

# CHURCH OF THE MAGDALENE



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**Weekend Masses:**  
 Saturday Vigil 5:00PM  
 Sunday 9:00AM & 11:00AM  
 Monday-Friday 8:00AM  
 Confessions: Saturdays 4:30PM

## **ANNOUNCED MASSES: August 13 – August 21**

Saturday	5:00 PM	John Paul Hill	Bryant University (six sisters)
Sunday	9:00 AM	Robert Beard	Paula Periera
	11:00 AM	William Bauer	His Family
Monday	8:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Frank Marzella	Fr. Tim
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Herberet Glifort	Fr. Tim
Thursday	8:00 AM	Martha Etheridge	Todd & Roberta Ruppel
Friday	8:00 AM	Communion Service	
Saturday	5:00 PM	T. C. Gallagher	Fr. Tim
Sunday	9:00 AM	Randy Rushneck	Fr. Tim
	11:00 AM	Joseph Salek	Maureen Ball

## **Weekend Celebrants (Aug. 13 – Aug. 14)**

5:00 p.m. Sat. Fr. Tim Wiggins  
 9:00 a.m. Sun. Fr. Tim Wiggins  
 11:00 a.m. Sun. Fr. Tim Wiggins

**PRAY FOR THE SICK: James McCary, Mike Urban, Sister Danielle Baran C.R., Nancy Letizia, Joyce Carroll, Chris Batton, and Nijole Raskysl.**

## **PARISH SUPPORT & ATTENDANCE-Aug. 6-7**

5:00PM	\$1,222	60
9:00AM	\$1,577	73
11:00AM	\$778	55
Mail	\$1,245	14 pieces
WeShare	\$837	(20)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,904</b>	<b>170</b>

**THANK YOU** to those parishioners who “make up” their support for the weeks that they are away and attend other churches during the summer or other season.

**2022 CARDINAL'S APPEAL:** As of Aug. 5, 2022, there are 119 participants with a total of \$74,821.

## **PARISH CALENDAR**

<b>Aug. 19 (Fri.)</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Communion Service</b>
<b>Aug. 20 (Sat.)</b>		<b>Men's AA – 7:45-8:45 &amp; 9:00-10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Sept. 20 (Tues.)</b>		<b>Religious Education Classes Begin</b>
<b>Sept. 25 (Sun.)</b>	<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Installation Mass and Parish Picnic</b>

## **TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME August 14, 2022**

Dear Parishioners & Friends of The Magdalene:

Here we are in the middle of August! Yes, "Tempus fugit" for those of you who appreciate Latin. "Where has the time gone?" for those who speak plain old English! For me, once the Feast of the Assumption arrives and I see the "Back to School" sales appear and the freshly painted school safety signs, summer has ended. Recently a teacher commented, "I am not looking at my school emails yet."

I cannot believe I am well into my second month as your Pastor. With low attendance and the aftermath of COVID, I am still waiting to meet many of you. Your correspondences arrive in the mail along with donations and greetings, waiting to return to The Magdalene when able to do so. Until we meet,

Perhaps the following questions may enter your minds:

1. Will I like him?
2. What changes will he make?
3. Will he bore me to tears with his preaching?
4. Will he sing up a storm?
5. Will he make personnel changes?
6. What programs/masses will be eliminated/changed?

I, too, have my own questions:

1. Will they like me?
2. Will they like my style of preaching?
3. Will they like my style of Catholicism?
4. Will they appreciate my sense of humor?
5. Will they be supportive of the parish and work with me?
6. Will these pews be filled once again?

So that we ALL can be on the same page, the best way for me to communicate is through the parish bulletin and Flocknotes. Communication and transparency are the two important pillars to help us “like” each other as co-laborers to build up the Kingdom of God.

The Apostle Paul states in Hebrews, with conviction, that he and his community are surrounded by a “great cloud of witnesses”. Our Community of Faith is also surrounded by “great cloud of witnesses,” you the faithful parishioners who for the past 129 years continue to be that “cloud of witnesses” by striving for holiness and growing in relationship with Christ.

A.S.A.P. (Always Stop and Pray)

Fr. Tim

### **Sunday’s Readings and Theme**

#### **First Reading**

*Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10*

Jeremiah is punished for criticizing the wealthy for their corruption and their injustice to the poor.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 40:2-4,18*

A prayer for God's help

#### **Second Reading**

*Hebrews 12:1-4*

Let us persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus.

#### **Gospel Reading**

*Luke 12*

Jesus has come not only to bring peace but also division. (Sunday Connections)



**IS THE ASSUMPTION, AUGUST 15TH, A HOLY DAY? Yes, it is, but this year, it is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation** according to the most recent norms for being obliged to participate in Mass on Monday, August 15th.

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into heaven, before her body could begin to decay—a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. The Assumption is a dogma of the Church, “that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever

Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.” Pope Pius XII Munificentissimus Deus. Mary’s Assumption into heaven is a promise that we will join her there someday, body and soul.

**Mass will be offered at 8:00 a.m. Please join us as we honor Our Blessed Mother, assumed into heaven.**

### **ARCHDIOCESAN-WIDE SECOND & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

- Home Missions & Latin America (June 11/12) - \$513
- Black & Indian Home Mission (July 9/10 - \$403
- Society of the Propagation of the Faith (July 31) - \$1,500
- Pastoral Solidarity Fund for The Church in Africa (August 7) - \$400

Second and special collections are taken up for specific purposes within the Archdiocese, the nation, and the Church worldwide. Catholics are called to evaluate the giftedness with which God has bestowed upon us for the good of the earth and of the Kingdom and to respond with solidarity to contribute to the common good of all. Thank you for your support.

### **THE WINDOW FROM WHICH WE LOOK**

A young couple moves into a new neighborhood. The next morning while they are eating breakfast, the young woman sees her neighbor hanging wash outside. “That laundry is not very clean, she said. “She doesn’t know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better laundry soap.” Every time her neighbor would hang her wash to dry, the young woman would make the same comments.

About one month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband, "Look, she has learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her daughter this?"

The husband said, "I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows." And so, it is with life.

**What we see when watching others depends on the purity of the window through which we look.**

### **WEDDING BANNS I: Joseph F. Namy & Kristen M. Barry**

This Sunday's readings show us how the faithful must often carry on in adverse conditions that require strength and alertness as they wait for God's deliverance. Abraham's great faith serves as an example. He believed in God's promises despite obvious uncertainties.

**SAVE THE DATE: Our Annual Parish Picnic, along with Fr. Tim's Installation Mass will be held on Sunday, September 25, at 11:30.**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS: Registration:** Registration forms are in the mail. **Please return ASAP.** For *new families*, registration forms can be found in the back of the church. If any of our parishioners know of new families with children of catechetical age, please let them know of the availability of the forms in the church. You may also go to our parish website for the registration forms. For any questions, please contact Dot Meehan at 914.552.7628 or [dotmeehan@aol.com](mailto:dotmeehan@aol.com). We are looking forward to a successful in-person academic year, barring any unforeseen pandemic related issues

## **INVITATION TO SERVE THE LORD AT OUR EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

**Altar Servers:** assist the Priest in the celebration of the liturgy during Mass. Some of the Altar Server responsibilities include •Bearing the cross and candles in the entrance procession •Assisting with holy water, water, wine and offertory gifts at Mass •Assist the priest, celebrant and deacon at special liturgies when needed. All boys and girls in Grade 4 and higher are invited to serve as Altar Servers. Please contact Fr. Tim.

**Choir:** Now is the time to consider joining our choir. The Parish choir sings for the Sunday 11:00 am Mass, and for Christmas and Holy Week liturgies. We need all voices. No musical experience or prior training is necessary. “Praying Twice” is how St. Augustine describes singing in church. The energy and joy that go into raising our voice—good, bad, or not bad at all—in praise of God causes Him delight and makes us a more prayerful people. Please contact Jim Hornby at 914-592-8162.

**Lectors** proclaim the Word of God on Sundays, solemnities and feasts of the Lord so that the Faithful may come to know a deep assurance about the readings that are proclaimed. If you are interested, contact Marita McMahon at 914-347-3934.

**Eucharistic Ministers** assist the priests in administering Holy Communion to the Faithful at Mass. Offering the Body and Blood of Christ to God’s people is truly a symbol of Christ’s love. If you are interested, contact Richard Chulla at 914-631-1243.

**Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality** are responsible for welcoming parishioners and visitors, taking the head count, handing out the bulletins, and taking up the weekly offertory. Overall, they help to maintain order during our services.

**Training sessions will be held in September.**

**PS: If you wish to assist at Fr. Tim’s Installation Mass at 11:30 a.m. on September 25, please contact Fr. Tim.**

## **WHY REGISTER IN THE PARISH?**

**First,** Registered members of the parish can request an accounting of all contributions for tax purposes. The amount that anyone puts in the contribution envelopes is never dictated by the parish; that is decided by each parishioner and the limits of their individual generosity.

**Second,** More and more parishes require a letter to vouch for you to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Through participating in the Saturday or Sunday Eucharistic liturgies also witnesses for you, should you need a letter of recommendation.

**Third,** Everyone registered is officially certified as a member of the parish, who supports the parish and is spiritually enriched by the parish.

**Fourth,** Our voice counts, that is, when decisions are being considered. ALL communications will be sent through our envelope company, DP Murphy, to your home. Thank you if you are already registered, and thank you, if you will seriously consider registering now.