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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: Aug. 14 – Aug. 22 REQUESTED BY:

Saturday	5:00 PM	George & Audra Pianka's 35 th Wedding Anniversary	Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	Frank O'Donnell	Family
	11:00 AM	James K. C. Doran	The O'Donnells
	8:00 AM	Mary Pryor	Anne Muenzinger
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Robert Cruickshank	Marta & Steve Deely
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Robert Saldis	His Family
Thursday	8:00 AM	Intentions of Sarah Haase	J. J. Quinn
Friday	8:00 AM	Ralph & Ruth Perrigino	Family
Saturday	5:00 PM	Louise Marzocchi	Joseph & Luisa Mortelliti
Sunday	9:00 AM	Jack Gilfeather	Duignan Family
	11:00 AM	Don & Joan Wildermann	Scott Family

Weekend Celebrants Aug. 21 – Aug. 22

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

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Sr. Danielle Baran C.R., Peter Gandolfo, Nancy Letizia, Joyce Carroll, Chris Batton, and Nijole Raskys

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF UPDATING OUR PRAY FOR THE SICK LIST. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOMEONE PUT ON OUR LIST, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 631-0529.

MASS INTENTIONS: Thank you to those who have booked masses for friends and loved ones. Masses may be offered for the living as well as for the deceased. A birthday, wedding anniversary, etc., are appropriate intentions for masses. The standard offering is \$15.

GIVING BACK: The Virgin received salvation so that she may give it back to the centuries.

—Peter Chrysologus

THE DESTINY OF ALL MORTAL FLESH

The celebration of today's feast on a Sunday is unusual on our Roman Catholic calendar. Our observance of the Lord's Day is held in such high esteem that few other feasts replace it. Today is such a feast. Yet some are surprised at the brevity of the dogma in its entirety: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The Roman Catholic Church never defined any specifics or particulars about the event itself. It is not in the scriptures. There are no verifiable eyewitness accounts. At its core, the dogma reveals in Mary the destiny of all mortal flesh, and reinforces our creedal belief in resurrection of the body. This feast strengthens our faith, defined last week in Hebrews as the realization of things hoped for. We find, in Mary, that realization of what we all hope for, "In Christ shall all be brought to life."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS: Parents letters and calendars have been emailed to each family. Class assignments will be sent at the end of August. We are in need of two assistant teachers. One for our 5th grade on Tuesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and one for our 7th grade on Tuesday from 7 to 8:15 p.m. Please email Dotty Meehan at dotmeehan@aol.com or call 914-552-7628.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC: We hope you can join us for our annual (minus last year) Parish Picnic down at Pierson Park on the Hudson. **Five Alarm Fire Pizza Co.** will be firing up their ovens! Pizza, burgers, hotdogs, salad, beverages and more! Top that with Jimmy's Soft Serve, games and fun activities! A wonderful way to spend the day with our parish community. If you know of any young families or new neighbors looking for a church, please invite them along. See you on **Sunday, September 19, 2021 from 12:00-3:00 p.m.;**

\$20 per family.

FLOCKNOTES: Since it is unlikely that we will return to a printed bulletin each weekend, please provide the parish with an **email address and cell phone number** so that we can end a weekly update as to what is happening at the parish. This update will also be posted on our website.

USHERS NEEDED: As we prepare to move into the fall, we are in need of ushers (male or female, young and not so young) for the 11:00 a.m. mass. No heavy lifting is involved.

COVID PROTOCOLS AT THE MAGDALENE: With the changing landscape concerning the Covid virus, it seems advisable that everyone wear masks at church, whether you are vaccinated or not. This is not a mandate or requirement at this time. However, if the state or Archdiocese makes it a requirement, we will comply.

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.

Brochures are available in the back of the church.

August 10, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

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1. For the past two weeks some parishioners have reported difficulty in getting the live feed streaming of the 9am mass. I have reported this to Local Live Networks. If you have trouble connecting with the mass through our church website, go directly to the Local Live Network website to connect. The mass for August 8 is now posted on our website.
2. With the absence of Carl last weekend, and the trouble with the live streaming of the 9am mass, we can only approximate the number in attendance: 5pm, 50 (?); 9am, 66; 11am, 85. Live stream: 43 watched live, 60 watched later. We discovered that Carl had a car accident on Friday and was sent to Westchester Medical for treatment.
3. The emergency generator is up and running after the replacement of the defective fuel solenoid. At the same time we decided to enter into a yearly maintenance contract. We should be all set for the hurricane season.
4. As of today we have received no further guidance from state or church concerning pandemic precautions. Please use common sense about wearing masks. Many of you are. I think it is not a bad idea.
5. Next weekend (14-15) we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary at all masses. For Christian Europe it marks the last blast of the summer holiday season.

6. Please remember that even though you may have two envelopes for a particular Sunday (parish and special collection), we are passing the basket only ONCE. All envelopes go into this ONE collection.
7. We send our prayers and blessings to our students who will be entering college during the next two weeks. They are beginning a new chapter in their lives and we wish them much success.
8. New parishioners are always welcome. Registration forms can be found in the back of the church or on our parish website. They may be mailed back, dropped in the collection, or placed in the poor box in the back of the church.
9. We discovered, with the help of the Dobbs Ferry police, that Carl was in a car accident on Friday and was admitted to Westchester Medical. His son has come down from Rochester to make an assessment. We will keep you informed. Carl has been invaluable in helping us on a daily basis, in addition to Saturday evenings. In his absence I have once again assumed the task of taking out the garbage and recyclables.
10. Saturday (14th) marks the end of the open window look back period for initiating lawsuits against the church for allegations of inappropriate behavior by certain priests. I suspect that there will be a cascade of cases filed and new names revealed. Recovering the reputation of our church now falls on the shoulders of our clergy and laity who have maintained a faithful and loyal adherence to the Gospel. The work will not be easy.
11. I have been asked several questions about the proposed trip to the Holy Land next August. Having led trips in the 1980s, the most important piece of advice I can give, from experience: get an excellent pair of walking shoes and break them in before travelling. They will be your best friends!