



St. Mary Magdalen: We have now moved to the old baptistery, situated in an alcove by the northwest entrance to the church, under the bell tower. Here we see three large windows. On the left is the Saint Mary Magdalen Window depicting the famous saint who may have been born in Magdala on the western shore of the Sea of Galilee. She is sometimes said to be the sinner who anointed Christ's feet in Simon's house, and she has even been identified with Mary, the sister of Martha. Most scholars today do not think these two connections are valid. Scripture does tell us, however, that Jesus cast out "seven devils" from Mary's body. Mary Magdalen stood by the cross as Jesus suffered, and she saw the risen Christ in the garden. St. John tells us that at first she did not recognize Jesus, but then he spoke her name and she knew him. Our Mary Magdalen is a young woman holding an urn. The Crum and Garvey family donated this beautiful window in memory of Mary Lou Crum.