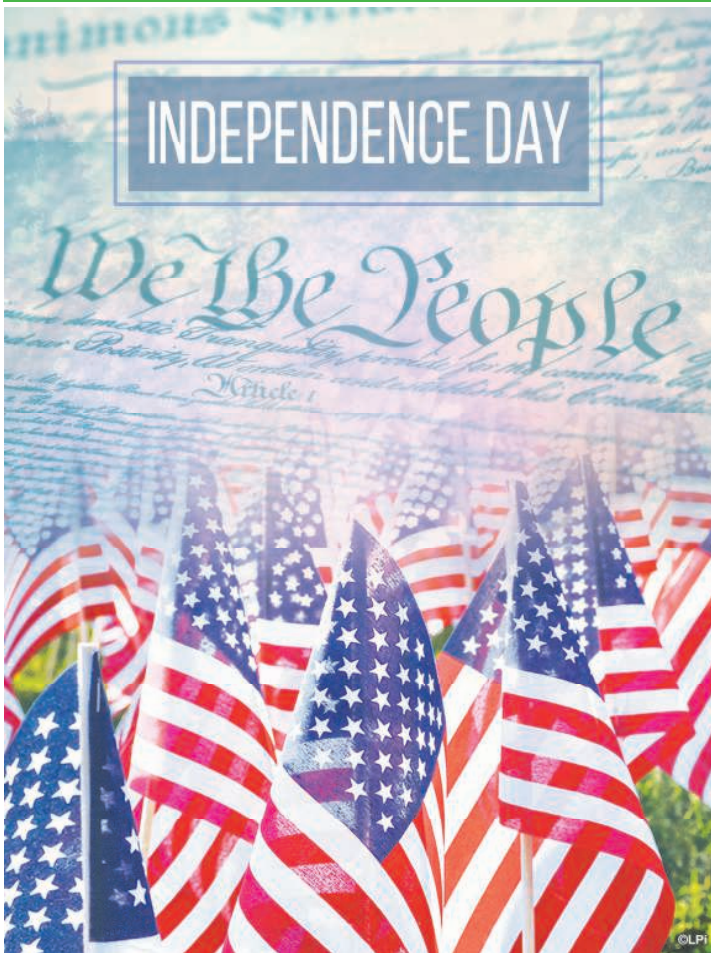


# St. Mary, <sup>CAUSE</sup> OF Our Joy

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## Joyful News

**JULY 2, 2017 • 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** This week we celebrate the first Anniversary of the establishment of our parish, St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy. Couples celebrate their first wedding anniversary by looking back on their first year, but also by looking forward to the future. I think of a baby who is celebrating their first birthday. The parents are excited; usually you see pictures of older children celebrating and playing games while the birthday child sits in a high chair with cake and frosting smeared all over their mouth, smiling from ear to ear. We, too, can look back upon all that God has done to lead us to this point, and be grateful. We should also look forward from here. We should have a smile from ear to ear. Imagine the amazing things that are going to happen; the astonishing events that are yet to occur. God will continue to lead us forward and bring us to even greater heights; we have to believe this, hope in this, and be on board.

We will continue to welcome new members to the parish. Beginning this weekend, some members of the former St. Mel Catholic Church will be with us. Let's keep our hearts open to them. Remember just one year ago the situation we were in. Remember the uncertainty, the disappointment, the wondering of where the future would lead us. What was it going to be like in a "new" but not new parish? Who was this new priest? What changes - and I don't like change to begin with - will take place? Can't we all just go back to the ways things were, where I was happy and comfortable? Why did my parish have to close? Where should I go? One year later, here we are. Most of those fears have been calmed, I hope, and the uneasiness that so many of us felt has disappeared. Just as a married couple who have been together for just one year don't know exactly what the future will hold, they move forward confidently: with courage, with hope, with enthusiasm. None of us knows the future, but we are here because we are believers. And we move forward confidently, with courage, with hope and with enthusiasm. We have faith. And we are learning to trust God more and more.

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The parish office will close at 12 noon Monday, July 3 and we will reopen on Wednesday, July 5th at 8am.

***Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable 4th of July!***

### Parish Mission Statement

The Parish of St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, inspired by Mary's "Yes" and led by the Holy Spirit, strives to be a faith-filled community, joyfully welcoming all to witness and to celebrate the Gospel.



## St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy

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**St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy**

### Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 8:00am–4:00pm

### Mass Schedule

<b>MON, THURS &amp; FRI</b>	8:30 am
<b>WED</b>	12:00 Noon
<b>SAT</b>	4:30 pm
<b>SUN</b>	8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 Noon

### Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30pm

### Baptisms

Please call our Parish Office during regular business hours. Parish membership and preparation class required.

### Marriage

Arrangements must be made by registered parishioner at least six months in advance to allow sufficient time for instructions and preparation.

### Anointing of Sick and Ministry to Homebound

Our pastor, deacon or lay ministers are available to visit upon request.

### RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For those interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church. Please call the office.

### Parish Registration

Please call the office at 734-425-4421 to register with our parish. Please notify our parish of any address or phone changes.

### Report Sexual Abuse for any child or adult:

Call AOD victim assistance 1-866-343-8055 or  
Call the Michigan Department of  
Human Services at: 855-444-3911 any time

## DIRECTORY

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Fr. Joe Plawecki

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(Deacon Emeritus)

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## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Julie Callahan	Michael Gluth	Gary Pieknik	Nancy Smith
Doug Cyr	Deborah Marshall	Arthur Regner	Patricia Slusarz
Michael Francis	Suzanne Price	Ann Schroeder	Christine VanHoet

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Ron & Peggy Aneiros	Vicky Holley	Selena Montez	Emma Scaramella
Denise Barlage	Marilyn Kashat	Blanche Morris	Marie Smith
Cecile Boglarsky	Joann Knoerl	Genevieve Patrick	Andrew Solak
Bob Cadotte	Sally Koss	Deb Pietszak	Robert Stachura, Jr.
Tina Cieply	John Lardin	Gerry Pietszak	Kaitlyn Starosta
Stacy Copple	Leonard Lewandowski	Sharon Propson	Ruth Stephens
Ron & Paul Dugas	Barb Lister	Annette Puczkowski	Marge Tavedian
Bob Durden	Phyllis McCann	Donald Rempinski	Sr. Thomas Marie
Sean English	Christine Meunier	Sonya Rodriguez	Gary Woodruff
Carter Fox	Michael Mize	Ed Rysztak	Tim Wycihowski
Joan Gebhardt	Cynthia Moen	Grace Rysztak	
Ray Grochowski	Kris Monroe	Harry Sacha	

If there are any names that can be removed from our Prayer List, please let us know by calling **734-425-4421**

## READINGS for July 8/9

<b>1st Reading:</b>	Zechariah 9:9-10	<b>2nd Reading:</b>	Romans 8:9, 11-13
<b>Resp. Psalm:</b>	I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God	<b>Gospel:</b>	Matthew 11:25-30

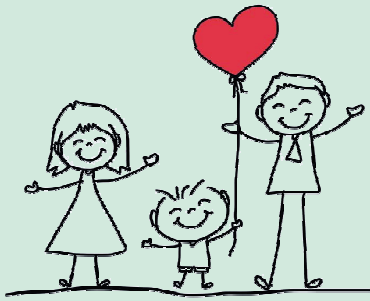
## OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

**CMDR Theron R. Korsak**, U.S. Navy; **CPT Joey Saunders**, U.S. Marines;  
**Joseph David Onadia**, U.S. Navy; **SMSGT Terence Zelek**, U.S. Air Force

**Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please see our music director in the choir area.**

**Bulletin Articles due by 9 am on Monday (5 days prior to publication). Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.**





# All are Welcome

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church;  
 No matter what your current family or marital situation;  
 No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color;  
 No matter what your self-image or esteem;  
 You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected at  
***St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy.***



## IN FORMATION

**Happy Holidays!**  
**Happy Vacation time!**  
**Happy Summertime!**

**Open Registration** for Children's Faith Formation sessions. We are anxious to learn of NEW families and NEW children. Please call or visit the office to learn more. Sessions take place on Mondays from 6-7:15 pm September - May. Children's Choir Practice is from 7:15-8:00 pm.

**Vacation Bible School** begins July 17 at 6:00 pm for kids age 3 -12. Great fun! Great learning. Hurry and sign up NOW.

**Video Give Away and Book Sale** We've run out of storage space so we must reduce these items. First come, first served.

**The Bottom Line** "In his work *Will Our Children have Faith?* John Westerhoff writes, 'Christian education must transmit faith and hope.' I believe that a healthy sense of humor and joy witnesses to hope. Humor transcends the mundane. If our catechesis is flavored with humor, the call to faith can be witnessed in hope for the future."

**Sr. Gemma Legel, OSF**



## WELCOME PAUL!

In late May and early June, the parish received a number of resumes for the position of Pastoral Associate/Christian Service Coordinator. After reviewing them, we contacted those that had the most experience and education in what we were looking for, and we interviewed them. After the interviews, a decision was made on one person, who we think will be a great addition to our parish staff.

This weekend we welcome Paul Zbytowski as the new Pastoral Associate/Christian Service Coordinator at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy. Paul comes with plenty of experience, enthusiasm for his faith and is ready to jump in and work together. Please welcome Paul to our parish family and staff!



## Vacation Bible School

**July 17-21**

**6:00-8:30pm**

**Pre-K (age 3 & 4) -6th grade**

***Son World Adventure Park***

**Registration Cost:** \$20.00 per child.

(Families with three or more children are \$15.00 per child).

You may register at the parish office weekdays. Children will be given a CD with all of the VBS songs for them to take home on the last night of class. You will be given a t-shirt iron-on to make a shirt for your child upon registration. Please wear your shirt the week of VBS.

Please see the t-shirt colors for your child:

**Pre-K = Green; Kindergarten= Purple; Grades 1 & 2 = Yellow;  
 Grades 3 & 4 = Royal Blue; Grades 5 & 6 = Orange**

**Note:** Michael's, Joann's Fabric and Crafts and even CVS sell colored t-shirts between \$3 - \$5 on average.

**Any questions, please contact Carol Nelius at 734 765 5525  
 or email at [youthministyrstmarycooj@gmail.com](mailto:youthministyrstmarycooj@gmail.com)**

**Fr. Ken** (continued from front page)

In the past year, I have written about bumpy times that we would encounter (and the delightfulness of bumpy cake), about the rocky roads that we would have to travel (and how good rocky road ice cream is). The prophet Isaiah prophesies that, "The rugged land will be made a plain"; the Gospel of St. Luke reminds of this, too: "Every rough way will be made smooth." The bumps and rocky roads that we encounter now every once in a while we create ourselves. It is because we are humans and haven't yet learned to put everything into God's hands. God has called us to be people of faith. And we, at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, have been called to be filled with joy.

We ARE moving onward with confidence and courage; with hope and enthusiasm. Let us pray to our patroness, Mary, our Mother, to always intercede for us. God Bless you all.

**Fr. Ken**



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**WWW.STMARYCOOJ.ORG**

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**If you have any questions or need assistance with set up, please come in or contact the parish office at 734-425-4421.**

## HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

The Holy Name Fraternity is an organization for all men of St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Parish. We exist to support one another and all parishioners spiritually and "fraternally", and to provide some financial support for our parish. All men of the parish are welcome to attend our monthly meetings, the 3rd Tuesday of each month, September through May, and to participate in our various activities. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, at 7 pm in the parish small hall. A business meeting and fraternal friendship are on the agenda. Please consider attending.

**Paul Markus**

### ITEMS NEEDED

Yarn is needed (especially in blue) to make baby blankets. Any knitting or crochet supplies is also **greatly appreciated**. Please drop them off at our Parish Office or in the specially marked container in our Gathering Space. All donated items will go to the **Ministry Center** at St. Thomas the Apostle parish in Garden City. Thank you.

**Christian Service Commission**

### *Thank you for the Support the Work of our Holy Father*

Thank you for your generous support last month for the **Peter's Pence Collection**. Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. May God continue to bless you and your family for your monetary support for this yearly collection.



**Kim & Judith Prieskorn  
John and Grace Topolewski  
Scott, Jeanne, Melissa & Rachel Fuller**

And to all our newly registered members! If you have any questions about any of the Committees or Groups at our Parish, please call the Parish Office at **734-425-4421**

## Forever Young Seniors...

*Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!!* I hope everyone enjoys a festive and safe holiday on Tuesday.

Our next meeting will be Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am, a week later than usual due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. We will have a wonderful guest speaker, Collette Cullen, impersonator. Collette will enact the role of Ann Sullivan. Our volunteer chefs will be the ladies of St. Joseph-Anne Circle.

Tickets for the September Picnic will also be available for purchase. Cost is \$8.00

Please keep all of our ill members in your prayers especially Pat Boyington & Betty Martin.

We have some wonderful bus trips coming up:

### Greektown Casino

Wed, July 26<sup>th</sup> 9:30am – 3:30pm  
\$24 **due by July 12<sup>th</sup>**

### Remember When...

Wed, August 16<sup>th</sup> 9:45am – 6:15pm  
\$73 **due by Aug 2nd**

### Jewels of Detroit

Tues, Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 9:15am – 4:45pm  
\$62 **due by Sept 5<sup>th</sup>**

The bus trips are open to everyone. **Please call me 734-525-3737 for reservations** and more details. Copies of the flyers can also be obtained at the Parish Office during regular business hours. **Make checks payable to Bianco and mail to me at 8843 Linville, Livonia, MI 48150.**

*Maryann Sligay*



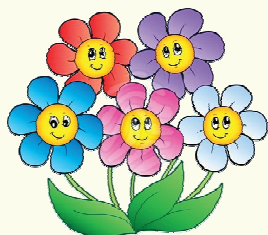
Our next Baptism class for Parents and Godparents is **Monday, July 24th at 7pm** Parish Center Building.

Deacon John Burke conducts this class.

Please make sure you register for one of our Baptism Classes by contacting our Parish Office at 734 425 4421.

## Garden Helpers Needed

We are in need of helpers to water our flower gardens throughout the week. Many hands make light work. If you are available once or twice per week to water one of our garden areas, we need you! Please call the office at 734-425-4421 if you can help.

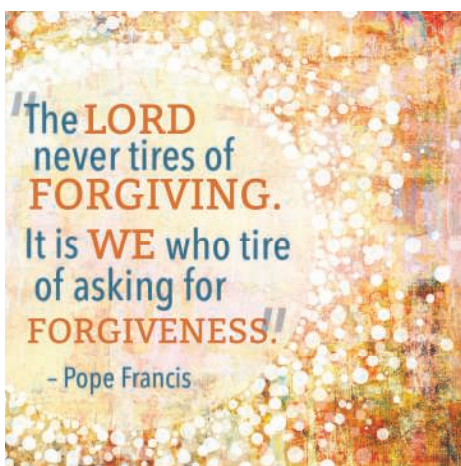


### THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who donated non-perishable food via our **Red Wagon** found in our Gathering Space. **365** pounds of non-perishable food items were taken to St. Mary Food Depot in Wayne for distribution to those in need in our Community on June 21st. Also, thank you to Jim DeVitis & Dan Stachow for taking our donations there.

### Your Donations Are Needed

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been dedicated to the corporal works of mercy in the Archdiocese of Detroit for **over 130 years**. Your donations of **furniture, household goods and clothing** can be dropped off at the SVDP Thrift Store located at **Wayne and Hunter. Drop off is at the FRONT of the Store.** The SVDP Thrift Store phone number is **734 629-8250** and they are **open 7 days a week**.



## What is RCIA?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a Catholic program or education intended to instruct in the Catholic Faith those who are seeking to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church through Baptism and/or Confirmation and Holy Communion. RCIA is your compass to the Catholic Faith.

### Who should look into RCIA?

- Anyone not yet baptized.
- Anyone baptized but not as a Catholic.
- Anyone baptized as a Catholic who did not yet receive First Communion or Confirmation.
- Fully initiated Catholics seeking fuller catechetical knowledge of their Catholic Faith.
- Anyone at all looking to learn more about Christianity.

The RCIA program is led by a team who will help guide participants on their Faith Journey. In addition, participants will also have a sponsor to pray with them and guide them throughout the process. The process consists of four phases:

### INQUIRY

Initially, participants will learn the RCIA process and overview of the faith to discern whether this is the step they wish to take at this point in their lives.

### CATECHUMENATE

Participants attend a number of classes to learn the fundamentals of the Roman Catholic Church to develop a prayer life and foster conversion.

### ENLIGHTENMENT

Participants focus on self-examination, repentance and prayer in preparation for their entry into the Church.

### MYSTAGOGIA

Following the rite of initiation at the Easter Vigil, the participants are asked to define the next steps of their journey in faith. The new Catholics are encouraged to get involved in the Parish Ministries and to worship with the community they choose to join on the weekends.

If you think you might be interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith, please call the Parish office at 734-425-4421.



## Coffee Sunday



Meet and get to know more of your parish family members in the Social Hall after 10am Mass.

**NEXT Sunday, July 9**



*Heavenly Father, welcome Home those whom you have called from this world especially*

**Ruth Cadotte**

*and all the souls of our faithful departed. May they rest in peace.*

## Joyful Women News...

**Happy 4th of July to all our Parish Family and Friends!** May God continue to shower you with His blessings of **Peace, Love and JOY**

## ARCHDIOCESE AND COMMUNITY NEWS

### WIDOWED FRIENDS

Widowed Friends, is a "peer" support group in the Archdiocese of Detroit. For further information about this group and their upcoming activities, visit their website at [www.widowedfriends.org](http://www.widowedfriends.org)

### Holy Land Pilgrimage

Terra Sancta Pilgrimages with Franciscan friar Fr. Alex Kratz will be leading a Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 9-23, 2017. This life-changing experience walking in Jesus' footsteps includes daily Mass and Rosary, biblical readings on site, time for prayer and spiritual guidance, and meeting local Christians. Cost is \$4,299 (all expenses included, round trip from Detroit, 3 daily meals, all tips and taxes). \$500 deposit due at registration. Orientation Meeting is August 6. Next pilgrimage: April 9-23, 2018. Call (248) 514-1747 or [mrsppattig@yahoo.com](mailto:mrsppattig@yahoo.com).



**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Mon. July 3</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Deceased members of Mona & Bill Abbey Families Prayers for Julie and Bradley Drake by John & Julie Barile
<b>Wed. July 5</b>	<b>12 Noon</b>	MaryAnne Macunovich (2nd Anniv) by her Family Prayers for Ed Walker and Jan Bartosik and Ian Smith by John & Julie Barile
<b>Thurs. July 6</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Deloris O'Hagan by her husband, Don Joseph Paja (23rd Anniv) by his daughter, Roberta
<b>Fri. July 7</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Jerome and Larry O'Hagan by their brother, Don Prayers for Alexander Solomon by John & Julie Barile
<b>Sat. July 8</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	Ron Dean by Virginia Novak Paul Barbarich by his wife, Betty Josephine Corey by Joseph Ornalik Sam Scianna by his wife, Amelia & Family Tony & Stella Topolsky by their Family
<b>Sun. July 9</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Pete Nieckarz by Deacon Jim & Sue Hensel Carol Kostalek by Czapla Family Mary L. Cprek by Virginia Czapla
	<b>10:00am</b>	Vera Ballard by her husband, Joe Marion Kaczor by his Wife & Family Daniel Kaczor by his Mom & Family Craig Vernon by his Family
	<b>12 Noon</b>	For our Parish Family

**UPCOMING EVENTS****July 3-July 9**

<b>MON. July 3</b>	8:30am NO Mass Noon PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
<b>WED. July 5</b>	10:30am Doors open for cards & coffee 11:00am Cards & Coffee in social hall 12 Noon Mass 7:00pm Rosary
<b>THURS. July 6</b>	8:30am Mass
<b>FRI. July 7</b>	8:30am Mass 9-Noon Eucharistic Exposition
<b>SAT. July 8</b>	3:30pm Reconciliation 4:30pm Mass
<b>SUN. July 9</b>	8:00am Mass 10:00am Mass Noon Mass

**SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

<u>Sunday</u> <u>Offertory</u>	<u>No.</u> <u>Env.</u>	<u>Weekly</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>Weekly</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Weekly</u> <u>Variance</u>
6/25/2017	366	\$ 12,073	\$ 10,640	\$ 1,433
6/18/2017	374	\$ 9,670	\$ 10,640	\$ (970)
6/11/2017	363	\$ 11,574	\$ 10,640	\$ 934
6/4/2017	412	\$ 12,616	\$ 10,640	\$ 1,976

**weekly actual includes online giving**

	<u>YTD</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Variance</u>
FY 2016-17	\$ 655,084	\$ 612,293	\$ 42,791



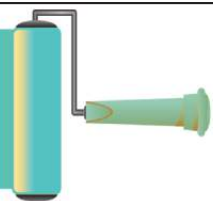
If you are unable to walk up for Communion and you are not sitting in the handicap section, please notify an usher when you enter Church and a **Priest** will come to you.

**Thank you for your past and future support of our Parish Community. Please remember our parish in your Estate Planning**

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE July 8/9**

	<b>SATURDAY 4:30pm</b>	<b>SUNDAY 8:00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 10:00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 12 NOON</b>
<b>Celebrant</b>	<b>Fr. Ken</b>	<b>Fr. Joe</b>	<b>Fr. Ken</b>	<b>Fr. Ken</b>
<b>Lector Comm.</b>	Richard Gora Pat Sobieski	Cam Jankowiak Pat Russo	Linda Dinsmore Matt Schnapp	Ellen Steele Kevin Steele
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Loretta Wood Yvonne Chisholm Bob Chisholm Fran Gleason	Lou Stremich Marge Holten Fran Niemiec	Bonnie Kinunen Mike Servalish Diane Fredrickson Emmanuel Eze	Josie Klocke Janet Carrier Cheryl Paputa
<b>Altar Server</b>	Jason Alava	Frank Criscenti Emmanuela Nwizu	Kathy Andrus Patti Krcatovich Rocky Krcatovich Darlene Janson	Kathy Birchfield Diane Pietras Bernice Reed
<b>Sacristan</b>	Pat Storey	Alice André	Theresa O'Bey	Ann Schroeder
<b>Ushers</b>	Tony Collins Denis Rowland Peter Kowalski Paul Markus Emery Price	Tony Micallef Don Niemiec Steve Noonan Frank Pelton Jean Schmuck	Don Koszegi Ernie Lenard Bill Lezotte	Jim DeVitis Paul Lukasik Dan Stachow Ron Kinunen
<b>Greeters</b>	Julie Callahan Rose Abela	Ron Kinunen JB Bearden	Chris Gieske John Meconi Jack Rourke	Luis Gonzalez Ken Konrad Annmarie Konrad Mark Goszinski
<b>Homebound</b>			Geralyn Pawlaczyk Marie DiDomizio	Darlene LaFave Mercado Family
<b>Altar Care</b>			Kathy Andrus Patti & Rocky Krcatovich	

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