

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: Oct. 2 – Oct. 10

REQUESTED BY:

Saturday	5:00 PM	Algirdas Sova	Audra & George Pianka
Sunday	9:00 AM	Josephine Reynolds	Tedesco Family
	11:00 AM	Anthony Bueti & Everton George Peddie	Cusanelli Family
Monday	8:00 AM	Helen Rode	Duignan Family
Tuesday	8:00 AM	For our Parishioners	
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Joao Trindade	Maria Washburn
Thursday	8:00 AM	Intentions of Michele Orsini	Janet and Stephen Kelly
Friday	8:00 AM	For our Parishioners	
Saturday	5:00 PM	Maribel Magno Villaroman	Calman Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	Louise Marzocchi	Pete and Jeanne LiMarzi
	11:00 AM	James Donovan	Magdalene Parish

Weekend Celebrants Oct. 9 & 10

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: John Petry, Carl Schmidt, Herb Hadad, Sr. Danielle Baran C.R., Peter Gandolfo, Nancy Letizia, Joyce Carroll, Chris Batton, and Nijole Raskys.

LET US PRAY for all military personnel, their families and all civilians involved.

ENCOURAGEMENT

As vital as oxygen is to the body, so is encouragement to the soul.

—Anonymous

PARISH CALENDAR:

Oct. 11 (Mon.)		Columbus Day (No 8:00 a.m. Mass)
Oct. 17 (Sun.)	9:00 a.m.	Family Mass hosted by 8 th Grade (Bibles)
Oct. 26/28		Rosary – RE Classes
Oct. 31		Halloween

Respect Life Month Begins Oct. 1st!

St. Joseph Faithful, Protector of Mother and Child pray for us!

The infant Christ “came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph” (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable...

Respect Life Sunday is **October 3rd** this year and begins Respect Life Month: a time to intentionally pray for the protection of all human life. **Please join one of the below Life Chains**, a peaceful and prayerful public witness for an end to abortion that offers a message of mercy and healing for those who are suffering as a result of abortion.

White Plains: Sunday, Oct. 3rd, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. Planned Parenthood, 175 Tarrytown Road. Contact Eileen Kennedy @ (914) 557-1595

Hawthorne: Sunday, Oct. 10th, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Holy Rosary Church, 170 Bradhurst Avenue. Contact Mary Ann Priore @ (914) 747-0082.

MAGDALENE PARISH PICNIC: Visit our website for a few pictures from our picnic.

CHURCH OF THE MAGDALENE FISCAL YEAR REPORT YEAR 2021 (SEE BELOW)

THE 5TH ANNUAL “AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA ROSARY RALLY.” On Saturday, October 16 at 2:00 p.m. here at the Magdalene church parking lot. Bring a folding chair and a friend. Come join us as we pray for all the ills of our society: Coronavirus, hurricanes, etc. Let us call on our dear Lady of Fatima to hear our prayers for her love and protection.

SLEEPY HOLLOW/TARRYTOWN FOOD PANTRY: Please remember our local food pantry. You may drop off the food in the back of the church and we will see that it gets to the pantry.

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 send a weekly update as to what is happening at the parish. It will also be on website.

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

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Fiscal Year 2021, September 1, 2020-August 31, 2021

Account	FY2021
Revenue	
Parish Sources	
Collections	398,106.00
Catechetical Income	16,875.00
Cardinal's Appeal	1,680.00
Other Income	13,453.00
Donations and Bequests	4,516.00
PPP1 Forgiveness	28,400.00
Interest and Dividends	16,423.00
Total Operating Income	479,453.00
Expense	
Salaries and Benefits	183,447.00
Office expenses	25,336.00
Church /Chapel Expenses	19,404.00
Religious Education	1,688.00
Utilities	19,922.00
Repairs & Maintenance	27,727.00
Insurance and Taxes	20,398.00
Food and Household-Rectory	3,081.00
Cardinal's Appeal-additional parish contribution	36,390.00
Program Expenses	1,250.00
Charitable Contributions	25,500.00
Cathedraticum/School Tax	47,992.00
Total Operating Expense	412,135.00
Net Operating Income	67,318.00

September 28, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

We just compiled a new parish list of registered families. The last list was compiled in March. At present we have 645 registered parishioners/households. This is an increase of roughly 15 households since last March. We do notice new faces at mass on the weekends. We welcome everyone. While the number of those who attend mass is still low, due to the pandemic, the number of people who “found” the Magdalene has grown. Thank you to all our parishioners who present a welcoming environment where others feel at home. I believe that the arrival of new parishioners keeps us on our toes to offer quality liturgies, relevant religious education for our children, and services that meet the needs of our families.

1. Phelps Hospital has found itself in need of a priest who can respond to emergencies at night. At this time, Fr. Ron Lemmert, the chaplain, remains available for daytime coverage. As a consequence, the pastoral care department is working on a plan where neighboring parishes will be “on call” one or two nights a week for coverage. I was called out for an emergency two weeks ago. It is simply another reminder, as if one was needed, that our church must address the clergy shortage. However, I wouldn’t hold my breath. It should be remembered that the Magdalene is officially responsible for Westchester Medical Center. The chaplain, Fr. Peter Claver, was required to move from the Magdalene to the hospital grounds, because of the level of coverage required. He is still officially assigned to the Magdalene by the diocese.
2. Our fiscal year runs from September 1-August 31. We have preliminary figures for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. We will post a summary financial report in two weeks. Some things to note: there were no major expenditures, with the exception of the roughly \$37,000 the diocese

required us to pay for the Renew and Rebuild Campaign. As I have written before, this was nothing more than a cash grab by the diocese. No benefit was accrued to the Magdalene. I do not foresee any major expenditures in the coming year. On another note, we were given a goal of \$54,000 for the Cardinal's Appeal. We received pledges of \$59,295.25. \$58,695.25 has been paid. Thank you! A tremendous response. You should also know that the parish has only one bank account, an operating checking account from which we pay all parish bills, salaries, and diocesan assessments. All monies received in our weekend collections are deposited into this one account with Tompkins Mahopac Bank. The diocese holds roughly \$500,000 of our parish savings, on which they pay us 4% interest. The diocese uses these funds to meet the needs of parishes faced with unexpected emergencies.

3. This past week I received my extra potent flu shot meant for senior citizens. Since I received my Covid booster shot two weeks ago, I am ready for an unpredictable winter. While there is no requirement to wear a mask in church, consider doing so for yourself and those around you.
4. Last Sunday was Catechetical Sunday when we acknowledged the volunteers who staff our religious education program under Dot Meehan. The kids are back and we are off to a good start. Safety and learning are our goals. Thank you to our volunteers who make our program possible.
5. Next Sunday, October 3rd, as we approach the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a blessing of the animals at 10am, WEATHER PERMITTING!
6. As some of you know, our parish hosts three AA meetings during the week. The leadership of the AA groups has decided to purchase two air purifiers for the parish hall for use during their meetings. They have generously offered our parish the use of those purifiers for our

gatherings, as needed. Every extra measure of safety is most welcome. Thank you to the members of AA.

7. A reminder: we do not take up two collections at Sunday mass. Whatever envelopes you have, are to be placed in the one collection. We will ensure that envelopes designated for special organizations and needs will be forwarded as intended.
8. Parish Census forms can be found in the back of the church or accessed online through our website. You may put them in the collection or mail back to the rectory. We welcome all new parishioners and families.
9. We will continue the Live Stream of the 9am Sunday mass. It may be accessed through our website. During an average week roughly 115-125 households watch our mass from the Magdalene. I have received comments from California, Florida, Cape Cod, Lake George, South Jersey, and even Oslo! Last weekend's attendance: 5pm, 54; 9am, 70; 11am, 73. Live stream: 55 watched live, 92 watched later. You should know that over the course of a week the number of households who watch later greatly increases from the number I report on the Tuesday after the weekend. For example, for the weekend of September 18-19 I reported that 45 households watched later. The actual final tally was 85. Parishioners and friends choose to watch at their convenience, a great benefit of archiving our Live Stream on LocalLive. Some have reported seeing "ERROR" when they tune in at 9am on Sunday. This has happened before. I do notify the company when I learn of this glitch. Eventually, the live stream begins. Be patient. You can always catch the full mass later in the day when it is posted on our website.
10. Our loyal volunteer Carl is recuperating at home, and, as you might expect, restless. Since Carl lives alone, the family is exploring other living arrangements. We will keep you posted.

11. If there are former altar servers, age 12 and older, who are vaccinated, and who would like to resume serving, please let Fr. John know. Also, if a young parishioner 12 and older, and vaccinated, would like to become an altar server, please let me know.
12. I have hesitated re-introducing Eucharistic Ministers. Every once in a while someone requests communion on the tongue. While I have no problem directing those communicants to extend their hands instead, I do not want our Eucharistic ministers to be put in a position where an issue may develop and an encounter may escalate into some unpleasantness. In addition, who wants to put their fingers in someone's mouth during a pandemic? I don't and neither do our Eucharistic ministers.
13. Lectors: The new workbooks for the 2022 liturgical year have arrived. You may pick them up in the sacristy after mass. The new liturgical year begins with the first Sunday of Advent on November 28th.
14. We are working on a date for our first parish council meeting in a year and a half. Planning for the future is critically important, now more than ever.