

# 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: June 12 – June 20**

## **REQUESTED BY:**

Saturday	5:00 PM	Rose Griffin	Rich & Cathy Chulla
Sunday	9:00 AM	Henry Haase	Dotty Meehan
	11:00 AM	Michael FX Waters	His Family
Monday	8:00 AM	Armando Carmosiao	Zachensky Family
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Intentions of Kristen Barry	Family
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Ralph Perrigino	His Family
Thursday	8:00 AM	Fr. Alfred Anthony D’Incecco	Archdiocese of NY
Friday	8:00 AM	Robert Barstow II	Barstow Family
Saturday	5:00 PM	For Our Parishioners	
Sunday	9:00 AM	George Morrow	Morrow Family
	11:00 AM	Gregory Arceri, Sr. & Edmund Hornby	Hornby, Hulst & Wood Families

## **Next Weekend Celebrants June 19-20**

5:00 p.m. Sat. Fr. Lodi  
 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.**

## **HEARTFELT**

I would rather say five words devoutly with my heart than five thousand which my soul does not relish with affection and understanding. —St. Edmund the Martyr

**THE PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR:** The altar is the focal point of our churches. It is a sign of Christ in our midst; indeed, it has been said that “the altar is Christ” (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4). The altar is a table “on which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated in mystery throughout the ages until Christ comes”; but it is also the place for a festive meal: “a table at which the Church’s children assemble to give thanks to God and receive the body and blood of Christ” (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4).

Both these functions of the altar are clear in the rites for the preparation of the altar that follow the general intercessions, which remind us of the preparations we make at home for a festive meal. The deacon or altar servers come forward and, bowing, place a cloth known as a corporal (from the Latin for “body”) over the altar cloth. They place the chalice, the cup to be used in the celebration of the Eucharist, and the *Sacramentary* or *Roman Missal*, which contains the prayers of the Mass, on the altar. These reverent preparations help us to focus on what is about to happen: the sharing of a holy meal, a solemn sacrifice.

**COVID PROTOCOLS AT THE MAGDALENE:** Different parishes are employing new measures in dealing with Covid. Let’s try this as an experiment: One side of the church will have every pew available (St. Joseph side). The other side of the church will have every other pew available for those unvaccinated and those who choose to remain cautious, even though vaccinated. **EVERYONE will continue to mask**, regardless of what side of the church you are sitting on. We may alter these protocols in the coming weeks as we learn more from the CDC. One reason for this alteration is that our in-person numbers have gone up and putting out folding chairs in the back of the church is a distraction and not necessary if pews are available.

**FATHER’S DAY** is June 20<sup>th</sup>. Spiritual cards are available in the back of the church. Please fill out your intentions and return.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND WITH FR. JOHN:** Looking ahead to the summer of 2022, I am researching the possibility of organizing a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Egypt, Jordan, and Dubai. It would be 15 days in either July or August. If you think you might be interested, let me know. I would estimate the cost around \$5000: airfare, hotels, breakfast and dinner, tours included. Quite honestly, not a bad price.

**SLEEPY HOLLOW/TARRYTOWN FOOD PANTRY:** Food insecurity is still a major issue. We are once again soliciting food donations. Your donations may be left in the hallway between the rear of the church and the school.

**CARDINAL’S STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2021:** Our latest update from the Cardinal’s Appeal is very encouraging. **As of 6/4/21, we have 107 participants who have pledged \$58,770.** Thank you for your continuing support!

June 8, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

Following up on last week's FlockNote, the **LETTER** (it reminds me of the Betty Davis movie by the same name) has arrived from the diocese seeking its 26% cut of an arbitrarily set figure of \$147,000 for an imaginary Renew and Rebuild Campaign that we did not conduct. I will be meeting with a diocesan representative tomorrow, June 9th to discuss. Unfortunately, I think we all know how this will turn out. If push comes to shove, the diocese can easily "appropriate" the 26% from our assets on deposit with the diocese which earn us 4% interest. I would rather write a check from our no-interest operating account and dispose of this issue as quickly as possible, in order that the parish can look forward to year free of the pandemic and diocesan demands. As they say, "It is what it is." Thank you for your generosity and support. I am grateful.

1. All parishes issue copies of baptismal, confirmation, communion, and marriage certificates. It may not be clearly understood, but all these certificates always provide the mother's maiden name, not married name. This is the protocol that governs the recording of names in the official parish registers. While we are on the subject, the names of sponsors and godparents, once recorded, cannot be changed, even when there is a falling out in a family at some point in the future. One final note, witnesses at marriages are just that: witnesses. There is no faith requirement.
2. Different parishes are employing new measures in dealing with Covid. Some are opening 100%. Others are reserving the first several rows for the vaccinated. Some are 100% open on one side of the church, but only every other pew on the other side of the church. Let's try this as an experiment: One side of the church will have every pew available (St. Joseph side). The other side of the church will have every other pew

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3. The diocese has asked all parishes to affirm/select the parish trustees. Our parish trustees are Anne Kenny and David Cartenuto. This will be the last year (of a three year term) for both.
4. It had been my intention, during our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, to offer a parish pilgrimage as part of the celebration. Had we planned it for the summer of 2020, we would have been side-tracked by the virus. I am presently working with Nativity Pilgrimages to offer a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Egypt, Jordan, and Dubai. The tentative date of departure is August 9, 2022. Once brochures are printed, they will be available.
5. Last weekend's attendance (June 5-6): 5pm, 77; 9am, 72; 11am, 52. Live stream: 62 watched live, 45 watched later.
6. Father's Day is on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Mass Intention cards may be found in the back of the church.