St. Mary Magdalen Parish
First Mass Celebrated on September 7, 1919

Fourteenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
JULY 9, 2017

“Come to me all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”
MATTHEW 11:28

Rev. Msgr. John J. Borcic, Pastor
Rev. John V. Kerber, Retired
Deacon Joseph J. Iovanna

New Parishioners are Welcome!
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St. Mary Magdalen Parish

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Rectory Office Hours
8:30am —  7:30pm  Monday through Thursday
8:30am —  4:00pm  Friday

Closed
Saturday and Sundays, National Holidays and Holy Days of Obligation

Mass Schedule
Weekend Masses:
Saturday: 4:30pm  Monday thru Friday:  8:00am
Sunday: 8:00am and 10:30am

Daily Rosary: Mon. thru Fri. before 8:00am Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every first Friday of the month from 8:30am until 12-noon

Holy Hour: Every 1st Saturday of the month at 9:15am

Sacrament of Baptism:
Please contact the Rectory

Weddings:
Couples contemplating Marriage should contact the Pastor as soon as they have made a decision to marry and at least six months prior to their intended date of Marriage so that proper preparations can be made.

Communion to the Sick:
We are happy to bring Holy Communion to those who are confined to their homes. Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Perpetual Help Devotions:
Tuesday following 8:00am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday between 3:30pm and 4:10pm (or by appointment)

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From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Next weekend our parish will once again participate in the Mission Cooperation Plan. This year we will hear about the needs for the Byumba Diocese in Rwanda. Our speaker will be Father Expedito Musonge. He asked that I share with you a little bit about the needs for which he will be preaching as part of the Missionary Plan of Cooperation.

The Byumba Catholic Diocese, created in 1981, is one of nine dioceses in Rwanda. It has a total of 19 parishes and covers an area of almost 3,200 square miles. The population of that area as of 2015 is 1,483,699 of which 716,011 are Roman Catholic (51% of the population). There are 123 active priests and 164 women and men religious. All things being equal each priest must respond to the needs of over 5,821 parishioners living in a 26 square mile area.

The City of St. Louis is just under 66 square miles and the Roman Catholic population is 49,000, a little over 15% of the entire population of the City. Imagine the Catholics in the entire City of St. Louis (determined by square miles) having to be served by only three priests. Imagine if there so few priests in the City that each one had to care for 5,821 parishioners (determined by population). The number would come out to 9 priests total. And what a difference between modern buildings, modes of transportation, fire and police protection, and other comforts which don’t exist in Rwanda.

This diocese went through terrible effects of a horrendous war from 1990-1994. Many lives were lost during that time including numerous Catholic laity, one bishop and 16 priests. A lot of the church infrastructures and property were destroyed. Today, some 23 years later, the Church of Byumba is still grappling with post genocidal impacts: trauma, fear, mistrust, hatred, and all forms of ill feelings.

It is desired that a multipurpose apartment building be constructed at a boys’ and girls’ high school, Don Bosco de Rushaki. When completed, the apartment building will serve as a multipurpose accommodation for female students during school time and as a lodging facility during vacation time. It is believed that the construction of this building will ultimately become a pivotal training center of youth pastoral programs helping to combat the negative impacts of war, and specifically leading young people and future generations to live lives of peace, reconciliation, harmony, personal responsibility, and good community leadership.

No donation is too large or too small to help the people of this diocese to heal from the effects of death and destruction still being felt more than 23 years after the genocidal war in Rwanda. For example, $20.00 can buy a 110 pound bag of cement from which 300-350 bricks can be made for the construction of the building.

Please welcome Father Muswonge next week, listen to his humble plea for help, and respond generously again this year to the Missionary Plan of Cooperation. An envelope is in your packet for this purpose. He, and all who continue to witness to the Gospel in places that are most difficult in which to exist, extremely dangerous, and in need of an enormous amount of healing, renewal, and development, are most grateful.

God bless,
Msgr. John Borcic

Weekly message from our Holy Father, Pope Francis:

English:
“Our prayer cannot be reduced to an hour on Sundays. It is important to have a daily relationship with the Lord.”

Spanish:
“Nuestra oración no puede reducirse a una hora los domingos. Es importante tener una relación diaria con el Señor.”

Bosnian:
“Naša molitva se ne može svesti na sat nedeljom. Važno je imati svakodnevni odnos sa Gospodinom.”
We have been invited to celebrate our parish feast day with our brothers and sisters of Saint Mary Magdalen Parish in Brentwood on July 21, 2017.

Last year many parishioners of our sister parish, St. Mary Magdalen (Brentwood) joined us here for Holy Mass and dinner. It was a great joint celebration. This year they have invited us to join them for Holy Mass and dinner at their parish. The celebration will take place on Friday, July 21st, with Mass beginning at 6pm and dinner to follow. It is my hope that many, many of our parishioners will join them for that joyous occasion.

It would be wonderful if we could respond this year with as large a number of people as they had last year. To make it easy for everyone I am offering to provide bus transportation between the two parishes for that night at no charge. The bus will leave our parish parking lot around 5:15pm that evening and return shortly after dinner – hopefully no later than 8:15pm.

If you are interested in attending and would like to take advantage of the transportation provided, please call Fran to make your reservation. Or fill out the form below and return it to the rectory. In order that we might secure the right size bus for that evening, please let us know no later than July 17th.

( cut here and return to the rectory)

_____ Yes, I look forward to joining in the celebration of our parish feast day at St. Mary Magdalen Church in Brentwood on Friday, July 21st.

_____ I would like to make a reservation for the bus transportation for that evening.

Name: _________________________________
Phone: ___________________
Hosted by
The Knights of Columbus
Ladies Auxiliary

on
Saturday, July 22, 2017
after
The 4:30pm Mass
in the School Hall

It’s mid-summer and you know it’s just going to be much too hot to cook in the kitchen. So let us serve you up a hot-dog, a bag of chips and a soda...throw in a pretzel while you’re at it!!!

For dessert, how about a ice cream sundae!!!

ONLY $1.00 PER ITEM

So beat the heat and join the Ladies for a Good Old Fashion Ice Cream Social! It’s a great time!

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Quilters Raffle Drawing
that evening too!!!

The quilt raffled off that evening is a colorful pattern of blue, green and purple!

Prisoner Bike Repair Program Benefits St. Louis Kids

Fr. Thomas Bryon’s Caritas Organization is working with the downtown St. Louis U.S. Probation Office who is helping to provide bikes to St. Louis-area children. Under the program, prisoners at USP Marion are refurbishing old bicycles and donating them to children who might not otherwise have a ride. Last year over 25 bikes were collected and are in-service throughout the metropolitan area.

If you have a bike, in any condition, OR, just parts of a bike, contact Joe Miklovic @ 353-1062 for pick-up or questions.

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Fatima Message, Monsignor Eugene Morris will conduct a Fatima Symposium on Thursday, July 13 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 4092 Blow Street. Registration begins at 8 AM and the program concludes at 3 PM. Monsignor will speak on the importance of the Fatima Message for today. Mass, Rosary, Confessions and Benediction will be part of the program. The cost is $20 which includes lunch. To make a reservation by July 3, send a check payable to the World Apostolate of Fatima and mail to 6009 Heege Road, Saint Louis, MO. 63123. For questions call Celeste, (314) 918-8323.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.
-Psalm 145:8

This week in our Parish...

*Pastor: Fr. Thomas Bryon

Daily  8:00 am Mass Monday thru Friday

Monday, July 10, 2017
Quilters  9:00a  Qrm

Tuesday, July 11, 2017
KColumbus Mtg  7:00p  KCrm

Thursday, July 13, 2017
Oremus  7-8:15p  Classrm 104/SH

Saturday, July 14, 2017
Reconciliation  3:30-4:15  CH
Mass  4:30p  CH

Sunday, July 15, 2017
Mass  8:00a & 10:30a  CH
**Book Fair**
The Women’s Guild of Our Lady of Sorrows Church is sponsoring a Book Fair. Thousands of books just waiting to be purchased and enjoyed. There are books to please everyone from pre-birth to their final days and beyond. They’ll tell you how to catch food, cook it, eat it and then diet to take it off! Books for kids, teens, Historians, arm-chair detectives, romance seekers, puzzles and videos, tapes, DVDs—just non-ending categories! Prices are outstanding ($1.00 for hard-backs, 50 cents for paperbacks and kids books from 5-25 cents)! Located in Faenger Hall (on Rhodes, right behind the church and school).

- July 15 8am-6pm
- July 16 9am-1pm
- July 17-22 5:30pm-8pm
- July 23 8am-1pm

Questions call Linda at 752-4660. Don’t miss this spectacular event where you can buy plenty of books for the family and STILL be able to afford to go out to dinner!

**THE ARCHANGEL PLAYERS**
of St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish are proud to present

**THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE.**
Friday and Saturday, July 14 & 15 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, July 16 at 2:00 p.m. in the air-conditioned gymnasium of St. Gabriel the Archangel School at 4711 Tamm (near Nottingham).

For tickets or more information, please call 314-656-6303, or write us at archangel.players@stgabrielstl.org.

**Celebration of**
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
St. Cecilia Parish (corner of Alaska Ave. and Eiler Street, 63111) will celebrate a special Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on Saturday, July 15th at 5:00pm. The Mass will be in Spanish, however all are welcome! There will be a gathering following Mass in the Centennial Room, Chilean food and drink for sale. Please join us.

**Snap shots by Marilyn**

A shout out to two great guys that keep this place in tip-top shape!
Our Parish says ...Thank you to Steve and Nick!

Nick Rettig & Steve Jackson
Please pray for healing and strength for… William Auchlly, Andy Barker, Janet Barmeier, Nancy Birkenmeier, Rob Brand, Kenny Brown, Mike Buck, Jamie Christopher, Rosella Coffey, Fred Commons, Grant Crisp, Michael DeBarry, George Dent, Ben Eldridge, Carrie Epperson, Pat Fahey, Leo Fleming, William Fortner, Genny Fujsariski, Kyle Gabris, Marie Gambino, Ellen Gianella, Tony Greco, Dolores Greer, Thelma Guittar, Pete Harvatin, Cynthia Henderson, Ed Howard, Margaret Jackson, Geraldine Karlsen, Marie Kellner, Michael Krawczyk, Patricia Kennedy, Lola & Phoenix, Mamie Lawless, Margaret Lyons, Eric Mather, Mary Mather, Irene Mazzola, Jackie McGilligan, Juliane McMiller, Richard Merli, Bob Meyer, Lou Ann Michaels, Sue Micciche, Sam Miklovic, Ray Miles, Julie Moser, Cookie Muntges, Liam Niemira, Kris Onanian, Carl Ovian, Jim Pace, Marietta Palguta, Baby Leona Rathburn, Diane Roeder, Mike Savens, Marge Scheu, Marion Schonhoff, Curt Schuchardt, Leah Sewester, Steve Snelling, Becca Niemira Steinmetz, Dodie Stollhans, Jean Sullivan, Russ Tweedy, Margaret Yates Wheless, Agnes Wiltgen, Bob Wolf, Lois Zitzmann, … and for all our homebound and nursing home parishioners and for their family and friends who take care of them.

Lector
Saturday, July 15, 2017 4:30 PM  
Jim Abkemeier  
Sunday, July 16, 2017 8:00 AM  
Julie Laury  
Sunday, July 16, 2017 10:30 AM  
Sara Marek

Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday, July 15, 2017 4:30 PM  
Margaret O’Donoghue, Kris Onanian  
Alt: Nancy Sewester  
Sunday, July 16, 2017 8:00 AM  
Mark Laury, Nancy Sewester  
Alt: Mary Dooling  
Sunday, July 16, 2017 10:30AM  
Bob & Miriam Marek, Garth Weihl, Kathy Ray  
Alt: Mary Elkins

Servers
Saturday, July 15, 2017 4:30 PM  
Harry Signaigo  
Sunday, July 16, 2017 8:00 AM  
Vincent, Zelle, Ada Laury  
Sunday, July 16, 2017 10:30 AM  
Alex, Tiffany Sakamoto

Stewardship Reflection
“For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”  
-MATTHEW 11:30

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion of what He has already given us.

The 69th Annual Novena to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will be held at the Carmel of St. Joseph (9150 Clayton Rd., 63124) from Saturday, July 8 to Sunday, July 16. This year’s Novena Speaker is Msgr. Timothy Cronin, and the theme will be The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Temple of the Holy Spirit. During the Novena, service begin with Marian Music in the chapel at 6:45pm, Rosary and Benediction at 7:15pm. And Mass in the Garden of Carmel at 8:00pm.
14th Sunday In Ordinary Time

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