


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

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## Joyful News

**JULY 9, 2017 • 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



*14<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” - Mt 11:29-30



*Coffee Sunday*

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

**THIS Sunday, July 9**



### 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 [youthministrystmarycooj@gmail.com](mailto:youthministrystmarycooj@gmail.com)**

### 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.



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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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### DEACON Jim Hensel

(Deacon Emeritus)

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Julie Callahan	Michael Gluth	Gary Pieknik	Nancy Smith
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## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Ron & Peggy Aneiros	Ray Grochowski	Kris Monroe	Harry Sacha
Denise Barlage	Vicky Holley	Selena Montez	Emma Scaramella
Cecile Boglarsky	Marilyn Kashat	Blanche Morris	Marie Smith
Bob Cadotte	Joann Knoerl	Genevieve Patrick	Andrew Solak
Tina Cieply	Sally Koss	Deb Pietszak	Robert Stachura, Jr.
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Carter Fox	Michael Mize	Ed Rysztak	Tim Wycihowski
Joan Gebhardt	Cynthia Moen	Grace Rysztak	

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 15/16

<b>1st Reading:</b>	Isaiah 55:10-11	<b>2nd Reading:</b>	Romans 8:18-23
<b>Resp. Psalm:</b>	The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.	<b>Gospel:</b>	Matthew 13:1-23

## 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.**



## Congratulations and Best Wishes on Your Retirement, Mary

*You started on this journey, so many years ago, and now it's time to leave behind dear friends you've come to know.*

*You sought Divine direction & a heart to do His will. Your work became your passion, as you used your gifts & skills.*

*You set the highest standards for yourself and others too, showing honor, pride & dignity-they saw the best in you!*

*A "rags to riches" story need not be your bottom line. The priceless things we gain in life, often come from the Divine.*

*So don't waste one more minute wishing for things that might have been, rather watch the seeds you've planted grow, and feel His peace within.*

*We pray God keeps you safe & well, wherever you may turn, surrounded by your loved-ones, living out the dreams you've earned.*

*And in the quiet of your heart, may you hear God softly say..."My good & faithful servant, I'm so proud of you this day!"*



*Best wishes from our parish family and staff*

There is a song that states, "In a New York minute, everything can change". A New York minute is that absolute shortest period of time possible. Everything in New York happens quickly. Change, although most of us don't like it, is an inevitable part of our lives.

We at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy have experienced a great deal of change in the past few years. And that continues. After 31 years of being at the service of our parish community as secretary, MARY ALLSTEADT has decided to retire. The dedication and spirit of helping that Mary has exhibited to all of us is truly amazing. Mary says that one of the pastors at the former St. Theodore put in plain words what her "job" should be; not a job at all, but a ministry. Mary has always seen her job more as a ministry than a job. Mary has been an invaluable member of the "family" here; even though I have only been here for a year, she was a tremendous help with the transition over the past year.

We will miss Mary, not only for all that she has done for us but also for all that she has been for us. She has been a friend who is always willing to listen, to give suggestions or advice, with a wealth of experience and practical knowledge. Thank you, Mary, for all you have done and all you have been to us. Enjoy your well deserved retirement. Mary has specifically asked that no parish-wide reception be held for her. Feel free to wish her your best privately.

Fr. Ken



WELCOME to those members of the former ST. MEL Parish! Whether you are still "shopping around" for the place that you will feel most at home, or have decided to make St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy your new home, we greet you. If you have any questions or concerns, please bring it up to me after Mass or to our new Pastoral Associate, Paul Zbytowski, who will be in the gathering space before and after all of the Masses. It will take you some time to get used to things...no matter where you decide to attend Mass. No, it won't be the same as it was at St. Mel. One year ago, all of our parishioners went through the same thing you are going through now. Where should I go? Why did this happen to MY Church? Perhaps there is some disappointment or resentment. Wherever you end it, ask the parishioners about it. They will be willing to give you advice, suggestions or just a friendly ear.

This is a good opportunity to point out the importance of the ministry of greeter. As you meet those coming into church, whether they are long time parishioners or first time visitors, your kind words, your smile and your help, when necessary, are incredibly vital. We want to be a community that is open to all people. You are the first one that people encounter when they come to the church. Not only your kind words but also your body language, your smile and, when necessary, your helpfulness in opening the door shows that you, and all of us, care. Thank you to those of who have volunteered to be greeters. It's not a tough ministry; you don't have to pronounce difficult Bible names, or be out in front of others. You just need to be you. You become the face of the parish. If you haven't yet done so, why not think about volunteering to be a greeter.

Fr. Ken

## IN FORMATION

**Vacation Bible School (VBS)** begins next week. Kids age 3-12 are invited to a week of fun and learning. See details elsewhere in this bulletin.

**Open Registration** for Children's Faith Formation that begins in September. We are anxious to learn of NEW families and NEW kids. Call or visit the office for specifics. There is some info in the pamphlet rack.

**The Bottom Line** "As catechists (Christians) we must not only transmit the message of the Gospel but also witness to the joy of Christ-with-us, a joy that permeates all whom we touch and causes all to smile with happiness."

**Sr. Gemma Legel, OSF**



## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JUNE 12, 2017 PARISH PASTORAL MEETING

- The Parish has hired a Pastoral Associate/Christian Service Coordinator, Paul Zbytowski, after an interview process. Mr. Zbytowski has a strong background as a Christian Service Coordinator and in social media and has experience leading volunteers. He is scheduled to start in July.
- The 2017/2018 Parish Council will consist of six members from the 2016/2017 Council who are staying for one additional year, along with six parishioners who have agreed to join for a one year term.
- The Parish has obtained a fundraising license from the State of Michigan which will allow us to conduct and participate in various fundraising activities. The Parish will be asking for volunteers.
- The Parish's CSA pledge drive continues.
- The Coffee Sundays will continue over the summer. Dates will be added to the calendar.
- A Parish Mission has been calendared for March 11-13, 2018. The Parish is currently searching for a speaker.
- The Parish is looking into bids for two small monitors for the Gathering Space. The monitors will provide information on announcements and upcoming events. The Parish is also considering a separate monitor system for the Church and is also looking to update and replace some staff computers.

### PPC Members:

Ann Schroeder	Nancy Smith	James Fredrickson
Sharon McCarthy	Rocco Krcatovich	John Lister
Julie Callahan	Don Yokley	Helene Lusa
Debbie Marshall	Doug Taylor	
Suzanne Price	Doug Cyr	

## HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

The Holy Name Fraternity has organized the bus trip to a Detroit Tiger baseball game (Pirates/Tigers) scheduled for Thursday, August 10 at Comerica Park. This event is not restricted to members of the Fraternity. All are welcome. If you made your reservation please plan to be at the church parking lot at 11 am, for an on time departure at 11:30 am. Game time is 1:07 pm. If you have not made a reservation please know that a couple of seats remain. Bob Sheppard is the man to contact at: 734-455-1561, or bobsheppard44@ymail.com. Don't be "left standing like a house by the side of the road" (Ernie Harwell).

**Paul Markus**



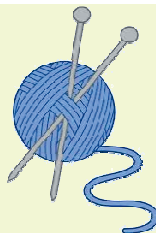
Our next Baptism class for Parents and Godparents is **Monday, July 24th at 7pm** Parish Center Building.

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

### 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**



## Our Parishioner will Ride 300 Miles for the Make a Wish Foundation

On the weekend of July 29-30, **Dan Kavetsky** will join 900 others who will cycle from Traverse City to Brooklyn, Michigan in support of the **Make A Wish Foundation of Michigan**. Dan is seeking our pledges and donations for this worthy cause. Donations can be given to him personally up to the time of the event or mailed or dropped off at our Parish Office. **Please enclose cash or check in an envelope marked for this purpose.** Each year this event raises about \$2.3 million to brighten the lives of about **450** children who struggle with life threatening medical conditions.

## Forever Young Seniors...

Our next meeting will be tomorrow, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am. 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**

## WELCOME

**Janice Armstrong**

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**

## 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.



## 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**.

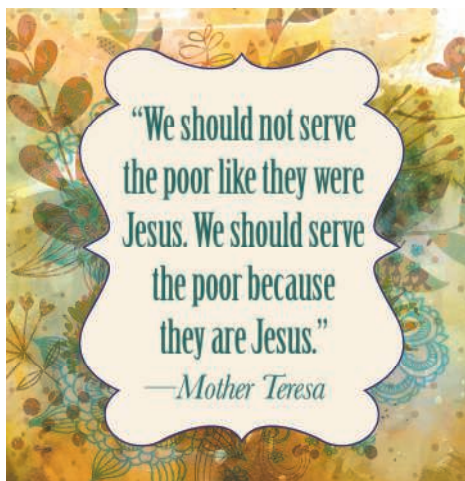


*It was JOY to welcome into the family of God:*

MaryScarlett Julieanne Catherine Findysz  
PollyCharlotte Gwenda Ann Findysz

## Eucharistic Exposition FRIDAYS

**9am to Noon** in Church



## 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.

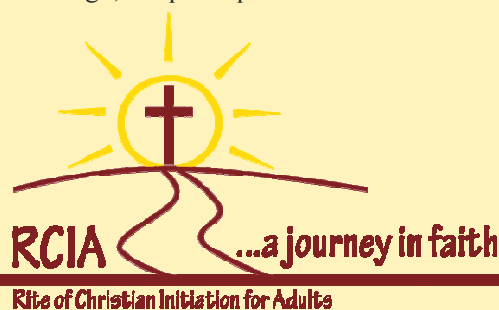
### ENLIGHTENMENT

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.



## ARCHDIOCESE AND COMMUNITY NEWS

### 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 [mrspattig@yahoo.com](mailto:mrspattig@yahoo.com).

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### 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)





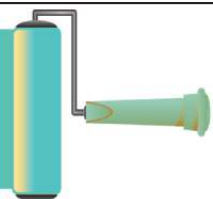
Please support this year's Catholic Services Appeal by completing your pledge card and dropping it into the collection basket or mailing it to the parish office. You can also visit our site at: <http://stmarycooj.aodcsa.org>. Thank you!



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.

	SATURDAY 4:30pm		SUNDAY 8:00am		SUNDAY 10:00am		SUNDAY 12 NOON	
<b>Celebrant</b>	<b>Fr. Ken</b>		<b>Fr. Joe</b>		<b>Fr. Ken</b>		<b>Fr. Ken</b>	
<b>Lector Comm.</b>	Lisa Kliza Maryann Sligay		Nancy Hahn Cam Jankowiak		Joanne Harshman Don Yokley		Jennifer Schaefer Nancy Smith	
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Emily Gnacke Gloria Townsend Carmen Calleja	Flo Bozek Mary McKelvey Loretta Wood	Larry Janowski Carol Janowski Cheryl Paputa	Katie Bohr Josie Klocke Janet Carrier	Duane Harbowy Jeanne Sullivan Kathy Yokley	Diane Pietras Bonnie Kinunen Linda Dinsmore	Annmarie Konrad Ken Konrad Scott Ozga Evelyn Bledsoe	Kevin Headrick Karen Bulmanski Darlene LaFave
<b>Altar Server</b>	Matt Mazaitis		Frank Criscenti	Jason Cullen	Angel Kimfon	Tori White	Alyssa Gershon	Julie Gershon
<b>Sacristan</b>	Pat Storey		Alice André		Theresa O'Bey		Joy Moss	
<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	Chris Gieske Jim Janson Robert Dropp Michael Gluth	John Meconi Jack Rourke	Luis Gonzalez Ken Konrad Annmarie Konrad Mark Goszinski	Kathy Sherry Ron Sherry Jim Siepierski
<b>Greeters</b>	Carole Baranowski Julie Callahan	Ed Kiras	Guldner Family	Sharon Edwards	Doug Cyr Kathy Yokley	Marie DiDomizio Bethany Garfinkel	Connie Flynn John Flynn	
<b>Homebound</b>					Duane Harbowy Jeanne Sullivan			
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