

# THIS WEEK AT THE MADELEINE

Furthering the Reign of God, Where All Are Welcome • July 23–24, 2022

# SEEKING RCIA TEAM VOLUNTEERS

RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is the process through which the Catholic Church welcomes newcomers. For those familiar with the process, you are likely aware of the role of Catechist or those who 'Break Open the Word' during our early dismissals. The RCIA Team does so much more, and we are currently looking for individuals with the following gifts:

- **Sponsor**—A sponsor journeys with one of our seekers through the year, exercising the gift of hospitality, attending our Sunday morning gatherings, and praying for them and supporting them as needed. Whether it has been a few years since you were a sponsor or this is a new ministry for you, we welcome you!
- Supporter—Every year we have two or three individuals who step forward to support our seekers in a unique way. Our supporters attend most of our Sunday

morning gatherings, contributing to the conversation and sharing their experiences as a Catholic. No need for a degree in theology, just an open heart and a willingness to participate.

Companion for an event or ministry—Will you volunteer to invite one of our seekers to a special liturgy, event, or ministry? For instance, would you invite one of our seekers to sit with you and your family for the All Souls Service of Light? Will you invite them to join you at your table for the Crab Feed?

Intrigued, but not sure? Let's talk!

You may be young or not so young, a "cradle Catholic" or new to Catholicism. Your unique experience, an open heart and mind, and a willingness to serve, are the qualifications you need. Contact Christi Bohmbach at rcia@themadeleine.edu

We look forward to hearing from you!

# THE HAITIAN PROJECT GARAGE SALE **IS NEXT WEEKEND!**

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Matthew 10:8

Project, Inc.

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It's nearly time for The Haitian Project Garage Sale at The Madeleine!

The Garage Sale benefits the Louverture Cleary School in Haiti, which offers a Catholic education to children who otherwise would not be able to afford an education.

Drop off donations at the Parish Hall through Tuesday, July 26, 9:00 am-3:00 pm.

**Garage Sale dates** 

• Friday, July 29: 9:00 am-3:00 pm • Saturday, July 30: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

• Sunday, July 31: 9:00 am-1:00pm (Half-Price Day)

The sale always needs volunteer help...especially on cleanup day, Sunday, July

31...so contact Steve Holmes, steveholmes@shtrucking.com or 503-706-7937. Detailed dates and hours at www.themadeleine.edu/haitian

# Inside this week's bulletin:

- The Madeleine Uncorked, Under the Stars—Our annual Wine Tasting celebration is August 20 in The Madeleine Courtyard. Discounted pricing through August 1...see Page 4.
- **Discerning Catholic**—Dan O'Brien has formed a new ministry intended to help ease the re-entry of Catholics who have been away from the faith for a time, or who have questions about the faith. See Page 2 for details.
- Free Madeleine Centennial polos and sweatshirts—We cleaned out our closets and found a cache of apparel made for our Centennial Celebration in 2012. Yours free. Page 2.

# Feast of St. Mary Magdalene

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# PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

Randall Foote

Catherine Mannix

Patricia Wilson

### PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are ill, or in need of our prayers

- Debbie Barsotti Chris Nieman Betty Couch Glynn Roberson ▶ Bill Stack ► Lisa Nice
- Mason Lugar

# WORSHIP & PRAYER

07/26, Tues	Quenton Czuba
07/27, Weds	Jean Mitchell
07/28, Thurs	Lisa Nice
07/29, Fri	Bill Rooney †
07/30, Sat	David Mickels †
07/31, Sun. 8:00 am The Madeleine Community	
10:00 am	· · · · · · · Vera Earley †

# Calendar This Week

All Masses in person only unless noted

## SUNDAY, JULY 24

► Feast of St. Mary Magdalene

8:00 am: Mass-Church

10:00 am: Mass–Church 
ALSO LIVESTREAMS

11:30 am: Laudato Si'-St. Catherine Room

### MONDAY, JULY 25 6:30 pm: FA Meeting-St. Catherine Room

#### TUESDAY, JULY 26

8:00 am: Mass—Church 9:00 am: Adoration—Church

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

8:00 am: Mass-Church

#### THURSDAY, JULY 28

8:00 am: Mass–Church

#### FRIDAY, JULY 29

8:00 am: Mass–Church

9:00 am-3:00 pm: Haitian Project Garage Sale-Parish Hall

### SATURDAY, JULY 30

9:00 am-3:00 pm-Haitian Project Garage Sale-Parish Hall

5:00 pm: Mass

### SUNDAY, JULY 31

8:00 am: Mass-Church

9:00 am-1:00 pm-Haitian Project Garage Sale-Parish Hall

10:00 am: Mass-Church ALSO LIVESTREAMS

11:20 am: Retreat with Pope Francis–Rectory Dining

# SAVE THE DATE

- The Haitian Project Garage Sale: July 29–31 themadeleine.edu/haitian
- Wine Tasting: August 20 themadeleine.edu/wine
- Parish Picnic: October 2
- ➤ The Madeleine Auction: November 5 themadeleine.edu/auction
- The Madeleine Marketplace: December 8 themadeleine.edu/marketplace
- Mardi Gras: February 21, 2023

# DISCERNING CATHOLIC: FAITH IN OUR TIME

PARISH LIFE

Walking the Camino de Santiago, I was moved by individuals who, without any religious affiliation, religiously attended the pilgrim mass and eagerly proceeded forward to receive the pilgrim's blessing. More than a rite of passage, it was a rite of community, a chance to be a part of something larger than themselves. At the end of the pilgrim road, I gave a congratulatory hug to woman whom I had just met and only knew as a fellow pilgrim. She burst into tears and thanked me. I will never forget her.

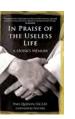
Given my experiences on the Camino and others elsewhere, the general despair among faithful of all denominations at the "rise of secularism" and the degradation of church culture in the world today strikes me as a lack of faith, remembering that at its most basic, faith is the inherent trust that one human being can find solace and welcome with another. Isn't this Christ's command to us, that we love one another?

Since returning to my Catholic faith, I've spent time reading up on the early church. Think about it. No Vatican. No cathedrals. Liturgies were still in formation and well-scattered schools of thought debated, sometimes fiercely. It was a time of great

# BOOK CLUB NEWS

MBC cordially invites you to join our group of enthusiastic readers. We are happy to once again be gathering in person, and for the first time, we will be meeting during the summer months. Our book for August is *In Praise of the* 

*Useless Life: A Monk's Memoir* (2018), by Br. Paul Quenon. For more information please contact our ministry coordinator Gretchen Stevenson, 503-312-6834 or gypsyfrau47@ yahoo.com



discernment and discovery, growing within a larger society that vacillated between indifference and brutal hostility. And parallels with the modern day abound. In his treatise "On Prayer", for example, the theologian Origen (185 to 254 AD) stated flatly that the two most common objections to prayer in his day are that God didn't exist, or that He exists but pre-comprehending and pre-arranging all things, what's the use of prayer? Sound familiar? Yet for all their difficulties, the early Christians defined themselves within the times given to them; they survived and thrived.

In Thessalonians, Paul tells us "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." Revitalizing faith begins with an active and vital faithful. It's our time.

If you'd like to be a part of this conversation, the Discerning Catholic Ministry meets Monday, July 25th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the Church Courtyard. If you'd like more information on the ministry itself, contact Dan O'Brien at discerningcatholic@themadeleine.edu.

# FREE CENTENNIAL Polo Shirts and Sweatshirts

We cleaned out our closets! Beginning after Masses this weekend, we are offering Centennial polo shirts and sweatshirts in various sizes. Free for the taking and on a first-come-firstserve basis. We invite you



serve basis. We invite you to take home a little bit of Madeleine history.

# Green Tips for a More Sustainable Lifestyle

Ah, the joy of "messing about in boats." If you're thinking of buying a new boat, you can make an environmentally-friendly choice. Electric boats are quieter and do not emit any greenhouse gases. There are also solar-powered boats, which generally have an average speed of 10 km/h and offer the advantage of not damaging the flora and fauna on shore.

There are many boating choices that will preserve both the environment and your health: a pedalo, canoe, kayak, sailboat or rowboat. These types of watercraft give you an opportunity to observe nature without disturbing it, and also get your heart pumping. A great way to appreciate Creation!

**In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that God is our "Father"** and just as a parent's love for their children is unlimited, so is God's love and care for us unlimited. This week, as you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are realizing that in giving you indeed receive.

# **MUSIC NOTES**

# MARY MAGDALENE IN THE GARDEN

This weekend we are celebrating the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene. Besides the Patron Saint of The

Madeleine, St. Mary Magdalene is known as the Patron Saint of converts, of women, contemplative life, and even hairstylists (although I'm not really sure about the last one). Suffice to say, that is a tall order as a Patron Saint!

One of the characteristics of Mary Magdalene is her fierce loyalty to Jesus after her conversion to

Christianity. And so it makes sense that she represents those that are converts to the Catholic Church. It is often the converts (including my husband Michael) that make the best Catholics-like Mary Magdalene, they are loyal defenders of their faith and ardent disciples of Christ.

While not all experience an "aha" moment of spiritual conversion-or choose the official process of becoming a Catholic-we can all relate in some fashion to the familiar story of St. Mary Magdalene. Known as a grave sinner, she was forgiven, converted to Christianity, and thus, became a devoted follower of Christ. She is probably most famous for being an eyewitness to Jesus's death on the cross. When the disciples were gone, Mary Magdalene stayed at the foot of the cross and wept. And she was the first to see Jesus after his Resurrection.

Because of her unwavering faith, the Church has always revered Mary Magdalene. She was called a "witness of Divine Mercy" by St. Gregory the Great and an "Apostle of the Apostles" by St. Thomas Aquinas. Pope Francis recently recognized her as a model of women's role in the Church, and elevated her from Memorial status to the rank of a Feast. In the eyes of the Church, that is a very big deal!

Although there is not a great deal of music written about St. Mary Magdalene,



one of my favorites is the famous Gospel song, "In the Garden." Written by C. Austin Miles in 1912, this song was recorded by everyone from Roy Rogers and Dale Evans to Perry Como, Rosemary Clooney and Elvis Presley. By his own account, Miles opened his bible to the Gospel of John:20 and became lost in the story of Mary Magdalene when Jesus appeared

to her in the garden after the Resurrection. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Miles wrote the lyrics to the song-writing the tune later that day. It is a simple, yet poignant song viewed through the eyes of Mary Magdalene. The hymn remains intact with both the original words and melody as it was in 1912.

Perhaps it is the words of Pope Benedict XVI that best sums up the importance of St. Mary Magdalene in all of our lives. He said: "The story of Mary of Magdala reminds us all of a fundamental truth. A disciple of Christ is one who, in the experience of human weakness, has the humility to ask for his help, has been healed by him and has set out following closely after him, becoming a witness of the power of his merciful love that is stronger than sin and death."

It is no wonder that The Madeleine is such a special place—Happy Feast Day!

And he walks with me, and he talks with me, And he tells me I am his own, And the joy we share as we tarry there, None other has ever known.

-Maria Manzo

# **Please check your Ministry Schedule**

As we are returning to normal, our ministerial commitments at Masses are returning as well. Our Ministry Scheduler software automatically schedules ministers based on preferences YOU have set in the software. If you receive an email from the system, please pay attention to it, and if you are unable to serve, please request a sub. Also, please log into the system and verify your preferred Mass times and minister positions.

Please be aware of and confirm your ministerial commitment each week:

- 1. Online through the web-based schedule at www.themadeleine.edu/minister-schedule
- 2. By email. You receive a reminder email each week with your ministerial commitment

# WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Masses:	
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday8:00 am	
Thursday No School: 8:00 am	
During School: 2:00 pm	
Saturday Vigil	
Sunday	
Livestream 10:00 am Sunday	
at youtube.com/themadeleineparish	
<b>Penance</b> By appointment; call Parish Office	
PARISH OFFICE	
Hours Monday–Friday, 10:00 am–3:00 pm	
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Bulletin submissions due 5:00 pm Tuesday Email to bulletin@themadeleine.edu

# **Recycling Programs at The Madeleine**

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Marked collection bins in the breezeway facing 23rd Ave.

The Madeleine's Laudato Si' Circle and Care for Creation Ministry have joined with U. S. based recycler, Terracycle, to offer our parish, school, and community opportunities to responsibly recycle specific items (primarily plastics) not generally handled at curbside. Terracycle has added more manufacturers to its program, and in turn, we have expanded our recycling offerings. Here is a current listing of what we are collecting. Please keep this in mind:

• Do not include garbage or items not specifically mentioned in the descriptions.

• Empty containers of contents. No need to wash first; ensure packaging is dry.



#### DISCONTINUED: STYROFOAM/ POLYSTYRENE

Regrettably, we can no longer accept Styrofoam and Polystyrene materials. Although endorsed by Metro, we have recently learned (through an independent report) of major violations by the local recycler in the responsible handling and recycling of these materials.

## LATE JULY® SNACKS

All Late July<sup>®</sup> snack packaging as seen in these examples. Limited to Late July brand only.



## GILLETTE<sup>®</sup> AND VENUS RAZORS AND RAZOR BLADES

All brands of blades and razors (systems and disposable units, and replaceable-blade cartridge units), rigid plastic packaging, and flexible plastic bag packaging.

# BIC WRITING INSTRUMENTS AND PACKAGING

All brands of empty writing instruments, glue sticks, watercolor dispensers, highlighters, paint sets and flexible pack



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sets, and flexible packaging.

### METAL-BASED COOKWARE AND CUTLERY

All brands of metal-based cookware, bakeware and cutlery (nonstick Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Carbon Steel.



Cast Iron). Please maks sure items are thoroughly clean and dry.

# **ORAL CARE PRODUCTS**

All brands of used or empty oral care products, including toothpaste tubes, tooth brushes, and dental floss containers.



#### **SWIFFER REFILLS**



Swiffer only brands of Sweeper<sup>™</sup> Dry, Wet, and XL Refills, WetJet Refills<sup>™</sup>, and Duster<sup>™</sup> Refills.

## **FOOD STORAGE**

All brands of wellused plastic and glass food storage containers.



## CIGARETTE BUTTS, SANTA FE NATURAL TOBACCO COMPANY

All brands of fully extinguished cigarettes (and ashes) and tobacco products, including filters, plastic packaging



filters, plastic packaging, inner foil packaging, rolling paper, and loose tobacco pouches.

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#### **REDYPER DISPOSABLE DIAPERS**

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# Mary Magdalene: A Witness of Faith to Generations

# Kathy Kuczka

On July 22, the Church will celebrate the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene. Few saints have been as misunderstood as this saint, which is why popes and poets continue to set the record straight on this woman who has been shrouded in mystery and misinterpretation.

The name *Magdalene* refers to the town where Mary was born, Magdala, a village on the shore of the Sea of Galilee in the northern part of what was then ancient Palestine. Scholars say that the naming of Mary Magdalene in Scripture is significant. She is, in fact, named twelve times, which is more than most of the Apostles.

Mary Magdalene was a friend of Jesus who stood by his side all the way to the cross. All four Gospel accounts say that Mary Magdalene accompanied Jesus to his crucifixion. She was, accord-

ing to these texts, the first person, or among the first, to witness the empty tomb. Both Mark (longer ending) and John say that Jesus not only first appeared to Mary Magdalene after he rose from the dead, but also that he commissioned her to be the first to announce the Good News. This is one reason why she is known as the "Apostle to the Apostles." Later texts from the early Christian era further testify to her closeness to Jesus and her status as an apostle. So how did Mary Magdalene come to be known as something other than who she was?

Both Luke (8:1–2) and Mark (16:9) first mention Mary Magdalene in association with evil spirits from which she was healed. These texts have led interpreters to believe that Mary Magdalene was possessed by evil. But scholars believe it is more likely that she had been cured of physical or, perhaps, mental illness.

Further, Mary Magdalene has long been confused with other women in the Bible, some of whom were also named Mary, and some of whom are unnamed. Most problematic is her association with the penitent woman in Luke's Gospel and with Mary of Bethany in John's Gospel.



Mary Magdalene is honored for being the first to bear the Good News and as a faithful follower of Christ. She is known as an the "Apostle to the Apostles."

The second problematic passage comes from John's Gospel:

Six days before Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the village of Lazarus whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they gave him a banquet, at which Martha served. Lazarus was one of those at table with him. Mary brought a pound of costly perfume made from genuine aromatic nard, with which she anointed Jesus' feet. Then she dried his feet with her hair, and the house was filled with the ointment's fragrance. (John 12:1–3)

It's difficult to understand the confusion since this is clearly Mary of Bethany. However, in a sixth-century homily, Pope Gregory the Great identified Mary Magdalene as the repentant sinner in Luke's Gospel, as well as Mary

of Bethany. Since that time, Mary Magdalene has been depicted as a sinner, a promiscuous woman, and a prostitute in art, literature, and film. In fact, before the reform of the liturgical calendar, the Gospel proclaimed on the memorial of Mary Magdalene was Luke 7:36–50, about the unnamed sinner who anointed the feet of Jesus. In 1969, Pope Paul VI removed that identification, replacing that reading with the account from John that describes Mary Magdalene as the first person to whom Jesus appeared.

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Family Promise of Metro East gives faith communities, volunteers, and organizations a meaningful opportunity to be part of the solution to family homelessness. By working as a network to serve families in NE and SE Portland, the commitment is achievable.

The Madeleine will be serving as a support congregation for Ascension Parish as they host homeless families at their facility in August.

Volunteers are needed as evening hosts, dinner preparers and overnight hosts. Training for this ministry with our Ascension Parish partners will be occurring in mid-July.

For more information contact Joe or Donna Wujek at 509-520-6729 or josephwujek@gmail.com

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