



Mary Magdalene Apostle Catholic Community

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Mike Moyers, "Hallelujah"

**Celebrating All Saints & All Souls
November 1, 2026**

Welcome and Announcements

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Good evening. Welcome to Mary Magdalene Apostle Catholic Community based in San Diego, California, on the land that the Kumeyaay people have tended for generations. My name is ..., one of your lectors this evening. Nancy Corran is our online presider. Jane Via and Suzie Knapp are our in-person presiders, and Suzie is also our homilist. We are a hybrid community, gathering in person and online. Know that wherever you are and whoever you are, you are welcome here, just as you are. We are glad you are joining us.

For those online, you can find the worship aid at mmacc.org. You may wish to have some wine and bread nearby, or something similar, for communion. After our liturgy concludes, we invite you to join in breakout rooms for some social time.

We'd also like to welcome any visitors with us today. We greet those of you on YouTube. For those on Zoom, please feel free to introduce yourselves on chat. For those visitors in person, if you feel comfortable, please stand and introduce yourselves and tell us where you are from.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- It's election season at MMACC. Whether you attend in-person or online, please consider serving or inviting another community member to serve. The CLC meets once a month on zoom. If you are interested in volunteering to serve on this vital committee, or in nominating someone else, please contact any member of the CLC. **The deadline for nominations is November 5** with elections to be held the following week.
- **The Centering Prayer Group is hosting an In-Person Retreat on the GLC Campus on Tuesday, November 10, 2026 from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm.** The theme is "Carrying Hope Together," and the retreat will include periods of Centering Prayer, Contemplative Harp, time to journal, Bodily Prayer, Lectio Divina, a Ritual regarding Hope, and Community Sharing. All at MMACC are welcome to attend. See the bulletin for a schedule of the day's activities. For questions and to RSVP, contact Diane Langworthy. We apologize that we are not able to provide this retreat on zoom.
- Amadeo Rhea invites the community to potluck Thanksgiving Celebrations at his home in Jacumba on Sat Nov 14 and Thanksgiving Day, both at noon sharp. Contact Amadeo whose number is in the directory. More information is also in the bulletin.
- Jackie Davis is making her unique hand-made greeting cards available to the community for a \$2.00 donation, or any donated amount above that. 100% of the money from the donation will be given to support an organization providing basic needs of detainees at the Otay Mesa Detention facility. Cards will be available on Sundays at church. Online members can contact Jackie directly. More information has been sent my email.
- Please see our bulletin for other community news and announcements.
- Donations to MMACC are appreciated. In-person donations can be placed in the basket on the welcome table.

*Our liturgy this evening celebrates the feast days of All Saints and All Souls.
We remember all who have died:
We remember those who have died in the Name of Love, Peace, and Justice;
we remember the innocent who have died in gun-violence, hate crimes, and the brutality of
power-quests;
we remember those who have been killed in war;
we remember those who have died in disasters, both natural and human-made;
we remember those whom **we** have loved and lost, who remain dear in our hearts.
We celebrate the communion of saints, all God's holy people throughout time.*

Towards the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, there will be a time to speak aloud the names of your deceased loved ones. For those online, you may unmute yourselves at that time, or type the names in the chat.

Now, let us take a moment to remember our cloud of witnesses and center ourselves in the presence of the Holy as we begin our liturgy.

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~ INTRODUCTORY RITES ~

Opening Song – “For All the Saints”

Lyrics: Bp. William Walsham How, adapted; Tune: Ralph Vaughn Williams "Sine Nomine"

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who You by faith, before the world confessed.
Your name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might.
Their visionary seeking better sight.
You in their darkest fear, their one true light. **(R)**

O blest communion, community divine.
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine.
Yet all are one in You, throughout all Time. **(R)**

The golden evening brightens in the west.
Soon, soon to faithful servants comes Your rest.
Peaceful quiet, Love's desire does crest. **(R)**

But lo, there comes a yet more radiant day.
The saints, be-loved, rise in bright array.
The Cloud of Wit-ness-es process this way. **(R)**

From Earth's wide bounds, from oceans' farthest coast.
Through gates of Love, streams in the countless host.
The saints together, sing in chorus robust. **(R)**

Opening Rite

We begin our liturgy blessing the name of our God with the sign of our faith:

+ In the name of God who is Life; Jesus, who shows us how to live and die;
And the Holy Spirit, who raises us up in this life and the next. **Amen.**

May the grace of Jesus the Christ, the love of God,
and the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

Knowing God's Loving Kindness

Presider: *As we begin, we call to mind all the suffering in our world at this time...*

God of All, we lament our neglect of your commandment to love,
clinging to our warring ways,

God, have mercy.

Jesus the Christ, we lament our violence, or condoning violence,
especially towards the most vulnerable.

Christ, have mercy.

Sacred Spirit, we lament our despair, our lack of trust that
You can transform even death into life.

Sophia Spirit, guide us into new life.

God who is Life, open our eyes to see You everywhere. Open our minds to challenge the status quo. Open our hearts to prophetic compassion. Surrounded by a cloud of witnesses, empower us, somehow, to transform our world into Your holy kin-dom. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Holy One, You have gathered us, Your holy ones, in this moment. You gather into Yourself Your holy ones who have passed through death. May we hear Your Word of comfort and hope that transcends time and space. May we hear Your Wisdom to challenge and inspire us to be Your comfort and hope in time and space, we pray...

First Reading

Revelation 7:9-14

A Reading from the Book of Revelation

I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: "Healing and wholeness come from God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb." All the angels, the messengers of God, were gathered around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshipping God and saying:

*"Amen! Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving,
honor, power and strength be to our God, forever and ever! Amen!"*

Then one of the elders spoke to me, saying, "Who are those wearing white robes, and where did they come from? I said in response, "You are the one who knows." The elder said, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress. They have washed their robes and made them gleam in the blood of the Lamb."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 124:1-8, Merrill, adapted

The Psalm Response is: *Awaken the Holy, the sacred within us.*

R: Awaken the Holy, the sacred within us.

If it were not for You, O Beloved, You who make all things new,
fear and chaos would reign in every heart.

But in You we trust.

When doubt threatens to overwhelm and separate us,
when anger makes us blind,

then You, O Merciful One, are ever-ready
to awaken the holy, the sacred within us.

Then do Your living streams of grace enfold.

R: Awaken the Holy, the sacred within us.

Blessed are You! You who are the very Presence to us!

A comfort to troubled hearts!

Grant us the strength of eagle's wings,

the courage to soar to new heights.

Break within us the bonds of fear,

that we might live with love; that we might live love.

R: Awaken the Holy, the sacred within us.

Our guidance comes from You, O Counselor.

Blessed are You, O Giver of Life, Beloved of our hearts.

R: Awaken the Holy, the sacred within us.

Second Reading – Hebrews 12:1-3

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every burden, and distractions that so easily entangle us, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, fixing our gaze on Jesus, the pioneer of our faith who saw it through to completion.

For the sake of the joy that was set before him, Jesus endured the cross, disregarding its shame and is now seated with God in cosmic glory. Consider the one who endured such opposition, so that you may not grow weary in your souls and lose heart.

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Gospel Acclamation	Celtic Alleluia
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Alleluia, Alleluia; Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel	Matthew 5:1-12a (rendered by Rod Stephens, 2011)
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God is with you. ***And also with you.***

A Reading from the Gospel attributed to Matthew. ***Glory to you, O God.***

Jesus sat down with the people and began to teach them:

Blessed are all who have poverty of spirit,

Who proclaim heaven in their need.

Blessed are all who mourn,

And those who offer hope and comfort to the mournful.

Blessed are all who live in meekness

it is their strength and the inheritance of peace.

Blessed are all who hunger and thirst for what is good and just.

It is our hunger and thirst that will call the world in peace.

Blessed are all who live in compassion.

It grows and nourishes all.

Blessed are all whose hearts are untarnished by fear.

God is revealed in them.

Blessed are all who live in peace;

they are servants of the Holy One.

Blessed are all who, when encountering fear and hate,

proclaim heaven with a response of love.

Blessed are all who stand facing pain, loss, and war;

They are recognized as whole and holy.

Let us rejoice! Be glad! Have hope and peace.

These are all the rewards we need!

The Good News of God's Love.

Praise to You, Jesus the Christ.

Homily - Suzie

**Offertory Song & Sprinkling of Assembly
Litany of Saints**

Theresa Donohoo, Gary Daigle, Rory Cooney

Holy Guardian Angels... **R] Pray for us.**

Sarah and Abraham...

Hagar and Ishmael...

Rebekah and Isaac...

Jacob, Leah, and Rachel...

Bilhah and Zilpah...

Oh, how I want to be in that number,

When the saints go marching in.

Moses and Miriam... **R] Pray for us.**

Aaron and Elizabeth...

Ruth and Esther...

David and Bathsheba...

Huldah and Rizpah...

All Forebears and Prophets...

Oh, how I want to be in that number,

When the saints go marching in.

Saints Joachim and Ann... **R] Pray for us.**

Zechariah and Elizabeth...

Saints Mary and Joseph...

John the Baptist...

Simeon and Anna...

Saint Mary Magdalene...

Oh, how I want to be in that number

When the saints go marching in.

REFRAIN:

When the saints, go marching in,

oh when the saints go marching in.

How I want to be in that number,

when the saints go marching in.

Saints Peter and Paul... **R] Pray for us.**

Writers of the Gospels...

Prisca and Aquila...

Katherine and Agnes...

Monica Augustine...

Scholastica and Benedict...

Oh, how I want to be in that number,

When the saints go marching in.

Saints Patrick and Brigid... **R] Pray for us.**

Master Eckhart and Hildegard...

Saint Joan of Arc...

Saint Vincent de Paul...

Ignatius of Loyola...

Kateri Tekakwitha...

Oh, how I want to be in that number,

When the saints go marching in.

REFRAIN:

When the saints, go marching in...

Saint Thomas More... **R] Pray for us.**

Elizabeth Seton...

Mother Cabrini...

Sojourner Truth...

Blessed Edith Stein...

Dorothy Day and Tom Dooley....

Oh, how I want to be in that number,

when the saints go marching in

Pope John the XXIII... **R] Pray for us.**

Corita and Rosa...

Malcolm and Martin...

Mother Theresa...

Oscar Romero...

All innocents in war...

Oh, how I want to be in that number,

when the saints go marching in

REFRAIN:

When the saints, go marching in...

Gifts are brought forward during offertory song

Offertory Song "We are Many Parts"

Haugen

*We are many parts, we are all one body,
and the gifts we have are given to share.
May the spirit of love make us one indeed;
one, the love that we share, one, our hope in despair, one, the cross that we bear.*

God of all, we look to you, we would be your servants true,
let us be your love to all the world. **R**

So my pain is pain for you, in your joy is my joy, too;
all is brought together in our God. **R**

All you seekers great and small, seek the greatest gift of all;
if you love, then you will know our God. **R**

Preparation of the Bread & Wine

Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
fruit of the earth and work of human hands. It will become for us the bread of life,
sustaining us in our hunger.

Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness, we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us our spiritual drink,
sustaining us in our thirst.

Blessed be God forever.

Pray that sharing this bread and wine will enlarge our hearts and our souls to welcome
and share with others more fully.

Transform us, God, we pray.

Prayer with our Gifts

Holy God, Even and especially in deeply troubling times, you invite us to this table, this simple meal. May we know Your comfort, strength, resurrection, and divine joy, we pray.... Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

God dwells in you. ***And also in you.***

Come to the table with thankful hearts.

We open our hearts to God and to one another.

Presider

God of All, We gather in Your presence to give you thanks for all Creation and all the holy people who have touched us throughout time and in our lives.

Voice 1 (online)

We give thanks for the remarkable saints who made history. We give thanks for the saints in our own lives, our families and friends, who shaped our stories. We celebrate unsung souls who changed history, and our lives, for the better in ways we can only imagine. And so, we join our voices with those in every generation in singing our unending song of praise:

Sanctus

Mass of Renewal, C. Stephan

***Holy, holy, holy, O God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed are all who come in Your Name, Holy God.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

Voice 2

We offer these gifts as an expression of our longing for communion with one another, with Your holy ones throughout time, and with all Creation. We offer these gifts for those who are poor and powerless. We offer these gifts for those whom the church casts out. We offer these gifts for all who suffer. We offer these gifts for the healing of Earth. Empower us to work for the well-being of all.

[Please extend your hand, palm up, toward the bread and wine.]

Presider

Holy One, we recognize Your Spirit alive and at work in this bread and wine, and in us. We open ourselves to Your Spirit who sanctifies and transforms these gifts to become You in us, the body and blood of Christ. We remember that...

All: ...on the night before Jesus died, while at supper with his friends, he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to them saying: "Take this, all of you and eat. This is my body. Do this in memory of me."

[Pause]

In the same way, Jesus took the cup filled with wine. He said the blessing, gave the cup to his friends, and said, "Take this all of you and drink. This is my blood. Do this in memory of me."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

[Sung – Tompkins]

We remember you. We remember you.

Jesus who loved, lived, and died, rising in our hearts.

Voice 3: In Jesus, You teach us how to do justice, love goodness, and walk humbly with You. In Christ, You reveal Life which transcends death.

Voice 4: Let Your Spirit of generous love that took flesh in Jesus, manifest also in our lives. Open our hearts to Your Sacred Spirit in all.

Voice 5: You are present in the pain and the joy we experience on our journey through life. Be with all who are sick and all who suffer. We remember especially those killed by gun violence, war, and hate. Be with all those who have died and gone before us into the fullness of cosmic splendor.

Presider: We remember all who have died and gone before us into Cosmic Mystery. Tonight, we especially remember Rev. Rod Stephens, co-founder of this community and one of only 2 U.S. priests excommunicated for support of women's ordination. Tonight would have been his 78th birthday. We hold Rod in loving memory and all those in our lives whom we have loved and lost, now among the great cloud of witnesses.

(Brief moment of silence)

Lector: We remember our departed MMACC companions:

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Online reader:

Mary Cherry ~ Kathleen Dugan ~ Joe Wiedower ~ Kathy Dunlap ~ Evie McGreevey ~ Doug Jones ~ Edie Hunt ~ Ed Mansfield ~ Jackie Fix ~ Terry Grace ~ Bill Graney

Lector:

Calvin Wilder ~ Sister Rachel Daniels ~ Billy Pearsley ~ Irene Lawrence-Conrady ~ Mary Tompkins ~ Lee Mongrue ~ Dan Dinan ~ Hugh Kramer ~ Fred Spong ~ Tina DiStefano ~ Yvonna Silva Berberet ~ Sister Maureen Keegan

Online Reader:

Jo Ronayne ~ Paul Ryan ~ Frances Snyder, IHM ~ Liz Mahoney, IHM ~ Tom Conrady ~ Ray Phoenix ~ Mike Magee ~ Al O'Brien ~ Tom Popeney ~ Josie Herrera ~ Arlene Coulon

Lector:

Luis Morones ~ Bob Morris ~ Phil Bennett ~ Don Coulon ~ Thelma Adams ~ Maria Cesena ~ Mary Elbrecht ~ A.J. Kopkowski ~ Evi Quinn ~ Ginny Vanderway ~ Mary O'Brien

At this time, please feel free to speak the names of your beloved deceased aloud...

In life and in death, O God, we belong to You.

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Presider

Gather Your people, throughout time, of every gender, race, language, religion, and way of life to share in Your one, everlasting banquet. Then, in Your presence, we shall give You glory with all creation and with Jesus through whom Your goodness flows:

Through Christ, may all creation be renewed.

With Christ, may our lives be transformed.

In Christ, may all divisions be healed.

In the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours forever and ever.

The Great Amen [sung]

Mass of Renewal, C. Stephan

A-a-men, A-a-men, A-a-men!

Prayer of Jesus

[Recited] New Zealand

The prayer often called the "Our Father" has been translated and rendered in many ways over the last 2,000 years. Feel free to pray using the words and language most comfortable to you. We offer this contemporary recited version, adapted from the New Zealand Prayer Book.

Eternal Spirit

Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

source of all that is and that shall be,

Father and Mother of us all.

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

The desire of Your heart be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom

sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trial too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,

now and forever. Amen.

Sign of Peace

May the peace of the Christ be with you. ***And also with you.***
Let us offer one another – and the whole world – God’s peace.

Lamb of God

Holy Cross Mass, David Clark Iseie

***Bread of Life, you call us to the gospel of hope, O Jesus, the Christ.
Word of Love, you call us to the gospel of love, O Jesus, the Christ.
Emmanuel, you call us to the gospel of peace, grant us peace.***

We are the body of Christ, called to serve God in creation and one another.
We are happy and blessed to share in this service.

This is God’s table, not ours; all are truly welcome to receive the gluten free eucharistic bread, and consecrated red wine or white grape juice. Christ is present with us whenever and wherever we are. May all who share with us in this communion be united with us in the Body of Christ that knows no bounds. ***Amen.***

Communion Song – “Saints and Beloved of God”

Dan Schutte

***In every place and time, the blessed walk among us
There’s a mighty throng that stands at our side,
The saints and belov’d of God.***

We are joined by a great communion,
here on earth and in heav’n above,
for this feast prepared by Christ our Friend,
companions in Christ’s love. ***(R)***

We are stirred by their faithful witness
to the God who takes flesh and bone,
to the Christ who lives in hands and hearts
in faces yet unknown. ***(R)***

We give thanks for your servants past
who have taught us to know Your ways,
We rejoice to keep their names, O God,
In memory all our days. ***(R)***

They will greet us with great rejoicing
at the dawn of endless day,
When we’re home at last by heaven’s hearth
Where pilgrims come to stay. ***(R)***

Prayer After Communion

Holy One, In this meal, we have remembered the communion of saints. We have communed with "saints and beloved of God", companions past and present, all here, and we give thanks. May the bread and wine we have shared empower us to live beatitude lives. May we know blessedness that our very lives become a blessing, we pray...

Closing Blessing

May we be strengthened by the spiritual presence of our deceased beloved...
Let the church say... **Amen.**

May we overcome the fears that keep us from running our race...
Let the church say... **Amen.**

May we know the sacred in both our grief and our rejoicing...
Let church say... **Amen.**

And may we trust that one day, with all the saints who have passed through this life, through death, and into new Life, we will join them in cosmic glory...
Let the church say.... **Amen.**

Sending Forth

The mass is ended. Our service begins.
Thanks be to God.

Closing Song – We Shall Rise Again

Young

Come to me, all you weary, with your burdens and pain
Take my yoke on your shoulders and learn from me.
I am gentle and humble, and your soul will find rest
For my yoke easy, and my burden is light.

***We shall rise again on the last day,
With the faithful rich and poor,
Coming to the house of our God in love,
We will find an open door, Yes, we will find an open door.***

Though we walk through the darkness, evil we do not fear
You are walking beside us with your rod and your staff
Only goodness and kindness follow us all our lives
We shall dwell in our God's house for so many years to come! **R**

We are grateful that you have joined us for worship today.

At Mary Magdalene Apostle Catholic Community, we have embraced the dream of a transformed Roman Catholic Church. We support a full-time paid pastoral team or equivalent and a variety of social justice activities, giving a percentage of our Sunday offering back to the community.

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