



SAINT MARY MAGDALENE PARISH

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35



Saint Mary Magdalene's Parish

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday:

9:00am—Noon;
1:00—5:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil):

4:30 pm

Sunday:

7:00 am, 9:00 am,
11:30 am, 4:30 pm

Monday - Saturday:

8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday:

8:45am-9:15am

Saturday:

8:45am-11:15am

COMMUNAL PRAYER

(in the Church)
Rosary & Divine Mercy,
prayed after
8:00am daily Mass

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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

New to St. Mary Magdalene?

We are looking forward to meeting you! Please visit the Parish Office or Website to formally register as a parishioner.

Need anointing of the sick?

Call the Parish Office to make an appointment (480) 279-6737 OR Email pastoralcare@smarymag.org

Only for emergencies, call 480-678-3353.



Prayer & Scripture

Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of September 15, 2024

Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13
Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

This Week's Saints, Special Observances & Mass Intentions

Saturday: 8am: Si Bob Wotjas
4:30pm: Si Jeremy & Wendy Mikus
Sunday: 7am: +Mary Sias 9am: +Nelsa Regino 11:30: +Ray Valenzuela
4:30: Pro Populo
Monday: *St Pope Cornelius*
PRIEST CONVOCATION
Tuesday: PRIEST CONVOCATION
Wednesday: PRIEST CONVOCATION
Thursday: PRIEST CONVOCATION
Friday: PRIEST CONVOCATION
Saturday: *St. Matthew the Apostle*
8am: Si Fr. Fred LeClaire

Father Chris's Funnies

How does Moses make his coffee?

He-brews it!



ST. MARY MAGDALENE'S ADOPT-A-SEMINARIAN PROGRAM!

Would you like to Adopt a Seminarian? We are blessed to have 50 seminarians this year and in need of parishioners to pray for these young men as they discern the priesthood. We want to cover each of these young men in prayer through their seminary years.

For more details, please contact smmadoptaseminarian@gmail.com

St. Charles Borromeo, Patron Saint of Seminarians, Pray for Us

PRAY FOR US: Please pray for those who are sick and all of those in our parish Book of Intentions. We extend **Our Prayers and Sympathy** to all the deceased, including **Richard Sremba**, **Elizabeth Koury**, and **Theresa Kauffman**, 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.



Become a Regular Adorer

Thank you to all of those who answered the call to sign up for an Adoration hour!

The following hours are in need of Weekly Adorers:
Sun 1am, 9am, 11am; Tue 8am; Wed 3am, 7am;
Fri 10am, 11pm, Sat 10pm.

Please consider signing up to be in the presence of our Lord for one hour a week. **Visit this QR code:**
Contact Chris at Liturgy@smarymag.org with questions.



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.

Prayer Line Ministry: Would you like to receive regular messages to pray for the needs of our parish? Sign-up on Flocknote or email prayerline@smarymag.org to say you want to sign-up as a prayer warrior. Let's create a powerful prayer warrior team here at St Mary Magdalene!



Children & Youth Faith Formation

Bridge to Edge- 4th and 5th Graders **COME ONE COME ALL!**

Register for Family Formation to participate in Bridge to Edge. Classes will include crafts, games, special activities, and learning about your faith!



St Joseph's Family Fellowship:

Join us for Community & prayer: all families welcome! Email:

Stjsephsfamly.smm@gmail.com

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Would you like to have your baby baptized? Please register with the parish—must be registered with the parish for three months prior to baptism. Please visit our website for more information and to register for baptismal prep.

Contact: admin@smarymag.org



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Email: smarymagcts@gmail.com or Instagram [@catholictruthseekers](https://www.instagram.com/catholictruthseekers)

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts:

Interested?

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Questions? Contact the Catholic Schools Office at 602-354-2340



Apply at:
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Or scan the QR code



PASTELS and PRAYERS

Ladies Night

Friday, Sept 27th
7:00-10:00pm

\$25.00
includes materials

AGES 18+

Registration Required



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Parents of Special Needs Children

- Do you have special needs children?
- Would you like to share your challenges, successes, and resources with other parents of special needs children?
- Do you need an occasional break from your demanding schedules to be with other parents?

Come to an organizational support group meeting! We want to hear from you!!

**Tuesday Sept. 24th @7:15 in
the Church Hall**

Interested but cannot attend?
Contact Mary Jane Choi at
familyformation@smarymag.org
or call the parish office.



Marriage & Family



Hello, my name is **Chris Haubrock**, and I am the Director of Sacred Liturgy, Pastoral Care, Marriage Preparation, and Nullity here at Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. The purpose of this article is to introduce the ministries that I manage and invite you to volunteer. Last week was the second of three installments about marriage.

Marriage

Marriage is God’s plan for us to build a matrimonial covenant, through the irrevocable consent of both spouses, by which they freely give themselves to each other and accept each other, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole life and is by nature ordered towards the good of the spouse, procreation and education of their children. This matrimonial bond has been established by God our Creator, by which we are no longer two, but one flesh, we are endowed with that blessing, which seals us with this sacred bond by the Author of Marriage. Indeed Christ the Lord, making a new creation and making all things new, has willed that Marriage be restored to its primordial form and holiness in such a way that what God has joined together, no man may put asunder, and raised the indissoluble conjugal contract to the dignity of a Sacrament so that it might signify more clearly and represent more easily the model of his own nuptial covenant with the Church. Marriage is by its very nature, a mystery and meant to be a model of the Trinity— an exchange of love. We most imitate God when we give of ourselves to our spouse, when we sacrifice, and when we experience the marital embrace—because this is meant to be a total self-giving, and receiving of one another.

Please email liturgy@smarymag.org to join our NEWLY FORMING marriage prep or marriage enrichment team.

Stay tuned to learn about additional ministries...

Hi,

I received the welcome gift from St. Mary Magdalene’s parishioners my first night in seminary, it was a great surprise to have something my first night in seminary! Please let them know how much I appreciate their gifts. I know that I have many people praying for me, but when you receive something tangible, you really gain a new perspective on those prayers. Let them know that they are in my intention list.

Good Morning,

I wanted to thank you for the gift cards I received from the parishioners at St Mary Magdalene!

I am deeply grateful to have your support! I am encouraged to know that there are plenty of people that support us Seminarians of the Diocese of Phoenix. Again, thank you for the generous gift, and I am excited for the rest of

Dear St Mary Magdalene parishioners, thank you for the gift cards you donated to Phoenix seminarians! I am living at the Nazareth house for my first year in seminary. It has been great so far. I appreciate your support, and prayers. Please pray for phoenix seminarians.

Thank you,
Isaak Godina



Adult Formation & Communities

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

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 2779cda@gmail.com



Magis Women will be starting a new study: **Standing Firm: Arming Yourself in God's Mighty Power.**

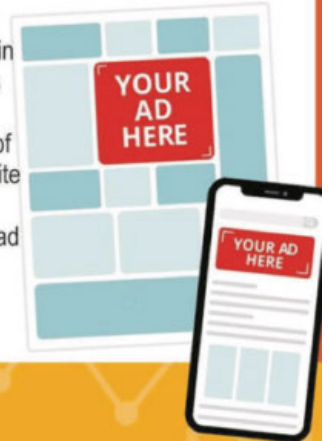
This study is beginning **September 9**



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Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Mitzi Palma from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



LPi
Mitzi Palma
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Rachel's Vineyard Retreat October 18 - 20.

Are you or someone you know suffering from the pain of abortion? Find the mercy of Jesus, forgiveness and healing at Rachel's Vineyard.

If you are a post-abortive woman or man, a relative, or someone who participated in the abortion, there is help. Rachel's Vineyard provides hope and healing for all.

It is confidential. If you need financial help to attend, your contact, Karen Ord (480-329-6795) will reach out to SMM Respect Life for that assistance (without disclosing your name). We don't want anything to prevent you from attending this life-changing retreat!

For more information visit —————>



Looking for November Fest Volunteers

Requesting volunteers for:

- Ticket Sales
- Activity stations
- Food Prep
- Clean up
- etc.

November 3rd
1 - 4 PM

If you are interested please email
reception@smarymag.org



Order of Worship

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *(Seasonal chant)*

Mode 4 *Ps 66 (65): 4 - GR, RM*

All the earth shall bow down be-fore you, O God, and shall sing to your name, O Most High!

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

Each line by cantor(s), then all:

Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son. íj Chrí-ste, e-lé-i-son. íj Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son. Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son.

GLORIA

Roman Missal

Glo-ry to God in the highest, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-gotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are

seat-ed at the right hand of the Father, have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

FIRST READING

Is 50: 5-9a

The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear; / and I have not rebelled, / have not turned back. / I gave my back to those who beat me, / my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; / my face I did not shield / from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, / therefore I am not disgraced; / I have set my face like flint, / knowing that I shall not be put to shame. / He is near who upholds my right; / if anyone wishes to oppose me, / let us appear together. / Who disputes my right? / Let that man confront me. / See, the Lord GOD is my help; / who will prove me wrong?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 116 (114): 9-L

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the liv-ing.

SECOND READING

Jas 2: 14-18

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. Indeed someone might say, "You have faith and I have works." Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gal 6: 14

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord, through which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.

GOSPEL

Mk 8: 27-35

Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him. He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."

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 [11:30] (Seasonal chant)

Ps 103 (102): 2, 5 · GR

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2. Praise to the Lord, a - bove all things so won - drous - ly
3. Praise to the Lord, who does pros - per your work and de -
4. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me a -

1. a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is your
2. reign - ing; Shel - t'ring you un - der his wings, and so
3. fend you; Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
4. dore him! All that has life and breath, come now with

1. health and sal - va - tion! All you who hear, now to his
2. gent - ly sus - tain - ing! Have you not seen all that is
3. dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new what the Al -
4. prais - es be - fore him. Let the A - men sound from his

1. al - tar draw near; Praise him in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
2. need - ful has been Sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
3. might - y can do, If with his love he be - friend you.
4. peo - ple a - gain, Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him.

PREFACE ACCLAMATION

Roman Missal

HO - 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.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Roman Missal

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again

LAMB OF GOD

Roman Missal

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 (Seasonal chant)

Mode 1

Lam 3: 25 · RM

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

COMMUNION HYMN

I Received the Living God

I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

Je - sus said:	I am the Bread	Knead - ed
Je - sus said:	I am the Way;	And my
Je - sus said:	I am the Truth;	If you
Je - sus said:	I am the Life	Far from

long to give you life;	You who will	par - take of
Fa - ther longs for you;	So I come	to bring you
fol - low close to me,	You will know	me in your
whom no thing can grow,	But re - ceive	this liv - ing

me	Need not	ev - er	fear	to	die.
home	To be	one	with	us	a - new.
heart,	And my	word	shall	make	you
bread,	And my	Spir - it	you	shall	know.

Bernard Geoffrey

Clément Jacob. 1906-1977

COMMUNION HYMN *Your Words Are Spirit and Life*

Refrain

Your words are spir - it and life, O Lord; rich - er than gold, strong - er than death. Your words are spir - it and life, O Lord; life ev - er - last - ing.

Verses

- God's law is per - fect, re - fresh - ing the soul, re -
- God's pre - cepts keep us; their pur - pose is right. They
- Liv - ing by God's truth is ho - ly and sure; God's
- God's word is pre - cious, de - sired more than gold; worth

- viv - ing the wea - ry spir - it. God's
- glad - den the hearts of peo - ple. God's com -
- pres - ence is ev - er - last - ing. God's
- more than we dare i - mag - ine and,

- rule can be trust - ed: bring - ing us wis - dom,
- mand is so clear it brings us new vi - sion;
- truth is e - ter - nal, bring - ing us jus - tice;
- sweet - er than hon - ey, this word will feed us,

to Refrain

- bring - ing God's wis - dom to birth.
- bring - ing God's light to our eyes.
- bring - ing God's jus - tice to earth.
- bring - ing ful - fill - ment and joy.

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MARIAN ANTIPHON (Seasonal hymn) *Salve Regina*

S Alve, Re - gí - na, Ma - ter mi - se - ri - córdi - æ, vi - ta, dul - cé - do, et spes nostra, sal - ve. Ad te cla - mámus éxsu - les fí - li - i He - væ, Ad te suspi - rámus, ge - méntes et flentes in hac la - cri - má - rum val - le. E - ia, ergo, advo - cá - ta nos - tra, il - los tu - os mi - se - ri - córdes ó - cu - los ad nos convér - te; Et Ie - sum, be - ne - díc - tum fructum ventris tu - i, no - bis post hoc ex - sí - li - um os - tén - de. O cle - mens, O pi - a, O dul - cis Vir - go Ma - rí - a.

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

All Creatures of Our God and King (LASST UNS ERFREUEN)

- All crea - tures of our God and King Lift
- Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And

- up your voice and with us sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
- wor - ship him in hum - ble - ness, O praise him! Al - le -

- lu - ia! Thou burn - ing sun with gold - en beam, Thou
- lu - ia! Praise God the Fa - ther, praise the Son, And

- sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam! O praise him! O
- praise the Spir - it, Three in One! O praise him! O

praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Cantio di fratre ole*, Attr. St. Francis of Assisi; Tr. William H. Draper. Melody: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, 8.8.8.8 (L.M.) with alla breve. 17th c. German; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams. Text and Melody: Public Domain.

HYMN SPOTLIGHT

What is a Marian antiphon, and why do we sing "Salve Regina" during Ordinary Time?

Since the earliest centuries of the Church's history, hymns to the *Theotokos*, or Mother of God, have existed to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and pray for her intercession. In fact, historians believe that the *Magnificat* (Canticle of Mary) may be the earliest Christian hymn. These *Marian hymns* flourished between the 8th and 14th centuries, with well known chants such as *Ave Maris Stella*, *Stabat Mater dolorosa*, and *Ave Maria* becoming well established during this time.

The term *Marian antiphons* is used primarily to refer to a group of four Gregorian chant-style Marian hymns which since the 13th century have been used as part of the official set of daily prayers of the Catholic Church (known as the *Liturgy of the Hours*). These four hymns are *Alma Redemptoris Mater* (Loving Mother of Our Redeemer), *Ave Regina caelorum* (Hail, Heavenly Queen), *Regina Caeli* (Queen of Heaven), and *Salve Regina* (Hail, Holy Queen), with each antiphon designated to be used during a specific season within the liturgical year.

Salve Regina is assigned to be prayed as part of the daily Liturgy of the Hours during the period of time following the Easter season until the start of Advent, the seasonal period we refer to liturgically as "Ordinary Time." The text to this anonymously written medieval Latin prayer translates as follows:

*Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy,
Hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you we cry,
Poor banished children of Eve, to you we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.*

*Turn, then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy toward us; and after this, our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

The Liturgy of the Hours and the Holy Mass together constitute the public prayer of the Universal Church, which is why it's become tradition for Catholic congregations to sing the Marian antiphon appropriate to the season at Mass after Communion or following the Dismissal. Please join us in singing the *Salve Regina* throughout this month, as we pray for the advocacy of the Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church.

*Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

— Robert Martinez, Director of Sacred Music
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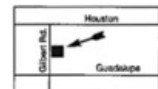
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