ST. MARY, CAUSE OF OUR JOY

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20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

MASS INTENTIONS

Tues. Aug 22 7:00pm +Consuelo Sablam Req. by Gnacke Family

Wed. Aug 23 12 Noon +Frank Grech Req. by Family +Agnes Hauser Req. by Family

For Amber S. Tempesco Req. by Gnacke Family

For Emily & William Gnacke on their

53rd Wedding Anniversary

Thurs. Aug 24 8:30am + Teodoro Lonfernini Req. by Graziano Canini

Fri. Aug 25 8:30pm + Michael Watson Req. by Graziano Canini

Sat. Aug 26 4:30pm +Bernie Grzybek Req. by wife, Connie

+Tadeusz Szymoniak Req. by Zofia Szymoniak **+Frank Gasiorek** Req. by Zofia & her family

For Zofia Szymoniak and her Family

Sun. Aug 27 9:00am +Eleanor Roman Req. by Family

+Emma Scaramella Req. by Family

+Rita Zarnowski Req. by Debbie DeVitis & family

+George Roy Req. by Pat & Trish

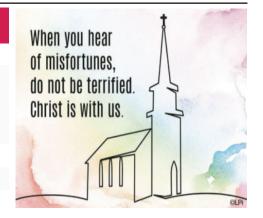
11:00am +Joe Scanga Req. by Sara Scanga

+Joseph & Ambrosia Paja Req. by daughter, Roberta

+Stanley & Louise Kolis

Req. by granddaughter, Roberta

For Carolyn Eagle Req. by Cathy West



FAMILY BBQ FUN NIGHT

Monday Evenings | 6-8pm

Please join us this Monday, the Choir and Worship Band will be playing. We will have hot dogs and chips. Yard games will be available. Please bring your own chairs and drinks. Come have FUN this summer! Please join us!!

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Liam Francis

Nan Fry

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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.

Damian Pietszak

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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,

This week I would like to talk about Adoration and why it is so important for us as Catholics.

Eucharistic Adoration is simply the worship of Jesus in the Eucharist outside of Holy Mass. After every Mass, a few consecrated hosts are placed in the tabernacle (the gold castle on the altar) so that Christ is always present in our churches. It is truly a beautiful act to pray before the tabernacle, knowing Jesus is inside.

During Adoration, a consecrated host is taken from the tabernacle and placed in a monstrance so that we can better see Jesus. A monstrance is a beautiful, usually gold vessel used to display Jesus in the Eucharist. A monstrance has a circle window in the middle, where the consecrated host is placed, which is often surrounded by rays of gold. The monstrance allows us to focus on Jesus, truly present.

It is also important that we understand what it means to adore. Adoration is a form of love, but a love very different from romantic or friendly love. Adoration is a love we can only have toward God. We need to love God in a way that acknowledges that he is God and we are his creation, his son or daughter. Adoration is love expressed through worship.

Why should I spend time in Eucharistic Adoration? As Catholics we believe Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. Jesus wants our friendship. He wants to be with you and let you know him. Jesus' presence in the Eucharist is a personal invitation to all of us, an invitation to friendship and a way to grow deeper in that friendship. His love for us is unique and unlike the love He has for anyone else. He wants you to be happy, holy, and at peace, and he knows that we will only be these things if we allow Him into our lives.

When something great or sad happens to us we want to text or talk to our best friend, or someone we love and trust. Well, we need to remember Jesus is that person. We can talk to Jesus when we are sad or when we get a new bike or a good health report from the doctor.

Eucharistic Adoration is spending time with Jesus. For me when I attend adoration, I don't plan things to say I just open my heart and mind and focus on what Jesus wants me to know. It is refreshing to sit and be still and listen.

Saint Mary, COOJ offers Adoration after noon Mass on Wednesday's until 3pm. We will visit this in my upcoming articles and it will be in our study in Faith Formation this year.

Have a great week everyone!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Owls go. Owls go who? That's right! Lol!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Hatch. Hatch who? Bless you!

Love and Laughs, Sabrina Queen

NOTES FROM PAUL

In today's gospel (Mt 15:21-28) we hear about a woman who asks Jesus for help, then after his rejection, she does not give up but asks again. Because of her persistence in seeking help, Jesus agrees to heal her daughter and complements her on her faith in his power. There are other places in scripture that Jesus tells us to be persistent in prayer (Luke 18:1–8, Matthew 7:7) but this is a great example of this persistence in action. It is easy to become discouraged. Yet if you, or someone you know needs help, don't be afraid to ask... then ask again if need be. It is good to seek mercy and justice for yourself, and those you love. Don't be afraid of being an advocate in prayer or in life.

God bless.

Paul Zbytowski,

Pastoral Associate

Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator

MUSINGS FROM THE MUSED

Next week on Monday the 21st of August our Choir and Worship Band will be back at the Family BBQ. We will be playing a selection of worship and praise hymns including "Our God" Mighty to Save" and "Oceans" and an exciting lineup of classic rock favorites including, The Beatles, Neil Diamond, Elton John, Johnny Cash, Creedence Clearwater Revival and Simon & Garfunkel. We will be performing outside under the tent adding ambience to the BBQ. We are looking forward to singing with you again, and for those of you who missed the last event, come hear your church choir like never before! The BBQ starts at 6pm, the music will begin around 6:30. Don't forget to bring a chair and your own drink. Hope to see you there! Pray for good weather!

Aidan Rickel,

Director of Music Ministries

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

All who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant,

them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer (Is 56:6-7)

Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)

Second Reading:

For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all. (Rom 11:32)

Gospel:

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." (Mt 15:28)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"O woman, great is your faith!" The Canaanite woman stood firm in her belief that God would answer her — even when those closest to him tried to send her away, and even when Christ himself challenged her. She never wavered.

Observances for the week of August 20, 2023

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius X, Pope

Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed

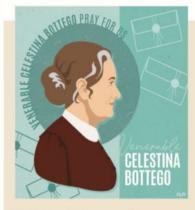
Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

Thursday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

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

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Venerable Mother Celestina Bottego was born in Ohio. She went on to be the foundress of the Xavier Missionaries Sisters of Mary in Italy. The Sisters rejected the traditional habit commonly worn by religious women in favor of wearing the same clothing styles as those they served.

Prayer

Almighty and merciful Father, You placed in the heart of Mother Celestina Bottego the ardent desire that Your Kingdom spread throughout the world and made her capable of giving all of herself for the creation of a missionary Family. We humbly ask You to allow us to imitate her holiness of life and, through her intercession, to grant us the grace that we confidently ask of You.

(Prayer Source: https://www.fondazionesantiac.org/venerabile/celestina-bottego/bottego-celestina/)

©LPI SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023 | 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

Thinking of Becoming Catholic?

The OCIA/RCIA is a program or education intended to instruct in the Catholic Faith to those who are seeking to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church through Baptism and/or Confirmation and Holy Communion.

If you think you might be interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith, please call the Parish office at 734.425.4421

Eucharistic Exposition Wednesdays 12:30 - 3:00pm

COMMUNION

If you are unable to walk up for Communion and you are not sitting in the handicap section, please notify an usher when you enter Church. A minister will come to you.

ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS RETREATS

Beginning mid September and continuing for 25 weekends thru mid May, 2024, preached, spiritual retreats are available at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, 23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit.

Retreat theme will be: Dancing with God. Retreats begin with dinner at 6pm on Fridays and end by noon Sunday. A \$30 registration fee gets you a private room with bathroom and shower, 5 great meals, a spiritual weekend with fellow parishioners and members of other parishes, too.

Men of our parish will attend September 22-24; women will attend October 27-29. Optional weekend retreats are available to fit your schedule.

Make your reservation now at 313-286-2802, or on line at: ccalleja@stpaulretreat.org. Locally talk with Doug Cyr, Don Yokley, Paul Markus, or Kathy Yokley.



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

Leona Jackson

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

Bible Foundations: What We Need to Live and Share our Catholic Faith Today

Join the two-year course that provides the foundations for understanding the most foundational books of the Old and New Testaments. Starting in the Nankin Family of Parishes at **St. Mary Cause of Our Joy (Westland)** on Thursdays 6-7:30 pm, meeting weekly from Sept 2023-May 2024 and Sept 2024-May 2025.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, August 21

Parish BBQ 6pm-8pm Summer Praise & Worship Concert

Tuesday, August 22

Forgotten Harvest 9-11am

Wednesday, August 23

Eucharistic Adoration 12:30-3pm Rosary 7:00pm

Cards for a Cause Lunch

Card & Game Party
(Fundraiser for new HVAC in church)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Lunch from **12 Noon to 2pm \$5** Pulled Pork, Chips, Drink

Come after Mass and enjoy lunch.

No ticket needed

Raffle Baskets, 50/50 Mystery Brown Bags

Games will start at **2:00pm until 4:00pm** in the large hall.

Tickets are \$5 per person. Or reserve a card table for \$20. Available after Mass or in Parish office.

Gather friends and a deck of cards or a game to join. Don't like cards?

Join the Bingo game!

Forgotten Harvest Update—

July pantry dates are **Tuesday**, **August 22**, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m., or until food runs out. In addition to our regular volunteers, we would like to recognize the youth from our parish who help us out during the summer months. We really appreciate your help.

As a reminder, Tuesday, August 22, in addition to our food pantry, Michigan Humane Society will again provide us with dog and cat food.

If you know someone in need of food, please let them know about our upcoming pantry dates.

-Barb Burke

YOUR SUNDAY TOTAL CONTRIBUTION REPORT

<u>Date</u>	# of Gifts	<u>Actual</u>	Budget	<u>Variance</u>
08/13/23	236	\$9,601	\$10,294	\$693

Fr. Shafique's 30th Anniversary of Ordination Party

Saturday, September 2, 2023 Doors open at 5:30pm/Dinner at 6pm

Tickets are \$10 per person
Dinner, DJ, Music
Tickets available after Mass and in Parish Office.
Open Seating/ No Reserved tables No Tickets sold at the door.



Are you new to the parish? Do you ever feel like you are missing out on "up to the minute" news? Have you missed the news of a funeral that happened during the week but wished you had known sooner? Or a weather related closing for our parish?

You can sign up for Flocknote by going to: https://app.flocknote.com/ StMaryCauseofOurJoy or text "COOJ" to 84576

Forever Young Seniors...

Our next meeting will be Monday, September 11th at 10:00am in the Small Hall. This will be our annual Picnic. Games will be outside, weather permitting or in the Social Hall. We will have the always delicious box lunch from Lee's Chicken. Tickets are \$10 and will be available in the Parish Office during business hours until September 5th. No tickets sold after Sept 5th or at the picnic.

Bianco bus trips:

Thurs, Sept 14th – Historic Holly \$112 due by Aug 28th Wed, Oct 4th - Autumn Adventure \$96 due by Sept 20th . Tues, Nov 14th – Turkeyville \$101 due by Oct 30th

Note: the bus trips are open to everyone. See flyers in the Gathering Space for more info.

Maryann Sligay -- 734-525-3737

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Office Hours:

Monday and Wednesday: 9am-4pm Tuesday and Thursday: 9am-2pm

Friday: Closed

Please call the office to make other arrangements

Mass Schedule

 TUES
 7:00 pm

 WED
 12:00 Noon

 THURS & FRI
 8:30 am

 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.

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Saturday 4:30p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

St. Mary in Wayne, 34530 W Michigan, Wayne 48184

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00am (English)

Saturday 4:00pm (English)

Sunday 8:30am (English), 11:30am (English) 2pm (Spanish)

St. Richard, 35851 Cherry Hill, Westland, 48186

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am

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Sunday 10:00am

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