

# 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

MASS INTENTIONS						
Mon.	Aug. 24	8:30am	Donny Angelo Req. by Julie & John Barile Homer Davis Req. by Julie & John Barile Henry Derus Req. by Graziano Canini			
Wed.	Aug. 26	Noon	Leonard Janus Req. by Family For Walter Tycholiz on his 100th Birthday Req. by Debbie DeVitis & family			
Thurs.	Aug. 27	8 :30am	Henry Derus Req. by Graziano Canini For Jan Bartosik Req. by John & Julie Barile			
Fri.	Aug. 28	8:30am	For Ed Walker Req. by John & Julie Barile Kenneth Fischer Req. by Parents			
Sat.	Aug. 29	4:30pm	Caridad Dorego Req. by Loreto & Leticia Doreo Robert M. Stark Req. by wife, Dolores Henry Derus Req. by Graziano Canini			
Sun.	Aug. 30	g. 30 8am For Our Parish Family Dale Bussler Req. by John & Julie Barile				
		10am	Ruth Jones Req. by John & Julie Barile Samuel Hood Req. by John & Julie Barile Kurt Horton Req. by John & Julie Barile			
		Noon	Mike Detoma Req. by Mike & Olimpia DeToma Liuigi Simvestri Req. by Mike & Olimpia DeToma			

# Readings for the week of August 23, 2020

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 /Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 /Jn 1:45-51 Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 /Mt 23:23-26 Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 /Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 /Mt 24:42-51 Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 /Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17 /Mk 6:17-29 Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 /Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27



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

# Mary Delores Lahiff

and all the souls of our faithful.

May they rest in peace. Amen

Emma Scaramella

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

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Doris Urbanski
Cathy West
Nicole Zapinski
Joseph Zasa

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

### **OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS**

# NEW AMASS SCHEDULE

STARTING WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 5/6

Saturday Mass 4:30pm

Sunday Masses 9:00am & 11:00am Please note these changes.



# GOOD BYE FR. JOE PLAWECKI

Today we will be saying good bye to Fr. Joe, our long time Priest in Residence. Fr. Joe has helped all our parishes (Divine Savior, St. Damian, St. Theodore and finally St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy) since 2014.

Our parish would like to congratulate you on your new assignment as administrator of SS. Simon and Jude Parish in Westland. We will remember you with warm thoughts and memories. Thank you Fr. Joe. We are wishing you all the best! May God bless you!

# NOTES FROM PAUL

This week, I would like to publicly recognize the great work of our local Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP). These hard working parishioners volunteer their time to help those neighbors in our community that need help. They have been doing a wonderful job over the last few years, and have helped many families.

They have actually done such a good job that the National SVdP recently recognized the great work that they have done in trying to stretch every dollar that you have contributed to them, by giving them a \$5000 grant. They are one of only seven groups this year to receive a grant in their region, which consists of the states of Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky. These grant funds were given to be used as rental assistance, which is one of the greatest needs in our area, and will be able to help many people in our COVID-19 world. God bless them for their good work, and for anyone who has helped them do this work.

God Bless you, Paul Zbytowski Pastoral Associate

# Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

Today we hear Jesus ask his disciples "who do the people say is the Son of Man?" Jesus then asks "who do you say that I am?" Jesus then tells Peter to build HIS church. He also tells Peter, I give you keys to the heavenly kingdom, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever is loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

For Reflection this week...When Jesus says, "whatever will be bound on earth will be bound on heaven," HE is talking about forgiveness. Why do you think forgiveness is so important to Jesus? When we dare to declare who Jesus is we must recognize our own selves Who am I? and Who am I called to be?

Please know in my article next weekend, I will outline the new temporary program for Faith Formation. Please keep our First Communicant's and Confirmation Candidates as they will be celebrating sacrament in early and mid-September.

Have a wonderful week; give thanks and praise to God for all your blessings!

Jokes for the road...

What did the tree wear to the pool party? Swimming trunks.

Why did Tarzan spend so much time on the golf course? He was perfecting his swing.

Love and Laughs, Sabrina Queen

# **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—closed for now 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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## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

High School Youth Ministry Parking lot Fireside Chats continue in the church parking lot on Monday evenings from 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Teens are asked to bring their own chair. Bottled water and individual size snacks will be provided along with supplies to make your own s'mores. Meetings will be canceled in case of raining or storms. We will be meeting Monday, August 24 and August 31. There will be no meeting on Labor Day, September 7.

We will continue to have outdoor meetings for the remainder of the summer and fall as long as the weather permits. We will make adjustments as the school districts release their plans for the upcoming school year. If you want to make sure you have the most current information on what is happening in youth ministry, please contact me so I can add you to our flocknote emails and text message communications.

"Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous be shaken." Psalm 55:22

Carol Nelius,

Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Email: youthministry@stmarycooj.org

Text or Call: 734-765-5525

# The Dispensation From the Sunday Obligation to Attend Mass has been granted and extended to All the Faithful through Monday, November 23, 2020

While in-person Masses are still being offered, the dispensation relieves the burden of conscience on those who have legitimate grave fears of contracting COVID-19 or who care for vulnerable individuals, the directive states.

Those older than 65 years old (the recommended CDC age), those with a compromised health condition or those caring for the sick in any way, are encouraged to stay home. Anyone who is ill, has a temperature, cough, etc., should definitely stay home as an act of justice to the whole community.

Catholics who engage in other activities which would present a similar or greater risk of contamination (eating out at restaurants, traveling, non-essential shopping, widening one's circle of contacts, etc.) should begin to return to Sunday Mass as they are able.

While Catholics are not obliged to attend Mass in person, they still have a "grave necessity" to keep holy the Lord's day, the directive reminds the faithful.

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT						
<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>			
8/16/2020	\$9,329	\$9,195	\$134			
8/9/2020	\$12,063	\$9,195	\$2,868			
8/2/2020	\$8,672	\$9,195	(\$524)			
7/26/2020	\$6,760	\$9,195	(\$2,435)			
THANK YOU						
Fiscal Year	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>			
FY 20-21	\$65,780	\$64,362	\$1,417			
FY 19-20	\$70,136	\$76,720	(\$6,584)			



# ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

### **MEMORARE**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto thee O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To thee do we come. Before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer us. Amen.

# Join the Knights of Columbus - Free



We are celebrating the beatification of our founder, Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney in October of this year! We are hereby inviting all of our Catholic brothers to join our council and share in the great works of the Knights of

Columbus! Our annual dues will be waived for all new members for the rest of the year! Here is your chance to become a Knight, for free!

To join, call or text our Grand Knight, Jeffrey Burden, SK at 734-447-5338 or www.westlandknights.com

# Msgr. Kohler Knights of Columbus Receives Top Award

Westland Knights of Columbus Council #15204, Msgr. Russell E. Kohler has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils.

The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities.

To join, call or text our Grand Knight, Jeffrey Burden, SK at 734-447-5338 www.westlandknights.com

# Joyful Women

The Joyful Women would like to thank Fr. Joe Plawecki for his spiritual guidance during his time at St. Mary COOJ. We wish you God's Blessings in your leadership at St. Simon and Jude. You will be missed and are in our prayers.

# LITTLE FREE PANTRY

Our Little Free Pantry is for anyone! We hope everyone in our community will use this box, both to bring food, but also to take food when they need a little help. Look for it next to our office building! Please check items donated for expiration dates! Thank you!

# SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### FIRST READING:

"I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut when he shuts, no one shall open." (Is 22:22)

#### PSALM:

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands. (Ps 138)

### SECOND READING:

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! (Rom 11:33)

#### GOSPEL:

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." (Mt 16:18)

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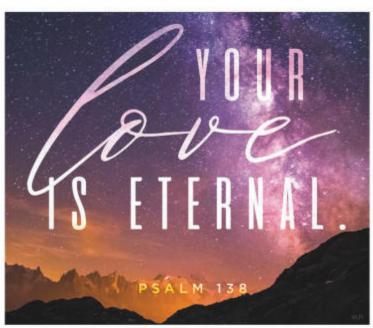
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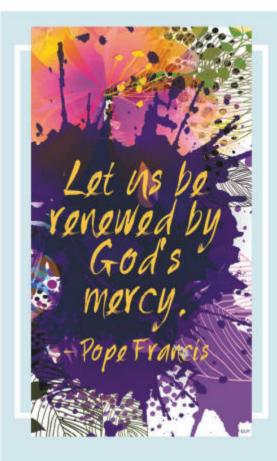
Tuesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

Thursday: St. Monica

Friday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time





# REFLECT

# FIRST READING

The Lord condemns Shebna (a scribe under King Hezekiah) for ignoring Isaiah's prophetic warning and elevates Eliakim with "a seat of honor." How well do you listen to prophetic voices?

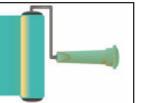
# SECOND READING

We hear today Paul's concluding remarks from Romans 9:11 (reflections on God's plan of salvation for Jews and Gentiles). Paul contends that God's ways are beyond our understanding. Do you find this comforting or unsettling?

#### GOSPEL READING

Jesus informs Peter that his confession of him as "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" is divinely inspired. How do you imagine Peter personally reacted to the news of this revelation?

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