

CHURCH OF THE MAGDALENE



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Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00PM Confessions: Saturdays 4:30PM
 Sunday Masses 9:00AM & 11:00AM Monday - Friday 8:00AM Mass

ANNOUNCED MASSES: August 1 – August 9

REQUESTED BY:

Saturday	5:00 PM	Albert Olivieri	Carol & Al Olivieri
Sunday	9:00 AM	Joseph Radelich	Family
	11:00 AM	Dr. Timothy Murphy	Scott Family
Monday	8:00 AM	Eulalia Sera	Kringas Family
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Concetta Carrea	Luisa & Joseph Mortelliti
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Peggy O'Keeffe	Duignan Family
Thursday	8:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	
Friday	8:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	
Saturday	5:00 PM	Domenico Pirrotta	Pete & Debbie Love
Sunday	9:00 AM	Frances Parker Bartlett	Paul & Valerie Wallace
	11:00 AM	Alex & Mario Miranda	Maria Miranda

Next Weekend Celebrants 8/8 & 8/9

5:00 p.m. Sat. Fr. Vigilanti
 9:00 a.m. Sun. Fr. Vigilanti
 11:00 a.m. Sun Fr. Vigilanti

Pray for the sick: Liam Wolfe, Paul Wallace, Nancy Letizia, Jasmine Meyer, Anthony Tobacco, Elias Samarasto, Joyce Carroll, Lorraine Savagno, Joseph & Madeline Carbone, Howard Phillips, Rita Sena, John Ryan, Joseph & Laurel Tyson, Michael Kessman, Liam Ahern, Giavanna McVeigh, George Rose, Betsy Zeino, Moriah Jordan, Kevin Doherty, Carol Many, Senny Josephs, Bob & Wanda Praisner, Tom Loemker, Ann & Tom Cahill, Marcella Thorne, Bernadette Harris, Matthew March, Nijole Raskys, Lorraine & Peter Simone, Jim Defemia, Humberto Gonzalez, Bill Monroe, Joseph Robert Carbone, Kathryn Feakins, Linda Klimaszenki, John Masteller, Paul & Donna Sabatos, Christopher Bellantoni, Nancy Frangiacono, and Roberto Oribe.

MASS OFFERINGS:

The 2021 mass book is now open. A number of our parishioners have used the opportunity to book masses for deceased relatives and friends. Please call the rectory first to ensure that someone will be available to assist you. There are also masses available for 2020. Mass offering is \$15.00.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS & ASSISTANTS NEEDED: We are in need of the following in the fall:

3rd grade, teacher and assistant teacher, Tuesday, 4 to 5:30 p.m.

6th grade, teacher and assistant teacher, Thursday, 4 to 5:30 p.m.

7th grade, teacher and assistant teacher, Tuesday, 7 to 8:15 p.m.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Dottie Meehan at dotmeehan@aol.com or 914-552-7628.

Religious Education Forms have been mailed. Please fill them out and return them ASAP. Forms for new students to our program can be found on-line on our website or in the back of the church. For information call Dotty Meehan at 914-552-7628 or dotmeehan@aol.com.

2020 CARDINAL'S APPEAL: Thank you to all who helped us reach our Cardinal's Appeal goal. All money over our goal is returned to our parish at 60%. If you have not participated, there is still time. **To make your gift online, visit cardinalsappeal.org. As of 7/23/20:**

<u>Goal</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u># of Donors</u>	<u>Donor Goal</u>
\$48,000	\$51,516	99	130

POPE FRANCIS QUOTE: "My friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life. At the same time, we have to recognize that "the violence of recent nights is self-defeating. Nothing is gained by violence and so much lost."

July 28, 2020

Dear Parishioners:

Last Tuesday, the 21st, an unknown person deposited used household trash at the main entrance of the CCD building. As Warner Wolf, the sportscaster, used to proclaim: “Let’s go to the video tape.” I reviewed our security tape. The incidence occurred at roughly 4:30pm. It was a woman driving a black Honda CRV. She was wearing a green top. Rather than pay to have it hauled away, Carl divided the trash for separate pickups at the curb. A reminder: We do not have any full-time employees at the Magdalene to clean up after someone. I thank Carl for pitching in. I wonder what other surprises this summer will bring?

1. With the substantial decline in mass attendance, it is difficult to find a volunteer to transport the food items left in the back of the church to the food pantry. Thank you for keeping the food pantry in your generosity, but it might be more efficient to bring food donations directly to the pantry in Tarrytown.
2. Our mass attendance last weekend was the lowest since we resumed in-person mass: 5pm, 37; 9am, 26; 11am, 23. Recovery is not going to be easy for the church in America. Prepare for a difficult year. As I mentioned previously, in January we will make an assessment of our mass schedule, possibly reducing our Sunday masses to one. There will be ample time to solicit the observations of all affected constituencies. Having the emails of our parishioners is crucial in communicating news and events.
3. It seems that a beautiful red fox has taken up residence somewhere around the rectory grounds. It has been spotted about three times. We welcome this new parishioner and hope it finds a warm welcome at the Magdalene. Once we pin down its exact location, church envelopes will be on the way.
4. It is my understanding that the governor will announce the state’s plan for re-opening schools on August 7. Our CCD program will then make the appropriate adjustments to meet the needs of our children.

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6. The diocese has requested that we provide the most updated parish mailing list by the end of this week. They will use this list as the foundation for the “Increased Offering” campaign sometime this fall. I mentioned this in the last FlockNote. Once we get a timetable from the diocese on how this campaign works, I will let you know. The diocese (not me) will be asking you to increase your weekly donation.
7. I continue to be tested every two weeks for the Covid virus. So far, so good. Thank you to all those attending mass. We have 100% cooperation in the safety procedures. It is good to see some of our youngest parishioners slowly returning.
8. During the past week, Catholic Mutual, the insurer for diocesan buildings, conducted their annual inspection of our buildings. The two recommendations: recharge the fire extinguishers and repair the concrete walkway leading to the backdoor of the school building. Normally the extinguishers are automatically recharged by our vendor. I suspect the pandemic threw off their timetable. As for the walkway, we are soliciting proposals for the concrete repair. All else is quiet.