

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: Nov. 28 – Dec. 6

REQUESTED BY:

Saturday	5:00 PM	Amy Porcello Moran	Porcello Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	Intentions of Susan & Walter Barry	Barry Family
	11:00 AM	Amy Porcello Moran	Porcello Family
Monday	8:00 AM	Angelina Monforte	Guy & Marisa Rotondo
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Joseph Radelich	Family
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Frank O'Rourke	Duignan Family
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Robert Causland	Ruppel Family
Friday	8:00 AM	Anthony Tauriello	Mary & Lenny DiMarino
Saturday	5:00 PM	Joseph Reilly	Duignan Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	Fr. Joseph Dietz	Pat Torpie
	11:00 AM	Regina McCormack	Kevin & Mary Anne McCormack

Next Weekend Celebrants 12/5 - 12/6

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, 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, Geraldine Forster, and Roberto Uribe.

LIKE A CHILD

One who aspires to the grace of God must be pure, with a heart as innocent as a child's.
—St. Nicholas

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: As we prepare for the coming of the Lord and Christmas, we need to take some time out from this busy season to reflect upon the great gifts given to us. Try to attend daily Mass during the season at 8:00 a.m. Monday through Friday.

MARK'S JESUS: Mark's Gospel is the shortest and tersest of all four. The discourses of Jesus tend to be terser as well. Mark's portrayal of Jesus has none of the poetry of the Sermon on the Mount or the Sermon on the Plain as in Matthew or Luke, nor the extensive, reflective "I Am" discourses as in John. Mark's Jesus "cuts to the chase," we would say today. This is reflected quite well in today's passage.

It is no accident that the dialogue of Jesus at this point in the Gospel according to Mark—the concluding words about the end of the world—immediately before his passion, is riddled with exclamation points and an overall sense of urgency.

We would do well to re-tool our own way of living this Advent, for we live in a world urgently in need of hearing the message of Jesus proclaimed. It's time for us to "wake up!" and get out into the world to do it.

WESHARE SUNDAY: *WeShare* has played a big role in sustaining our parishes during the spread of COVID-19 by providing an easy and secure way for the faithful to make regular contributions, even while not physically present at Mass. It's Safe. It's Simple. It's Convenient. Simply visit our church website, www.ChurchofTheMagdalene.org, and click **Give Online**. Select the collection or event of your choice. Set up your donation or payment. Or you may contact our Customer Support Team at weshare@4lpi.com. Thank you to all who are participating! There are flyers in the back of the church for your convenience.

THE LONGEST MARRIED COUPLE: The search begins for the Longest Married Couple in the Archdiocese of New York! To enter: Couples must be sacramentally married for a minimum of 65 years and reside in the Archdiocese of New York. The longest married couple will receive commemorative certificates signed by His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan. The winning couple will be interviewed and featured in an article in *Catholic New York*. Winners are determined by how long the couple has been married as of World Marriage Day, February 14, 2021. For further information, or to submit an entry, contact Kathleen Crayne at the Family Life Office at Kathleen.crayne@archny.org or 646-794-3182.

LiveOnNY has designated the month of November as National Donor Sabbath. LiveOnNY is the federally designated organ procurement organization for New York City, and is dedicated

to elevating the power of faith-based communities to bring hope to those waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant. Here in New York there are nearly 10,000 children and adults on the organ transplant waiting list. As Pope Francis recently said, "Organ donation is not only an act of social responsibility, but also an expression of the universal fraternity which binds all men and women together."

November 24, 2020

Dear Parishioners:

As we enjoy this opportunity to be safely close to our immediate families during this Thanksgiving period, we remember those who are less fortunate and in need. Because of your overwhelming generosity, our parish has made a \$25,000 donation to the RSHM Life Center in Sleepy Hollow, to assist their outreach to the needy in this holiday period. We have also made smaller donations to the Tarrytown-Sleepy Hollow Food Pantry and The Neighborhood House.

1. Last week we had all the filters in our church heating/ac system replaced as we prepare for the winter months and the unknown, in relation to the virus. Plans have also been made for the holiday decorations of the church. It is not too soon to think positively.
2. Speaking of Christmas, the Vatican has granted an Indult to the dioceses of the United States, allowing priests to celebrate up to 4 masses on Christmas Eve/Day for 2020 only. My attitude is this: you celebrate as many masses as necessary to meet the pastoral needs of the people. As things stand right now, we will add a 2pm mass on Christmas Eve in addition to the 4 and 1030. The 9 (live streamed) and 11 on Christmas Day will remain. **YOU WILL NEED TICKETS FOR ALL MASSES. DIFFERENT COLORS FOR EACH MASS. ONLY 100 TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR EACH MASS. THERE WILL BE A LIMIT OF FIVE TICKETS PER HOUSEHOLD. ONCE A PARTICULAR MASS EXHAUSTS 100 TICKETS, THAT MASS WILL BE CLOSED. TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE RECTORY STARTING MONDAY, DECEMBER 7. CALL FIRST TO ENSURE SOMEONE IS HERE BEFORE YOU ARRIVE. REMEMBER, WE DO NOT HAVE ANY FULL TIME EMPLOYEES. THANK YOU FOR**

YOUR COOPERATION. THE ONLY POTENTIAL ISSUE WILL BE

“WALK-INS.” We will handle that issue as it arises. Please spread the word: **TICKETS ARE NEEDED TO ATTEND.** Because of the virus the church will remain cold. Dress accordingly.

3. We are in the midst of replacing portions of the concrete sidewalk leading to the back entrance of the religious education center. Our insurer considers the present walkway as a potential trip hazard. Better to be safe than sorry.
4. The new missalettes for 2021 will be available in the back of the church on this coming weekend of November 28-29, the First Sunday of Advent. You are free to take one home. Please do not return the old missalettes to the church. Dispose of them according to the rules of the municipality in which you live.
5. Some have asked if we know how many households watch the live stream. Here are the numbers for the first four Sundays in November: Nov 1: 128 watched live, 143 watched later; Nov 8: 121 watched live, 82 watched later; Nov 15: 108 watched live, 91 watched later; Nov 22: 104 watched live, 54 watched later (this number might change upward during the course of the week). Last weekend's in-person (Christ the King) attendance: 5pm, 41; 9am, 46; 11am, 42. This is 34.5% of our normal weekend attendance and 19.5% of our parish households. Please spread the word to others that live stream service is available. All you need is a computer and our parish website, or go directly to locallive.tv.
6. We congratulate Peter Shields who made his First Communion on the 15th.
7. The Increased Offertory Campaign (IOC) officially ends next weekend. Thank you for making it a success for our parish. Some have questioned the need for a follow-up letter with my signature. I have nothing to do with these letters. It is the normal modus operandi for any campaign organized by the diocese or any other organization. However, you should

like the next communication from the diocese, a Thank You note. It should be arriving in the next two weeks.

Please have a safe Thanksgiving and enjoy the intimacy of small family gatherings. I want to extend a special prayer to those parish households we have not seen or heard from since the pandemic began. I want to assure you that you are not from our thoughts. If there is anything we can do, or there is anything you need, please do not hesitate to contact the rectory. We are able to fulfill most requests, except provide a Covid test!