

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. 13 - Nov. 14

REQUESTED BY:

Saturday	5:00 PM	Diane Stevens	Her Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	Louise Marzocchi	Peggy Breen
	11:00 AM	Dominick & Yvonne Cusanelli & Caroline D'Alessio	Cusanelli Family
Monday	8:00 AM	Jane O'Hara	Denise Perrigino
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Henry & Arline Ruppel	Todd & Roberta Ruppel
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Special Intention	Ita Yager
Thursday	8:00 AM	Bridget Gearty	Duignan Family
Friday	8:00 AM	Williams Powers	Scaglione Family
Saturday	5:00 PM	Ed Maul	Iorio Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	Vincent Iaconis	His Family
	11:00 AM	Michael English & Camille Brown	Cusanelli Family

Weekend Celebrants Nov. 20-21

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

**PRAY FOR THE SICK: James McCary, John Petry, Carl Schmidt,
 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.

HOPE

If you do not hope, you will not find what is beyond your hopes.

—St. Clement

PARISH CALENDAR:

Nov. 14 (Sun.)	9:00 a.m.	Family Mass – hosted by CGS III
Nov. 20 (Sat.)		Men’s AA – Parish Hall – 7:45-8:45&9:00-10:00 a.m.
Nov. 20/21		Return Giving Tree Gift with Tag for Life Center
		Return Food Bags for Sleepy Hollow/Tarrytown Food Pantry
Nov. 25(Thurs.)		Thanksgiving Day (Mass at 9:00 a.m.)
Nov. 27/28		First Sunday of Advent
Dec. 5 (Sun.)	9:30-4 p.m.	Christmas Fair at the Magdalene

CHRISTMAS FAIR AT THE MAGDALENE: The date for the Christmas Fair is now set for **Sunday, December 5th**, from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm in our church hall. It will include pottery, handcrafted gifts, baked goods, children’s gifts, jewelry, knit ware, home goods, candles, a food truck and more.

SLEEPY HOLLOW/TARRYTOWN THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: With Thanksgiving approaching we would like to have a food drive for our local pantry. Please leave your donations in the hallway between the rear of the church and the school. **Please drop off all food by Sunday, November 21. Thank you for your generosity!**

THANKSGIVING CLOTHING DRIVE FOR SLEEPY HOLLOW/TARRYTOWN LIFE CENTER: The Life Center serves low-income families offering advocacy, information, referrals and other basic services such as an afterschool program, English as a second language, a summer camp and more. **This weekend we will have our giving tree up in the back of the church. Please take a gift tag; purchase a new gift and return with gift tag attached to the church by November 21st. Thank you for your generosity!**

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS AT THE MAGDALENE will be at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 25. Please join us for the mass with your family.

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.

November 9, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

During the next two weeks we will be collecting food for our local Tarrytown-Sleepy Hollow food pantry. While there has been a steady rise in food prices across the nation, many of us know how fortunate and blessed we are. As I was growing up, my mother and father provided for six children. We never wanted for anything. Let us help other mothers and fathers provide for their children. Suggestions from the food pantry: think of purchasing a case of tuna, cereal, soup, etc. It is easier for shelving at the pantry. Other items needed: healthy cereal, plain oatmeal, peanut butter, 2lb bags of rice, dried beans, pasta, and sardines. Our plan right now is to have our teens organize the food on the 21st and deliver it to the food pantry. Our parish will also make a financial donation to the pantry.

1. The date for the Christmas Fair is now set for Sunday, December 5th, from 9:30am to 4:00pm in our church hall. It will include pottery, handcrafted gifts, baked goods, children's gifts, jewelry, knit ware, home goods, and candles.
2. Mass attendance last weekend: 5pm, 46; 9am, 92; 11am, 62. Live streaming: We have no number for those who watched live; 102 watched later. Local Live is still trying to fix its technical issues in order to give us the number of households who watch live.
3. Thanksgiving Day mass will be on November 25th at 9:00am. Because of a special request, the Thanksgiving Mass will be live streamed. You may access it the usual way by going to our website and click "Live Stream."
4. Since in-person mass attendance is averaging roughly 200 people for a weekend, we have decided to renew our annual contract with Local Live. We have received the renewal notice for 1 year: \$3500. It is important that we keep in contact with all our parishioners. Just so you know, the live stream camera is remotely controlled from a studio in Stamford, CT.

by a technician watching the mass. Sometimes, if the technician is not Catholic, the technician would not be familiar with the flow of the liturgy, and therefore certain camera angles would not be optimal. Live Stream, FlockNotes, and our website are our most effective ways in maintaining contact with our parishioners.

5. Our choir has scheduled its rehearsals for the Christmas season. Wouldn't it be wonderful to usher in the holiday season under normal, not pandemic conditions. I am still waiting before re-introducing altar servers and Eucharistic ministers. Our children are now being vaccinated. This is great news. We are slowly making our way back. Yet, as of this writing, Covid is making a resurgence in Europe. Remain careful.
6. Our parish council met on the 8th. It was decided that a letter be sent from the council to the archdiocese requesting the specific plans (if any) the diocese has for the Magdalene, subsequent to my retirement on July 1. (I personally made this request 11 months ago, with no response). The letter will go out prior to Thanksgiving, seeking a response by January 1. Depending on the response, we will be seeking the input of all our parishioners. We have many reasons to be heard, not the least of which is that we are one of the very few parishes in the diocese that is financially stable and without debt, because of your overwhelming generosity. As my grandmother would say: "Money makes the blind see". (It sounds better in Italian). Maybe it will open the eyes of the diocese! More importantly, the Magdalene has become a source of pastoral nourishment for Catholics seeking a welcoming embrace.