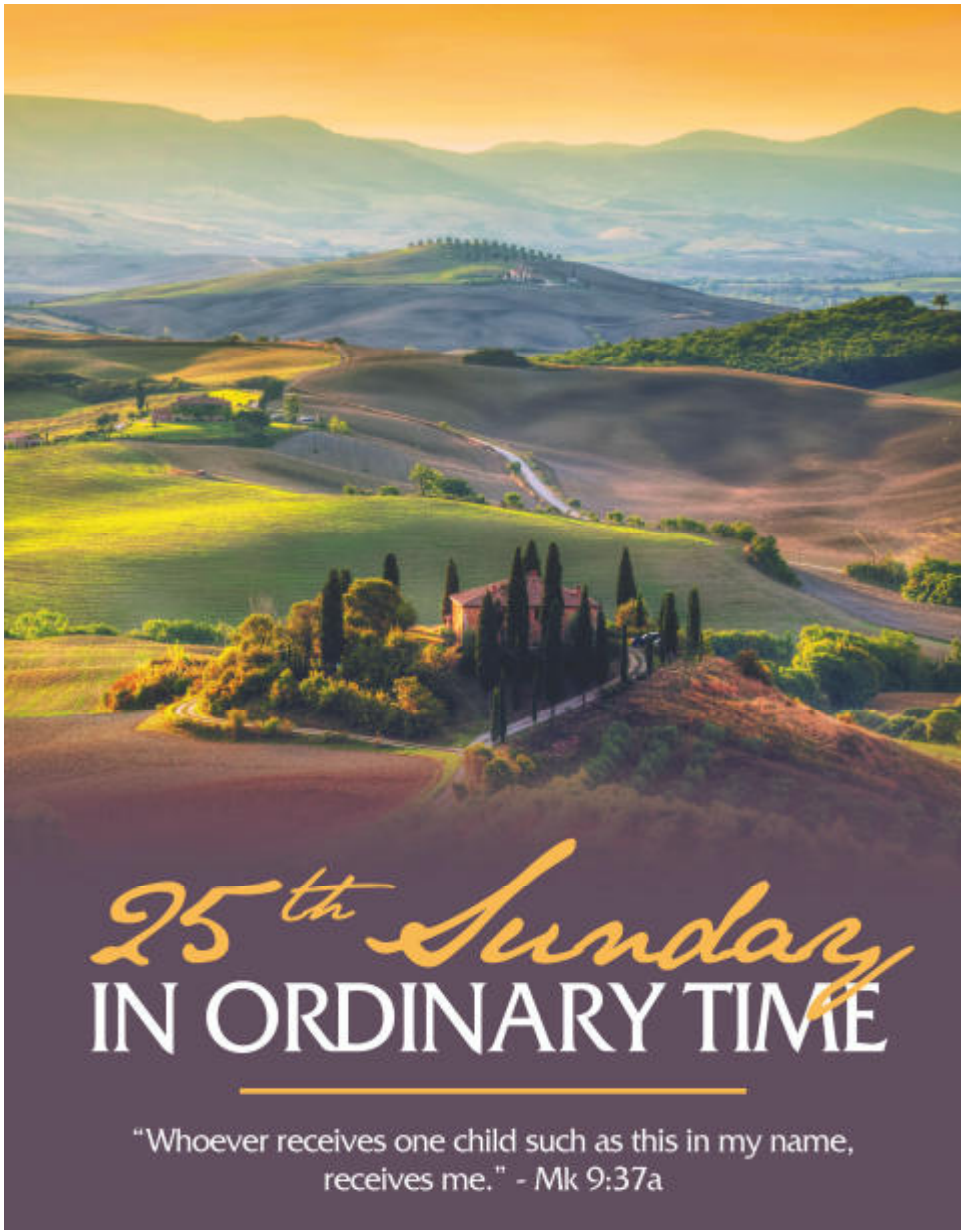


# St. Mary, CAUSE OF Our Joy

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## Joyful News

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 • 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### *From the Pastor's Desk*

As I mentioned last week, we will be having time for prayer for the church, for the victims of abuse, for the sanctification of bishops, priests and all those who work in the church.

On the FIRST and THIRD Mondays of October, from 6:00pm until 7:30pm, the church will be open, the Eucharist will be exposed in adoration. Feel free to stop in for a few moments of prayer, or longer. We will have a Bible reading at the beginning and then silence. You may say any kind of prayers, of course. There will be no public praying, that is, no praying aloud as to give the chance to everyone to pray as they wish.

You can stop in after work, or perhaps while you are waiting for your children or grandchildren during Faith Formation. Once again, OCTOBER 1 and 15, from 6:00pm to 7:30 pm.

Please, come and pray.



### **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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### Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: **8:00am-4:00pm**  
Friday: **8:00am-Noon**

### 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<br>10:00 am<br>12:00 Noon |

### Confession

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.

### 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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## At-Large Members

|                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
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| Michael Gluth  | Nancy Smith   |
| Suzanne Price  | Chris VanHoet |

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

|                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Steve Anderson       | Kevin Freeman    |
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| Victoria Angelosanto | Fran Gleason     |
| Lee Borycz           | Maria Gomez      |
| Boyington Family     | Jeanette Gordon  |
| Richard Browe        | Deb Gorski       |
| Bob Cadotte          | Gerald Graziani  |
| Joseph Carrier       | Paul Gden        |
| Tina Ciepley         | Marian Halkey    |
| Ron Cooper           | Dee Jones        |
| Steve Demaggio       | John Kaminsky    |
| Tom Dobrowolski      | Marilyn Kashat   |
| Faith Falzon         | Daniel Klein     |
| Janet Fleis          | Bob Kluba        |
| Annette Fish         | May Korsak       |
| Bill Forshey         | Rita Kraft       |
| Edmund & Irene Frain | Shirley Kubinski |
|                      | John Lardin      |

|                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
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| MaryAnn Magon        | Nancy & Jack Shea   |
| Dolores McCarthy     | Tom Shafar          |
| Selena Montes        | Dianne Shekell      |
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| Patricia Murray      | Anna Soletto        |
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| Mary Murphy          | Robert Stachura Jr. |
| Judie Nagy           | Dolores Stark       |
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| Ruth Parisien        | David Wasil         |
| Gerry & Deb Pietszak | Cathy West          |
| Bob Proctor          | Theresa Witkowski   |
| Emma Roberts         | Antoinette Wonsack  |
| Lynn Rodriguez       | Joyce Yarde         |
| Mae Rose             | Nova Zeboyan        |
| Edward Rysztak       |                     |
| Grace Rysztak        |                     |
| Lorraine Saunders    |                     |

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

## READINGS for September 30

**1st Reading:** Numbers 11:25-29

**Resp. Psalm:** The precepts of the Lord  
give joy to the heart.

**2nd Reading:** James 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

## OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

**CPT Joey Saunders**, U.S. Marines; **Joseph David Onadia**, U.S. Navy; **PVT Marcus Rodriguez**, U.S. Army; **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.

Greetings and Salutations,

It's that time of year. Faith Formation Classes begin tomorrow September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Reminder to All...we will meet in the church at 6:00pm for opening prayer and then the students will be dismissed with their Catechist to go to their classrooms in the Parish Office center. I ask all parents to remain for some brief words. Thank you so much!

I look forward to meeting our wonderful students!

Blessings of Peace,

Sabrina Queen

Just for laughs...What is a shark's favorite sandwich?

Peanut butter and jellyfish of course! Lol 😊



## COMMUNITY LUNCH

at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy  
**THIS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

12 Noon-1:00pm

**Everyone is welcome**

Cost: Free

**What:** In early August Fr. Ken announced our parish would reach out to the greater community by providing a free lunch once per month. It is open to anyone and everyone. No questions are asked! It is not just for the poor or homeless, but for everyone in our community. No donations required. Just come and eat and spend a little time with others.

Please help us to make this endeavor a success. By looking outward, we will see the presence of God in the eyes of others!

For more information call the office at 734-425-4421.



In today's Gospel we have a great scene where the Apostles are walking to Capernaum arguing about who is the greatest among them, but when Jesus calls them on it, they remain

silent. I am sure because they were embarrassed. At that point Jesus gives them a response that seems to be a riddle, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and a servant of all." I am sure his Apostles couldn't figure out what he meant by that.

A modern version of this would be that you are driving in the car and you hear your kids arguing in the back seat about who is "the best." One might be good at music, one at math, one at who knows what, but at that point you speak up and say, "The best kid is the one who does their homework and washes the dishes without complaining!" Now I am sure your kids would be confused by that statement too, but at the core what you would be saying is that you want them to have the skills to get a good job and be successful when they grow up.

I think Jesus was telling his Apostles the same thing. He just got done telling them that he will die on the cross, and rise again. Their world will be turned upside down. He needed people who could do a difficult thing and build a better world for themselves and His church. I think Jesus is also telling us the same thing today; He needs people who can help in a dark time, and build the church into what it should be.

*Paul Zbytowski*



## Knights of Columbus

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

October 13, 2018

6pm-8pm

**Free Will Donation in Support of Deacon Derik Peterman!**



### AN OPEN INVITATION TO JOIN OUR ORDER

The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world, an organization that was founded by Father Michael J. McGivney and a handful of men at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., in 1882.

Our common bond is our devotion to the Catholic faith and our brotherhood in Christ. We have joined together to help one another become: Better Catholics, Better husbands, Better fathers, Better providers for the financial protection of our families, Better citizens of the countries in which we live.

Come join our Parish Council; be counted as one of nearly two million members in a dozen countries on three continents.

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE NEXT WEEKEND. WE NEED YOU!**

## Forever Young Seniors...

Our next meeting will be Monday, October 1st at 10:00am in the large Social Hall.

October is the month of our Blessed Mother and we will be praying the Patriotic Rosary. Our volunteer chefs for October will be Flo Bozek & Ann Findysz.

We will be taking nominations for election of new Officers for Chairperson, Co-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Financial Secretary. Please let Marie DiDomizio know if you are interested in any of these positions.

Tickets will also be available for the upcoming November Thanksgiving Feast catered dinner. Cost is \$10.

Please keep all of our ill members in your prayers, especially Roberta Piper.

We have some wonderful bus trips coming up:

### Firekeepers Casino (sold out, call for wait list)

Thurs, Nov 8<sup>th</sup>  
9:15am – 5:45pm  
\$37 due by Oct 25<sup>th</sup>

### Croswell Opera House "The Wizard of Oz"

Sunday, Dec 9<sup>th</sup>  
10:15am – 7:00pm  
\$82 due by Nov 9<sup>th</sup>

### Zehnder's Snowfest Luncheon Show

Thurs, January 24, 2019  
9:30am – 6:00pm  
\$88 due by Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>

The bus trips are open to everyone. **Please call me 734-525-3737 for reservations** and more details. Copies of the flyers are available in the back of Church or 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**



## Fifth Sunday Rosary Sunday, September 30

The Knights will once again be leading a Fifth Sunday Rosary at 11:15 am next Sunday. This will be after the 10:00 Mass and just before the Noon Mass. All are encouraged to come a few minutes early or stay just a little bit longer to participate in this communal devotion. If you have been shy about starting this devotion, the Knights will help you along. Charity, Unity, and Fraternity are our guiding principles; see you and your families there in support of a *Culture of Life*!

### Women's Retreat

There are two weekend retreats coming up, and all the women at St. Mary Cause of Our Joy are invited to attend. The first is the weekend of October 26-28, or November 9-11. The theme this year is Rejoice In The Lord Always; Again, I say Rejoice! The retreat is a two night stay with plenty of time for relaxation and fellowship. There is a \$30 deposit that is due upon registration. You may register online at [www.stpaulretreat.org/retreats/register-upcoming-retreats](http://www.stpaulretreat.org/retreats/register-upcoming-retreats) or calling the retreat center at (313) 535-9563.

### Joyful Women Adult Movie Night – Pizza and a Movie!

Joyful Women is sponsoring a FREE adult movie night in the Social Hall on Thursday, October 4th, 2018. Movie, popcorn and beverage provided FREE of charge; pizza available for \$1.00 a slice.

The movie is **Beauty and the Beast**. This (mostly) non-animated version of the classic fairy tale is a live-action re-telling, staying true to the original music while updating the score with several new songs. This is the journey of Belle (Emma Watson), a beautiful and independent young woman who is taken prisoner by a beast (Dan Stevens) in his castle. Despite her fears, she befriends the castle's enchanted staff and learns to look beyond the Beast's hideous exterior and realize the kind heart and soul of the true Prince within. Rated PG.

Doors open at 5:30 pm, with movie starting at 6:00 pm. All ladies and men of the parish and their guests are welcome! Metal folding chairs provided ... feel free to bring your own more comfortable chair and/or cushion!

### HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

Holy Name Fraternity was happy to serve 295 parishioners and friends at the September 16, Pancake and French Toast breakfast. The next breakfast will be Sunday, October 21, same time (8:30 am-Noon), same place. We hope to see you there...and bring a friend. Just a few rooms are still available for the men's retreat at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, September 28-30. Retreat begins at 6:30 pm on the 28th. If you haven't made your reservation **N O W** is the time. Visit: [stpaulretreat.org](http://stpaulretreat.org); or phone 313-535-9563. "Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say rejoice" is the retreat theme. Come, rejoice, be spiritually renewed, make new friends and enjoy the true hospitality of St. Paul Retreat Center! A \$30 required reservation guarantees you a room. Do it. You deserve it. Holy Name Fraternity is a sponsor of the retreat.

*Paul Markus*

### Doctor Prescribed Suicide??? NO!

DID YOU KNOW? What position do U.S. Doctors take on the issue of "Prescribed Suicide"? After much study and debate, the *American College of Physicians (ACP)* has issued a new position statement opposing the *legalization and practice of doctor-prescribed suicide* (aka, "aid-in-dying", "assisted suicide", "dying with dignity"). It affirms the ACP's earlier opposition policy issued in 2001. The ACP's statement also emphasizes its commitment to "human dignity and management of pain and other symptoms, and support of families." (Annals of Internal Medicine, 9/19/17) We need to remain vigilant and make sure that doctors in the U.S. remember that they should "do no harm" in regards to their patients.



## **DO YOU LIKE TO SING?**

**Then we need you to come and join the  
St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Youth Choir**

**Who can join?** 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders; also, high school/ college-aged people who are willing to cantor and be singing mentors for the younger singers – all are welcome who would like to sing!

**When?** Rehearsals are scheduled Mondays at 7:15 PM (following Faith Formation classes) and run until 8:00 PM.

**Where?** Rehearsals will be in Room 106 in the Parish Center.

**\*They will sing at scheduled Masses and community singing events throughout the Faith Formation year.**

**\*\*\*REHEARSALS WILL START SEPTEMBER 24!!!!\*\*\***

**Questions? Please call Lisa at (734) 890-2419 or email [LMO500@yahoo.com](mailto:LMO500@yahoo.com)**

## **High School Youth Ministry News**

Weekly youth group meetings have begun again every **Monday**, from 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the youth group room located in the parish center. We meet every week with the exceptions of holidays and a short one month break in the summer. All high school teens in grades 9 -12 are welcome regardless of what high school attend. We understand and take into account the ever changing schedule that a teen endures. If you can't come every week that is totally fine. Come when you can. You are ALWAYS welcome.

Please also mark you calendars for our first WAYMC event of the new school year. WAYMC stands for Western Area Youth Ministry Cooperative. WAYMC is a collaboration of parishes in our area that come together to host events for high school teens. **Sunday, September 30** we will be hosting our annual High School Youth Group Softball Challenge & BBQ at Heritage Park in Canton from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00p.m. Cost is \$3 per teen. No softball experience is necessary. Come and have fun and meet teens from our parish as well as other parishes.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol Nelius, coordinator of youth ministry via email at [youthministry@stmarycooj.org](mailto:youthministry@stmarycooj.org)



**Saturday, Oct. 29th  
6:30-8:30pm**

The car in America has become an emblem for individuality and personal expression. Sports fans fly team flags and yuletide enthusiasts add a wreath to the front grill. But Halloween aficionados are taking celebrations to new heights. Trunk-or-

Treat celebrations provide the opportunity for Halloween fans to deck out their car with ready-made Halloween diorama that can instantly be revealed in a parking lot, as fellow tailgaters review the spectacle. Trunk-or-treat is a safe, fun, community-building activity, bringing people together for an outdoor event one last time before the winter cold sends us indoors.

Trunk-or-Treat is a fun-for-the-whole family Halloween Alternative Event. Families are invited to come to St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy parking lot between 6:30pm and 8:30pm on Saturday, October 29th with your children to trick-or-treat. Grandparents are invited to bring your grandkids and join in the fun. Our parishioners will be decorating their cars (optional), vans or trucks starting at 5:45pm and passing out treats for all the trick-or-treaters who stop by. After trunk-or-treating, please come inside and participate in games and crafts and enjoy some food in the social hall.



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

**Geraldine Mahaz**

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

## **2018 Public Square Rosary Rally**

**Saturday, October 13, 2018  
at 12 Noon**

**St. Mary, Cause Of Our Joy  
Parish Grounds**

**8200 N. Wayne Rd., Westland,  
Rain or Shine!**

Please arrive early to sign in. Also, you may want to bring a chair and umbrella. For more information, please contact Emily Gnacke at 734-522-6018 or 734-620-2914 or by email [gnackee@gmail.com](mailto:gnackee@gmail.com)

## **ST. MARY'S CARDS AND COFFEE CLUB**

**Every Tuesday in the social hall!**

Come and have some coffee, conversation and play cards with friends, old and new. Doors open at 10:30am. Meeting starts at 11:00am. Small fee to play Pinochle or Euchre. You choose your game. Assistance provided as needed.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

## **Save The Date VENDORS SHOW**

**Mark your calendars for our  
second parish Vendors show on:**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9th  
6:00pm-9:00pm**

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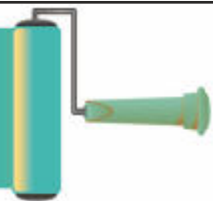
**Eucharistic Exposition  
WEDNESDAYS**

**There will be no Eucharistic Exposition on  
Wednesday, September 26.**

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.

| LITURGICAL SCHEDULE    September 29/30    |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |               |
|---|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|---------------|
|   | SATURDAY 4:30pm   |  | SUNDAY 8:00am   |  | SUNDAY 10:00am   |  | SUNDAY 12 Noon   |  |               |
| Celebrant                                 | Fr. Phong   |  | Fr. Joe   |  | Fr. Ken  |  | Fr. Ken  |  |               |
| Lector Comm.                              | Rose Abela  |  | Ann Findysz<br>Paul Kinnell   |  | Cara Murphy<br>Nancy Smith                                 |  | Henry VerVaecke<br>Joan Gebhardt                                 |  |               |
| Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion | Marge Holten<br>Fran Niemiec<br>Maryann Ogden<br>Flo Bozek                    | Loretta Wood<br>Kathy Andrus<br>Kevin Headrick                             | Kathy Birchfield<br>Olimpia DeToma<br>Katie Bohr<br>Diane Fredrickson | Carol Janowski<br>Larry Janowski<br>Jerry Chwalek              | Fran Read<br>Ron Read<br>Jeanne Sullivan<br>Linda Dinsmore | Bernice Reed<br>John Lister<br>Theresa O'Bey | Annmarie Konrad<br>Ken Konrad<br>Scott Ozga<br>Jennifer Schaefer | Pat Slusarz<br>Joan Gebhardt<br>Darlene LaFave |               |
| Altar Server                              |   |  | Natalie Francis   |  | Angel Kimfon   |  | Jason Alava  |  | Celia Mercado |
| Sacristan                                 | Ann Findysz   |  | Alice André   |  | Jeff Vernon  |  | Tori White   |  |               |
| Ushers                                    | Tony Collins<br>Peter Kowalski<br>Paul Markus<br>Tony Micallef<br>Don Niemiec | Steve Noonan<br>Frank Pelton<br>Emery Price<br>Jean Schmuck<br>Jack Rourke | Jim DeVitis<br>Jim Fredrickson<br>Don Koszegi<br>Ernie Lenard         | Bill Lezotte<br>Paul Lukasik<br>Dan Stachow<br>Leslie Johnston | Barb Burke<br>John Burke<br>Jim Siepierski<br>Clare Masak  | Yonnie Underwood                             | Annmarie Konrad<br>Ken Konrad<br>Robert Dropp<br>John Meconi     | Kathy Sherry<br>Ron Sherry                     |               |
| Greeters                                  | Eunice Austin<br>Connie Flynn   | John Flynn<br>Julie Callahan   | Marlene & Roman Kotrys<br>Deanna Adams                                |  | Vinny Konstal<br>Marie DiDomizio                           | Doug Cyr<br>Carol Cruz                       | Linda Sohack<br>Darlene LaFave                                   |  |               |
| Homebound                                 |   |  |   |  | Fran & Ron Read<br>Jeanne Sullivan                         |  |  |  |               |
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