

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

October 8, 2017



LET US MAKE HUMAN BEING
IN OUR OWN
IMAGE AND LIKENESS

AND GOD SAW
THAT IT WAS GOOD!

Greetings friend!

First, I wish to thank all of you who are praying for me, have sent emails or texts in response to my letter advising you that I've been nominated to be a bishop in the Ecumenical Catholic Communion. As I said in my letter, this is not a "done deal." One of the beauties of the ECC is that Bishops are not "appointed" in a top down fashion, instead they are elected by the people they will serve. Nominations are open until Oct 22. Assuming there are other candidates who are nominated, there will be time for the delegates to get to know each of us better, our aspirations for the communion and the gifts that we each bring, via conference calls and emails. Then there will be an election mid-December, with the consecration occurring after the first of the year.

I will be taking this week to pray deeply on retreat and I will be trying to listen carefully to the Spirit's movement within. As I said the other day- I feel blessed every day to have so much love and support, but even more than that- I am so glad to be walking this journey with you. We're good together! I do want to assure you that if this is the plan of the Holy Spirit, I will not be deserting Mary Magdalene Church! I will be away more than I am now, and we'll have some adjustments along the way, but if this is the Spirit's plan, we won't be walking it alone.

As you pray this week along with me, please be aware of any concerns that crop up, or any questions you may have. Next Sunday, Oct 15 we will have an opportunity to talk about this during our Parish Community Forum, so please bring your questions, comments and/or concerns right there. Given the fact that we have a packed agenda for this Forum it might be a bit longer than usual, but we will try to not let it go over too much

Next Sunday, Oct 15 is our first Children's Liturgy of the Word, and the following Sunday, Oct 22 is our next Family Mass. Also save Oct 29, as Dijana Winter will be

with us at the coffee hour to tell us a bit about a Course in Miracles. That program will begin the following Thursday, Nov 2 at 7:00

Please note that our next RAIHN rotation is right around the corner, Oct 29-Nov 5. Lynne will be looking for people to help with preparing meals, staying overnight on Sunday Oct 29, helping with arrival or departure, etc. Please let her know if you can help.

You're the best!
With love
Rev Denise

From Dijana Winter who will lead us in A Course in Miracles:

The *Course* assures us that our guiltless and holy nature can be remembered and lived *now*. It teaches us how and why we resist our sacred nature. It teaches us that our core nature *is* Love. It teaches that we can never be outside of Love.

God's certainty that our spiritual essence, the exquisite expression - the image and likeness - of His Own Selfhood, i.e., Love, Spirit, Light, Life, Holiness, Kindness, Strength, *can* become our very own. As our perception shifts about *what* we are, our lives begin to change. Peace, calm, happiness, fulfillment, trust and laughter become more and more available as we apply the teachings in the *Course* and turn within for guidance.

We *can* learn to see ourselves and the world differently. We *can* live with real trust, face the world's threats without fear, laugh more often than we might expect, and we *can* become certain of our inner and only 'good enough.'
We *can* awaken to the Divine.

I hope you can join us. The Introduction to the Course and what to expect on Sunday, October 29 could help you to decide.

Through study of the text and practice of the lessons, we learn to distinguish between the truth of what we *are* and that which we can never be. We *can* learn to recognize ways in which we resist our own happiness in order to support a false sense of identity, how to let go of misperceptions about ourselves and our world, and how to apply what we are learning in our daily experiences. Our time together will include reading, teaching, discussion and sharing questions as well as insight.

Feel free to call or text for further information: 585-703-1914 or email: winterdijana@gmail.com

Dijana Winter:

Introduced to *the Course* in the '80s, I have been leading Study-Groups, Retreats and Workshops since 1992 in the Boston area and since 2001 in the Rochester/Finger Lakes Region of NY.

A Course in Miracles gave me a context for understanding spiritual experiences that began in 1988. They, in turn, provide me with a spiritual understanding of the teaching.

A willingness to listen to a knowledge beyond my own guides my work. A Psychotherapist since 1986 and Course facilitator since 1992, all my work with men and women is grounded in my acknowledgement of their innate Completeness and my commitment to their Awakened sense of their Wholeness.

Readings for October 15, 2017

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Is 25:6-10a](#)

[Phil 4:12-14, 19-20](#)

[Mt 22:1-14](#)

Sunday, October 1, 2017

Attendance: 47 people

Sunday Collection: \$219

Automatic Giving: \$1,249

Happenings, Events, Celebrations & Opportunities

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#### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING:

Children's Liturgy of the Word

2nd Sunday of each Month

Children's Liturgy of the Word - Oct 15, 2017

Family Mass

4th Sunday of each month

Family Mass- Oct 22, 2017

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Parish Community Forum

Sunday Oct 15 after Mass

Agenda to include:

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### A COURSE IN MIRACLES

Sunday 10/29 Coffee Hour presentation

This is a wonderful opportunity  
to learn a bit about the Course!

Course begins Thursday Nov 2, 6:45-8:30  
We will be lead by Dijana Winter, who's been leading  
groups through a Course in Miracles since 1992  
All are Welcome.

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ROCovery Spirituality Group

First Wed of every month at 7:00
at ROCovery Fitness Center
1035 Dewey Ave, Rochester

Led by Rev Denise & Peter Veitch
This group is open to all who are impacted by
recovery or addiction, including recovering individuals,
parents, family or friends.

ALL ARE WELCOME

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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### RESOURCE CENTER UPDATE

"Please review the list of needs for the  
center. The tags are located on the bulletin  
board near the welcome table. These are the  
goods that are needed on a regular basis.  
Thank you in advance for your generosity."  
Your brother in Christ - Jerry Janas

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ECC DELEGATES

Would you be interested in
representing Mary Magdalene Church
at the ECC Synod every other year?
Would you be willing to keep our
community updated on information
coming from the ECC?
MMC is entitled to 3 lay delegates to be
a part of the House of Laity.
If this is of interest to you or if you have
any questions please let Rev Denise
know.

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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



WANTED:  
DONUTS, MUFFINS,  
COFFEE!!!!

Coffee Hour needs your  
help!!

If you can host an upcoming coffee hour  
your reward will be great in heaven!!!

It's very easy:  
Stop at Wegmans on the way to church...  
(or bake the night before)

Make sure the coffee is started.....  
(Many thanks to Michael Conley:  
"our faithful coffee maker")

Come up for Mass

Enjoy friends over a cup of coffee

And stay to clean-up!!

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POSTPONED TILL FEB 2019

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.



## CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICES

Thursdays 6:45-7:30

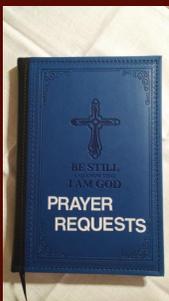
Jim Bridges and Kathy Welch lead these services providing prayer, contemplation and music.

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



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### Prayer Book

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

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