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Joyful News

JULY 23, 2017 • 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Honoring Deacon Jim Hensel



After the 8am Mass on Sunday, July 16, our chapel was dedicated to Deacon Jim on the occasion of his 90th birthday. We thank Deacon Jim for 41 years of dedicated service to our Faith Community.



This weekend we are “commemorating” the civil disturbance that occurred in Detroit 50 years ago. We have been hearing about it all week on the radio and television, Archbishop Vigneron even wrote a message which you will read in his bulletin. I remember the impact that it had on me, an eleven year old boy. My parents thought it would be better if my sister and I spent a couple of days with my cousins in Livonia, further away from any violence. Our neighborhood in northwest Detroit was “safe”; the neighborhood of my father’s restaurant, Livernois south of Fenkell, had some violence and looting. My father didn’t venture down there until Saturday, nearly a week after it began, and then he offered free meals to all police and military personnel; he felt safer with their presence around.

I remember watching television as tanks rolled down the streets of my hometown; many of you probably have the same images etched in your memory. I was old enough to understand, but perhaps not grown-up enough to deeply comprehend it all. Even now I shake my head in hurt and disbelief. Within a few years, my family moved out of the city as did so many other families, in probably what could be called the largest case of “white flight” in our country’s history. Fifty years later, it still bothers me. Detroit has never really bounced back. This is my hometown.

I have always loved the city of Detroit. I have been a volunteer for the city for many years, helping out at many events and occasions. I want visitors to know and come to love (or at least like) the city that I know and love so well. I love the grittiness and down-to-earth approach of its residents. It pains me when I hear others talk about the citizens of the city in negative ways. These are children of God, and yes, our brothers and sisters. It upsets me when residents of neighboring cities and towns (aka suburbanites) venture to Detroit, with their windows rolled up and doors locked, fearful of every minute until they can get back on the Jeffries or I-75 and back to where they live. They look with disdain on the residents of Detroit. We can’t treat the children of God in such a manner. Our attitude must always be one of acceptance. The civil disturbance in 1967 in a large part had a background in racism. It’s sad to say that similar racism is still alive and flourishing today. Listen to how people speak of different races, cultures, societies. Most of us come from ancestors who were immigrants to this country.

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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

MON, THURS & FRI	8:30 am
WED	12:00 Noon
SAT	4:30 pm
SUN	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

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Ron & Peggy Aneiros	Vicky Holley	Blanche Morris	Dianne Shekell
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Sean English	Cynthia Moen	Harry Sacha	Tim Wycihowski
Carter Fox	Kris Monroe	Emma Scaramella	Nova Zboyan
Ray Grochowski	Selena Montez	Nancy & Jack Shea	

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 29/30

1st Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12
Resp. Psalm: Lord, I love your commands.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:28-30
Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

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.



ARCHDIOECISE OF DETROIT
12 STATE STREET
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*Blessed are the peacemakers,
 for they will be called children of God.*
Matthew 5:9

July 14, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week marks 50 years since an early-morning raid on a "blind pig" after-hours bar at 12th Street and Clairmount sparked one of the largest civil disturbances in U.S. history, resulting in 43 deaths, nearly 1,200 injuries and millions of dollars in property damage. Although seeds of unrest were sown long before 1967, and solutions have proven elusive even 50 years on, we have made much progress in building up our community to be respectful of the rights of all its members. We can put our faith in Christ and remember His message to love one another.

As we recall these tragic events, let us lift our city, our region and one another in prayer. It is only by the grace of the Prince of Peace that we will find peace. Let us also pray for those touched by the violence of 1967, especially those who lost their lives and loved ones. Let us ask for the intercession of our patroness, Saint Anne as we mark this anniversary, and pray that the grace of healing, reconciliation and brotherhood take deeper root in every heart across our archdiocese.

Finally, as a visible sign of solidarity and brotherhood, I wish to draw attention to an opportunity to volunteer alongside men, women and youth from all faiths for a six-day Life Remodeled blight removal and beautification project taking place in the neighborhoods hardest hit by the 1967 civil disturbance. Visit www.aod.org/liferemodeled for more information or to register.

As Detroit's pioneer priest Fr. Gabriel Richard said following the great fire of 1805 that devastated the city: "We hope for better things; it will rise from the ashes." As we recollect 1967, as we work toward healing, and as we move forward together in faith to unleash the Gospel in southeast Michigan, there can be no bystanders. As described in my pastoral letter, all of us in the archdiocese are to commit ourselves to building inter-cultural competency and breaking down barriers that still divide us. In reading the signs of the times in southeast Michigan, it is clear that we are a community that is ready for renewal. Let us make our remembering of 1967 a guidepost on that path to spiritual renewal.

As disciples of Christ, let us work together side-by-side to build a better City and region so that when people see our work, they will know us as His followers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron
Archbishop of Detroit

Fr. Ken (continued from front page)

Let us pray and work together to rid our society of this terrible sin of racism. St. Peter, speaking to the Jewish converts, says: "I see that God shows no partiality." St. James writes, "If you show partiality, you commit sin." The strongest words, however, come directly from Jesus. "You shall love your neighbor as yourself".

Let us pray for our society and for the citizens of southeast Michigan. We need to work and pray together as we move forward as the people of God

God Bless

Fr. Ken



IN FORMATION

Registration for children's faith formation is ongoing. Information envelopes can be found in the gathering space for new and returning families. Please complete and return your forms.

Can you please help? Please let me know your availability during the day to help with big and little projects in preparation for the new year. Thanks.

Protecting God's Children is required of any adult working with children at church. Go to Aod.org to learn of dates and places to attend. We can help you if you need help.

Formation Opportunity coming up July 31 - August 10 at St. Joseph in South Lyon. If you are interested I have all the info and can email it to you.

Religious Articles Please do not bring any to church. Thank you.

Bernardine Franciscan Sisters Garage Sale

July 28-29 between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Proceeds go toward the sisters' Retirement Fund. The convent is located at 27405 W Ten Mile Rd. at the Inkster Corner in Farmington Hills.

The Bottom Line Humor, is part and parcel of the human spirit, and thus was instituted by God. We are the only animals in all creation possessing the ability to laugh with others and at ourselves.

Sr. Gemma Legel, OSF



We would like to welcome all visitors to our parish.

We extend a special welcome to all former St. Mel parishioners who have joined us.

Forever Young Seniors...

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 7th at 10:00am. We will have a guest representative from St. Mary's Hospital Rehab Center. She will be showing us how to do simple chair exercises.

Tickets for the September Picnic will also be available. 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:

Jewels of Detroit

Tues, Sept 19th 9:15am – 4:45pm
\$62 due by Sept 5th

Turkeyville "Ring of Fire"

Wed, Oct 4th 9:30am – 6:30pm
\$73 due by Sept 1st

Stratford Festival "Guys and Dolls"

Fri, Oct 20th 6:30am – 9:15pm
\$141 due by Sept 20th
passport required

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

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Beginning in August, our parish office will close at noon on Fridays. This change will be effective Friday, August 4.



Parish Picnic

Our 2nd annual parish picnic will be Sunday, August 20 on our parish grounds.
Time: Noon Cost: Free

Hot dogs will be grilled up and there will be games for children and adults planned too!

Please bring a dessert to share.

Bring a chair or blanket to sit on and your own non-alcoholic beverage.

Join us for an enjoyable afternoon of fun for all.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who donated non-perishable food via our **Red Wagon** found in our Gathering Space. 202 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 July 12. Also, thank you to Jim & Dan for taking our donations there.

Our Christian Service Commission Needs YOU!

Jesus tells us the two greatest commandments are: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandments greater than these." (Mark 12:30-31). **NOW** is the time for us to put **LOVE** into **ACTION**. Performing the Corporal Works of Mercy is one way to help us draw closer to Christ as we become Christ to others.

We need YOUR help as we prepare to enter a new year with our Christian Service. Please give prayerful consideration to living out your Christian faith in a practical way. Many hands are needed to serve and bring new ideas.

If you are interested in joining us please call Paul at 734-425-4421 or email at paul@stmarycooj.org.



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

Rita Burke
Laura Duncan
Cecilia Madison

In addition, we remember:

Jerry Sparrow
Rita Plant
Len O'Neil

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

SHIRLEY'S CLUB RESERVATIONS

Shirley was a longtime parishioner at St. Damian. When she passed away, a committee was formed to find a way to commemorate her memory. On September 13th, we will celebrate the 20th anniversary of Shirley's club.

Please join us for lunch at 11:30am at Archie's Restaurant on Plymouth Road.

Tickets are \$17.

Make checks payable to Kathy McLeod And send to:

Kathy McLeod
8465 Terri Drive,
Westland, MI 48185
734-427-7203.

After 20 years we have decided that this will be our last luncheon. Please try to join us and bring a friend to celebrate the many years of friendship and good memories.

Eucharistic Exposition
FRIDAYS
9am to Noon in Church

HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

Holy Name Fraternity extends sincere thanks and good wishes to Mary Allsteadt for all she did for our parish and HNF. We are forever grateful. You will continue in our prayers. Enjoy your retirement! It's almost time for bus departure to the Pirates/Tigers baseball game at Comerica Park on Thursday, August 10. If you still need a seat contact Bob Sheppard at 734-455- 1561, or bobsheppard44@ymail.com.

Paul Markus

CARDS FOR MARY

If you would like to give retirement well-wishes for our longtime secretary, Mary Allsteadt, we have a box in the gathering space for you to drop off a card or you can sign the large parish card instead.



CREMATION AND THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS

Ideally, if a family chooses cremation, the cremation would take place at some time **after** the Funeral Mass, so that there can be an opportunity for the Vigil for the Deceased in the presence of the body (during "visitation" or "viewing" at a church or funeral home). This allows for the appropriate reverence for the sacredness of the body at the Funeral Mass: sprinkling with holy water, the placing of the pall, and honoring it with incense. The Rite of Committal then takes place after cremation.

The cremated remains of a body should be treated with the same respect given to the human body from which they come. This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains on the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires.

Excerpts from: January 2012 Newsletter of the Committee on Divine Worship

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/bereavement-and-funerals/cremation-and-funerals.cfm>

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS

VBS is off to an adventurous start! Son World Adventure Theme Park, where all will discover that choosing Jesus is the ticket to the best ride of their lives. Based on Joshua 24:15, Choose this day whom you will serve.

SonWorld Adventure Park VBS helps kids learn to make right choices in a world of options. Day 1: Choose to Believe, Day 2: Choose to Act, Day 3: Choose Forgiveness, Day 4: Choose to Obey, Day 5 Choose JESUS!

Pictured is a small sampling of the College young adults and high school youth volunteering their week at VBS. We are off to a great start! 40 Children are participating in our first time VBS at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy! We are very excited!

Pictured from front to back, left to right: Jose Perez, Courtney Winn, Joe Calvird, Kyle Proffitt, Brandon Winn, Adriana Ufferman, and Kristen Mason

Carol Nelius



ARCHDIOCESE AND COMMUNITY NEWS

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**.

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PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK

In order to keep our bulletin list current, we will begin a new list beginning in August. Please call the office 734-425-4421 to keep a loved one on our list. The list will be renewed on a quarterly basis.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. July 24	8:30am	Deceased members of Florence Mizer Family Dr. Elisa Navarro Lorenzana by Christina & Pepe Cortez
Wed. July 26	12 Noon	Laura & Paulo Borhorquez by Family Howard Vires by Family
Thurs. July 27	8:30am	Deloris O'Hagan by Don
Fri. July 28	8:30am	For our parish family
Sat. July 29	4:30pm	Pete Nieckarz by Alice André John Banach (2nd Anniv.) by his sister Marian Sam Scianna by his wife Emelia and Family Tony Topolsky by his family Tessie Parsons by Kathleen and Richard Smith
Sun. July 30	8:00am	Deceased members of Dziadosz family by Felicia Walter Hembrez (10th Anniv.) by wife Genevieve Prayers for Randy Yakey by his dad, Ralph
	10:00am	Ruth Cadotte by Peggy Fox For our parish family
	12 Noon	Donald and Catherine Moore by Family Prayers for Marilyn Rice and Barbara Rice by the Mott Family



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS**July 24-July 30**

MON. July 24	8:30am 9:00am	Mass Rosary
TUE. July 25		
WED. July 26	10:30am 11:00am 12 Noon 7:00pm	Doors open for cards & coffee Cards & Coffee in social hall Mass Rosary
THURS. July 27	8:30am 9:00am	Mass Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
FRI. July 28	8:30am 9-Noon 6:00pm	Mass Rosary following Mass Eucharistic Exposition Choir picnic on parish grounds
SAT. July 29	3:30pm 4:30pm	Reconciliation Mass
SUN. July 30	8:00am 10:00am 11:15am Noon	Mass Mass Knights of Columbus Rosary Mass

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Env.</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
7/16/2017	342	\$ 9,572	\$ 10,971	\$ (1,398)
7/9/2017	408	\$ 11,649	\$ 10,971	\$ 678
7/3/2017	411	\$ 12,580	\$ 10,971	\$ 1,609
6/25/2017	366	\$ 12,073	\$ 10,640	\$ 1,433

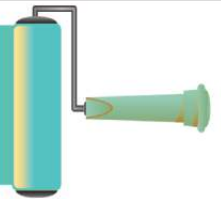
July Christian Service collection to-date \$1,244.00**weekly actual includes online giving**

	<u>YTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
FY 2017-18	\$ 33,801	\$ 32,912	\$ 889
FY 2016-17	\$ 20,623	\$ 31,920	\$ (11,297)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE July 29/30

	SATURDAY 4:30pm	SUNDAY 8:00am	SUNDAY 10:00am	SUNDAY 12 NOON
Celebrant	Fr. Ken	Fr. Ken	Fr. Joe	Fr. Ken
Lector Comm.	Julie Callahan Jerry Chwalek	Cam Jankowiak Paul Kinnell	Pat Russo Linda Dinsmore	Jim McDonnell Joan Gebhardt
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Marge Holten Lou Stremich Loretta Wood Flo Bozek	Ralph Costyn Mary McKelvey Jan Lauster	Deacon John Bonnie Kinunen Larry Janowski Carol Janowski	Mike Servalish Diane Fredrickson Cheryl Paputa
Altar Server	Matt Mazaitis	Jason Cullen Emmanuela Nwizu	Deacon John Theresa O'Bey Jeanne Sullivan Geraldyn Pawlaczyk	Bernice Reed Cathi Macko Nicole Macko
Sacristan	Fran Gleason	Alice André	Marlene Perez Tori White	Deacon John Joy Moss Pat Slusarz Scott Ozga
Ushers	Tony Collins Denis Rowland Peter Kowalski Paul Markus Emery Price	Don Koszegi Ernie Lenard Bill Lezotte	Chris Gieske Jim Janson Robert Dropp Michael Gluth	Darlene LaFave Evelyn Bledsoe Carol Knoblock
Greeters	Tony Micallef Don Niemiec Steve Noonan Frank Pelton Jean Schmuck	Ron Kinunen Sharon Edwards	John Meconi Jack Rourke	Andrew Engler Emma Engler
Homebound	John Flynn Connie Flynn	Carole Baranowski Eunice Austin	Diann Wyderko Guldner Family	Joy Moss Linda Sohack
Altar Care	August 4	Judy Roy	Susan Thompson	

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