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Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month immediately following the 11 AM Mass. Prior to Baptism, parents should attend a Pre-Jordan class held in our Spiritual Life Center. To register for Baptism, complete our application on the parish website, www.stmadelineparish.com/baptism, and we will contact you.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples planning marriage should contact the rectory no less than six months prior to the intended date. Pre-Cana Seminar on Marriage is required.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Every Saturday at 3 PM in church and anytime by appointment.

Adoration: Every Monday at 8:30 AM until Benediction at 4 PM in church.

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet: Monday to Friday after the 8 AM Mass.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: We are on call for Taylor Hospital every Tuesday. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit on Sunday. Please register as “Catholic” when admitted and contact the rectory for pastoral visits while in the hospital.

Welcome New Parishioners! Complete our registration form on the parish website, www.stmadelineparish.com, or contact the rectory.

Rectory Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 10 AM - 2 PM

July 26, 2020
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. John Flanagan (Pastor)
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Mass Schedule
Daily Mass: 8 AM
Saturday: 3 PM (Confessions), 4 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 11 AM, 5 PM
Holy Days: As published

Church: 400 Morton Avenue, Ridley Park
Rectory: 110 Park Street, Ridley Park 610-532-6880 www.stmadelineparish.com
Spiritual Life Center: 405 Tome Street, Ridley Park

ST. JAMES REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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Sue Eubanks (School Manager)
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### Mass Intentions

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<td>Saturday, July 25</td>
<td>Saint James, Apostle</td>
<td>4:00 PM</td>
<td>† Norman &amp; Mary Jane Chartier, for their 61st Wedding Anniversary (LIVING)</td>
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<td>Sunday, July 26</td>
<td>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</td>
<td>8:30 AM</td>
<td>† Joan Martella, Boyle Family</td>
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<td>† Bridget Bellissimo, McHale Family</td>
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<td>Monday, July 27</td>
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<td>8:00 AM</td>
<td>† Joseph Murphy, Pat Murphy</td>
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<td>Tuesday, July 28</td>
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<td>8:00 AM</td>
<td>† Tom Glessner, St. Madeline Rosary Group</td>
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<td>Wednesday, July 29</td>
<td>Saint Martha</td>
<td>8:00 AM</td>
<td>† Bob &amp; Margaret McGowan, Sr, Fran McGowan</td>
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<td>8:00 AM</td>
<td>† Ellen Dougherty, St. Madeline Rosary Group</td>
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<td>Friday, July 31</td>
<td>Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</td>
<td>8:00 AM</td>
<td>† Dolores Cirillo, Mark &amp; Marianne Leamy</td>
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<td>Saturday, August 1</td>
<td>Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</td>
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<td>† Nancy Cute, Cheryl Marcum and Family</td>
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<td>Sunday, August 2</td>
<td>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</td>
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<td>† Stephen Pollard, St. Madeline Community of Disciples</td>
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### From Fr. Flanagan

Dear St. Madeline Family,

**“Arise - Restoring Catholic Life after the Pandemic”**

Happy Feast Day!

July 22nd is the feast day of St. Madeline Parish and St. Mary Magdalene, with Magdalene being the French version of Magdalene. The parish founding father, Fred Michell was the head of other area businessmen who helped to find and contribute to a new church in Ridley Park in 1907, and here we are today. Fred Michell was a very generous and civic-minded man. Upon his death in 1928, he left his house as a convent for the nuns of St. Madeline’s. Do you remember why the parish was named St. Madeline? That was the name of Fred’s wife.

Parish history is our history and most of that is family history. The parish has a storied history of many longtime families and now newer ones too. Family life is really what makes a parish run.

Looking at the 75th anniversary book (1983) and in light of the parish feast day, I will add some words of John Cardinal Krol on the occasion of the anniversary:

“In the celebration of this anniversary, we look back with joy upon the many past achievements of Saint Madeline Parish and call upon each member of the parish family to allow the seventy-fifth anniversary to be a time of rededication to the work of proclaiming the Gospel in our lives.”

“It is my prayer that God will continue to shower his richest graces upon all the parishioners of Saint Madeline Parish during this anniversary year, and that His peace will reign in the hearts of all the faithful.”

May this year’s feast be a similar time to proudly look back and reflect, and now to look ahead and rededicate our lives, our families and our parish to the graces of both Jesus and Mary, who lead us to true and lasting peace.

God bless you and God bless the St. Mad’s Family!

Peace,

Fr. John Flanagan

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**St. Madeline Live Stream Mass on Facebook:**

Monday to Friday at 8 AM
Saturday at 4 PM

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**Arise: Restoring Catholic Life after the Pandemic**

“He has risen; he is not here; see the place where they laid him.”

– Mark 16:6

The Archdiocese is providing resources, guidelines, recommendations and directives for the period following the lifting of the COVID19 restrictions.

Please visit their website: [http://archphila.org/arise/](http://archphila.org/arise/)

Thank you!
Parish News

Baptisms: We welcome Emily Rose Eshelman as a new member of our community, born of water and the Holy Spirit.

Deaths: Our sympathy, prayers and love are extended to the family and friends of Jacqueline Hodges.

July 26 through August 1:
The Vigil Candle on the Blessed Mother Altar has been lit in memory of Tom Glessner at the request of the St. Madeline Rosary Group.

Rectory Office Hours: 10 AM - 2 PM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
- The rectory office is open for pick-up items. You are encouraged to call or email beforehand so we can have your item ready. Please wear a mask; hand sanitizer will be available at the door. Please continue to drop off items in the front door mail slot to ensure social distancing.

Event Updates: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the following special events have been canceled. We will inform you if they get rescheduled. Thank you!
- Food Drive, August 8 & 9
- St. Madeline Café, August 11
- Food Drive, September 12 & 13
- Food Drive, October 10 & 11

St. Madeline Chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Our ministry, made up of volunteer parishioners, is committed to helping people in need, throughout the virus pandemic, with resources and support. If you, or someone you know in our parish area, needs our help, please contact the rectory, 610-532-6880.
- As always, all communication with our SVdP ministry is confidential. If you learn of someone outside of our parish area that needs our help, have them contact DelcoSVdPHelp@gmail.com.

SUNDAY MASS READINGS:
Reading I: 1 Kings 3: 5, 7-12
In his dream, Solomon answers God’s gift offer by asking for “an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong.” God was pleased with that request.

Reading II: Romans 8: 28-30
Through the Holy Spirit, the Christian becomes a child of God, being conformed to the Son’s image, and destined for justification and glory.

Jesus uses three parables to describe the kingdom of God. The wise person will learn from them, and seek the reign of God as he treasures it above all else.

Keep Cool Campaign Update: We need you to keep us cool!
Thank you! Donations to the “Keep Cool Campaign” have now totaled over $133,472. The Goal is $220,000. We have received contributions ranging from $25 to a new high of $10,000! Thank you very much and God bless you!

Fundraising options:
* Keep Cool Campaign envelopes are available in Church.
* Donations may be made through our website at Keep Cool Campaign.
* Monthly and Annual Pledges are an option.
* All proceeds from the Parish Cookbook and Christmas Ornaments.
* Funeral Memorial donations may be applied to the Keep Cool Campaign.
* A parish-wide letter will be mailed soliciting funds.

Please consider making a donation for your Church and this project. We have not asked for funds for capital projects in recent history. Many people make charitable donations – please consider your parish and our campaign. There may be some parishioners who would consider a one-time or two-year significant donation. All help is greatly appreciated. If you cannot donate at this time, please consider it in the future.

“For God loves a cheerful giver.” Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work”.

Thank you to everyone who has donated and to those who are considering in the future! May God bless you for your generosity and your love of our beautiful parish!

DON’T FORGET OUR BULLETIN ADVERTISERS

Support your community

Please stay informed and connect with St. Madeline’s through Facebook and Email.
We will keep you posted about current and post-pandemic news.
Our Parish Newsletter is sent weekly by email. Contact: avery.stmadeline@gmail.com
The benefits of giving through a bequest are significant. This is one way that will ensure that St. Madeline Parish will continue into the future and will be able to further all the good works that have been done here in the past. Thank you very much to those who are still contributing by putting your church envelopes in the Rectory mail slot, mailing them, using Parish Giving or the new Weekly Offering tab on the website. In these tough times, it is appreciated very much. God bless you for your goodness. Thank you for your sacrifice, kindness and generosity to St. Madeline Parish!

- Fr. John Flanagan

**Financial Facts**

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**St. James Regional Catholic School**

From Mrs. Cerabino's Desk...

Please keep in your daily prayers our St. James Families, relatives, friends and all who are being affected with the COVID-19 virus that God will continue to free their heart from sadness. A mind free of worries. A life full of gladness. A body free of illness, and a spirit full of God’s blessings!

- We look forward to welcoming our faculty back to school on Tuesday, September 8th and our children back to school on Wednesday, September 9th.

May God continue to keep us safe and healthy.

We are called to be Pillars of Faith...lighting the path to God’s presence in you.

Information on touring and/or registering for our wonderful school may be obtained by contacting the school office.

**St. Madeline PREP**

**DEADLINE: August 1st**

PREP Registration 2020-2021: It is time to register for the upcoming PREP year. All forms are completed online. Please click on this PREP link on our parish website: https://stmadelineparish.com/prep-home

- If your children are presently in our program, select the RETURNING FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM. Even if you have a new LEVEL 1 student and other children already in our program, you will select RETURNING FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM.
- If your child is new to our program, select the NEW FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM.

Please email our parish Director of Religious Education, Eileen Boyle, with any questions: preprus@comcast.net

**God Bless All Who Serve the USA**

Please pray for the following members of our parish family who are currently serving in the United States Military:

- MSgt. April Ashjian
- MSgt. Justin Ashjian
- PVT Joseph Caponigro
- PVT Jason Cavaliere, Jr.
- Cpl. Vincent Anthony DeGori Jr.
- Cpl. Vincent Anthony DeGori Jr.
- SPC Andrew Gieder
- PFC Pacey Lenge
- CTT II Jesse Mellem

**Neighborhood News**

St. Thomas Monastery, Long-Term Care Facility of the Augustinian Friars, located on the campus of Villanova University, is looking for a per diem Front Desk Receptionist. Responsibilities: greet visitors, answer phones, assist Friars with minor requests. Looking for someone to work on Tues & Thurs, 2-7 PM, and Saturdays, 9 AM – 2 PM, and to share filling in for other co-workers at times. Background History Check done upon application. Position pays minimum wage and requires the purchase of an annual parking pass of $30, if needed. Email Lynn Walsh, Office Manager, lynn.walsh@villanova.edu.