

# *St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy*

FEBRUARY 2, 2020



## THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,  
“Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise  
of many in Israel.” - Lk 2:34a

### **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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### 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 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 February 2

**Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20  
**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43  
**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6  
**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13  
**Friday:** Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51 [cf. 47b]/Mk 6:14-29

## READINGS for February 9

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 58:7-10  
**Resp. Psalm :** The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.  
**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5  
**Gospel:** Matthew 5:13-16

## OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

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## Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

### Super Bowl Greetings and Salutations,

In today's Gospel we hear the story about Simeon. Simeon was a righteous man. It was revealed to Simeon that he should not see death before he has seen the Christ of the Lord. We hear how Simeon saw the light when his eyes settled on the infant Jesus. It is our destiny as well to meet God face to face, to look into the light, which brightens every darkness of sin, of fear, and death. Only in God do we find peace. How was Simeon changed by seeing the baby Jesus? Have you ever been changed by an encounter with God?

How does the moon cut his hair? Eclipse it!

Read the B I B L E it's user friendly and we offer tech support every Saturday at 4:30pm, and on Sunday at 8am, 10am, and 12 noon.

Have a Happy week everyone...and remember when in doubt be devout.

Peace and Prayers,  
Sabrina Queen



## NOTES FROM PAUL

In last weeks article I wrote about Jesus gathering the Apostles, and tried to draw a connection to all of you who help our parish run smoothly. This week I would like to ask for some help. If you are not involved, and you are physically able, I would ask that you consider finding a ministry that you can help with. We are in desperate need of homebound ministers, and for people to serve as Altar Servers, Ushers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers at many of our Masses. If you don't feel called to help at Mass, please consider joining one of the groups that help our parish; The Holy Name Fraternity, The Joyful Women, Forever Young Seniors, Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul or the Immaculate Heart of Mary Ministry. Any of them would welcome new members to help with their missions. Lastly, if there is something that you feel called to do, but our parish does not have it going yet, please stop by to talk to me about it, we always have room to grow.



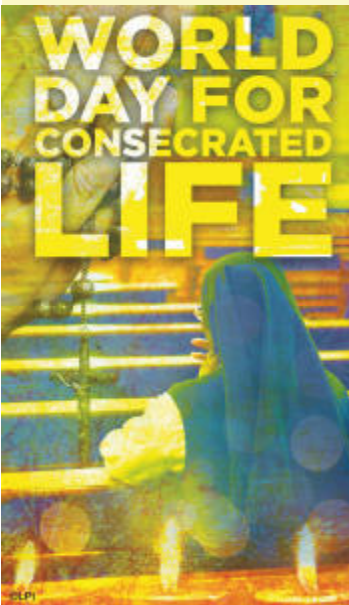
## Presentation of the Lord

In the Gospel, we hear Simeon say to Mary: "... your own soul shall be pierced with a sword—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare."

Your generosity enables the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring hope to parents whose hearts are burden with worries and concerns.

## WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

February 1 & 2, 2020



In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church.

Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

## PALM BRANCHES



The Church's observance of Ash Wednesday will be celebrated this year on **Wednesday, February 26.**

The ashes we receive on this day are from the burned palm branches blessed and received last year on Palm Sunday. A box will be available in our gathering area for you to deposit your old palm branches by **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.** Thank you

## Forever Young Seniors...

Our next meeting will be tomorrow, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at 10:00am in the Large Social Hall.

Our member, Jim Williamson, a retired Dearborn fireman will be talking to us about Fire Safety. Bob Cadotte's niece, Ann Pape will be back as our volunteer chef for lunch.

Please keep all of our ill members in your prayers especially Bob Sheppard.

We have some wonderful bus trips coming up:

### Caesars Windsor Mardi Gras

Tues, Feb 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – 4:45pm

\$27 **due by Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Passport required. Sold out—call for wait list**

### Solanus Casey Pilgrimage

Wed, March 25<sup>th</sup> 9:15am – 5:15pm

\$62 **due by March 11<sup>th</sup>**

### Vera Bradley Outlet Sale

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*Maryann Sligay*

## Coffee Sunday



Meet and get to know more of your parish family members in the Social Hall after the **8am and 10am Masses**.

**Coffee and Goodies will now be available following the 8am Mass!**

**Sunday, February 9**

If you would like to donate homemade cupcakes, cookies or other goodies for the above date, please contact:  
Don & Kathy Yokley at: 734-335-6670



## Anointing of the Sick Friday, February 7

The celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is intended for anyone who is seriously impaired by sickness, chronic illness, old age, addictions, or emotional problems and for those who are about to undergo surgery, serious medical testing or be admitted to the hospital. You do not need to receive the sacrament every month, only when your medical condition changes drastically. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick takes place monthly at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy. **It will be this Friday, February 7 beginning with the celebration of the 8:30am Mass.**

To make arrangements to celebrate the sacrament at other times, please contact our parish office. Patients in hospitals and residents in nursing homes can be anointed if they did not celebrate the sacrament prior to admission. They or their family members should contact the institution's Catholic chaplain to make similar arrangements, or call the parish office.

## HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

On Tuesday, February 18, the Holy Name Fraternity meeting and evening of Lenten reflection will begin at 6 (six) pm.

Evening begins with the usual business meeting, followed by our pre-lenten supper, and then a guest speaker for the evening of reflection. As usual this event takes place in the small hall, and all men of the parish are welcome and encouraged to attend. Executive board of HNF is: Emery Price, President; Steve Noonan, Vice President; Ken Pryce, Treasurer; Jerry Chwalek, Corresponding Secretary; Jim Frederickson, Recording Secretary. Tom Bailey, Gary Barden, Gene Boduch, and Jeff Burden are active members of HNF. New members are welcome.

*Paul Markus*



Reclaim the Lord's day for faith and family in 2020! With this weekly guide from the Archdiocese of Detroit, families can honor the year's 52 Sundays in their own homes through such engaging activities as reading the Gospels, learning about our "extended family" of saints, and spending time together in the kitchen. 52 Sundays is a dynamic guide to help you and your family reclaim the Lord's Day with prayer, activities, food, and more! It offers simple and insightful ways for your family to spend time together each Sunday learning more about the Catholic faith and having fun while you're at it. Visit [52Sundays.com](http://52Sundays.com) to learn more and to sign up for weekly email reminders.

Your gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal support formation of families through the ministry of the Department of Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship. To learn more about this and other CSA-supported ministries, visit [aod.org](http://aod.org).

## Eucharistic Exposition

**WEDNESDAYS  
12:30—3:00pm**



# High School Youth Ministry News

**Rainbow XXXVIII -  
February 15 - 16, 2020 -**

## **Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center**

This is a yearly conference for all 9th through 12th grade students from the six counties of the Archdiocese of Detroit who wish to come together on an Archdiocesan level to learn more about themselves and their faith. This is an exciting two-day experience of prayer, community and enablement. There is an expected attendance of 1600 youth and adults for the weekend!

Did you forget to register? Then no problem, there is still time. **Late registration is still welcome through Monday, February 3.** This is one of the High School Youth Group's most favorite time of year! Don't miss out on this incredibly awesome, life-changing weekend! It gives me such GREAT pleasure to announce to you that Catholic powerhouses Joe Melendrez and Katie Prejean McGrady will be the key-note speakers at this event!

I cannot begin to tell you how amazing and incredible and spiritually uplifting (AND absolutely hilarious and awesome at the same time) they are! Trust me, you DO NOT want to miss out on this conference - it will change your life! Meet thousands of teens from all over the Archdiocese of Detroit and spend the weekend making memories that will last a lifetime.

Please contact Carol Nelius,

**Coordinator of Youth Ministry at [youthministry@stmarycooj.org](mailto:youthministry@stmarycooj.org) or 734 425 4421 ext. 215 if you would like to register or have any questions.**

## **EASTER PILGRIMAGE OF METROPOLITAN DETROIT WESTSIDE HISTORIC CHURCHES & SHRINES**

Especially Decorated for the  
Easter Season  
Easter Friday, April 17, 2020

Scheduled Churches & Shrines To Visit: Monastery of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Farmington Hills; National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica in Royal Oak; Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit; St. Mary's of Redford Church in Detroit; Sacred Heart Byzantine Church in Livonia Concluding 7 PM Traditional Latin High Holy Mass at St. Joseph Oratory in Detroit Deluxe Motorcoach Michigan Departure & Returns from Levagood Park in Dearborn (700 N Silvery Ln; main parking lot entrance) Former Best Buy Lot in Farmington Hills (30830 Orchard Lake Rd; close to entrance).

Total Cost per person: \$50 (Catered Lunch cost at Seminary included) For Reservations, Departure & Return Times, or Other Upcoming Pilgrimages: Michael Semaan at (248)250-6005 [www.prayerpilgrimages.com](http://www.prayerpilgrimages.com)

St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center

### **Ash Wednesday day of Reflection**

23333 Schoolcraft (Eastbound I-96 Service Drive) between Telegraph & Outer Drive

**Wednesday, February 26  
9:30am to 3pm**

Take a few hours out of your busy week to spend some time in a quiet place with the Lord. The day is led by our Passionist priests and includes a conference, personal time for quiet reflection, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharist and a full hot lunch. Cost: \$30 per person. Space is available for parish groups or individuals. Please call Lynnette Marshall at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center (313) 286 2800 to reserve your spot.

## **ALL YOU CAN EAT**

### **Pancake & French Toast Breakfast**

**SUNDAY, FEB. 16  
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,  
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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.**



**2020 Lenten Mission  
Coming to St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy  
6:30—8:00pm**

**Featuring Jesse Manibusan  
Sunday, March 15,  
Monday, March 16 &  
Tuesday, March 17**

Composer, Singer/songwriter, storyteller, humorist, catechist, evangelizer and encourager.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Mon. Feb. 3</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Forever Young Seniors
<b>Wed. Feb. 5</b>	<b>12 Noon</b>	Joseph Abood by John & Julie Barile Livio Capicchioni by Graziano Canini
<b>Thurs. Feb. 6</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Jean Ann McGrath by Nancy & Brian Frantz
<b>Fri. Feb. 7</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	For Vocations Livio Capicchioni by Graziano Canini
<b>Sat. Feb. 8</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	Tadeusz Szymoniak by Zofia Szymoniak Virginia Pryce by her sister Mary Murphy by her husband, Jim Frances Bartkowiak by Patricia Godvin
<b>Sun. Feb. 9</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Donato Binetti by Mr & Mrs Frank Calabrese Walter & Sophie Marciniak by their daughter
	<b>10:00am</b>	For our parish family Lee Borycz by family Madelyn Malane by choir
	<b>12 Noon</b>	Pepronilla Berone by her daughter, Sara Cheryl Prieur-Herbert by Prieur Family

**UPCOMING EVENTS Feb. 3-9**

<b>MON. Feb. 3</b>	8:30am	Mass
	9:00am	Rosary
	10:00am	Forever Young Seniors
	6-7:15pm	Faith Formation
	7:15-8pm	Children's choir rehearsal
<b>TUE. Feb. 4</b>	7:30-9pm	High School Youth Mtg.
	10:30am	Doors open for cards and coffee
<b>WED. Feb. 5</b>	11:00am	Cards and coffee
	6:30pm	Our Lady of Medjugorje Circle Mtg.
	12 Noon	Mass
<b>THURS. Feb. 6</b>	12:30-3pm	Eucharistic Adoration
	6:00pm	SVdP Meeting
	7:00pm	Rosary
	7:00pm	St. Joseph-Anne Circle Mtg.
	8:30am	Mass
<b>FRI. Feb. 7</b>	9:00am	Perpetual Help Devotions and Rosary
	7:00pm	Study on Prayer
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
	8:30pm	Mass with anointing of sick
<b>SAT. Feb. 8</b>	3:30pm	Reconciliation
	4:30pm	Mass /children's choir
<b>SUN. Feb. 9</b>	8:00am	Mass
	9:00am	Coffee & Goodies
	10:00am	Mass
	10:30am	RCIA
	11:00am	Coffee & Goodies
	12 Noon	Mass

**SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Env</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
01/26/19	222	\$ 18,995	\$ 10,960	\$ <b>8,035</b>
01/19/20	246	\$ 7,735	\$ 10,960	\$ <b>(3,225)</b>
01/12/20	256	\$ 7,667	\$ 10,960	\$ <b>(3,293)</b>
01/05/20	305	\$ 11,743	\$ 10,960	\$ <b>783</b>
YEAR TO DATE				
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
FY 2019-20		\$298,502	\$ 328,800	\$ <b>(30,298)</b>



**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE February 8/9**

	<b>SATURDAY 4:30pm</b>	<b>SUNDAY 8:00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 10:00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 12 Noon</b>
<b>Lector Comm.</b>	Volunteer Ralph Costyn	Katie Bohr Paul Kinnell	Theresa O'Bey Linda Dinsmore	Jennifer Schaefer Lisa Kliza
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Pat Slusarz Maryann Sligay Maryann Ogden Flo Bozek	Ralph Costyn Lou Stremich Keith Kudron	Olimpia DeToma Janet Carrier Josie Klocke Diane Fredrickson	Carol Janowski Larry Janowski Katie Bohr
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<b>Greeters</b>	Bill Wendling Pat Slusarz	Keith Kudron Eunice Austin	Roman & Marlene Kotrys Deanna Stachow	Doug Cyr Vinnie Konstal
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