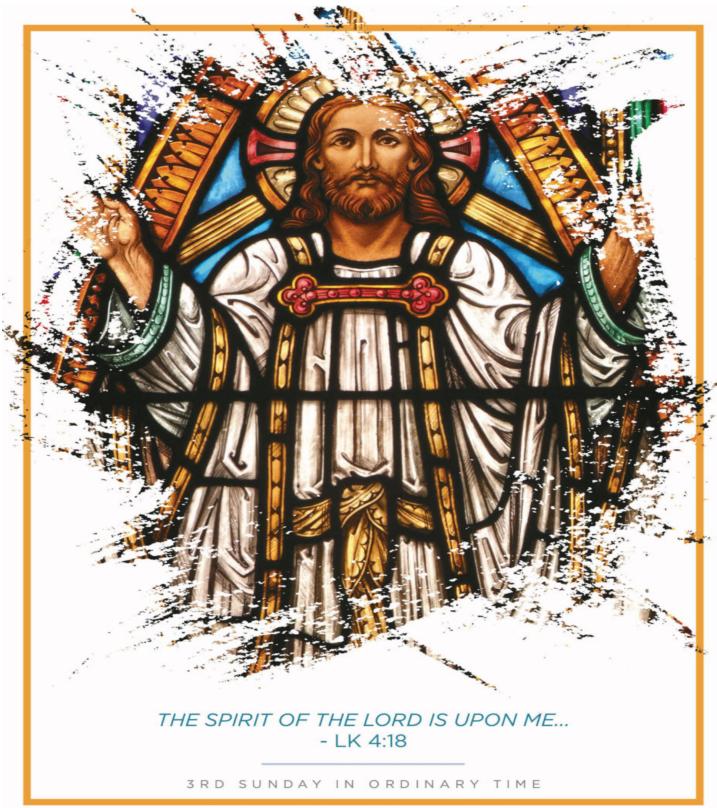
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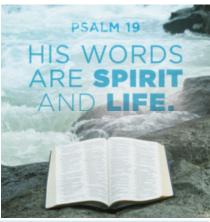
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January 23, 2022



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MASS INTENTIONS								
Mon.	Jan. 24	8:30am	+Bodyn Crince Req. by Marilyn Crince +Paula Sladewski Req. by Julie & John Barile +Paolo & Bianca Giovanardi Req. by Graziano Canini					
Wed.	Jan. 26	12 Noon	For Alexander & Katelyn Bar Req. by Family +Paolo & Bianca Giovanardi Req. by Graziano Canini					
Thurs.	Jan. 27	8:30am	+Paolo & Bianca Giovanardi Req. by Graziano Canini					
Fri.	Jan. 28	8:30am	<b>+Paolo &amp; Bianca Giovanardi</b> Req. by Graziano Canini <b>For Geralyn Pawlaczyk</b> Req. by Julie & John Barile					
Sat.	Jan. 29	4:30pm	+Joan Bower Req. by Maryann Sligay +Margaret Blackwood Req. by Forever Young Seniors +Paolo & Bianca Giovanardi Req. by Graziano Canini +Arina Opoka Req. by Patricia Godvin					
Sun.	Jan. 30	9:00am 11:00am	+Michael O'Hara Req. by Alan & Joyce Zelek +Kevin McNamara Req. by Dolores Kapanke					
			<b>+Paolo &amp; Bianca Giovanardi</b> Req. by Graziano Canini <b>+Joe Scanga</b> Req. by Sara Scanga					





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

#### Avery Rose Pieknik,

child of Jared & Christine (Topolewski) Pieknik on Saturday, January 15, 2022. Godparents are Wm. Michael Warrick and Lisa Warrick.

#### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Steve Anderson	Julia Gardner	Joanne Meister	Dotty Raczkowski
Sean Armstrong	Patricia Godvin	Irene Melady	Shelly Rizzo
Vincent Barry	Katlyn Hahn	Andrew Merchant	Debbie Robarge
Kelly Beaudry	Oliver L. Hawver	Tony Micallef	Bill & Rose Rodriguez
Joan Bischoff	Becca Hoffman	Selena Montez	Florence & Ed Rysztak
Katie Bohr	Carl Humphrey	Debbie Moore	Sean Schaefer
Jerry Borycz	Evangeline Kabacinski	Ashley Murphy	Jean Schmuck
Margaret Brown	John Kaminsky	Leo Mysiewicz	Tom Shafer
Boyington Family	Chris Karpinski	Margaret Newman	Jack & Nancy Shea
Angela Bunio	Rose Keena	Maureen Oakford	John Socia
Cathy Burdis	Susan Kelly	Donald Oesterwind, Jr.	Natalie Tanana
Dan Burke	Marion Kiras	Teresa M. Pardo	Helen Tasiemski
Ricky Canini	Joan Klein	Keith Pares	Ann Terry
Jannisse Chesney	Bob & Dolly Kluba	Eddie Brian Parker	George & Jackie Tindall
Carol Cline	John Kolar	Patrick Patton	Donald Thurston
Earl Copeland	John Krokosky	Jim & Geralyn Pawlaczyk	Roberta Troher
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Yoland Dominguez	Julianne Lister	Jim Pequignot	Cathy West
Robert Dunajski	Nancy & Jeff Leonhard	Damian Pietszak	Walter Wrone
Faith Falzon	Terry Lobb	Deb Pietszak	Ethan Young
Ashley Aaron Farkas	Jerry MacGillis	Kathryn Piotrowski	Nicole Zapinski
Janet & Al Fleis	Ken Macko	Sandy Popek	Henry Zajac
Mike Fusco	Barbara Martin	Annette Puczkowski	Joseph Zasa
Betty Gable	Rob Martin	Wayne Pringle	
Alisa Gardner	Donald Masternak	Kim Quinn	

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,

Today we hear how Jesus travels to Nazareth to read from scripture and to preach in the synagogue where he grew up. He reads the scroll and, with his announcement, makes clear to all who knew him that he is not simply a carpenter's son. Sometimes as adults we return to our hometown or to those whom we have not seen in a while, and our faith has transformed us into disciples and witnesses to Christ. Do we have the ability of Christ to proclaim our identity as Christians, or are we overcome by fear and embarrassment?

Our grade 8 Confirmation students attended the Father Solanus Casey Center in Detroit last Saturday January 15th. In the next few weeks I will be sharing their thoughts from that spiritual day.

Have a great week everyone!

What dog likes to take bubble baths? A shampoodle.

What dinosaur would Harry Potter be? The Dinosorcerer

Peace and Prayers,

Sabrina Queen

#### **Christian Service Update**

#### **Forgotten Harvest**

- Unfortunately, our January 11 food pantry was canceled by Forgotten Harvest due to the severe temperature outside. Let's hope the weather cooperates and we can have a food pantry on January 25. As a reminder, you can sign up to volunteer to help on the St. Mary, Cause of our Joy website.

#### Personal Care Drive for Wayne /Westland Schools

We will be holding a personal care drive from January 22
February 6 for the Wayne /Westland schools. Most needed items include:

Shampoo

Conditioner

Deodorant (men and women)

Sanitary items (pads) for women

Tampons

Toothpaste (for adults and children)

Toothbrushes (adult and kid size)

Bar soap

Lotion

Body wash (for Men and women)

Look for the marked shopping cart in the gathering space.

#### NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Hospitality Week is back!
Join us as we serve
The Cass Community Social Services
during the week of Feb 5th-12th.
www.newburgumc.org/hospitalityweek



To help Newburg United Methodist, the Knights of Columbus #GK 15204 is planning to make meals and box them up from 1pm - 4pm on Saturday, February 5th and Sunday, February 6th. They will then deliver them at 4pm down to the Cass Community.

If anyone would like to join the Knights to help cook and box the food they would be happy to have your help.

A toiletry drive will be held for Newburg United Methodist Hospitality Week too.

#### NOTES FROM PAUL

This week's first reading (Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10) comes from the Book of Nehemiah. My guess is that most of us don't remember much about Ezra and Nehemiah, and it seems strange that anyone would weep over someone reading a book by the Water Gate. This book takes place after the Babylonian exile; the time when the Kingdom of Judah looses a war with Babylon, the great temple was destroyed in Jerusalem, and the majority of people marched off to Babylon.

The Judeans loose their kingdom, the right to practice their faith, and much of their culture. After 70 some years they are able to return to Jerusalem, Nehemiah (a Persian Jew) and Ezra (a Jewish scribe and priest), and work to rebuild the city and temple. The people are crying because they can again hear the Word of God proclaimed openly in His City. This would have been the first time that many of these people would have heard this part of their faith and culture. I hope we rejoice every Sunday when we are allowed to openly share the Word of God, our faith, and our culture. Feel free to proclaim it to the wider world.

God bless,

Paul Zbytowski

Pastoral Associate/Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator

#### 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.

#### SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### FIRST READING:

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. (Neh 8:8)

#### PSALM:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

#### SECOND READING:

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)

#### GOSPEL:

He said to them,

"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 1:21)

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#### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022**

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent,

Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

Monday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

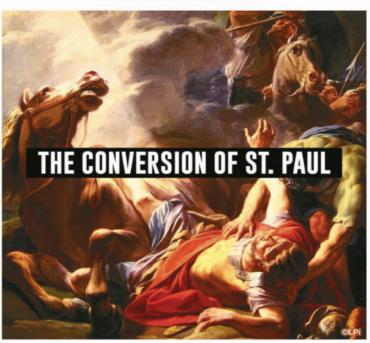
Tuesday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

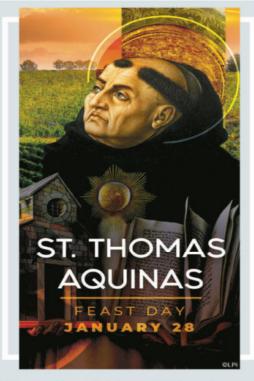
Wednesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Thursday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin

Friday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week





#### Saint of the Week

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.

YOUR SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT							
Offertory	# of Gifts	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>			
01/16/22	161	\$6,600	\$10,294	\$3,694			

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Thank you for your continued donations to help support our Parish. Catholic Service Appeal (CSA) will send donation letters from the Archdiocese.

#### **COVID-19 Updates and Reminders for Parishes**

The AOD Department of Communications shares the following reminders from the Liturgical Committee and Human Resources regarding our current COVID-19 guidelines for liturgies and parish offices.

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages Mass-goers, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face-coverings and to practice social distancing to reduce exposure to COVID-19. The faithful are reminded that particular dispensations from the obligation to participate in Holy Mass remain in effect for people who are ill or who find themselves in other specific circumstances. More information is available at aod.org/emergencyresponse.

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued a public health advisory reiterating its recommendation to use face masks.

Eucharistic Exposition Wednesdays 12:30—3:00pm



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

#### Frank Grech & Patricia Harris

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

#### 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, January 26th.

#### Forever Young Seniors...

Our next meeting will be Monday, Feb 7th at 10:00am in the Large Hall.

We will be writing Valentine's Day cards for distribution to nursing homes. A pizza & salad lunch will be served.

#### 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

#### Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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WED 12:00 Noon
SAT 4:30 pm
SUN 9:00 am
11:00 am

#### Confession

Saturdays: 3:30pm

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Please call our Parish Office during regular business hours. Parish membership and preparation class required.

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#### Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11 Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-2

#### **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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