

# 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: April 17 – April 25**

## **REQUESTED BY:**

Saturday	5:00 PM	For Our Parishioners	
Sunday	9:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	
	11:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	
Monday	8:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Jane Doyle	Carol & Al Olivieri
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Frances S. Kelly	Dr. Stephen & Janet Kelly
Thursday	8:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	
Friday	8:00 AM	Luigi Loffredo	Frances Loffredo
Saturday	5:00 PM	Shane Connolly	Barstow Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	George Morrow	Morrow Family
	11:00 AM	Beatriz Lassen	Cartenuto Family

## **Next Weekend Celebrants April 24-25**

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

**Pray for the sick: Peter Gandolfo, Liam Wolfe, Nancy Letizia, Jasmine Meyer, 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, Bob & Wanda Praisner, Ann & Tom Cahill, Marcella Thorne, Matthew March, Nijole Raskys, Jim Defemia, Humberto Gonzalez, Bill Monroe, Joseph Robert Carbone, Kathryn Feakins, Linda Klimaszenki, John Masteller, Paul & Donna Sabatos, Christopher Bellantoni, Geraldine Forster, Alice Pacella and Louis Rodriguez.**

## **MARTYRDOM**

It is not the suffering but the cause that makes the martyr.

—English proverb

## PARISH CALENDAR

<b>April 20 (Tues)</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Graders prepare for Communion through May 4</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Graders prepare for Confirmation through May 4</b>
<b>April 24 (Sat.)</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>First Communion (2020 Class) – Live Stream</b>
<b>May 8 (Sat.)</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>First Communion (2021 Class) – Live Stream Crowning of Blessed Mother</b>
<b>May 9 (Sun.)</b>		<b>Mother's Day</b>
<b>May 9 (Sun.)</b>	<b>2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Confirmation (2020 Class) - Live Stream</b>
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Confirmation (2021 Class) - Live Stream</b>

**FEAST OF FAITH:** The Liturgy of the Word generally follows a consistent pattern of three readings and a psalm. The second reading is always taken from one of the New Testament epistles or the book of Revelation, and generally is not intentionally aligned with either the Gospel or the first reading.

Where would we be without these letters in which great saints and apostles like Paul, Peter, James, and John share their wisdom and pastoral good sense with the early Christian communities? It is in these letters, even more than in the Gospel narratives, that we learn what it means to be church: to live with each other, in the world yet not of the world, in these days after the Lord's resurrection. Each New Testament letter was written by a particular leader for a particular community at a particular time. We are reminded of this at the beginning of the proclamation—"A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians," or the Corinthians, or the Thessalonians. These texts were shaped by their particular historical and cultural context, but at the same time, through the liturgy, these letters are written to us, here, today. They speak to the realities of Christian living no matter where—or when—we live. They are truly "the word of the Lord" for us.

**CARDINAL'S STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2021:** Our latest update from the Cardinal's Appeal is very encouraging. **As of April 9, we have 88 participants who have pledged \$45,459.** We need roughly \$8,500 to reach the goal. We can do it!

**SPECIAL MASS FOR DECEASED CHILDREN** has been scheduled for **Sunday, June 13**, at 10:15 a.m. This mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The mass will be live-streamed. Please find the link below so that you may follow this mass. We invite all grieving parents to join online to remember their children in prayer.

St. Patrick's webpage, <https://saintpatrickscathedral.org/>

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:** On Tuesdays, April 6-May 4 at 4:00 p.m. our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will be back to school to prepare for First Communion, which is on **May 8 at 11:00 a.m.** We will meet in the church hall. Many thanks to Victoria Shields who will be teaching this class.

Also, on Tuesdays, April 6-May 4 from 7-8:15 p.m. our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be back at school to prepare for Confirmation, which is on **May 9 at 4:00 p.m.** We are very grateful to Stephanie Fuller and Cathy Chulla who will teach these classes. Any questions please call Dotty Meehan.

April 13, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

Since I am away this week, these notes will be brief. Our latest update from the Cardinal's Appeal is very encouraging. Total: \$45,459 given by 88 households as of April 8. Goal: \$54,000. We need roughly \$8,500 to reach the goal. We can do it!

1. This past weekend (April 10-11) we had 2 baptisms from the seven that are listed in the coming weeks. Welcoming new members of the church during this Easter season is a hopeful sign as we slowly emerge from this pandemic. Until we are informed otherwise, all health and safety protocols remain in place.
2. Our first of two First Communions will take place on Saturday, April 24 at 11am. This service will be for the class of 2020, postponed because of the pandemic. It will be live streamed because of the occupancy limitations imposed by the pandemic. On the same weekend we also have a wedding and a baptism.
3. This past week priests who are eligible for retirement, and who intend to remain active, are requested to get medical and neurological/psychological evaluations. More dates to add to my calendar, as if those of us of a certain age don't have enough medical appointments!
4. Last weekend's attendance: 5pm, 50; 9am, 52; 11am, 69. We were unable to obtain the number of households watching live.
5. I will be returning to the parish on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Sheehan will cover all masses on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.