

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

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## Joyful News

OCTOBER 20, 2019 • 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This year on World Mission Sunday we listened to the account of St. Paul writing to St. Timothy with the charge, *"I charge you in the presence of God and of Jesus Christ to proclaim the word, be persistent and encourage the gospel through patience and teaching."*

That is what the Lord is asking us today as we reach out to those courageous servant missionaries who are giving their lives for the spread of the gospel and the support of the "Young Churches" they have established.

Pope Francis has declared this month of October, "Extraordinary Missionary Month" to remind us of Our obligation to share the Gospel through personal witness and welcome. He wrote: *"The Church needs men and women who; By virtue of their baptism, respond generously to the call to leave home, family and country, and to be sent forth to the nations, to a world not yet transformed by the Sacrament of Jesus Christ and his Holy Church."*

We observe the annual day of prayer and sacrifice for the missions today. We unite ourselves also with our fellow Christians all over the world who with us attempt to share our faith with others, especially those who have not yet heard the name of Jesus and his Holy Church. Today offers us the opportunity to join our missionaries in the *"holiest and greatest work of the Church"*.



**Wednesday, October 23**  
**9:00am—3:00pm**

**Large Social Hall**

Sign up at: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time>



**ALL YOU CAN EAT**  
**Pancake & French Toast Breakfast**

**THIS SUNDAY, OCT. 20**  
**8:30am to NOON**

**Saint Mary, Cause of Our Joy Social Hall**

**COST: \$3 Adults \$1.50 Children ages 2 to 10**

**MENU: Pancakes, French Toast, Ham, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Applesauce, Tea, Coffee, Milk, & Juice**

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**COMMUNITY  
LUNCH**

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

**THURSDAY, Oct. 24**

**12 Noon-1:00pm**

**Everyone is welcome**

**Cost: Free**



During the month of October, please join us to pray the rosary.

**Mondays:** Following 8:30am Mass  
**Wednesdays:** 7:00pm in the chapel  
**Thursdays:** Following 8:30am Mass  
**Fridays:** Following 8:30am Mass  
**Saturdays:** 4:00pm  
**Sundays:** 11:30 am

### 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 Thursday: **8:00am-4:00pm**

Friday: **8:00am-Noon**

## 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

## 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 is 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.

Hearing Devices are available. 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.

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

## READINGS for the week of October 20

**Monday:** Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:** Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68b]/Lk 12:54-59

## READINGS for October 27

**1st Reading:** Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

**2nd Reading:** 2 TM 4:6-8, 16-18

**Resp. Psalm:** The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

**Gospel:** Luke 18:9-14

## OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

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## Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

Greetings and Salutations,  
In today's Gospel we hear a parable about persistence in prayer. Jesus teaches us that we must pray constantly and not become tired of doing so. Prayer is one way we may deepen our faith and become stronger. Evaluate your prayer life... What does prayer mean to you? Why do you pray?

Perhaps in the coming days reflect on the widow from today's Gospel. Why do you think she kept bothering the judge? What might have given her strength to persist in her request? What does this teach us about praying to God?

This week's funny...Why do ghost's like to ride in elevators?

It raises their spirits.

Ahhhh hahaha!

Have a great week everyone!

Peace and prayers,  
Sabrina Queen

## Eucharistic Exposition

**WEDNESDAYS**

**12:30—3:00pm**



## NOTES FROM PAUL...

In this weekend's Gospel from Luke we get the parable of the dishonest judge and the persistent widow. Even though Jesus encourages us to tirelessly ask God for assistance, the last line of the Gospel is the question, "But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" I think Jesus is saying to us, even though God is listening, do we have faith enough to ask for help? Do we live our lives like the Son of Man will be coming back? Sometimes it is hard to think that far ahead because we get caught up in the grind of daily living. Yet we should never be afraid to persistently ask God for help for ourselves or our loved ones, and believe that he is listening.

*Paul*

*All Saints' Day*

**HOLY DAY  
MASS SCHEDULE**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

**8:30am & 7:00pm**

ANNUAL

**Coats for Veterans and Kids**

Coats for Veterans and Kids Drive  
From September 29 - November 3, 2019  
Msgr. Kohler Council #15204  
Knights of Columbus

Collection Bins Located at  
St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy  
Gathering Space in the Church

## ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS WOMEN'S RETREAT

The retreat for women of our parish is scheduled for [October 25-27](#) or [November 8-10](#). The retreat theme this year is: *"Who do YOU say I AM?"*

The retreat is a two night stay with plenty of time for relaxation and fellowship. The Retreat Center is located at 23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit.

Talk with Janet Carrier (734-765-5675), Katie Bohr, or Paula Montagna (734-395-0284) regarding the women's retreat. 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) 286-2801.



**Saturday, November 9  
10am—2pm**

St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Social Hall

Admission: \$3  
(Includes Continental Brunch)  
Served from 10am-noon

**Raffle Prizes**  
**50/50 Raffle Drawings**  
**At 11:45am and 1:45pm**

Come look around. Lots of items for the holidays: gifts, decorating, cooking, & pampering





Saturday, Oct. 26th  
6:30-8:30pm

We invite your family to dress up and join us for some trick or treating, halloween games and some yummy food.

Families are invited to come to our parish parking lot between 6:30pm

and 8:30pm on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> with your children or grandkids to trick-or-treat. We are asking our wonderful parishioners to give candy from their cars, vans or trucks 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.

IF YOU CAN GIVE CANDY OUT FROM YOUR CAR (DECORATED OR NOT), PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 734-425-4421 OR SIGN UP IN THE GATHERING SPACE SO WE KNOW HOW MANY CARS TO EXPECT.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE 40 CARS PARTICIPATE.  
MORE CARS = MORE FUN FOR KIDS!



## HALLOWEEN CANDY COLLECTION

With the beginning of October right around the corner it is once again time for our Halloween Candy Collection! For a number of years we have been collecting candy for Sacred Heart Major Seminary. Each year the seminary community opens their doors and their hearts to over 2000 children from the surrounding Detroit neighborhood so that the kids can have a fun and safe place to play games and trick-or-treat. In a similar fashion, last year, our parish held a Trunk or Treat event here at St Mary COOJ that helped 400 kids safely celebrate Halloween in our Community.

There are multiple ways that you can help with these two events. First is to drop candy off in the Gathering Space throughout October, and we will make sure it gets to these two events for distribution. Second, you can come to the St Mary COOJ Trunk or Treat event on Oct. 26th, 6:30-8:30, to distribute candy in our parking lot. Lastly, you can donate money to either event: for our parish you can just drop a well-marked envelop in the collection basket. Checks should be made out to St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy and write "Halloween Candy" in the memo line.



## MEMORIAL MASS

Sunday, November 3 at 10 a.m.

*Do not stand at my grave and weep;*

*I am not there; I do not sleep*

*I am the smile of sunshine in the day;*

*I am the inner voice that leads the way.*

*I am the memories that calm the night;*

*I am the spirit that continues the fight.*

November is a time to reflect on the past year and remember our friends and family who have gone to their eternal rest. Our tradition is to have a Memorial Mass as part of this remembrance. At this Mass, all the crosses that were placed on our wall of Remembrance, will be returned to families to take home.

Please join us for this special Mass and reception in our social hall.

## Forever Young Seniors...

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in the Large social hall. This will be our annual **Thanksgiving Feast**. Tickets are available for the catered lunch until October 28<sup>th</sup> by contacting **Katie Bohr 734-718-5974**. Cost is \$10. No tickets sold at the door.

In honor of **Veterans Day**, our veteran members will be entertaining us with "Humor in Uniform"

**Reminder:** for anyone going on the **Sandhill Cranes** bus trip on Thurs, Oct 24<sup>th</sup>, please be in the parking lot by 8:00am

Please keep all of our ill members in your prayers especially Jan Lauster.

We have some wonderful bus trips coming up:

### Firekeepers Casino

Tuesday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00am – 6:00pm

\$37 due by Oct 29th

### Nite Lights at MIS

Thursday, Dec 12<sup>th</sup>

2:30pm – 8:30pm \$62

due by Nov 28<sup>th</sup>

### Stranahan Theatre "Bandstand"

Sunday, Jan 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020

10:15am – 6:30pm

\$135 due by Dec 13th

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**



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

**Elizabeth Gabriella Sierra**  
**Child of Edgar & Adriana (Perez)**  
**Sierra**

**On Sunday, October 13**



**TRIVIA**

**Saint Mary, Cause of Our Joy Social Hall**  
8200 North Wayne Road  
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**Friday, November 1st**  
**Doors Open 6 PM**  
**Trivia from 7 PM - 9 PM**

**5 People Max Per Team**  
**\$10.00 Per Person**  
Register and pay online:  
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## High School Youth Ministry News

Teens have very busy lives. Balancing homework, sports practice, marching band, and part time jobs are some of the non-stop challenges that you juggle every day. We understand that. If you are currently in Grades 9 - 12 we would love to see you at an upcoming meeting or event. Please join us when you can. Some teens come weekly, others come only once or twice a month. Come as your schedule allows. With that being said here are our upcoming meetings and events.

**Monday, October 21 & 28** - High School Youth Group Meeting - 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Youth Group Room in the parish center - Snack is always served - Teens are welcome to come at 6:30 p.m. to socialize or come and work on homework prior to the start of the meeting.

**Saturday, October 26** - Trunk or Treat - Run Games inside for Trunk or Treat 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Questions? Please contact Carol Nelius, Coordinator of Youth Ministry at [youthministry@stmarycooj.org](mailto:youthministry@stmarycooj.org) or 734 765 5525 (call or text)

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT				
Sunday Offertory	No. Env	Weekly Actual	Weekly Budget	Weekly Variance
10/13/19	333	\$ 9,988	\$ 10,960	\$ (972)
10/06/19	336	\$ 10,527	\$ 10,960	\$ (433)
09/29/19	329	\$ 10,607	\$ 10,960	\$ (353)
09/22/19	295	\$ 8,712	\$ 10,960	\$ (2,248)
FY 2019-20		YTD Actual	YTD Bud	YTD Var
		\$ 150,425	\$ 164,400	\$ (13,975)

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### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Nov. 15**  
**Paco Gavrilides**

**AWAKENMINISTRY.ORG**  
**At St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy**  
**7:30--9:30pm**

Join hundreds of other Catholics for a night of Praise and Worship, Dynamic Speaking & Eucharistic Adoration



Thank you to everyone who came to our Spaghetti dinner! We raised \$1,200 that will go to our Seminarian fund and support our Knights of Columbus activities! We appreciate everyone in our St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Community!

We also raised \$583.48 from our Tootsie Roll Drive! That money will go to support people with intellectual disabilities at Angels' Place!

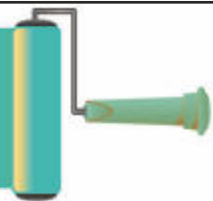
MON. Oct. 21	8:30am	Mass
	9:00am	Rosary
	6-7:15pm	Faith Formation
	7:00pm	PPC Meeting
	7:15-8pm	Children's choir rehearsal
	7:15-9pm	High School Youth Ministry
TUE. Oct. 22	10:30am	Doors open for cards and coffee
	11:00am	Cards and coffee
WED. Oct. 23	12 Noon	Mass
	12:30-3pm	Eucharistic Adoration
	9am-3pm	Blood Drive
	6:00pm	Christian Service Meeting
	7:00pm	Rosary
THURS. Oct. 24	8:30am	Mass
	9:00am	Perpetual Help Devotions and Rosary
	Noon-1	Community Lunch
	12:30	Parish Office Closed/staff workshop
	7:00pm	Choir
FRI. Oct. 25	8:30am	Mass
	9:00am	Rosary
SAT. Oct. 26	3:30pm	Reconciliation
	4:00pm	Rosary
	4:30pm	Mass
	6:30-7:30	Trunk or Treat
	6:45-8:30	Food, games, Face Painting-social hall
SUN. Oct. 27	8:00am	Mass
	10:00am	Mass
	10:30am	RCIA
	11:30am	Rosary
	12 Noon	Mass

Please note that the parish office will be closed for the afternoon on Thursday, October 24 for a staff workshop.

	SATURDAY 4:30pm		SUNDAY 8:00am		SUNDAY 10:00am		SUNDAY 12 Noon	
<b>Lector Comm.</b>	Maryann Sligay Volunteer		Paul Kinnell Jerry Chwalek		Linda Dinsmore Suzanne Price		Jim McDonnell Julie Callahan	
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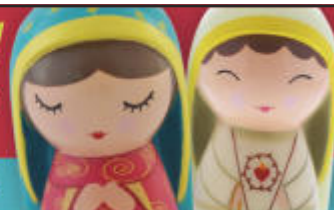


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