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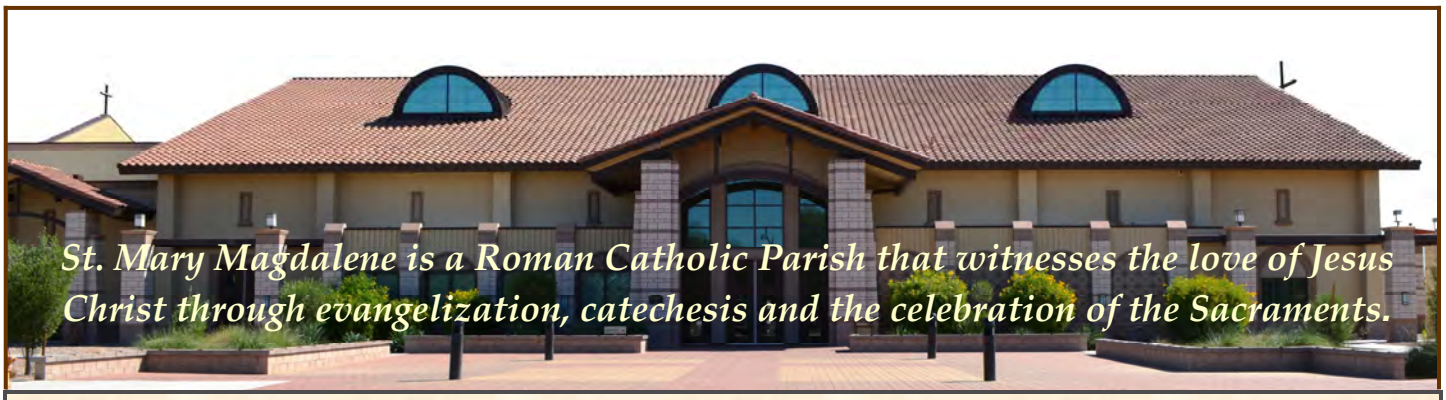

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - Noon and 1—5 pm or by appointment.

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday (Vigil) 4:30 pm
Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:30 am 4:30 pm
There are no more restrictions on the number of people so please join us!

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday 8:00 am

Communal Prayer (in the Church)

Rosary & Divine Mercy, prayed after 8:00am daily Mass

Perpetual Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed 24 hours a day 7 days a week. For access after office hours, call the office for a code.

Join us in the chapel for
Holy Hour for Life: Thursdays at 5:30pm
Holy Hour for Priests: 1st Sunday of each month at 3:00pm

Confessions

Monday-Friday, 8:45am-9:15am & Saturday, 8:45am-11:15am

Clergy

Fr. Chris Axline, Pastor: pastor@smarymag.org
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Fr. Arthur Nave, Priest in Residence
Deacons Craig Hintze, Kevin Knapp, Rick Nevins, and Larry St. Onge (winter visitor)**:** Call Parish Office

From Your Finance Council

Collections/Faith Direct Totals

Dec 12 Collection (cash & checks)	$	10,158.95
Dec 12 Capital Campaign (cash & checks)	$	110.00
Dec 13 Collection (Faith Direct)	$	36,155.00
Dec 13 Capital Campaign (Faith Direct)	$	3,433.84

New to St. Mary Magdalene?
We are looking forward to meeting you! Please visit the Parish Office or smarymag.org/about-parishregistration to formally register as a parishioner.

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Need Help?

Emergency Anointing of the Sick:
Only for emergencies, call 480-678-3353.

Catholic Counseling: Call the Parish Office for recommendations of counselors that can offer guidance and therapy from a Catholic perspective.

Annulments: Contact John Lowery: nullity@smarymag.org

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Offering Masses: If you'd like to offer a Special Intention Mass (for a living person) or In Remembrance Mass (for a deceased person), please come by the Parish Office. There is a stipend of $10. We are currently scheduling Masses for December, 2022.

Letter Requests: Please submit request for letters of permission for Baptism or Confirmation sponsors or copies of replacement Sacarment Certificates to the Parish Office. Please allow for a turn-around of 5 business days.

Family Record Updates: If you have a change of address, phone, email, addition of children or if you are moving out of the parish please call the parish office or contact admin@smarymag.org to have your records updated.

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Adoration

The following hours are in need of Weekly Adorers:
Mon 6 pm,; Tues 1am ; Wed 12 am, 4 pm,; Thu 6 am, 11 am;
There are currently other hours with only one scheduled adorer. Ideally, we would have at least 3-4 people committed to pray in our Adoration Chapel for every hour of the week. Visit smm.weadorehim.com to sign up or login. Contact Roger at Liturgy@smarymag.org with questions.

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Saturday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

This Week's Saints, Special Observances & Mass Intentions

Saturday - *The Nativity of the Lord* 8:00am SI O'Toole Family; 10:00am +Christian Petillo
Sunday - *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph* 7:00am SI Georgianna Mayor; 9:00am +Elda Sabal; 11:30am Pro Populo; 4:30pm SI Cullen Sabbs
Monday - *St. John, Apostle and Evangelist* 8:00am +Jack Ahern
Tuesday - *The Holy Innocents* 8:00am +Percy Jolstad
Wednesday - *St. Thomas Becket* 8:00am SI Frank O'Rourke
Thursday - 8:00am +Helen Aller
Friday - *St. Sylvester I* 8:00am SI Josh and Allison Bryant and Family
Saturday - *The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God* 8:00am +Donald Sterkowitz; 4:30pm +Ron Bird

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Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

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Live-Stream Mass
Participate in the 9:00am Sunday Mass, from home via Youtube, Facebook, or our parish website. Visit www,smarymag.org for the links to watch.

TV Mass
All those who are sick or homebound, and unable to attend Mass, can watch a live broadcast of the Mass at 9:00am, Sunday mornings from Ss. Simon and Jude Cathedral on KAZT-TV (AZ-TV7, Cable 13) Followed by the show "Catholics Matter."

Catholic Radio: 1310 AM
Tune in to *Relevant Radio* from your car or computer, or download the app to listen with your smart phone! Visit relevantradio.com for the schedule of shows, including The Patrick Madrid Show and an interactive Family Rosary. Also, visit dphx.org/catholic-media for local shows like The Bishop's Hour; Saturdays at 9:00am.

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The whole parish is being provided FREE access to **FORMED On Demand**. Discover thousands of studies, movies, talks, and e-books from over 40 of the best Catholic content producers including the Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, Catholic Answers, EWTN, St. Paul Center, and many more. To log in, visit formed.org, click sign up or sign in, select our parish, enter your email address, check that email account for the link to enter, and you're in! No password required. Login is now through email. You can also download the app on your smart phone.

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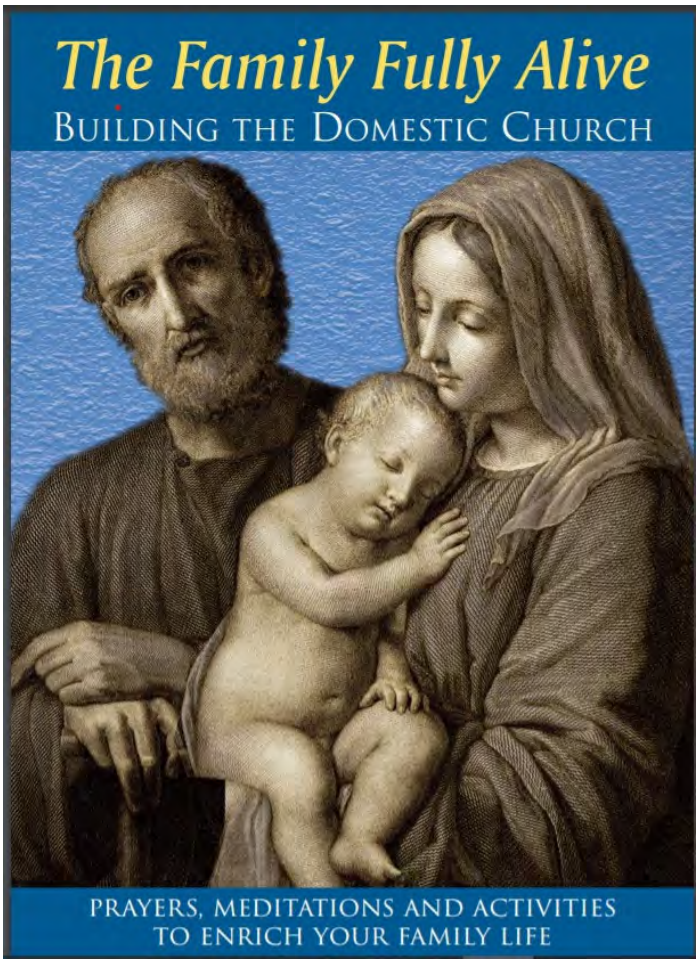
FAMILY FULLY ALIVE PROGRAM



The family that prays together, stays together!

Venerable Father Patrick Peyton

Venerable Father Patrick Peyton coined this phrase decades ago. Father Peyton was known as the Rosary Priest and he had a true devotion to evangelizing the Catholic faith and to family prayer.

The SMM Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the Family Fully Alive program. This program is designed to encourage once a month family prayer. It is a twelve month program; each month has a specific theme, a spiritual mediation, Scripture reading, and project specific to that month's theme. For example, the theme for December is Joy. The program is designed to begin during Advent, but can be started at any time.

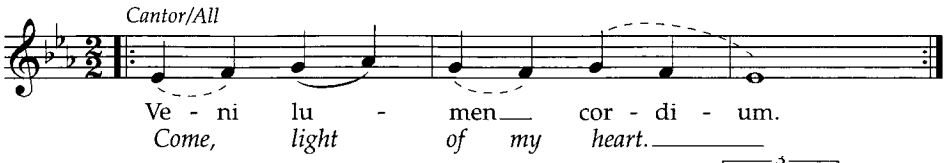
Booklets were distributed earlier this month, and begin with reflections by St. John Paul II on how the family is the domestic church. The next section is the twelve month program, followed by basic Catholic beliefs and a section on how to pray. There is a large section of Catholic prayers and lastly meditations on the family and prayer by St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict, and Pope Francis. If you did not receive a booklet and would like one, let the Knights know. There will be brief program thoughts appearing in the bulletin at the beginning of the month, which you can use to support you that month.

There is no cost or requirements for the program. We simply ask that you take a booklet and try this program with your family. Set aside a day and time each month to pray with your families. The hope is that once a month family prayer will turn into more frequent prayer with your families.

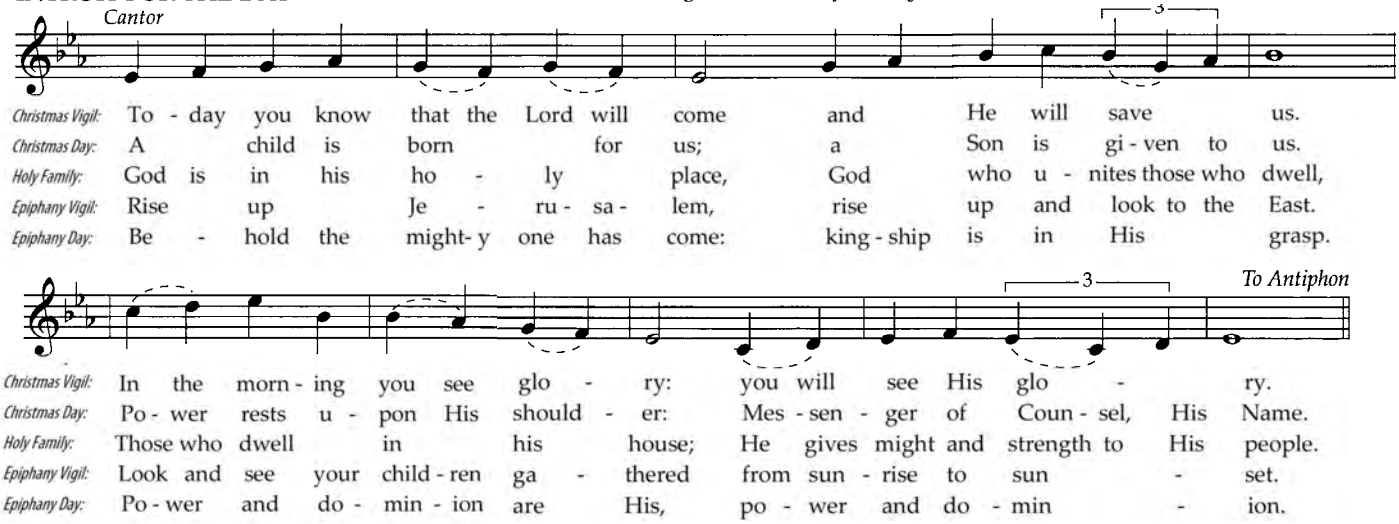
This is a great program to bring families together to share their Faith with each other. We sincerely hope that you will give it a chance. For more information, contact Tom White, SMM Knights of Columbus 13779, retcfd2010@gmail.com.

Order of Worship: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

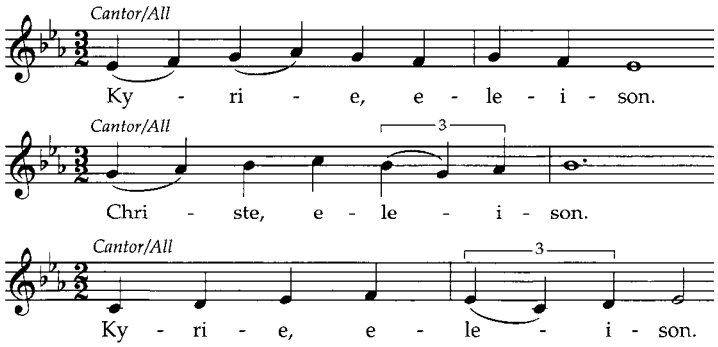
Entrance Antiphon



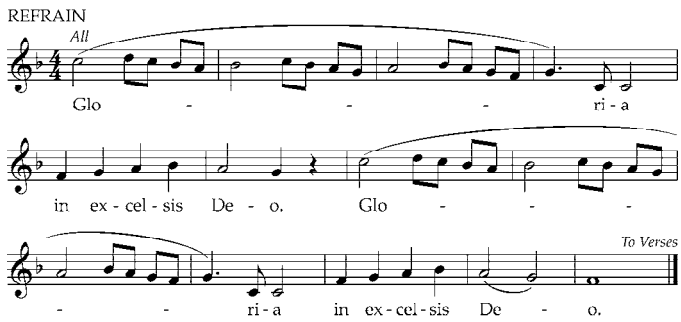
Introit for the Day



Kyrie *Invocations by cantor.*



Gloria *for Christmastime by Howard Hughes*

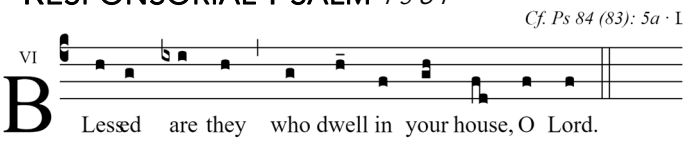


First Reading *Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14*

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother.

My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins —a house raised in justice to you.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 84*

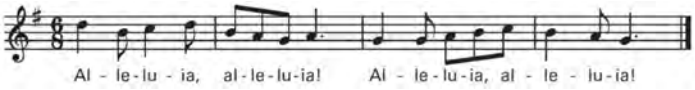


How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the LORD.
My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. (R)
Happy they who dwell in your house!
Continually they praise you.
Happy the men whose strength you are!
Their hearts are set upon the pilgrimage. (R)
O LORD of hosts, hear our prayer;
hearken, O God of Jacob!
O God, behold our shield,
and look upon the face of your anointed. (R)

Second Reading *1 Jn 3: 1-2, 21-24*

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.
Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

Christmas Gospel Acclamation



Gospel *Lk 1: 39-45*

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

Homily

Profession of Faith *Nicene Creed*

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and *by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory Antiphon *(11:30am by Schola)*

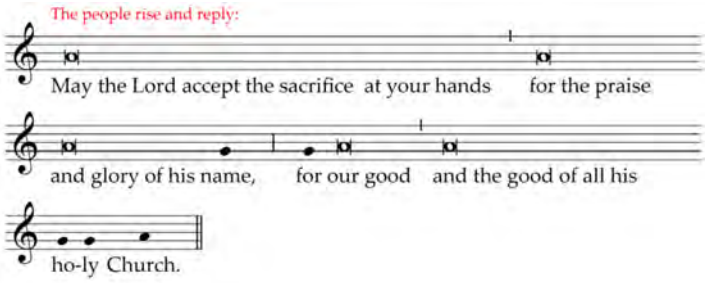
In you have I put my trust, O Lord; I said: "You are my God, my destiny is in your hands". —*Psalm 30: 15,16*

Offertory Carol *What Child is This?*

What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping? This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing! Haste, haste to bring him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary!
Why lies he in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear, for sinners here The silent Word is pleading. Nails, spear, shall pierce him through, The cross be borne, for me, for you: Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The Babe, the Son of Mary!
So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh, Come, peasant, king, to own him; The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him. Raise, raise the song on high, The Virgin sings her lullaby: Joy, joy for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Dialogue

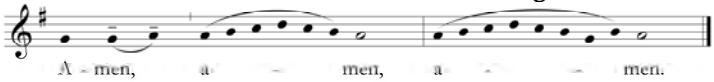
Priest: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.



Preface Acclamation *Heritage Mass*

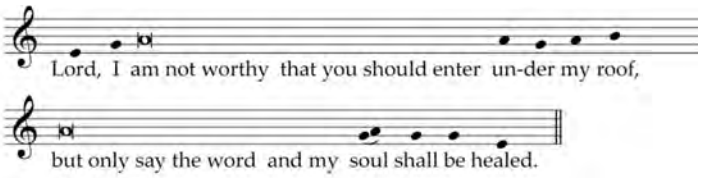
Memorial Acclamation *Heritage Mass*

Amen after Doxology *Missa Magdalena*

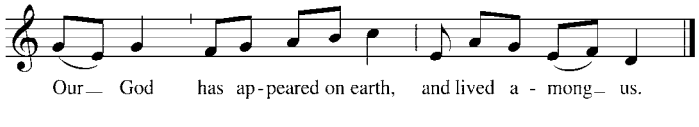


Lamb of God *Heritage Mass*

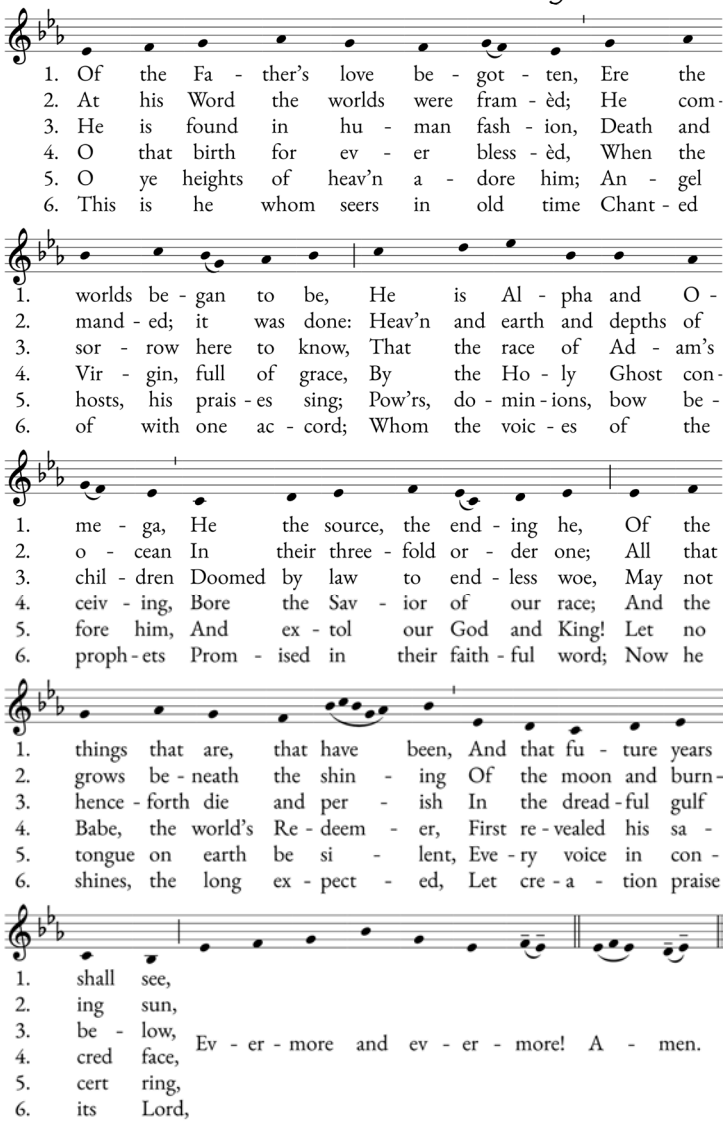
Dialogue *Priest: Behold, the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.*



Communion Antiphon *Isaiah 7/Psalm 1*



Communion II *Of the Father's Love Begotten*



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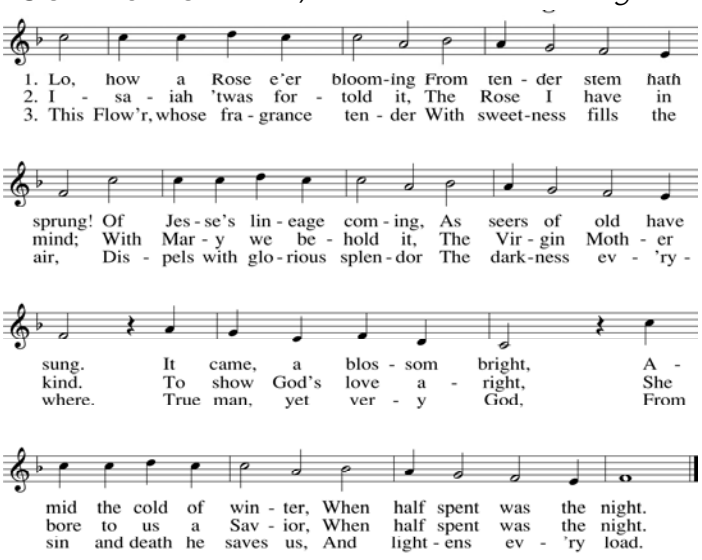
Communion II *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*



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Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

SMM Building Prayer

All-powerful and all-merciful Father, You have created all things through Your Son, and have made Him the unshakable foundation of Your Kingdom. Through the gift of Your eternal wisdom, grant that our effort to build the parish of Saint Mary Magdalene, for Your glory and our own well-being, may progress day by day to its successful completion. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Closing *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (vs 1 & 3)*

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King. Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail, the heav'n born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, Ris'n with healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, Born that man no more may die, Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth! Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Prayer After Mass

Lord, let your Eucharistic presence fortify me against all evil, visible and invisible, putting to rest every disturbance of flesh and spirit, binding me firmly to you, the one true God, and bringing me peacefully to my last breath. May I await with joyful hope that e54ternal banquet, wonderful past all telling, where you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, feast your saints with the vision of yourself, who are true light, the fulfillment of all desires, the joy that knows no ending, gladness unspeakable, and perfect beatitude: through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Upcoming Events

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Parish Life Communities

Respect Life Initiatives

Holy Hour for Life is sponsored by the Pastoral Council this Thursday. Adoration and Rosary for the unborn is every Thursday from 5:30 - 6:30 pm in the St. Michael Adoration Chapel. Prayers are led by Parish Life Communities and Ministries. Community prayer begins at 6:00pm. All are welcome to join us in this powerful hour for Life!

AZ for Life March and Rally is January 15, 2022! The keynote speaker is Alvera King. St. Mary Magdalene Respect Life Initiatives has chartered a bus to take you to this uplifting event. Cost is $10 per person and only $25 per family until January 1st. Seats are limited. Email Debra Abel respectlifesmarymag@gmail.com to reserve your seat now! More information at https://www.azliferally2022.org/event-info

Trivia Night is back! Get a team of 8 and mark your calendar for Friday, February 18, 2022. Join us for a fun evening of trivia and community building. Trivia Night 4.0 details and registration coming soon. Questions? Smarymagfundraising@gmail.com

2021 *Widows* Prayer & Share Group Perhaps you live alone or are a recent widow or widower and you are looking for friendship. Please join our Widows Share and Prayer Group. Share our stories and our faith. For more information on time and place, Contact: Margaret Birchem at mbirchem21@gmail.com

Around the Diocese

Magis Women—Ladies! Begin the new year focusing on faith, hope and joy in Jesus. Join Magis Women as we continue our study The Beatitudes: Discovering the Heart of Jesus. Meetings every other Monday at the church Jan 10th - Apr 4th, 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Cost $30. Register at https://magiswomen.breezechms.com/form/70801e Questions or info: Cinda Pingle 503-936-3643/ cpingle.az@hotmail.com

Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service—*a nationwide* effort of the Bishops Conference; more information is available at https://dphx.org/gospeloflife/

St. Philip Neri Festival: Fun at the Table—Join the Catholic Comedy and Catholic Phoenix for a fun event with Fr. Leo Patalinghug from Plating Grace and the hosts of the Catholic Man Show. The event will be held on January 8, 2022 at Vertuccio Farms in Mesa, AZ. Gates will open at 1PM and the festival will continue until 8PM. More information can be found at www.CatholicComedy.com/Festival.

Women's Retreat: Explore How to be a Disciple of Jesus Christ Wherever You Are in Life--On Feb. 5, 2022, 8:30am-4:00pm, St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Avondale will be hosting a women's retreat on discipleship and evangelization. The theme of the retreat is "A Reason for Hope", taken from 1 Peter 3:15 that says we should all be prepared to give an account of the hope that is in us. Admission is $15 at the door.
RSVP to womensretreatrsvp@gmail.com.

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For more information, and for other events happening around the Diocese, visit: *dphx.org/events/*

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FAMILY MEALS MINISTRY
We help provide meals for parishioners who have experienced births, medical issues, or deaths in their families, as a way of helping someone get through a difficult time. If you know of someone who needs meals, or would like to find out more about volunteering for this ministry, please contact Jodine de Laveaga at (602) 722-7296.

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Please **Pray for those who are Sick**; including *Fr. Chris Jeffrey Taylor, Dianne Ericsson, Theresa Smith* and all of those in our parish book of Intentions.

We extend **Our Prayers and Sympathy** to family and friends of *Molly Rugolo, Noreen Megsamen, Mary Hyland, Deacon Timothy Donovan* and all deceased parishioners, all those lost through abortion, the Holy Souls in Purgatory, all those who have died during this pandemic, and all those who have recently passed away. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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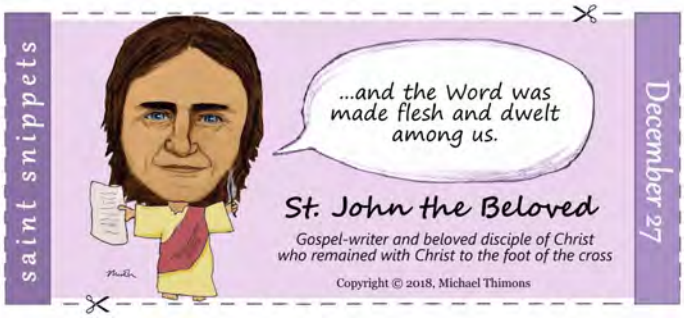

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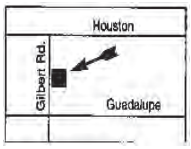

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