

# Mary Magdalene Church

An Inclusive Church in the Catholic Tradition



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Mary Magdalene Church is an inclusive church in the Catholic tradition, where people from all faiths and backgrounds are welcome to the Lord's Table. We strive to live the values that Jesus taught, to honor and respect each individual and to share the joy of God's unconditional love, in our community and beyond.

Join Us for Worship

**ALL are always welcome to our Eucharistic Table!**

Mary Magdalene Church Bulletin

September 3, 2017



Everybody needs beauty  
as well as bread,  
places to play in and pray in,  
where nature may heal  
and give strength  
to body and soul.

-John Muir-

Greetings friend!

It has been difficult to see the devastation in Houston Texas this week from Hurricane Harvey. It is certainly very reminiscent of Katrina. So many people homeless, without adequate insurance they are left devastated. This weekend we are going to take a second collection to help in any way we can with relief efforts. So often those who are poor are the most impacted when disaster strikes as they don't have the resources to pick their lives up again and rebuild from nothing!! It seems these natural disasters are happening more and more in our world today and climate change may be a large part of these events. On September 24 after Mass, our Gaia Team will be sponsoring an opportunity to watch the movie "An Inconvenient Truth" together and discuss it. (This is the movie Al Gore produced on climate change.) They will also be planning to see the sequel to this movie that is out in theatres right now. Watch for more information on this opportunity.

While it is important to be compassionate and do what we can whenever and wherever disaster occurs, it also calls on us to act close to home, as we know there are many in our area who are one step away from devastation at any minute of every day, many of whom live in deplorable conditions and do not even have their basic needs met. In a couple of weeks Rev Chava Redonnet, the pastor of St Oscar Romero Inclusive Catholic Church, will be with us to share her experiences of working with some of the working poor. Chava is a sister priest in the Rochester area that I have known for many years through Corpus Christi and later Spiritus Christi. Since the beginning of her ministry she has felt called (and very faithfully is living that call) of working with the migrant farm community. Recently St Romero's was able to purchase a house for continued and improved ministry to the farm workers!! This was a dream that had been perking in Chava's heart for some time. (In many ways, I see their story very similar to our story of purchasing our church home, in that it was very obvious that the Holy Spirit was working overtime!!) Mary Magdalene Church will be hosting a couple of fund-raising events for "Serenity House" including our Acoustic Soul Concert on September 27. Watch for more information about this in the coming weeks!! Next week is the deadline for registering for the golf tournament! This is open to any and all!! One does not have to be a golf pro or even enthusiast to join us!! We had a great time last year and I look forward to a great event again this year!! I hope you'll join us, and if you'd really rather not golf- join us for dinner at 4:00!! Registration forms are on the welcoming table and you can give your registration to Pat Moriarty, Chris O'Brien, Jerry Janas, Ronnie McCallum or myself. You can also mail it on: 1008 Main Street, East Rochester, NY 14445, or put them in the lock box on the table next to the church office. Please include your registration fee of \$60 for those playing golf, or \$20 for those who are coming just for dinner. (Your \$60 registration fee covers 9 holes of golf, a golf cart, dinner and a "hole" lot of fun!! Please know this is a suggested donation as it includes a donation to East Rochester Community Resource Center- if this is beyond your ability give what you can!) After Mass next weekend (Sept 10) I will be offering an information meeting about the Feb 16 Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi that I will be leading. If you're curious or would like more information please join us, and if you send me an email I can send you the detailed itinerary and information.

This weekend I'm camping with a group of parishioners at Country Charm Campground! We're having a great time and after Mass today I'll be heading down for the rest of the Labor Day weekend. I love this community!!!!

This comes with love

Rev Denise

More Information from Kathy Welch about the upcoming Enneagram Study:

I am so looking forward to being with those who can join us for the Enneagram study in the Library at Mary Magdalene this fall!

I don't know about you, but for me it has taken a lot of years of hearing about the True Self and the False Self to begin to *get it*. For a long time I carried around the "big picture" of what those terms meant and how they worked within me, only to come to the realization that the "big picture" wasn't helping my day-to-day awareness be more focused on God ... on Love. Once I got more curious about that, paths to deeper and more functional understanding started to appear. One of those paths is the Enneagram; and I am forever grateful for this tool that helps me reconnect to my True Self's path in-the-moment ... in the reality of my reactions and responses to all that life brings. It is my helper and guide as I seek to more habitually see God moving in ALL of me and ALL of you, and ALL that is going on between and around us.

Our 3 Enneagram Study sessions will be held from 9:00 – 12:00 on Saturdays, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup>. Each session will lovingly and humorously (!) explore the True and False Selves of the nine Enneagram personality types as well as our interaction with other types within us and around us. So it is important to mark all three sessions on your calendar!

Please RSVP so that I can prepare materials for us all: call or text (585) 739-8471, or email [kawelch3@gmail.com](mailto:kawelch3@gmail.com). I really look forward to hearing from you! ~ Kathy

Ez 33:7-9  
Rom 13:8-10  
Mt 18:15-20

Automatic Giving: \$929  
Rent: \$40

Sunday, August 27, 2017  
Attendance: 40 people  
Sunday Collection: \$100  
Automatic Giving: \$499

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## Happenings, Events, Celebrations & Opportunities

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Enneagram Workshop with Kathy Welch  
Saturday Mornings  
Sept 23, 30 & October 14  
9:00-12:00

\$20 donation to cover the cost of the book and light refreshments.  
RSVP to Kathy Welch: [kawelch3@gmail.com](mailto:kawelch3@gmail.com)

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Our Gaia Team invites you to  
**Bring Your Mug to Church!!**  
You will find a rack on the wall in Fellowship  
Hall  
for you to hang your own mug.  
Bring in a funny mug,  
or one that you enjoy.

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Save the Date:

Sunday, Sept 10 after Mass  
Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi  
Slide Presentation  
& Information Meeting

This is for anyone who is interested,  
thinking about it, "I'd love to... but"  
or just curious!!

Feel free to invite others who  
may be interested.

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Sunday, Sept 17 at 1:00  
Southern Meadows in Rush

2nd Annual MMC Scramble Golf  
Tournament to benefit the  
ER Community Resource Center

\$60 for 9 Holes, Golf Cart & Supper  
\$20 Dinner only

Donation of Cleaning supplies, Toiletries or  
non-perishable food gets you a mulligan!

DEADLINE for registration:  
Sunday, Sept 10  
Entrance fee due at time of registration

Do you have someone you  
want us to pray for?

To add someone to the prayer chain contact:  
Christine Kaiser  
[cmkaiser@rochester.rr.com](mailto:cmkaiser@rochester.rr.com)  
Or Joann Corso at 223-5682

If you'd like a prayer intention mentioned in  
the bulletin please send names and a short  
description of the prayer intention to:  
Sandy McNamara  
[sandram66@aol.com](mailto:sandram66@aol.com)  
by Friday of each week.

If you'd like Rev Denise to make a pastoral  
call or hospital visit please  
contact her directly:  
[revdenised@gmail.com](mailto:revdenised@gmail.com) Or  
585-329-0895

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Beginning in September  
4th Sunday of every month

Family Mass  
Children & Youth invited to participate

Mass will be no more than 45 minutes to  
accommodate children's attention span

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### UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS:

Friday, Sept 29  
Acoustic Soul Concert

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A Course in Miracles  
led by Dijana Winter  
Thursday nights beginning Oct 26

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Sunday Sept 24 after Mass  
**AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH**  
Movie & Discussion  
details to follow  
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**Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi**  
7 days in Rome  
3 days in Assisi  
Rev Denise will be leading this tour in 2018

See the Coliseum, Roman Forum, Sistine Chapel, the Vatican Museum receive a papal blessing, and the Basilica's of Sts Francis & Clare in Assisi.

Special focus on evidence of ordained women in the early church.

Friday, Feb 16 - Sunday, Feb 25  
\$1,750 + airfare

If you are interested please let Rev Denise know.  
Information Meeting Sunday Sept 10 after Mass.



## CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICES

Thursdays 6:45-7:30

Jim Bridges and Kathy Welch lead these services providing prayer, contemplation and music.

What a beautiful way to begin the day!  
All are welcome!!



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**OUR CHURCH LIBRARY**

Prayer Book





Please write names of people you are praying for in the Prayer Request Book on the Welcoming Table.

Here at MMC Coffee hour after Mass is something we look forward to.

Please sign up to host. Duties are light -prepare a simple snack, make coffee, clean up. Sign-up sheet is on Welcome Table

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