

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

MA	SS INT	TENTI (ONS
Mon.	Aug. 23	8:30am	For William & Emily Gnacke on their 50th Wedding Anniversary For Amber Tempesco Req. by Gnacke Family
Wed.	Aug. 25	12 Noon	+Ted Kennedy Req. by Mary C. Braczyk
Thurs.	Aug. 26	8:30am	+Enrico & Ida Canini Req. by Graziano Canini
Fri.	Aug. 27	8:30am	+Enrico & Ida Canini Req. by Graziano Canini +Waseen Joseph Req. by Ann Findysz
Sat.	Aug. 28	4:30pm	+Robert Stark Req. by wife, Delores +Michael Macari Req. by wife, Anna & family +Tina Fernindez Req. by Family +Miguel Hermosillo, Leonila Hermosillo & Fernando Hermosillo Req. by Lupe
Sun.	Aug. 29	9:00am	+Frank J. Mayeran Req. by Sharon & Tom Zbizek +Henrietta Chudik Req. by Family +Beverly & Raymond Rebain Req. by Cathy Rebain +Jeffrey A. Boduch Req. by Family
		11:00am	+Joe Scanga Req. by Sara Scanga +Frank Baran Req. by daughter, Rita Baran

Eucharistic Exposition Wednesdays 12:30—3:00pm



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

world, especially:

Adeline Kaczor, Ed Kavetsky and Thomas Dombroski

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



Pancake Breakfast

The All You Can Eat Pancake &

French Toast Breakfast is returning <u>NEXT</u> month! The Holy Name Fraternity will be heating up the grills and will be ready to serve breakfast on **Sunday, September 19, 2021**.

We hope to see you there!

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Steve Anderson	Evangeline Kabacinski	Selena Montez	Florence & Ed Rysztak
Sean Armstrong	John Kaminsky	Debbie Moore	Emma Scaramella
Vincent Barry	Chris Karpinski	Leo Mysiewicz	Sean Schaefer
Kelly Beaudry	Rose Keena	Margaret Newman	Jean Schmuck
Joan Bischoff	Susan Kelly	Bernice Nowak	Tom Shafer
Margaret Blackwood	Marion Kiras	Lauren Nunn	Jack & Nancy Shea
Jerry Borycz	Joan Klein	Maureen Oakford	Dianne Shekell
Florence Bozek	Bob & Dolly Kluba	Donald Oesterwind, Jr.	John Socia
Boyington Family	John Kolar	Keith Pares	Natalie Tanana
Angela Bunio	John Krokosky	Eddie Brian Parker	Helen Tasiemski
Cathy Burdis	Patricia Lickman	Patrick Patton	George & Jackie Tindall
Ricky Canini	Julianne Lister	Jim & Geralyn Pawlaczyk	Roberta Troher
Jannisse Chesney	Nancy & Jeff Leonhard	Damian Pietszak	Greg Uller
Carol Cline	Terry Lobb	Deb Pietszak	Doris Urbanski
Mandi Duvall	Ken Macko	Kathryn Piotrowski	Levonne Vettriano
Faith Falzon	Barbara Martin	Sandy Popek	Cathy West
Ashley Aaron Farkas	Donald Masternak	Annette Puczkowski	Walter Wrone
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Mike Fusco	Joanne Meister	Shelly Rizzo	Henry Zajac
Betty Gable	Irene Melady	Debbie Robarge	Joseph Zasa
Patricia Godvin	Tony Micallef	Bill & Rose Rodriguez	

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

OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

CPT Joey Saunders, U.S. Marines; Joseph David Onadia, U.S. Navy; PVT Marcus Rodriguez, U.S. Army William Albright, U.S. Air Force; Matt Rice, U.S. Marines

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.

Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

Greetings and Salutations,

Faith Formation is looking for 2 Confirmed Catholics with a love for sharing their faith to teach grade 3, or grade 4 for the coming Formation year. The lesson plans have been created. A Catechist's responsibility would be to instruct the class based on completed lesson plans by the FF Director; the Catechist also can enhance class time as they see appropriate to our Catholic teachings. If you feel called by the spirit to teach, please call me for more information. If you are unable to teach, please assist me in praying for 2 Catechist's to be called by the spirit. Thank you so much!

Important Dates:

September 19th Catechetical Sunday 11am Mass, Blessing of Catechist's.

September 20th Catechist Meeting 6pm-7pm.

September 27th Classes resume. 6pm-7:15pm.

Sacrament families grades 2 and 8...I will be hosting a Confirmation (grade 8) Parent meeting on Monday, September 27th at 6:00pm in the church I ask at least one parent attend the sacrament meeting. First Reconciliation and First Communion (grade 2) Parent meeting on Monday, October 4th at 6:00pm in the church.

Again, please know I do ask one parent attend this sacrament meeting. If you cannot attend please contact me to schedule a time to pick up the necessary materials. Have a great week everyone!

Why don't you see giraffes in elementary school? Because they're all in high school. Tee Hee! Sunshine and Smiles,

Sabrina Queen

NOTES FROM PAUL

In today's Gospel (Jn 6:60-69) Jesus hears his followers grumbling about something he said that is hard for them to accept. In this case they are worried because he has just told them that they will have to 'eat his body,' this would have been shocking. How many times have we heard people complain about the teachings of Christ and the Church? Some of these other teachings are also hard for us to swallow (and yes, that pun was intended). Yet just like Jesus did not mean for his followers to become actual cannibals, but instead to share in the eucharist, many times we may not fully understand the teachings of the Church that we complain about. There are other times that we may understand, but still not agree. Sadly, Jesus's response is still the same, the only sure way to "eternal life" is through him and the Church. I pray we all can find our way to eternal life.

For those of you who would like to learn more about the Church and it's teaching, I wanted to remind you about an exciting opportunity that we will have in our area. The Catholic Biblical School of Michigan will be hosting a class at St. Sabina, in Dearborn Heights, this fall. They have a great curriculum with world calls teachers who will be able to walk you through the bible and it's mysteries. Paul Zbytowski

Pastoral Associate/Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator

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



AMELIA MARIE KUBACKI, child of Matthew & Laura (Riess) Kubacki on Saturday, August 7, 2021. Godparents are Christopher Soszynski and Jennifer Riess.

DENNIS EDWARD ROARK, on Saturday, August 14, 2021. Godparents are Paul Zbytowski and Diane Payne.

KENNEDY JEAN ANDREWS, child of Michael & Kimberly (Topolewski) Andrews on Sunday, Aug. 15, 2021. Godparents are Nicholas Dillaway and Christine Pieknik.

SAINT PAUL STREET EVANGELIZATION

This fall, the St. Paul School of Evangelization is kicking off its new Southeast, Michigan location to equip ordinary Catholics in how to be fruitful evangelists, and we hope to see you in class! After an amazing response to our inaugural year in 2019, we've put together new live and virtual locations for students to learn how to become the evangelist that God wants them to be!

Our new class will be starting on Saturday, October 9th this year. We will meet each week at St. Mary, Cause of our Joy on Saturdays, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. We will have a light dinner at 5:30pm. The school runs for four 8-week quarters.

Contact Randy Husaynu at randyhus@gmail.com, or call/text 248-515-6805 for more information, or contact Paul Zbytowski at 734-425-4421. God is calling each and every one of us to share the truth with a world that is lost. It's up to you to answer the call.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

"Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God." (Jos 24:18)

PSALM:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

SECOND READING:

This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the church. (Eph 5:32)

GOSPEL:

Simon Peter answered him, "Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." (Jn 6:68)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 22, 2021

Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin Tuesday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

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

Friday: St. Monica

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

Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time





REFLECT

FIRST READING

Joshua, who helped settle the Israelites into the Promised Land, knew the struggle ahead lay in Israel's fidelity to God. How does anyone best show fidelity to God?

SECOND READING

Toward the end of his letter, Paul takes up the topic of husbands and wives. He speaks of the importance of mutual subordination and love. What do you see as secret to a successful marriage?

GOSPEL READING

Jesus' bread of life discourse ends with the report that "many of Jesus" disciples" no longer followed Jesus. How should we respond to family or friends who choose to walk away from Jesus?

St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland YOUR SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT									
<u>Offertory</u>	#of Gifts	<u>Actual</u>		<u>Budget</u>		<u>Variance</u>			
08/15/21	192	\$	7,680	\$	10,294	(2,615)			
08/08/21	218	\$	10,619	\$	10,294	325			
08/01/21	203	\$	8,046	\$	10,294	(2,249)			
07/25/21	197	\$	8,180	\$	10,294	(2,114)			
FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE COMPARE									
<u>Week</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	1	<u>Actual</u>	В	<u>udget</u>	<u>Variance</u>			
	FY 21-22	\$	64,825	\$	72,058	(7,233)			

ALTAR CARE HELP

\$ 66,299 \$

\$ 70,136 \$ 76,720

64,362

The Altar Care Ministry is looking for volunteers to help clean the church. This can be done during the week day when convenient for you. The cleaning schedule will depend on how many sign up for this ministry. The Altar Care volunteers normally come every two weeks. Please call the parish office if you may be interested or have questions. 734-425-4421

Come and Pray the Rosary with us!

Wednesday Evenings at 7pm in the church. Bring your family. Invite a friend! Next Rosary will be held **Wednesday**, **Aug. 25**.

Parish Council Update:

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FY 20-21

FY 19-20

New Parish Council members will be selected during Mass on the weekend of September 11/12. Application forms are available in the Gathering Space. Council members will also be in the Gathering Space before and after Mass to answers any questions. There are two open member at large positions. Each position is for a three year term and will start next month, in September.

The Council's Operational Procedures are available online at the Parish website at www.stmarycooj.org.

ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS RETREATS

Bouncing Back: Living in Hope is the theme of retreats being offered at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center in 2021-22.

The retreat for men of St. Mary, COOJ will be October 1-3; and for the women of St. Mary, COOJ October 29-31. You are invited to make your reservation now at stpaulretreat.org. A \$30 registration fee is required. Total suggested contribution is \$215. That amount is up to you.

For questions or phone reservations contact Christine Calleja at 313-285-2801 or ccalleja@stpaulretreat.org. Parish contacts: Doug Cyr 734-634-0719; Dan Kavetsky 734-756-1348; Paul Markus 734-516-5842, or Don Yokley.

St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center is located at 23332 Schoolcraft, Detroit. The weekend provides your own private room with shower and bath; five meals; comfortable accommodations; beautiful chapel and grounds; stimulating spiritual talks; reconciliation; Mass; and a very restful weekend. Modified COVID restrictions will be observed. Retreat begins with dinner at 6:30 pm on Friday, and concludes after Mass, before noon on Sunday. Please join us.

Reading Scripture is not like reading any other book, because Scripture is a living word through which God speaks to each of us personally, right here and now.

-Archbishop Vigneron

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PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

1,936

(6,584)

Loving God, We come before you in our time of need. We lay before you our concerns and fears over the spread of the coronavirus. We know that you are mightier than all our fears and that the name of Jesus is the name above all other names. We ask, in the name of Jesus, that you stop the spread of the coronavirus. In your mercy, heal those who are sick and lead those who have died into your heavenly kingdom. We ask this in the mighty name of Jesus. Amen.



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St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy

Office Hours:

Monday and Wednesday: 9am-4pm Tuesday and Thursday: 9am-12 Noon

Friday: Closed

Please call the office to make other arrangements

Mass Schedule

MON, THURS & FRI 8:30 am WED 12:00 Noon SAT 4:30 pm **SUN** 9:00 am 11:00 am

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 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.

(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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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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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

Readings for the week of August 22, 2021

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Eph 5:21-32 or Sunday:

5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30 Saturday:

Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15,

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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.

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