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Sunday, November 28, 2021



MASS INTENTIONS

Nov. 22 8:30am Mon. +Bernie Fox, Sr. Req. by Peggy Fox

For the Steve Reyes Family

For the Ray Morris Family Req. by Friends

Wed. Nov. 24 12 Noon +Roberta Sobieraj Req. by Flo Bozek

+Marino & Sergio Benedettini Req. by Graziano Canini

For Mary Schmitt Req. by Queen Family

Thurs. Nov. 25 8:30am +Thomas Sullivan Req. by Jeanne Sullivan

+Paul & Nancy Vella Reg. by Family

+Dr. Bruno Borin Req. by Family

Fri. Nov. 26 8:30am No Mass

Nov. 27 Sat. 4:30pm +Veronica Mason Req. daughter, Delores

+Berne Fish Req. by Irene Kwiecinski

+Marion & Sergio Benedettini Req. by Graziano Canini

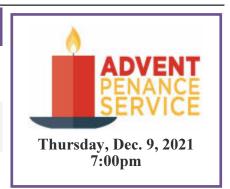
+Carmen & Brian Kennedy Req. by William Kennedy

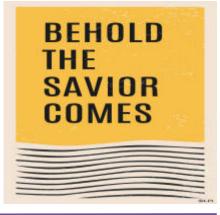
Sun. Nov. 28 9:00am +Carmen Kennedy Reg. by Alan & Joyce Zelek

+Marino & Sergio Benedettini Req. Graziano Canini

11:00am +Joe Scanga Req. by Sara Scanga

+Michael Macari Req. by wife, Anna & family





PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Robert Dunaiski

Janet & Al Fleis

Ashley Aaron Farkas

Faith Falzon

Mike Fusco

Betty Gable

Alisa Gardner

Steve Anderson Julia Gardner Selena Montez Patricia Godvin Debbie Moore Sean Armstrong Vincent Barry Olivia L. Hawver Ashley Murphy Kelly Beaudry Carl Humphrey Leo Mysiewicz Joan Bischoff Evangeline Kabacinski Margaret Newman Margaret Blackwood John Kaminsky Bernice Nowak Katie Bohr Chris Karpinski Lauren Nunn Jerry Borycz Rose Keena Maureen Oakford Florence Bozek Susan Kelly Donald Oesterwind, Jr. Marion Kiras Margaret Brown Teresa M. Pardo Boyington Family Joan Klein Keith Pares Bob & Dolly Kluba Angela Bunio Cathy Burdis John Kolar Ricky Canini John Krokosky Jannisse Chesney Patricia Lickman Carol Cline Julianne Lister Earl Copeland Nancy & Jeff Leonhard Bodyn Crince Terry Lobb Yoland Dominguez

Eddie Brian Parker Patrick Patton Jim & Geralyn Pawlaczyk Jared Perez Jim Pequignot Damian Pietszak Deb Pietszak Jerry MacGillis Kathryn Piotrowski Ken Macko Sandy Popek Barbara Martin Annette Puczkowski Donald Masternak Wayne Pringle Joanne Meister Kim Quinn Irene Melady Dotty Raczkowski Andrew Merchant Shelly Rizzo Tony Micallef Debbie Robarge

Bill & Rose Rodriguez Florence & Ed Rysztak Emma Scaramella Sean Schaefer Jean Schmuck Tom Shafer Jack & Nancy Shea Dianne Shekell John Socia Natalie Tanana Helen Tasiemski George & Jackie Tindall Donald Thurston Roberta Troher Vasati Tupuani Greg Uller Doris Urbanski Cathy West

Walter Wrone

Ethan Young

Henry Zajac

Joseph Zasa

Nicole Zapinski

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

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.

Introducing Our New Music Minister... Aidan Rickel

Aidan Rickel is a teacher, composer, conductor, and instrumentalist currently enrolled at Wayne State University in the Masters of Music program. His musical education began on the piano twenty two years ago and it is still his primary instrument and first true love. Playing at many piano federation festivals, he received superior ratings for ten years. He is also an experienced organist, working freelance for social and religious services. He began studying the organ at age fourteen and was soon serving as a substitute organist for local parishes. While performing voluntarily at local senior care facilities he started to explore jazz and pop piano styles to entertain the residents, learning the value of a good Folsa Pools.



Aidan graduated from Novi High School, he sang in their Concert Choral and performed in musical theater productions. He got his first position as Director of Music Ministries at eighteen serving at St. Peter and Pauls in downtown Detroit. He attended Wayne State University for his undergraduate studies receiving the Presidential Scholarship, earning a Bachelor of Arts in Music. Singing for his Juries, he studied vocal performance privately as this was the primary instrument for his degree. He also sang in the choir under Dr. Duncan with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra for a number of their productions. He will be taking up the baton as Artistic Director of the Novi Choralaires for his first season this year, where he will direct the winter and spring concerts for the community.

He is leaving his role as Director of Music Ministries at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Howell where he has conducted two choirs and a worship group of instrumentalists and soloists. He leads a resurrection choir for funerals and plays weddings for the local community. For the last twelve years he has taught a private studio of piano and organ students. When not directing or instructing he is composing and arranging his own music while pursuing his M. M. in Composition. He writes in a variety of styles, from sacred to jazz, composing a "Gloria" for his B.A. Thesis Project. He is thankful to God for faithfully leading his life at every step, and for the opportunity to begin serving at St. Mary this advent season.

Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

Greetings and Salutations,

Today is the last Sunday of the church year, it is the celebration of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Jesus is not like a king who rules over a group or territory. Jesus is God, and therefore the ruler of all people and all lands. Jesus wants to rule our hearts and keep them good. Why do you think Jesus is King of the Universe? What type of King is he? How does Christ the King want us to serve him?

If Jesus was still on earth, what kind of car would he drive? A Christler. Have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving!!!

Peace and Prayers, Sabrina Queen

NOTES FROM PAUL





We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Christian Service Food Drive. We collected 112 boxes that will be distributed to families through Garden City Public Schools. -God Bless, Paul Zbytowski

PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

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.

FIRST READING:

I will raise up for David a just shoot; he shall do what is right and just in the land. (Jer 33:15)

PSALM:

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul. (Ps 25)

SECOND READING:

Strengthen your hearts,

to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. (1 Thes 3:13)

GOSPEL:

Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand. (Lk 21:28)

Excerpts from the Eactionary for Mass 62001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28, 2021

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent Tuesday: St. Andrew, Apostle Friday: St. Francis Xavier, Priest

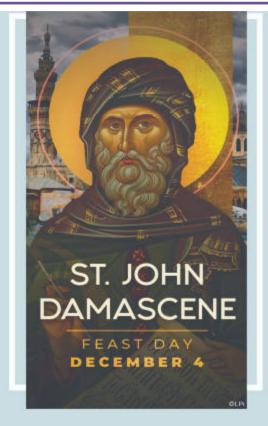
Saturday: St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent

ST. VINCENT de PAUL CONFERENCE at ST. MARY, CAUSE OF OUR JOY

A very special Thank You to parishioner, Jerry Chwalek, for coming up with an idea, discussing it with Father, and making presentations at each Mass to raise much needed funds for the St. Vincent dePaul Conference at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy. Thanks, too, to everyone who contributed to Jerry's 5K Run appeal. The conference sincerely appreciates Jerry's efforts and each and every donation received. Grand total is \$1872.00. God bless you for your generosity.

PLEASE! PLEASE! put only clothing donations in the St. Vincent dePaul bins in the parking lot. At this time, the Detroit group is struggling to find drivers to empty the bins, and the downtown group that sorts and distributes donations is only accepting clothing from parish bins. Also, if the bins are full, please hold onto the donations until the bins are emptied again. Donations left by the bins are getting destroyed by the weather. As a result, the parish could lose the bins. The St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Conference is planning to hold a Bundle Sunday sometime in the spring of 2022.



Saint of the Week

St. John Damascene (676 -749) was the son of the chief of the revenue department in the city of Damascus. Through his father, he received a classical and theological education and attempted to follow in his footsteps by serving in a government position. However, the Lord was calling him to a different life, and a few years later he resigned from his position and went to the Monastery of St. Sabas, where he wrote books and composed hymns along with his adopted brother, Cosmas.

St. John Damascene is best known for his writings against the iconoclasts, who opposed the veneration of images; his treatise, Exposition of the Orthodox Faith, a summary of the Greek Fathers; and his work as a poet, one of the two greatest of the Eastern Church. His devotion to the Blessed Mother and his sermons on her feasts are well known.

YOUR SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT No report available due to early publication deadline.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY MINISTRY

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Ministry's mission is to spread the devotion to Mary and preserve Filipino religious traditions.

Join us for FIRST SATURDAY Rosary and prayers to the Immaculate Heart at 4pm and Mass at 4:30pm **Saturday**, **December 4th**. All Masses are in English.



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, December 1st.**

CSA UPDATE

St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy has reached 75 percent of our goal of \$93,181 for the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal! Thank you to the 232 parishioners who have made gifts and pledges totaling \$69,499.

If you are considering a gift to our parish for Christmas, please consider giving to the CSA. Please know that our parish will receive 100 percent of any gifts we receive over our target.

You may mail your completed pledge card in the pre-addressed envelope that was provided you, make your gift to our parish campaign online at givecsa.org or call the parish office for help.

> Eucharistic Exposition Wednesdays 12:30—3:00pm





Immaculate Heart of Mary Ministry Invites You To Celebrate

SIMBANG GABI (Night Mass) 2021

Nine consecutive nights of prayer for the Spiritual preparation and purification to worthily welcome and receive the Child Jesus in our midst.

IHMM is proud to share this tradition to the community. Fr. Shafique Masih, Parish Priest and mass celebrant. IHMM is a parish member –organization of St.Mary, Cause of our Joy.

December 15	Wednesday	6:30pm
December 16	Thursday	6:30pm
December 17	Friday	6:30 pm
December 18	Saturday	6:30 pm
December 19	Sunday	4:30pm
December 20	Monday	6:30 pm
December 21	Tuesday	6:30 pm
December 22	Wednesday	6:30 pm
December 23	Thursday	6:30 pm

CHRISTIAN SERVICE UPDATES

Food Drive: A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in our recent food drive. With assistance from the Women's Auxiliary from the American Legion Post 32, we collected 112 boxes of food. What a great accomplishment!

Forgotten Harvest: The next mobile food pantry will be held Tuesday, November 23, from 9-11 a.m. in our church parking lot. Please spread the word to family and friends who are in need of food. We can always use extra volunteers, especially during these cold winter months. Workers should report at 8:30 a.m. to the church parking lot and come dressed for the weather.

Giving Tree: This year we will again be collecting gift cards from November 27 - December 12 to distribute to families in need during the Christmas holidays. Watch for the purple collection box in the gathering area.



Forever Young Seniors...

Advent starts today with the 1st Candle of Hope.

Our next meeting will be Monday, December 6th at 10:00am in the Large Hall. Start saving up your dollar bills to play the Reindeer Races. Looking forward to seeing our 6 favorite reindeer. Sorry, there will be NO Cookie-fest this year.

Bianco bus trips:
Tues, Feb15th — Firekeepers
\$39 due by Feb 7th
Wed, Mar 23rd — Solanus Casey Pilgrimage

\$62 due by March 7th
Tues, April 19th - Detroit Historic Churches

\$91 due by April 4th
See flyers in the Gathering Space for more info.

Maryann Sligay -- 734-525-3737



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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 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 4pm on Friday (5 days prior to publication). Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.

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Readings for the week of November 28, 2021

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37 Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

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.

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