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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2025

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38



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

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

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.



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Welcome! We are looking forward to meeting you!
You can formally register as a parishioner here —>

WEBSITE: smarymag.org



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Only for emergencies, call 480-678-3353.



Daily Parish Life

Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of February 23, 2025

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

This Week's Saints, Special Observances & Mass Intentions

Saturday: 8am: +Maria Xuyen
4:30pm: +Stephen Williams

Sunday: 7am: + Deceased members of the Crapsi family 9am: Si Handwerk family 11:30: Pro Populo 4:30: + Pablo Ruiz

Monday: 8am: +Kimberly Angel

Tuesday: 8am: +Bobbi Giltner

Wednesday: 8am: +Henry Garcia

Thursday: *St. Gregory of Narek*
8am: Si Dcn Rick Nevins

Friday: 8am: + Eli Mikus

Saturday: 8am: +Asahel Enrique Arvayo
4:30: +Stephen Williams

Pray for Us

Please pray for those who are sick including **Rita Scrivner** and all of those in our parish Book of Intentions. We extend **Our Prayers and Sympathy** to all the deceased including **Jay Johnson, Bryan David Mitchell, Dave Gunnels**, 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

Please consider signing up to be in the presence of our Lord for one hour a week.

The following hours need to be covered:

Sun: 1pm, 4pm **M:** 5pm, 10pm **T:** 10am, 8pm, 11pm **W:** 3pm, 10pm, **Th:** Noon, 8pm, **F:** 9pm, **Sat:** 2pm, 5pm

Visit this QR code:

Contact Chris at Liturgy@smarymag.org with questions.



Parish Communities

Respect Life Initiative:

Contact: Ashley Laswell
respectlifesmarmag@gmail.com

Magis Women:

The bible study meets every other Monday at 6:30pm.
Contact: Jennifer Tortorici
jdtortorici@yahoo.com (602) 430-0264

Catholic Daughters of America:

Contact: 2779cda@gmail.com (480) 279-6737

Knights of Columbus:

Contact: Tom Axline
GkTaxline@gmail.com (951) 303-0960
COR: For men over 18—meets on 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm for prayer, formation & fraternity.

Catholic Truth Seekers: Young Adult aged 18-30 seeking fellowship and to grow in your faith?

Come join us at 7pm on Fridays!
Email: smarymagcts@gmail.com
or Instagram [@catholictruthseekers](https://www.instagram.com/catholictruthseekers)



Eucharistic Revival

Could you Walk with One person this year, to invite them back to the Church, or into relationship with Christ?

Saturday morning we met with those who came to the Eucharist Revival Kick-off. We shared all the wonderful things that were done in 2024 to help provide encounters with Christ and to teach on the Eucharist and the Mass.

This year, we plan to pivot and really focus on integrating the Eucharist into our identity. Having the Eucharist become part of who we are, not just something we consume on Sunday...adoration as part of an integral part of who we are—an outpouring of love for our Savior, not just another holy hour we participate in on an occasional or weekly basis.

Beyond that, we want Saint Mary Magdalene to become a Eucharist-focused parish. You would think this would be obvious, but it really is something we need to be intentional about—in what we focus on, in how we spend our time. Does everyone know we have a chapel right here on campus that you can spend actual time with Jesus? Does everyone take the time to do that? Do all of our families participate in the source and summit of our faith—the Holy Mass each week? Did you know that you can even come to mass daily?

I remember when I changed all my life's priorities and finally decided I was going to commit to daily mass. It was hard. It took a real shift in how I thought about every day. It has been seven years now, and when I consider the bounty of graces that Jesus has poured into my life because I have desired to be closer to Him, I could never imagine going back to a life without daily mass.

This year, we are going to be focusing on the Eucharist in a new and refreshing way. We are going to be bringing studies and reflecting on the Eucharist in everything we do. We want to get to a point in all our ministries and teachings that those in the pews (that's you!) think and say to each other: "how does this relate to the Eucharist? How can I get closer to Jesus? How can I help bring someone else closer to Jesus?"

During Lent, we are rolling out **Christ in our Neighborhood** Faith Sharing Studies. We are building community. If you haven't joined one of these groups, email adultformation@smarymag.org to plug into one near you this Lent. They will meet once a week to reflect on the upcoming Gospel. It will be a chance to get to know others and prepare for Mass in a meaningful way and get to know our Lord in new ways.

Stay tuned for other ways we will be encountering the Eucharist
And growing in our Eucharistic Identity as a community.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**





A Note From Your Pastor


Hello St. Mary Magdalene,




This week we rolled out our annual Charity and Development Appeal (CDA) which supports ministries and apostolates throughout the diocese. Of these, the one I am the most grateful for is that CDA supports the education and formation of our seminarians. This year, the Diocese of Phoenix reached 50 seminarians! Of these 50, one is from our parish (Dcn. Jacob Chavez) and will be ordained a priest this June. Jacob will be the third priest this parish has gifted to the diocese in our 23-year history along with Fr. Ian Wintering, and Fr. Gabriel Terrill! The Lord is truly doing something amazing here, and he is not done! There are already several young men within our parish actively discerning the priesthood, some of whom have already applied and, with the priesthood discernment group now meeting regularly, we pray there will be many more in the future!

However, you also already know someone who has already benefited from previous CDA donations, me! CDA made it possible for me to complete my studies and formation without having to worry about the cost of my education. Truly this is a gift, one for which I am grateful for and shows that while we celebrate and give thanks to those who are called, we need to do our part and that is where CDA makes an impact. For example, during my six years of seminary (2007-2013), the average cost of formation was \$65,000. This cost included tuition, room and board, and school supplies so that the seminarian did not have to pay for these costs themselves. This cost has only gone up since I was ordained in 2013. Now, I am grateful that I can give back some of what was given to me by supporting the CDA. You too can make a tangible impact on the formation of our future priests!

One of the gifts of a CDA donation is the enabling of our seminarians to focus on their formation so that they serve as the next generation of priests for our diocese. This is especially significant as the Diocese of Phoenix is building and staffing facilities to form all our seminarians within the diocese! Additionally, CDA funds also go to support Catholic schools, missions, and organizations within our diocese that support pro-life pregnancy centers, homeless, veterans, unemployed, and the elderly. Please prayerfully discern donating to the CDA, no donation is too small or insignificant. Every gift makes an impact and is an investment in the future of the Diocese of Phoenix through the practice of corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Like the Widow's Mite (Luke 21:1-4) we have offered to Christ our whole livelihood.



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**God bless,
Fr. Chris**



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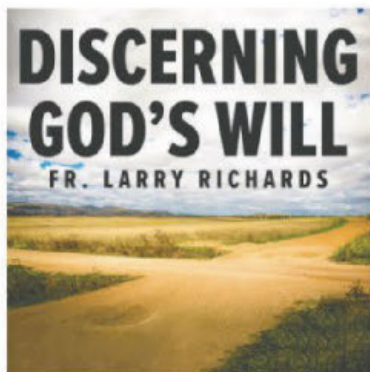
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- Would you like to share your challenges, successes, and resources with other parents of special needs children?

We are forming a new ministry...
We want to hear from you!!

**Tuesday Feb. 25th @7:15
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Contact Mary Jane Choi at
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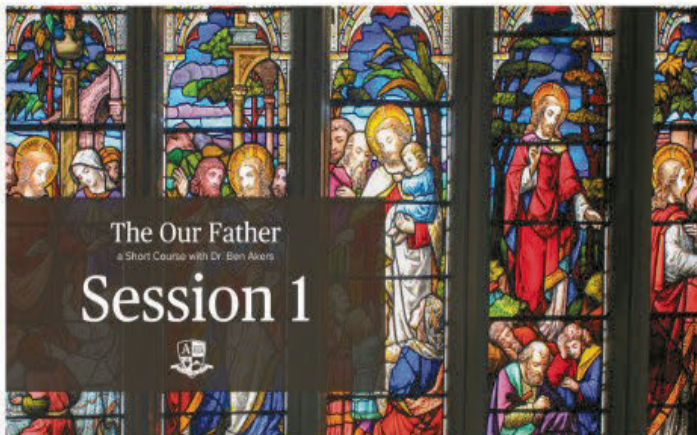
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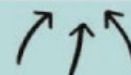
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Help Making Rosaries:

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

INFANT BAPTISM

Would you like to have your baby baptized? Please visit our website for more information and to register for baptismal prep.

Contact: admin@smarymag.org

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts: Interested?

Contact Vincent Adrshak:
Troop522GilbertAz@gmail.com
or
Pack522GilbertAz@gmail.com.



Adult Formation

St Mary Magdalene's Lenten Mission...plan to come to Stations of the Cross Friday night, then continue the journey with His Mother Saturday morning, or just enjoy this beautiful play by itself.

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Registration's deadline Mar. 5, 2025



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Link can be found on our facebook page [Phoenix Magnificat](#)

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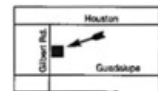
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