

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS, 9:00 AM— COLLECTION FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Please join us at 9:00 am on Thanksgiving

As you start your busy Thanksgiving Day, take some time to give thanks by joining us at our 9:00 am Mass.

Thanksgiving Collection: St. Vincent de Paul As is traditional at The Madeleine, the entire Thanksgiving Day Mass collection goes to support the vital works of St. Vincent de Paul, to further their ability to help those with special needs to maintain their homes in a stable environment. Our community has always been very generous in supporting this ministry, and we know you will be again this year.

You are also encouraged to bring nonperishable food and toiletries this day for the St. Vincent de Paul annual Food Drive.

THE MADELEINE GIVING TREE

Coming soon! Tags to be put on tree weekend of November 25-26

The tradition of The Madeleine Giving Tree will continue this year and the need has never been greater. This year we will be supporting two worthwhile and grateful organizations.

- >Northwest Family Services Children of Incarcerated Parents—These children face countless barriers including abuse, neglect, homelessness and food insecurity, as well as having one or both parents incarcerated.
- ► Community Transitional School—CTS serves students ages 4-14 from Multnomah

County who live in homeless and domestic violence shelters, cheap motels, on the floor of a friend's home and even inside of their cars. Some are from families that are on the brink of losing their housing; others have just recently managed to move into permanent housing. All children are in situations where poverty and uncertainty dominate much of their young lives.

Tags will be hung on the tree in the Parish Hall driveway the weekend of November 25-26. More details to come.

ANNUAL SOCK DRIVE BEGINS NOVEMBER 11

▶ Jazz Vespers—a new evening prayer service debuts November 19. Madeleine musicians and

▶ Madeleine Marketplace-Yes, hard to believe we're talking about the Christmas season, but

▶ Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bedding Drive—Donate bedding for kids in need. Details Page 3.

guest artists combine to play and sing sacred jazz music in the Old Church. Page 3.

Please join us in helping our neighbors in need this winter. The Madeleine Knights of Columbus and The Madeleine School are sponsoring the annual Sock Drive.

Blue barrels will be in the church vestibule and the school entrance beginning November 11.

NOTE: Please look for socks with a wool blend and no cotton.

Socks will be donated to those in need

Inside this week's bulletin:

here we are! Save the date and call for vendors on Page 5.

through Transition Projects and Saint André Bessette.

Don't have time to go sock shopping?

Or would you prefer we take your cash and purchase wool socks in bulk? Just scan the QR code at right, or drop off a donation at the Parish Office.



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

AS WE APPROACH the end of this liturgical year, we are called to pay attention to what really matters. Today's readings remind us to focus on the bigger picture of eternal life and to question our focus, our energy and how we use our resources. We are called to look away from the superficial and to remember that time is not unlimited. We do not know the day nor the hour when we will be thrust into eternity. How are we preparing for it?

PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

- Debbie Laskowski–Funeral Nov. 17, 11:30 am Rosary, 11:00 am
- ► Jack Evans—Funeral November 30, 11:00 am Rosary 10:30 am
- Zoe Coughlin-Glaser Libby Hill

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

John Keith
 Aaron Stevenson
 Kitt Jordan

WORSHIP & PRAYER

11/14, Tues,	Ronald Krebs †
11/15, Weds	Louis Wolfe †
11/16, Thurs	Debbie Barsotti †
11/17, Fri	Willis Meisenheimer †
11/18, Sat	Andy Huckfeldt †
11/19, Sun, 8:00 am .	The Madeleine Community
10:00 am	Eva Hunerlach



Calendar This Week

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

8:00 am: Mass—Church 10:00 am: Children's Liturgy—Fireside Rm 10:00 am: Mass—Church ► ALSO LIVESTREAMS 10:00 am: First Penance Class—Library 11:30 am: RCIA—St. Catherine Room 11:30 am: Baptism of Nellie Rose Pulka

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:30 pm: FA Meeting–Fireside Rm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Nourish Our Neighbors (NON)—8th grade 8:00 am: Mass—Church 9:00 am: Adoration—Church 6:30 pm: Book Club—Fireside Rm 7:00 pm: Parents Club—Library

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

8:00 am: Mass–Church
2:40 pm: Children's Choir Rehearsal–Church
5:30 pm: Chimes Rehearsal–Church
6:30 pm: Endowment Board Meeting-Library
7:00 pm: Madeleine Choir Rehearsal–Church

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

10:00 am: Book Club—Fireside Rm 2:00 pm: Mass—Church 6:30 pm: SAC—Library

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

School Photo Retakes 8:00 am: Mass—Church 11:00 am: Rosary for Debbie Laskowski—Church 11:30 am: Funeral Mass, Debbie Laskowski—Church Reception follows in the Old Church

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
 5:00 pm: Mass—Church

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
 8:00 am: Mass—Church

10:00 am: Mass–Church ALSO LIVESTREAMS RCIA Rite of Acceptance

11:30 am: RCIA-St. Catherine Room

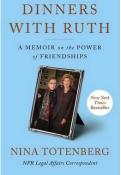
6:30 pm: Jazz Vespers-Old Madeleine Church

SAVE THE DATE

- > Advent Begins: December 3
- Madeleine Marketplace: December 7
- Wine Tasting: Postponed to Feb. 3, 2024
- > Ash Wednesday: February 14, 2024

BOOK CLUB NEWS

You are most cordially invited to join our group of spirited reviewers of excellent books selected by our members. We are currently reading Dinners With Ruth, by Nina Totenberg to be discussed in the Fireside Room



PARISH LIFE

on the evening of November 14, 6:30 and morning of November 16, 10:00. Our group of men and women are also sincere prayer warriors for the intentions of those whose needs are brought to our attention. Please reach out to us at any time.

To join the book club, sign up for a discussion session, or to submit a prayer request, please contact our MBC ministry coordinator Gretchen Stevenson at 503-312-6834, or by email at gypsyfrau47@yahoo.com

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: Care for altar server Garments

We are looking for a volunteer who is interested in keeping our altar server garments freshly laundered and pressed, and to occasionally make minor repairs.

This is a very helpful ministry that is in front of the congregation every weekend! If you feel called to serve, please contact Darlene Maurer, dmaurer@themadeleine.edu

You Can Help Your Marriage

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Visit helpourmarriage.org for testimonials, confidential information or to register for the January 26-28, 2024 weekend in Beaverton, Oregon or email portland@ retrovaille.com or call 503-225-9191.

RCIA: IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

It's never too late, actually, to explore the Catholic faith or to consider joining the Catholic Church. Classes meet at 11:30 Sunday mornings (after 10 am Mass) in the St. Catherine Room. Registration forms and more information are available on the information table in the back of the Church. Contact Donna Mason at rcia@themadeleine.edu

ADORATION: HE IS THERE

He is there in the Blessed Sacrament keeping his word. Now it is our turn to show our love to him. We can come and visit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and pledge our love to the Lord. We can thank him for watching over us and helping in our needs, and we can and ask him for his help and graces to cope with whatever life throws at us as we travel along life's road. If you can, try to spend an hour every week with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. You will be part of a spiritual honeymoon that will never end.

Tuesday Adoration begins after the 8 am Mass, ends at 2 pm.



Baptisms

Congratulations and welcome to our young parishioners who are joining the Church through the sacrament of baptism this weekend!

- ▶ Nellie Rose Pulka, daughter of John and Jackie Pulka.
- ➤ Theo Michael Freitas and Ava Maria Freitas, children of Jesse and Cash Freitas.

Marriages

Congratulations to **Kendall Kowitz** and **Joseph DiGiovanni** who were joined in sacramental marriage on Saturday!

Submissions for Thanksgiving weekend bulletin due November 16

If you have information to submit for the November 26 bulletin, please email it to bulletin@themadeleine.edu no later than November 16. Thank you!



In today's Gospel Jesus challenges us to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually. Ask yourself "what would Jesus Christ do?" and then give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are suffering will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving. —*Mary Clare O'Brien, 503-309-7639*



JAZZ AND VESPERS—A SYNTHESIS OF TWO WORLDS

Part one of two

Alongside the Mass, Vespers is one of the most important prayers of the Church. Just a fancy word for Evening Prayer, it literally means "shadows"which makes sense, as it was originally meant to be prayed when evening comes and lamps were lit. The practice of Vespers dates back to Judaic forms of prayer from the 1st century BC. By the 3rd century, it was incorporated into the prayers of the monastic community, where it has remained for centuries - as part of a larger set of prayers called the Liturgy of the Hours (Divine Office). Over the centuries, the monks did such a good job praying the Liturgy of the Hours that the Second Vatican Council began to encourage the celebration of both Lauds (Morning Prayer) and Vespers in parishes churches - changing the language to the vernacular and generally making it much more user friendly to the lay community. The basic structure

of these prayers, of course, has remained similar and includes; Psalmody, a lesson (or reflection), a hymn, intercessions, the Our Father—and during Vespers, the Canticle of Mary. And the underlying theme of Vespers still remains to give thanks and praise to God for the day just past.

It might seem a dichotomy to combine the improvisatory style of jazz music with the ancient liturgical structure of Vespers. However, in its simplistic form, jazz music is a musical art form that emerged out of the traditions of the Western church during the time of slavery. The slaves heard and assimilated the European harmonies of Protestant hymnody and incorporated it in a call-and-response musical style-the Spiritual. Eventually, this combination formed the musical foundation for what is known as the Blues. And from the Blues, the art of improvisatory jazz music as we know it was born.

See next week's bulletin for Part Two of "Jazz and Vespers-A Synthesis of Two Worlds"

Join us on Sunday, November 19 for our first Madeleine Jazz Vespers at 6:30 pm in the Old Madeleine Church

CATHOLIC FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The Catholic Friendship Group is for single Catholics ages 40 to 60 throughout the Archdiocese of Portland who are looking to grow in faith and fellowship! Gatherings are held every other week for Adoration, a talk and discussion on a prepared theme led by Fr. Joshua Clifton, and a social from 7:00-8:30 pm at St. Birgitta Parish (11820 NW St. Helens Rd.). Info: www.catholicfriendshipgroup.com!

MOTHER & CHILD CENTER NEEDS DIAPERS

Mother & Child has run out of diapers! They desperately need all sizes—from newborn to size 6!

Donations can be delivered to:

- Mother & Child office at 1515 NE 41st Ave, Portland
- Mary Murphy, 4035 NE 19th Ave, Portland Thank you for your generosity!



Mmm...Pancakes! KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 AFTER 10:00 MASS

Join us in the Parish Hall for a great pancake breakfast! Lots of yummy food for the family. No fixed prices....donations accepted



WEEKLY MASS TIMES
Regular Mass Times:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday8:00 am
Thursday, Wednesday, Hudy
Days school not in session: 8:00 am
Saturday Vigil
Sunday
Penance
Adoration Tuesdays, 9:00 am–2:00 pm
PARISH OFFICE
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Ministry Schedule www.themadeleine.edu/minister-schedule

Bulletin submissions due 5:00 pm Tuesday Email to bulletin@themadeleine.edu

COMMUNITY

HEALING THE WHOLE Person

November 30–December 2, 2023

Join Archbishop Sample on this journey to wholeness as we welcome Christ's divine love that brings the healing we ardently desire.

Healing the Whole Person (HWP) is the basis for Dr. Bob Schucht's best-selling book "Be Healed" and takes place only four times each year in parish settings across the USA. Led by renowned speakers and authors Dr. Bob Schuchts, Sr. Miriam James Heidland SOLT, and Bart Schuchts, the uniquely engaging format will help you see and experience God's healing love through teaching, prayer, personal reflection, Adoration, worship, and the Sacraments. To register: **jpiihealingcenter.org/event/11-29-23-hwp**

UPCOMING RETREATS

Retreats below held at Our Lady of Peace Retreat, 3600 SW 170th Ave., Beaverton.

Wed., December 6, 9 am-2:30 pm

- ADVENT DAY RETREAT
- ➤ Theme: "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"—How Christ's Light Leaps Forth Into Our Darkness" with Retreat Master, Father Christopher Bernabe
- Retreat fee: \$40, lunch included
- ➤ To register call: 503-649-7127 or register online: https://olpretreat.org/ retreat-register



Upcoming Concerts

- ► November 21, 7:00 pm ICC •45th Parallel Universe • Romantique • 45thparallelpdx.org
- ➤ December 5, 7:00 pm IC •45th Parallel Universe • Czech Please • 45thparallelpdx.org
- December 10, 3:00 pm Me Bravo! Concerts Northwest • Handel's Messiah • bravoconcerts.com
- December 18, 7:00 pm CC •45th Parallel Universe • Ellington's Nutcracker Suite • 45thparallelpdx.org



SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE BEDDING DRIVE Through Christmas, Sleep Special shout out to the

Through Christmas, Sleep in Heavenly Peace is accepting bedding donations at The Madeleine. Please look for the blue bins located in the church vestibule or bring your donations to the Parish Office during business hours.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace has provided 300 beds to children in the Portland area. Many of those beds were built

and delivered by Madeleine parishioners and provided with sheets, blankets and pillows from Madeleine bedding drives.



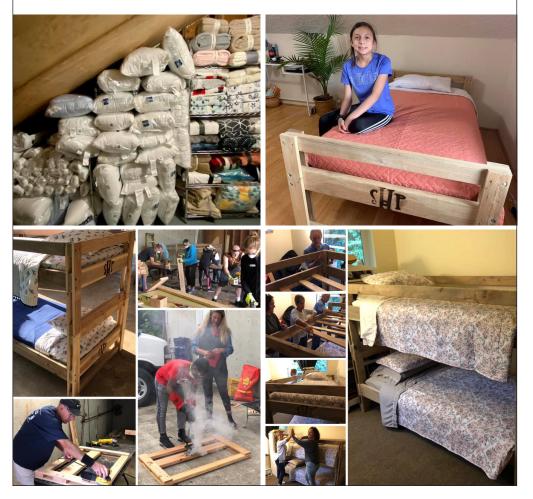
SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

been at every one of our bunk bed builds and many of our deliveries. We love having you on our team! Bedding needs to be for twin size beds (not extra

Laskowski family, who have

twin size beds (not extra long, please) sheet sets, blankets and comforters, mattress protectors and pillows. All donations must be new and

still in the original packaging. Thank you Madeleine Community for the continued support!



PARISH LIFE

ADVENT CANDLES AVAILABLE AFTER MASSES **STARTING NOVEMBER 25**

December 3 marks the first week of Advent and the tradition of the Advent Wreath. After Masses on November 25-26 and December 3-4, we will again offer candles for purchase (\$5/pack while supplies last). To complete your Advent wreath, we encourage collecting your own greens.



Symbolism of the Advent Wreath

The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life we find in Christ.

The candles also have their own special significance, representing the four weeks of Advent, and one candle is lit each Sunday. Three of the candles are purple because the color violet is a liturgical color signifying a time of prayer, penance, and sacrifice. The first candle, which is purple, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.

The second candle, also purple, represents faith. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

The third candle is pink and symbolizes joy. It is called the "Shepherd's Candle," and is pink because rose is a liturgical color for joy. The third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday and is meant to remind us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus, as well as the joy that the faithful have reached the midpoint of Advent.

On the fourth week of Advent, we light the final purple candle to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Savior. This final candle. the "Angel's Candle," symbolizes peace. It reminds us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."







THE MADELEINE MARKETPLACE



Holiday Bazaar & Christmas Tree Lighting DECEMBER 7 2:00-8:00 PM

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MADELEINE MARKETPLACE DECEMBER 7

Fun, food, music, shopping, tree lighting, Santa and much more!

Save the date for our annual tradition, The Madeleine Marketplace and Tree Lighting Thursday, December 7, from 2-8 pm.

Plan to stay for a fun-filled afternoon and evening, and get your shopping started with as many as 50 vendors in the Parish Hall and Fireside Room.

We've got dinner covered

Cook's night off! We will have pizza, chili, churros, spring rolls, soft drinks, bake sale goodies and much more.

Bake Sale goodies needed-We need your baked goods for our bake sale! Bake your best cookies, pies, cakes, candies, then bring them to the Parish Hall on Thursday, December 7 by 10:00 am.

slots.

BE A MARKETPLACE VENDOR !

Register at www.themadeleine.edu/marketplace

Offer your wares to hundreds of parents, kids, parishioners and community members as they kickstart their Christmas shopping, buy hostess gifts for holiday entertaining, and much more. And this year, we're offering free booths to Madeleine youth.

For complete information and to sign up for a vendor table at the Marketplace, visit www.themadeleine.edu/marketplace

Vendor FAO:

- ▶ Booth setup for Regular and Bring-your-Own Table vendors begins at 1:00 pm on December 7.
- The event ends at 8 pm.
- ▶ Table positions will be assigned.
- ▶ Regular Vendors: We have 8' rectangular tables &

Get your Advent devotional book at Masses beginning November 18 or at the Parish Office. It will also be available for download at www.themadeleine.edu/advent

60" round tables.

▶ Bring your own table: For an additional charge, you can bring your own custom table up to a maximum of 10' x 8'.

Entertainment? Christmas caroling,

Help make this night go off without a

Questions? Want to volunteer? Contact Julie Kupers (720) 936-5635 or

hitch by signing up for one of our volunteer

photos with Santa and Mrs. Santa, cookie

decorating and more. And of course, the

Tree Lighting at 6:00 pm.

jkupers@themadeleine.edu

Volunteers needed

- ► The Marketplace organizers retain the right to refuse vendors if the products are not appropriate. (Please no cannabis products or any images or objects that are not child friendly.) If it is determined that your products are not appropriate for this event your table fee will be refunded.
- ▶Youth/Child Vendor: We are pleased to offer Madeleine School and Parish youth/children an opportunity to sell their

own student-made crafts/wares.



Recycling Programs at The Madeleine

e for our Common Home Laudato

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.



KROGER FLEXIBLE PLASTICS

All Kroger brand flexible plastic packaging can now be accepted. Includes Private Select-

Private Selection and Simple Truth brands as well.

LATE JULY[®] SNACKS

All Late July[®] snack packaging as seen in these examples. Limited to Late July brand only.



GILLETTE[®] 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.

AIR CARE PRODUCTS AND PACKAGING AND MR. CLEAN DEEP CLEANING MIST

All brands of air and home cartridges, air and home care plugs, air and home care trigger heads, and air and home care plastic and film packaging. No aerosol containers.Remove as



much of remaining product as possible.

HAIR CARE APPLIANCES AND TOOLS

All types and brands of hair care tools and appliances, including hair dryers, straightening



irons, curling irons, thermal brushes and mini tools.

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[™] Dry, Wet, and XL Refills, WetJet Refills[™], and Duster[™] 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, inner foil packaging, rolling paper, and loose tobacco pouches.

USED SOCKS (ALL BRANDS)

Used clean socks only; pairs and singles are accepted. Not meant for new sock donations. No stockings, tights, or pantyhose.

REDYPER DISPOSABLE DIAPERS (Offsite subscription service)

Subscription service for purchasing and recycling Redyper brand disposable diapers through Terracycle



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In Memorial

THE MADELEINE FAMILY REMEMBERS

DEBBIE LASKOWSKI

Funeral Mass-Friday, November 17, 11:30 am

A Funeral Mass will be held for Debbie Laskowski on Friday, November 17, 11:30 am at The Madeleine. Rosary at 11:00 am.

Debbie Gunderson Laskowski was taken into God's hands September 20, 2023, after an extended and courageous battle with cancer. She was raised in Portland, graduating from Wilson High School in 1968. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Education (Home Economics) degree at Oregon State University, and then went on to Portland State University where she received a math and special education endorsement. She dedicated her entire teaching career of 30 years to several schools in Portland Public Schools until she retired in 2002. Debbie possessed a "special gift" for loving, nurturing, and advocating for all her students, especially those needing assistance to reach their fullest potential.

In 1977, Debbie married Mike Laskowski of Portland and together they had a daughter, Elizabeth "Beth." Michael died in 1991 when Beth was 5 years old. Debbie's dedication to raising her daughter alone and ensuring that she went to college where she too became a teacher was inspiring.

Always excited about traveling to the Oregon Coast as well as faraway places, Debbie, along with her mother and daughter made special memories on their travels to Europe, Nordic countries, Asia, Australia, and North Central America. She loved gardening, golf, fishing, playing games, Bingo, and slots/lotto/scratch tickets where her competitive nature kicked in along with her love for winning. She also found a passion for fused glass design and creation. Debbie never lost her sense of humor and remained a diehard Beaver fan until she died.

In 2005, Debbie married Deke Berchtold. Together they continued traveling. They later moved to Maricopa, Arizona, to be closer to her daughter and husband and the two grandsons she adored. Debbie, a devout Catholic,



lived her life with a strong faith and commitment to God's teachings. This faith sustained her through the loss of her first husband and her years with cancer. Debbie was not a complainer; instead she showed kindness, gentleness, peacefulness, and faithfulness, Christ-like behaviors that gave her constant strength and were inspiring to all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Maureen Gunderson of Portland; and first husband, Mike Laskowski. She is survived by her husband, Deke Berchtold of Maricopa, Arizona; daughter, Elizabeth Biller (Michael); grandsons, Noah and Jonas of Chandler, Arizona; and brother, Richard Gunderson (Laurel) of Portland.

Debbie loved her husband, family, and longtime friends Janice Hofmann and Shirley Toth. But she especially loved and was so proud of her daughter and her husband Michael, and her grandsons.

Debbie will be missed by so many! But now we all have another Angel watching over us up in Heaven.

Please pray for Debbie, her family, and all the faithfully departed from The Madeleine

