

ST MARY MAGDALENE PARISH

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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son,
and you shall name him Jesus." - Lk 1:31

Vidi Dominum

St. Mary Magdalene is a Roman Catholic Parish that witnesses the love of Jesus Christ through evangelization, catechesis and the celebration of the Sacraments.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am—Noon, Tuesday and
Wednesday: 1:00 pm—5:00 pm, Other Times by Appointment

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 4:30 pm
Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:30 am 4:30 pm

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

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FROM YOUR FINANCE COUNCIL

Collections/Faith Direct Totals,

Dec 10 Plate collection (cash & checks) **\$11,071.79**

Dec 10 Capital Campaign (cash & checks) **\$1,090.00**

Nov 22 Plate collection (Faith Direct) **\$27,839.50**

Nov 22 Capital Campaign (Faith Direct) **\$1,397.00**

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Emergency Anointing of the Sick:

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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.

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

Emmanuel Outreach Ministry: A Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church ministry serving the needy of our community. A **Donation Box** is located in the west wall of the narthex. Refer your questions to the parish office.

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 scheduling Masses for December, 2024.

Letter Requests: Please submit request for letters of permission for Baptism or Confirmation sponsors or copies of replacement Sacrament 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.

Pastoral Care to the Sick: Our Pastoral Care Ministry volunteers bring Holy Communion to those who are sick, hospitalized or homebound. Please call the parish office or email pastoralcare@smarymag.org to arrange a visit.

Adoration

The following hours are in need of Weekly Adorers: **Sun 3am, 11am, 1pm, 2pm, 4pm, 10pm, 11pm; Mon 3am, 7am; Tue 12am, 9pm; Wed 11pm; Thu 12pm, 10pm; Fri 3am, 8pm, 9pm, 10pm, 11pm; Sat 1pm, 4pm, 5pm, 10pm.** 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 Juan at Liturgy@smarymag.org with questions.



Readings for the Week

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38
Monday: *Vigil:* Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/ Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 *Dawn:* Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8/Mt 2:13-18
Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40
Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

This Week's Saints, Special Observances & Mass Intentions

Saturday: St. John of Kanty, 8am: SI Lucille Jacobelly, 4:30 pm: SI Jeff, Kaci, Kaitlyn, & Zach Brown
Sunday: *4th Sunday of Advent; Christmas Eve,* 7am: +Glen Gumz, 9am: SI Dianne Ericson, 11:30am: Pro Populo, 4:00pm: SI Quincy Lynn & the Martinez Family, 6:30pm: SI Monica & Miguel Guerra, 9pm: +Earl Santy, 11:30pm: Pro Populo
Monday: Nativity of the Lord, 8am: +The Holy Souls in Purgatory, 10am: SI Lucille Jacobelly
Tuesday: St. Stephen, 8am: Rosalina Moh Hussein
Wednesday: St. John the Apostle, 8am: SI Victor & Jane

Jimenez

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Holy Innocents, 8am: SI For all Families
St. Thomas Becket, 8 am: SI Christian & Gretchen Malovoz
 8am: SI Adam & Caitlyn Bergen, 4:30 pm: Apolinaria Pascual

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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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Bulletin Submissions: All submissions for events, articles, art, or other content must be made by Wednesday, a week-and-a-half prior to any given Sunday via smarymag.org/bulletin-announcement-request. We reserve the right to edit, include or not include any submission.

Upcoming Events

The weekend of January 13-14, 2024, Father Steven Borello will be visiting our parish on behalf of Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS). FOCUS is a national organization serving college students at more than 232 campus/locations including eight international locations, 23 parish venues and nine digital expansion campuses. To learn more, please visit www.focus.org.

This year, Christmas Eve is on a Sunday. Catholics will still need to attend Mass for both the 4th Sunday of Advent and for Christmas as well. Masses for the 4th Sunday will be the Saturday vigil at 4:30 pm, 7 am, 9 am, and 11:30 am. For Christmas, the Masses will be Sunday at 4 pm, 6:30 pm, 9 pm, and 11:30 pm. On Monday, there will be 8 am and 10 am.

National Eucharistic Congress: Did you know there is going to be a gathering in Indianapolis, IN from July 17-21, 2024 where there is expected to be over 60,000 Catholics for the first Eucharistic Revival in over 80 years? Would you want to be a part of this? Do you want to know and understand more about the Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith? Come Saturday, January 6th for our parish Eucharist Revival kick-off! You won't want to miss it! Stay tuned for more details.

FORMATION

Interested in becoming Catholic? Never been Confirmed? Inquiry, RCIA & Adult Sacramental Preparation is year round. Contact Nicole Carlson at adultformation@smarymag.org to get started.

Catholic Truth Seekers: If you are a young adult, ages 18-30, and would like to learn more about your faith and have fellowship with other young adults come join "Catholic Truth Seekers." They meet every Friday at 7pm here at the parish. Email: Luis Cadena with questions smarymagcts@gmail.com



The Catechism in a Year: Join other parishioners and friends in reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church via the daily Catechism-in-a-Year podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz! Visit www.smarymag.org/porta-fidei for information about how to join the Tuesday morning Discussion Group. Questions? Contact kathy.dyer020@gmail.com.

Prayer Line Ministry: Would you like to receive regular messages to pray for the needs of our parish? Email prayerline@smarymag.org or call the office and provide your name, email or phone number (and indicate if you would like text or calls). Let's create a powerful prayer warrior team here at St Mary Magdalene!

Christ in our Neighborhood: We will be rolling out a NEW Adult Bible Study program for Lent. Plan to come and learn more about this dynamic way to study the Bible on Saturday, January 13th so you will be ready and signed-up for the Lent series! Stay tuned for more information.

RCIA Sponsors: would you be willing to serve as an RCIA Sponsor? If you are an active Catholic in good standing and could fulfill this role for someone in need of a sponsor, please email adultformation@smarymag.org for more details.

PARISH LIFE COMMUNITIES

Respect Life Initiatives: Holy Hour for Life is sponsored by Pastoral Care and Liturgical Ministries this Thursday. Adoration and Rosary for the unborn is every Thursday from 5:30 - 6:30pm 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!

Crochet and Knit for Life: Crochet and Knit for Life: Meets every Thursday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Frassati Room. All skill levels and all are welcome! If you haven't begun to crochet, but would like to learn, we will teach you how to make blankets for newborns.



Catholic Daughters: Please Join the Catholic Daughters meeting the third Saturday of the month at 10:00 am in the Holy Family Room. Members donate to charities, administer scholarship programs and strive "to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow or sickness." Contact us for more information at court2779stjohnvianey@gmail.com

Cor: The Knights of Columbus and Saint Mary Magdalene invite men 18 and over to join Cor, our monthly gathering of Catholic men to live their faith and serve their family, parish, community, and country. The mission of Cor is to refocus Catholic men on Jesus Christ and to form and strengthen them in faith and virtue through a brother-hood committed to prayer, formation, and fraternity. Meeting on 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm.

Trivia Night: Save the date for the 6th Annual Trivia Night at Saint Mary Magdalene. Get your team of eight and join us Friday, February 9, 2024. Registration will be available soon.



Help Making Rosaries: Rosary makers needed! We will teach you how to make rosaries for our church other churches, and non profit organizations. We provide all the supplies you need. We meet every Thursday from 9:30-11:30am in the Frassati room. For information contact Mary Calgaro, mecalgaro@gmail.com

Around the Diocese Pray for Us

Please **Pray for those who are sick**, including *Hayward "JoJo" White, Bonnie Gallus*, and all of those in our parish book of Intentions.

We extend **Our Prayers and Sympathy** to all deceased parishioners, all those lost through abortion, all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, 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.



Hello St. Mary Magdalene,

Merry Christmas! I love this time of year; it is most definitely my favorite, there is a palpable joy which permeates everything and everyone. Everything looks so pristine and neat, lights are brilliant, trees and houses decked out, presents wrapped. Externally, things look fantastic. But, how do we look internally, spiritually? Have we made room for the Lord in our time of preparations so that our joy may now be complete over the fact that Christ is with us? He is, after all, the impetus for everything going on this time of year and the main source of our joy. Today, Christ is born for YOU! What a truly joyful, comforting fact that brings with it profound and beautiful implications for each of us. Have we ever stopped to truly reflect, pray, and contemplate on the implication of this reality, God is made flesh for me? What difference does that make in your life? Is my life any different knowing that He is with me in all things? If we have not prayed over this, I encourage you to do so; to ponder the question of what Christ's birth means for you specifically. In a broad context, Christ is born for us and in His choosing to become one of us, He shows us what it means to be human. By His free choice and entering our lives and into a fallen human estate in a unique way, we need no longer be afraid of God.

In Genesis, we read that Adam and Eve used to walk with God daily in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:8) but, after the fall, Adam and Eve were afraid and hid themselves from God out of shame. Now, they were afraid of and no longer trusted the same God who created them, taught them, and sustained them. We, through Christ's birth to us this day need no longer be afraid. He has come, entering our fallen state to elevate us and call us back to who He created us to be; to that state of union where once again man can walk with God! This is what Christ wants to do for each of us, to walk with us daily and be a part of every facet of our life, from the most mundane to the most extraordinary.

However, Christ's birth is not just a matter of fulfilling prophecies. It is a personalized message to each of us as part of God's ongoing love story with His Creation. Emmanuel "God with us" means that He will never (nor has He ever) abandon us. His is a presence though most prominently known through humility, service, and self-gift. At His birth, the Cross already looms over the newborn king as He rests in a manger a feeding trough for animals in the town of Bethlehem which translates to "house of bread." He who gives us His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity to consume lays before us, this small baby from a backwater town (as it was in Jesus' day) lies vulnerable before us. Nobody is afraid of a baby, and this is the same disposition God wants us to have towards Him now and forever. This newborn King quells our fears and shows us how to trust God's Will in all things. God once again walks with us as He did in Eden and that as St. Luke says is, "good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord (Luke 2:10-11)."

Merry Christmas and God bless,

Fr. Chris

4th Sunday of Advent Masses Sunday Mass Obligation ❖ December 23 4:30 pm, December 24 7am, 9am, 11:30 am	Christmas Mass Schedule Christmas Mass Obligation ❖ December 24 3pm Children's Pageant 4pm Children's mass, & 6:30pm, 9pm, 11:30pm December 25: 8am, 10am
<i>please see our website for more details smarymag.org The priests & staff of St. Mary Magdalene wish you a blessed Christmas season</i>	

Order of Mass: 4th Sunday in Advent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rorate Caeli



Translation: Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down the Just One.

Verses:

Vide, Dómini, afflictiónem pópuli tui,
et mitte quem missúrus es,
emitte Agnum dominatórem terræ,
de Petra desérti ad montem filíæ Sion:
ut áuferat ipse iugum captivitátis nostræ.

Translation:

Behold, O Lord, the affliction of thy people, and
send forth Him Who is to come: send forth the
Lamb, the ruler of the earth, from the Rock of
the desert, to the mount of daughter Sion: that
he may take away the yoke of our captivity.

Consolámini, consolámini, pópule meus:
cito véniet salus tua: quare mœróre consuérís,
quia innóuávit te dolor? Salvábo te, noli timére:
ego enim sum Dóminus Deus tuus,
Sanctus Israel, Redemptor tuus.

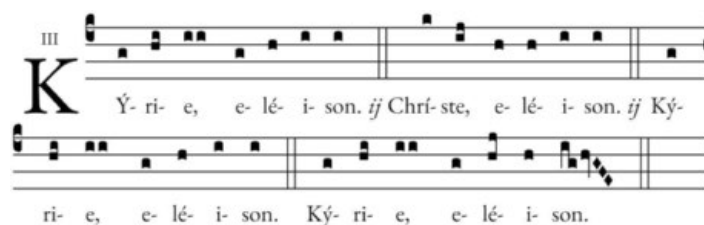
Be comforted, be comforted, my people: thy
salvation cometh quickly: why art thou con-
sumed with grief: for sorrow hath estranged
thee: I will save thee: fear not, for I am the Lord
thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, [All strike their breast] through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE *Roman Missal Chant*

Each line by cantor(s), then all:



FIRST READING

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

When King David was settled in his palace, and the LORD had given him rest from his enemies on every side, he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God dwells in a tent!" Nathan answered the king, "Go, do whatever you have in mind, for the LORD is with you." But that night the LORD spoke to Nathan and said: "Go, tell my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD: Should you build me a house to dwell in?'

"It was I who took you from the pasture and from the care of the flock to be commander of my people Israel. I have been with you wherever you went, and I have destroyed all your enemies before you. And I will make you famous like the great ones of the earth. I will fix a place for my people Israel; I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance.

Neither shall the wicked continue to afflict them as they did of old, since the time I first appointed judges over my people Israel. I will give you rest from all your enemies. The LORD also reveals to you that he will establish a house for you. And when your time comes and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your heir after you, sprung from your loins, and I will make his kingdom firm. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 89

R. Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

The promises of the LORD I will sing forever; through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.

For you have said, "My kindness is established forever"; in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

R. Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

"I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant:

Forever will I confirm your posterity and establish your throne for all generations."

R. Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

"He shall say of me, 'You are my father, my God, the Rock, my savior.'

Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him, and my covenant with him stands firm."

R. Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Rom 16:25-27

Brothers and sisters:

To him who can strengthen you,
according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ,
according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages
but now manifested through the prophetic writings and,
according to the command of the eternal God,
made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith,
to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ
be glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you."

But she was greatly troubled at what was said
and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.
Then the angel said to her,
"Do not be afraid, Mary,
for you have found favor with God.

"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son,
and you shall name him Jesus.
He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High,
and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his
father,
and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever,
and of his kingdom there will be no end."
But Mary said to the angel,
"How can this be,
since I have no relations with a man?"
And the angel said to her in reply,
"The Holy Spirit will come upon you,
and the power of the Most High will overshadow you.
Therefore the child to be born
will be called holy, the Son of God.
And behold, Elizabeth, your relative,
has also conceived a son in her old age,
and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren;
for nothing will be impossible for God."
Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me according to your word."
Then the angel departed from her.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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, con-
substantial 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 cruci-
fied under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was bur-
ied, 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 spo-
ken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic
and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the for-
giveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of
the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

VIII *Lk 1: 28, 42 - GR*

Hail, Mar- y, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Bless-
ed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

OFFERTORY HYMN

The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came

1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came,
2. "For know a bless - ed Moth - er thou shall be,
3. Then gen - tle Mar - y meek - ly bowed her head,
4. Of her, Em - ma - nu - el, the Christ, was born

1. His wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame; "All
2. All gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee, Thy
3. "To me be as it pleas - es God," she said, "My
4. In Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn, And

1. hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Mar - y."
2. Son shall be Em - ma - nu - el, by seers fore - told." "Most
3. soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly Name." "Most
4. Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say:

high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - - ri - a!

PREFACE ACCLAMATION *Roman Missal Chant*

H O - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heaven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Hosan - na in the highest. Blessed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosan - na in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER CONSECRATION

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *Roman Missal Chant*

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res -
ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

LAMB OF GOD

Roman Missal Chant

Lamb of God, * you take a - way the sins of the world,
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, * you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, *
you take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Is 7: 14 - GR, RM

BE-hold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Em-ma-nu-el.

COMMUNION HYMN

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.
2. Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.
3. Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.
4. By thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By the sonship we inherit,
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

COMMUNION HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Em - ma - nu - el, And
2. O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, Who
3. O come, thou Rod of Jes - se, free Thine
4. O come, thou Day - spring, come and cheer Our
5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, And
6. O come, O come, great Lord of might, Who
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In

1. ran - som cap - tive Is - - ra - el, That
2. or - der all things might - - i - ly; To
3. own from Sa - tan's tyr - - an - ny; From
4. spir - its by thine ad - - vent here; Dis -
5. o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home; Make
6. to thy tribes on Si - - nai's height In
7. one the hearts of all man - kind; Bid

1. mourns in lone - ly ex - - ile here Un -
2. us the path of knowl - edge show, And
3. depths of hell thy peo - ple save, And
4. perse the gloom - y clouds of night, And
5. safe the way that leads on high, And
6. an - cient times once gave the law In
7. thou our sad di - vi - - sions cease, And

1. til the Son of God ap - pear.
2. teach us in her ways to go.
3. give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
4. death's dark shad - ows put to flight. Re - joice! Re -
5. close the path to mis - er - y.
6. cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
7. be thy - self our King of Peace.

joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O
Is - - ra - el.

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. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Alma Redemptoris Mater

AL- ma Re-demptó- ris Ma- ter, quæ pér-vi- a cæ- li Por-
ta ma- nes, et stel- la ma- ris, succúr- re ca- dén- ti, Súrge-
re qui cu- rat pó- pu- lo: tu quæ ge- nu- ís- ti, Na- tú- ra mi-
ránte, tu- um sanctum Ge- ni- tó- rem, Vir- go pri- us ac pos-
té- ri- us, Ga- bri- é- lis ab o- re Sumens il- lud A- ve,
pecca- tó- rum mi- se- ré- re.

Translation:

O loving Mother of our Redeemer, gate of heaven, star of the sea,
Hasten to aid thy fallen people who strive to rise once more.
Thou who brought forth thy holy Creator, all creation wond'ring,
Yet remainest ever Virgin, taking from Gabriel's lips that joyful "Hail!": be merciful to us sinners.

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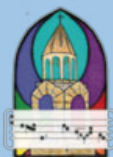
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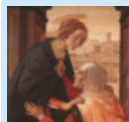


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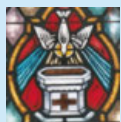
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Luke 1:26-30



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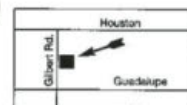
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