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October 8, 2023



MASS INTENTIONS

Tues. Oct 10	7:00pm	+Andrew Toth Req. by Godmother For Craig Bar Req. by Gnacke Family
Wed. Oct 11	12 Noon	+Enrico & Ida Canini Req. by Graziano Canini
Thurs. Oct 12	8:30am	+Enrico & Ida Canini Req. by Graziano Canini
Fri. Oct 13	8:30am	+Ambrosia Paja Req. by daughter, Roberta +Walter Kolis Req. by Roberta Paja
Sat. Oct 14	4:30pm	+Carmen & Brian Kennedy Req. by William Kennedy +Harvey Cable Req. by Jan Lauster +Phillip Macunovich
Sun. Oct 15	9:00am	+Deacon Jim Hensel Req. by Deacon Jim's Gang For the Flores Family Req. by Peter & Grace Ramirez +Enrico & Ida Canini Req. by Graziano Canini
	11:00am	+Julian Mina Maala Req. by Grace & Peter For Gloria Maala Req. by Grace & Peter For Juliard Paolo Ramirez Req. by Grace & Peter For Grace & Peter Ramirez



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Nancy Abramson	Betty Gable	Julianne Lister	Sandy Popek
Sean Armstrong	Alisa Gardner	Lillian & Sienna Lombardi	Annette Puczkowski
Pat Bader	Judy Gardner	Ken Macko	Wayne Pringle
Kelly Beaudry	Julia Gardner	Barbara Martin	Kim Quinn
Fr. Jerry Bechard	Sonia Gee	Rob Martin	Shelly Rizzo
Joan Bischoff	Emily Gnacke	Dennis & Kathy McCann	Debbie Robarge
Al Boglarsky	William Gnacke, Jr.	John Meconi	Bill Rodriguez
Jerry Borycz	Patricia Godvin	Joanne Meister	Ann Sanregret
Don Brune	Ora Gomez	Irene Melady	Jean Schmuck
Angela Bunio	Viola Janus	Ann Merchant	Tom Shafer
Dan Burke	Jacqueline Hamrick	Andrew Merchant	Jack Shea
Hope Carew	Susan Hancock	Tony Micallef	Kathy Sielaff
Ricky Canini	Eileen Harris	Bob Militzer	John Socia
Jannisse Chesney	Becca Hoffman	Selena Montez	Anthony T.
Evan Costello	Tony Hollis	Debbie Moore	Natalie Tanana
Christina Cowell	Christine Humphrey	Ashley Murphy	Frank Tierney
Bodyn Crince	John Kaminsky	Jim Murphy	George & Jackie Tindall
Doug Cyr	Chris Karpinski	Liam Murphy	Lillian Theisen
Barbara Deck	Rose Keena	Teresa M. Pardo	Donald Thurston
Ed & Catherine Duff	Susan Kelly	Keith Pares	Roberta Troher
Larry Edick	Gloria Keniz	Eddie Brian Parker	Vasati Tupuani
Faith Falzon	Marion Kiras	Patrick Patton	Bill Wendling
Ashley Aaron Farkas	Joan Klein	Geralyn Pawlaczyk	Cathy West
Janet & Al Fleis	Bob & Dolly Kluba	Luke Pawlaczyk	Tamara Wright
Liam Francis	John Kolar	Jared Perez	Walter Wrone
Nan Fry	John Krokosky	Damian Pietszak	Nicole Zapinski
Mike Fusco	Patricia Lickman	Deb Pietszak	Sandra Zannis

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

Capt. Tim Duff, U.S. Army; CPT Joey Saunders, U.S. Marines;
Marine Sgt. Leven Smith; U.S. Marines; PVT Marcus Rodriguez, U.S. Army; William Albright, U. S. Air Force

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.

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

What: The Holy Rosary
Where: St. Mary, Cause
of Our Joy Grounds
When: Saturday, October 14th
Time: 12 Noon

Rain or Shine

Join us for the Public Square
Rosary Crusade!
For more information call
Emily Gnacke at 734-620-2914
Bring your own chair!

www.americanneedsfatima.org/rosary-rally-central

ROSARY

Please join us when we say the
Rosary on Wednesday evenings at
7pm and on Friday mornings at 9am.
We also say the rosary before Mass
on Saturdays.

NOTES FROM PAUL

In both the first reading and the Gospel (Is 5:1-7 and Mt 21:33-43) we hear about vineyards with problems. While the parable in each is a little different, the outcome is the same, if the Master of the Vineyard doesn't get his wine, he is going to shake things up! Now the "Master" of the vineyard that we are talking about in both cases is God. The "wine" that God is looking for is to have his people live in loving communion with him.

Theoretically, this should be easy, it is what God created us to do. Yet I am sure we all know that it isn't always easy to live this out. I don't really have the answer about how to live this out, but I do know that Jesus encourages us in other places to do our best, repent, and keep turning to the Lord. Don't get discouraged!

God bless, Paul Zbytowski
Pastoral Associate, Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator

MUSINGS FROM THE MUSED

Soon and very Soon, we have a "A Spiritual Night" coming up on October 26th at 7pm. This sing along concert will be full of American Spirituals and Gospel music. Spirituals are true American folk music, composed by slaves out of social need and faithful reverence. We will honor this tradition of communal sing with a number of works that walk us through the salvation story.

Much like laborers in the Vineyard of the Lord, we are called to share our faith with one another and give witness to the Gospel. The call and response style of praise, is a hallmark of Spirituals, and it comes from Africa, where call and responsive singing forms the foundation of many communities. This method allows a leader to lead the participants through scripture, and provided the slaves with a catechism that formed their pure and Holy faith. There is something so genuine about Spirituals that simply can not be manufactured. The both humble and inspire our hearts.

Next week I'll discuss a bit more about the Gospel Tradition. I am looking forward to reverently sharing in this American Heritage with you all. Let me know what spirituals you want to hear.

Aidan Rickel
Director of Music Ministries



Everyday Stewardship

You know how the story goes. Your son or daughter swears that while you were gone he or she only invited two friends over to watch a movie and eat popcorn. How those other twenty-five people got there with beer is still a mystery. They were not invited but your young host felt pretty uncomfortable just kicking them out. You did teach them about good hospitality after all.

That sure is a twisted view of hospitality, perhaps, but it does make me reflect on those I am willing to welcome into my home and those I am not. Who is my neighbor? Would I extend hospitality to the person that is alone? I have done so for holidays. But I have known them well. Would I invite someone into my home that I did not know? It could be unsafe. But what if I found myself alone somewhere without any connections. Where would I turn? Who could I trust?

There are no simple answers here but I wonder if we should really have the luxury of not asking the question. If the Christian will not invite in the lost and forsaken, who will? In the coming days, I suggest we all reflect on those in our midst who seem to be alone. Who can we invite into our lives who need something much more important than a party? Who is out there who simply need friends? They may not need a physical shelter but they do need the warmth of Christian hospitality and the kindness of others.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Forever Young Seniors...

Time flies, it's almost Halloween, then Thanksgiving!

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 6th at 10:00am in the Social Hall. Joe Oldenburg will be back to tell us about "First Settlers: Early Native American Tribes of Michigan". The annual dues of \$5.00 will be collected by Ann Findysz. Chef Ann Pape will be back with a turkey lunch.

Bianco bus trips:

Tues, Nov 14th – Turkeyville \$101 due by Oct 23rd

Thurs, Dec 14th - Holiday Church Tour \$104 due by Nov 20th

Thurs, Feb 8th, 2024 Firekeepers Casino \$48 due by Jan 18th

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

Maryann Sligay -- 734-525-3737

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, October 09

Faith Formation 6pm

Tuesday, October 10

Forgotten Harvest 9-11am

Wednesday, October 11

Adult Study on Eucharist 10:30am

Eucharistic Adoration 12:30-3pm

Rosary 7:00pm

Thursday, October 12

Bible Study 6-7:30pm

K of C meeting 7:30pm

Saturday, October 14

Mercy in Action Day 10am

Sunday, October 15

Pancake Breakfast

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Monsignor Kohler Council 15204

Tootsie Roll Drive: October 7 & 8 after Mass. Benefiting those with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Please help support this great cause and grab a few tootsie rolls!

Coats for Kids Winter Drive September thru October: Please bring new or gently used coats to church and place them in the blue donation bin!

Grave Cleanup: 8 members of the Knights of Columbus Monsignor Kohler Council 15204, - cleaned 74 grave sites the week of September 24 ending on September 30. THANK YOU for all of the people who submitted the forms in a timely manner to help facilitate this process.

Please Support Our Parish

Please put your donation in an envelope along with this form. You may drop it off in the collection basket, drop it off at the Parish office or mail it in. **Thank you!**



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ST. MARY, CAUSE OF OUR JOY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Hi all, and a giant THANK YOU for your continued support of our St. Mary COOJ St Vincent de Paul Society! On Saturday, Sept. 30th, 4 of us participated in the Friends Walk on Belle Isle. We walked about 3 miles in a beautiful location. Thanks to your contributions in our top hat at the September Pancake breakfast and other donations we are able to continue assisting Neighbors in Need with past due rent payments, food, gas to get to work and other needs. We are very grateful to you for supporting our efforts. We couldn't do what we do without you!

Kathy Koszegi, President



Left to right:

**Marie Feeley
Kathy Koszegi
Richard Asher
Sharon Edwards**



**MERCY IN ACTION DAY
OCTOBER 14, 2023
10am - 3pm**

In conjunction with Mercy in Action Day of Service, the Nankin Family of Parishes is holding a blanket workshop for Project Linus **NEXT Saturday, October 14, from 10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Social Hall.**

If you are homebound and cannot make the workshop on October 14, you are welcome to make blankets at home. Give the office a call for more information or to have someone stop by and pick them up.

In the meantime, we are looking for child-friendly yarn, cotton fabrics and fleece. A box will be in the Gathering Area to accept all donations.



Anointing of the Sick

We will have Anointing of the Sick every First Friday after mass.



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

Donald O'Hagan

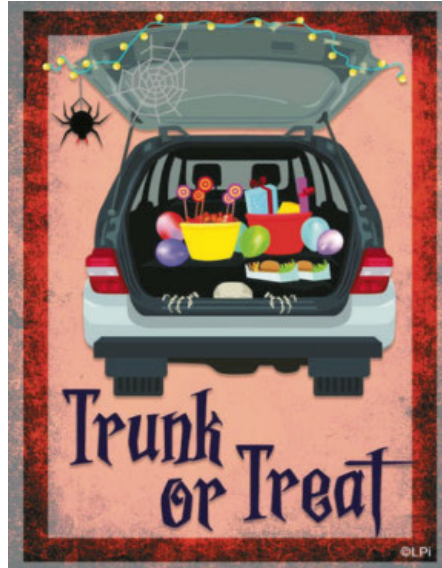
and all the souls of our faithful.
May they rest in peace. Amen

**ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS
MEN'S RETREAT**

Thirteen men representing St. Mary COOJ were among the 69 men participating in retreat at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center last weekend. Thank you to Holy Name Fraternity for financial support.

YOUR SUNDAY TOTAL CONTRIBUTION REPORT

<u>Date</u>	<u># of Gifts</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
10/01/23	209	\$9,559	\$10,294	\$735



SATURDAY, OCT 29th | 2pm-3pm

We invite your family to dress up and join us for some trick or treating fun. Families are invited to come to our parish parking lot between **2:00pm and 3:00pm on Sunday, October 29th** with your children or grandkids to trick or treat.

We are asking our wonderful parishioners to give candy from their cars, vans or trucks and pass out treats for all the trick-or-treaters who stop by. Please call the office, 734-425-4421, to register your vehicle so we know how many cars to expect.

CANDY COLLECTION

Once again St. Mary's will be collecting candy to pass out to the neighborhood children at Trunk or Treat. Candy collection will be October 1-23. Place your candy in the marked shopping cart in the gathering area.



SAVE THE DATE

**Red Cross
Blood Drive**

Wednesday,
October 11th,
9:00am to 3:00pm.



**Adult Study Session on the
Mystery of the Holy Eucharist.**

Our parish is starting a new adult study session on the Mystery of the Holy Eucharist. The name of the program is called "Presence."

We will meet from 10:30am to 11:30am on October 11, 18, and 25; in the Parish Office building. Materials will be distributed at the first session. There will be a free will offering at the end of the last session.

If you are able to join us for all or some of the sessions, please contact Sabrina Queen at 734-425-4421 ext. 217.



The Forgotten Harvest Food Pantry will be here this Tuesday, October 10th from 9am-11am.

**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

HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

Next Sunday, October 15 HNF offers our pancake and french toast breakfast, 8:30am until 12:30pm, in the social hall. Still just \$3. Come join us before or after Mass.





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St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy

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.

Bulletin Articles due by 4pm on Friday (9 days prior to publication). Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.

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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

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Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 10:00am

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