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April 7, 2024

Notes from Fr. Sean Bonner....

In Today's Gospel

Happy Easter! Today, we continue our celebration of the Octave of Easter. In today's gospel, Christ appears to his disciples on the first day of the octave, Easter Sunday, and the eighth day of the octave, the following Sunday. I can only imagine the mix of emotions the disciples felt. The grief at having lost Jesus, the fear that they might suffer the same fate, the shock of the empty tomb, and the confusion at the stories that were beginning to be heard that Christ had been seen alive. Amid this anxiety, Jesus greets his disciples with the words: "Peace be with you."

As we experience turmoil and confusion in our lives, let us put our faith in Jesus Christ and be at peace.

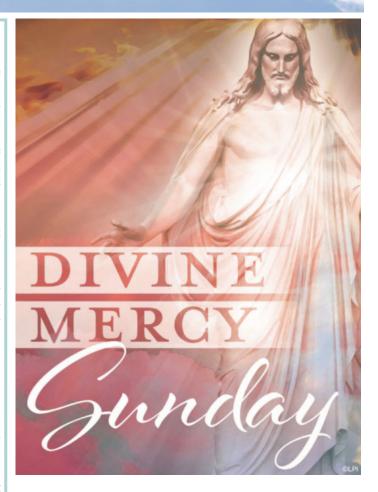
Divine Mercy Sunday

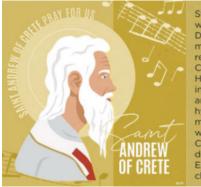
In 2000, Pope St. John Paul II designated the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday as he canonized St. Maria Faustina Kowalska. During the 1930s, our Lord appeared to Sr. Maria Faustina of the Blessed Sacrament, giving her a series of private revelations, which she recorded in her diary. Jesus instructed Sr. Faustina to spread the message of his Divine Mercy throughout the world.

Since her death in 1938, devotion to the Divine Mercy has spread worldwide. There are three main themes to this devotion. 1) Seek God's mercy. 2) Be merciful to others. 3) Completely trust in Jesus.

Today, we join Catholics around the world in offering our praise to the God of Mercy. The image of the Divine Mercy will be available for veneration in our parishes, and there will be opportunities to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Those who take part in these devotions to the Divine Mercy, with a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for sin, and who also fulfill the usual conditions, may receive a plenary indulgence. The conditions to receive a plenary indulgence, in addition to performing the specified act, are: 1) Go to sacramental confession within 20 days before or after the act. 2) Receive the Holy Communion, preferably on the day of or the day before or after the act. 3) Pray for the intentions of the Pope.





St. Andrew of Crete was born in Damascus and was mute until he received his First Communion at age 7. He went on to be an influential archbishop and hymnist in Crete. His most renowned work, the Great Canon, is chanted during Lent in Eastern Orthodox churches

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. April 08 12 Noon +Joseph Paja Req. by his daughter, Roberta

Thurs. April 11 9:00am +Cecilia Surmacz Req. by Joseph Moranty

5:30pm +Betty Martin Req. by Jan Lanster Sat. April 13

+Patrick Potok Req. by Marlene Dennis

April 14 9:00am +James Dziadosz Req. by his Wife Sun.

+Myra Keiller Req. by Mark Mroz

+Claudia Mallon Req. by Karolyn Haarala

+Nelia Samson Req. by Family

Sun. April 14 11 am +DeceasedMembers of the Rutkowsk Family Req. by

Family

+Maria Marion Jaworski Req. by Sofia Szymoniak

+Fr. Vasquez Req. by a Friend

+Petronila Barone Req. by Sara Scanga

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Prayer for the 2nd **Sunday of Easter**

Dear Jesus.

As you greeted your disciples after you rose, fill us, too, with your peace.

As you breathed your spirit on them, breathe on us, too.

As your presence was known to Thomas, make it known to us, too.

Help us to live in your peace, power, and presence.

Amen.

FORGOTTEN HARVEST **FOOD PANTRY**

The next Forgotten Harvest food pantry will be this Tuesday, April 9, from 9-11 a.m., or until food runs out. Please let those in need know of this date.

OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

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NOTES FROM PAUL

In this week's Gospel (Jn 20:19-31) we hear Jesus says to his followers, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you" then breathe the Holy Spirit onto them. While we often say that Pentecost is the "birthday" of the church, this could be viewed as the "birthday" of the mission of the church. When we are baptized and confirmed into the church, we too receive the Holy Spirit, and are being sent out to do the work of Jesus. As Archbishop Vigneron is fond of saying, "there are no bystanders." It is your mission to go out and spread the Gospel.

Let's be honest, many of us fall short of fulfilling this mission. If this includes you, you should be happy to know that this weekend we also celebrate "Divine Mercy Sunday." A time each year where the church remembers God's infinite mercy on us, and all of the sinners of the world. Please join us here at 3 pm on Sunday to pray a Divine Mercy Chaplet. If you can't make it, maybe stop for just a few minutes to meditate on God's Mercy, and dare to say, "Jesus, I trust in you."

God bless,

Paul Zbytowski, Pastoral Associate,

Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

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God bless, Sabrina Queen

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL7, 2024

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

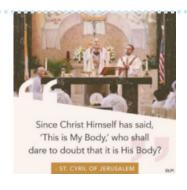
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48



ROSARY

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

ELECTRONIC ONLINE GIVING

Please consider registering for Online Giving to make your contributions to St. Mary, Cause of Our Jov.

Consider participating in the CSA

If you have not donated or pledged to this year's CSA, please do so as soon as possible. We have met our goal! But we are still paying off the 2022 CSA goal.

If you have pledged to this year's CSA, please remember to pay off your pledge.

The CSA targets the averages of the total of our Sunday and Christmas collections. Any amount that is donated that exceeds our goal is **paid back to the parish assessment free** and is not factored into the calculation of the CSA target for 2024.

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 mail your donation to the parish office. Thank you!



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Joyful Women Christ Child Shower April 17, 2024

The Joyful Women are affiliated with the National Counsel of Catholic Women, Archdiocese of Detroit. A charity project of the CCW is the annual Operation Layette, providing layettes for poor moms. Our event, The Christ Child Shower, will be held on April 17, 2024.

We are Pro Life: Upholding the dignity of Human Life. We can do this with kindness and love.

Items in the Layettes include:

Diapers—Newborn or size 1
Baby Wipes
Onesies—0-3 months or 1-3 months
Hats, bibs, sweaters or Jackets
Sleep n Play Outfits

Receiving Blankets Crib Sheets Crib Blankets Bottles, Lotion Toys

If you would like to donate an item for the layette, there will be a container in the Gathering Area. Thank you!

CARDS AND NOTES TO FR. SHAFIOUE.....

Cards and notes may be sent to Fr. Shafique. The Archdiocese of Detroit will accept cards and letters and forward them to Fr. Shafique.

They will bundle them and send them directly to Fr. Shafique.

Pease send cards/letters to:

Fr. Shafique Masih % Clergy & Consecrated Life Office 12 State St. Detroit, Michigan 48226



Spring Cleanup

Knights of Columbus is scheduled to do a spring cleanup of the graves at St. Hedwig on **Saturday**, **April 27**.

Please submit previous forms or obtain a new sign up form at the Parish Office.

Forever Young Seniors...

Spring has arrived! That means the horses are running and mint juleps are yummy!

Our next meeting will be Monday, May 6th at 10:00am in the Small Hall. This will be our annual Kentucky Derby Horse Races and Derby Hat Contest. Dig out your dollar bills from under the mattress and your favorite Derby hat in the closet for the parade & contest. Prizes will be awarded for the best Derby hat.

Lunch will be provided by Chef Ann Pape.

Bianco bus trips:

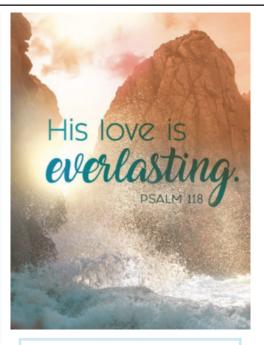
Tues, May 7th Holland Tulip Time \$145 due by Apr 12th **Sold Out** call for Wait List

Tues, June 18th Gateway to Lenawee \$106 due by June 3rd

Sun, July 21st Purple Rose Theater "What Springs Forth" \$139 due by June 19th

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

Maryann Sligay -- 734-525-3737



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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, April 08

Mass 12:00 Noon
Eucharistic Adoration 12:30-3pm
6:00 pm Faith Formation
High SchoolYouth Group 7pm

Tuesday, April 09 9-11 am Forgotten Harvest 70 pm K of C

Wednesday, April 10 Rosary 7:00pm

Thursday, April 11 Mass 9:00am Bible Class 6:00 pm

Friday, April 12

Saturday, April 13

Mass 5:30pm Confession 6:30 pm

Sunday, April 14 Mass 9:00am & 11:00am Coffee Sunday 9:00 am

HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

The next meeting of the HNF will be **Tuesday**, **April 16**, **7pm**, in the small hall. Member attendance expected; new members always welcome.

Sunday, April 21, is date of the next HNF pancake & French toast breakfast, 830am until 1230pm, in the social hall. Please come and enjoy!

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Food bank at St. Mary Wayne...

Visits to the food bank at St. Mary, Wayne will only be available every two months until they get their shelves stocked back up. They are looking for help with food donations.

Items in dire need:

Chili beans

Canned peas,
Canned carrots,
Pasta-aCanned potatoes
Boxed mashed potatoes
Boxed au gratin/scalloped potatoes
Beef stew
Sloppy joe
Rice-aPasta-aHambur
Canned
Myscalloped potatoes
Appless
Sloppy joe
Canned

Rice-a-roni
Pasta-a-roni
Hamburger helper
Canned fruit (pears, peaches, mixed)
Applesauce
Canned beans
Pork 'n beans

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Eucharistic Exposition Mondays, 12:30 - 3:00pm



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Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday:

8:00am-4:30pm Friday: Closed

Please call the office to make other arrangements

Mass Schedule

| MON | 12:00 pm |
|-------|---------------------|
| THURS | 9:00am |
| SAT | 5:30pm |
| SUN | 9:00 am 11:00 am |

Confession

Saturdays: 6:30pm

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

Monday 9:00am

Friday 9:00am (English) Saturday 4:00pm (English)

Sunday 8:30am (English), 11:30am (English) 2:00pm (Spanish)

St. Richard, 35851 Cherry Hill, Westland, 48186

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