, the sister of the deceased. Indeed, beholding the Glory of God will always be the greatest event we could ever experience; that is why it is heralded by the powerful voice of Jesus. This, then, is not a Kingdom like those of the earth; it is the Kingdom of God, which stands above all human power and resonates in a special way within the hearts of all who have opened themselves to this mighty Kingdom. Anyone who has denied God’s power access to their life will never be able to experience it, for they remain closed off to that experience—and, consequently, to the transformative force with which it arrives. Conversion is achieved solely through the power of God, and not merely through the good intentions of men. If, during this season of Lent, we wish to return to Him, we must do so with the very force capable of transforming all things: the force of Jesus. Let us remain open to the power of His word, which reveals to us the might of His Kingdom.

Fr. J. Fernando Bonilla Sánchez, MSP

DEL ESCRITORIO DEL SACERDOTE:

Una de las pocas ocasiones en que se resalta que Jesús dice algo con “voz potente” es esta, en la que le dice al que había muerto hacía ya cuatro días: “¡Lázaro, sal de allí!”. Todo esto para que podamos ver la gloria de Dios, como Jesús mismo le había dicho a Marta, la hermana del que había muerto. Así es, poder ver la gloria de Dios siempre será el mayor acontecimiento que podamos experimentar y por eso es que viene precedida por la voz potente de Jesús. No se trata pues de un Reino como los de la tierra, se trata del Reino de Dios que está por sobretodo poder humano, y hace resonar de manera especial en el corazón de todos los que se han abierto a este Reino poderoso. Quien le ha negado el acceso al poder de Dios en su vida jamás podrá experimentarlo, ya que está cerrado a su experiencia y por ende a la fuerza con que llega y transforma. La conversión se logra solamente con el poder de Dios y no sólo con la buena voluntad de los hombres. Si este tiempo de Cuaresma queremos volver a Él, debemos hacerlo con la fuerza que es capaz de transformar todo, la de Jesús. Estemos abiertos la fuerza de su palabra que nos muestra el poder de su Reino.

Fr. J. Fernando Bonilla Sánchez, MSP

22 DE MARZO DE 2026 –

QUINTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA**Introducción a la Liturgia del Día**

Al acercarnos la Semana Santa y los últimos días de Cuaresma, escuchamos la conocida historia de Lázaro, el hermano de Marta y María, a quien Jesús resucita de entre los muertos. El relato de Juan sobre este milagro es uno de los más dramáticos de todos los Evangelios, salvo por la propia pasión, muerte y resurrección de Jesús. Solo podemos imaginar las emociones que recorren a Marta y María y a sus seres queridos cuando Jesús está junto a la tumba y grita dramáticamente: “¡Lázaro, sal!” En este domingo de escrutinio final, que escuchemos a Jesús llamándonos también, para que salgamos de nuestras tumbas de pecado y muerte y abrace la nueva vida en la resurrección.

Pasa tiempo tranquilo en oración y adoración con Nuestro Señor. Únete a nosotros todos los jueves para la Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento,

que comienza inmediatamente después de la misa de las 8:30 de la mañana hasta la misa en español de las 7 de la tarde.

Durante los jueves de Cuaresma: el padre Héctor estará disponible para confesiones de 5:00 p.m. a 7:00 p.m.

La intención mensual del Papa (marzo):**Por el desarme y la paz**

Recemos para que las naciones avancen hacia un desarme efectivo, especialmente el nuclear, y para que los líderes mundiales elijan el camino del diálogo y la diplomacia en lugar de la violencia.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA:

¿Qué pecados me mantienen sepultado, aislado del amor de Dios y de los demás?
¿Qué puedo hacer para liberarme de mi tumba?

Únete a nosotros a las 8:00 p.m. los viernes durante la Cuaresma para vivir el Vía Crucis

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIGHT A SANCTUARY LAMP IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE OR FOR A PARTICULAR INTENTION?

Saint Mary Magdalene offers an additional way to memorialize a deceased family member, or to honor or celebrate a special event, by sponsoring the Sanctuary Lamp which hangs by the Tabernacle in Church. Offerings are \$15.00 each. Remembrance begins on Sunday and ends on Saturday of your scheduled week. Place your petitions in the Offertory Basket or mail to the Parish Office. You can also find a link on our website at stmarymagdalenechurch.org. The Special Intentions for the Lamp will be printed in our weekly bulletin, where we additionally ask our faithful Parishioners to keep those intentions in their prayers.

“Keep a flame burning.” – EXODUS 27:19-20

You can request a week on our website (stmarymagdalenechurch.org/mass-intention-calendar) or by calling the Parish Office

JOIN US ON GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD AT 3:00 P.M.

as we gather for Mary’s Way of the Cross led by women of St. Mary Magdalene and St. Agnes. This unique journey views the Way of the Cross through the eyes of Mary, the mother of Jesus. We will try to imagine what she must have thought as she watched her son sentenced to death, crowned with thorns, beaten, stripped of his clothes and nailed to the cross.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Women: Your help is needed. Sign up in the gathering space to assist in reading a short reflection for one of the 14 stations.

The Pope’s Monthly Intention (March): For disarmament and peace



Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

TAX SEASON AND SGO

It’s not too late to turn your tax dollars into scholarships for Catholic Education!

As a taxpayer in the State of Ohio, when you make a donation to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund, you receive a dollar-for-dollar credit – up to \$750.00 for an individual or \$1,500.00 if married filing jointly – on your state income tax liability while creating needs-based scholarships for students in Our Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Columbus. You can still make a donation up to the April 15 federal tax deadline and claim the credit on your 2025 Ohio tax filing this spring! Learn more at www.giveandgetback.org.

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS, also known as The Way of the Cross, are an act of devotion dating back to early Christianity, following the path of Jesus from His trial in front of Pilate to his burial in the tomb. Along the way, reflections and prayers are offered at key points in the story, focusing on the different aspects of Christ’s suffering, and asking us to mourn our sins. While the Stations can be prayed at any time, they are particularly appropriate for Lent.

Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Fridays during lent to experience The Way of the Cross



STATIONS of the CROSS

CONGRATULATIONS ESTEVEN CABRERA!

The Columbus Serra Club has awarded St. Mary Magdalene student and parishioner, Esteven Cabrera a \$1,000.00 tuition assistance grant for a Catholic high school.

Esteven merited the award by submitting one of the ten best essays in the Serra Club’s Third Annual priestly vocation essay competition. For the competition, an eighth-grade boy writes an essay of five hundred words or less on whether or not he thinks God might be calling him to be a priest.

Bishop Fernandes will present the award and a medal to Esteven on May 3 during the Serra Club’s Altar Server Award ceremony at St. Joseph Cathedral.

Information on helping the Serra Club promote vocations is available by emailing: vocationessays@outlook.com

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