



# ST. MARY, CAUSE OF OUR JOY

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## May 12, 2024



### PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father, from the beginning you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way. We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers; for their tenderness, care, and compassion, for their intuition and encouragement, for their commitment and sacrifice. Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, and refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our open-hearted love and gratitude. Amen.



### Notes from Fr. Sean Bonner....

#### In Today's Gospel

After his resurrection, Jesus spent 40 days on earth with his disciples. At the end of that time, he ascended into heaven to be seated at the right hand of the Father. In today's gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, and he tells us to "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." (Mk:16:15)

Jesus has prepared us for this work of mission. He has given Himself to us in the Eucharist to strengthen us, and he has sent His Spirit to inspire and lead us. Let us receive all that God has given us, and through our words and our actions, let us proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ.

#### Catholic Services Appeal

There are many ways we support the work of the Church. Every year, missionaries visit our parishes to make an appeal. During Lent, the Rice Bowl collection supports Catholic Relief Services. For Christmas, the "Box of Joy" collection provides Christmas presents for children in The Dominican Republic, Guatemala, and other developing countries.

While we are called to spread the Gospel around the world, there is plenty of need right here at home. This is where the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) steps in. When you support CSA, you are supporting the Church's missionary work in Southeast Michigan.

Your donations to CSA support more than 100 ministries, programs, and services, including: support for men discerning God's call to the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, campus ministry, grants to Catholic schools, and young adult programs.

When you give to CSA, you are not just supporting the work of the Archdiocese; you are also supporting our parishes. Once we reach our CSA goal, all additional donations are returned to the parish. This year, our parish goals for CSA are:

St. Richard: \$15,348  
St. Mary in Wayne: \$69,558  
St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy: \$72,026

The best way to donate to CSA is to go online to [givecsa.org](http://givecsa.org) and donate electronically. If you do write a check, please don't make it payable to the parish. **Make checks payable to Archdiocese of Detroit – CSA.**

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Mon. May 13 12 Noon +Catherine O'Connor** Req. by her daughter Cathy

**Thurs. May 16 9:00am +Bernard Grzybek** Req. by his Wife

**Sat. May 18 5:30pm For all the Living Members of the Joyful Women**  
+**Ms. Toni Visnau** Req. by Felicia Dziadosz

**Sun. May 19 9:00am Kimmi Duncan** Req. by a Friend  
+**James Hejka** Req. by his Family  
+**Daniel Jr., Nicholas & Angela Hejka** Req. by their Grandma  
+**Joanne Meister** Req. by Scott & Cindy Wiergan & Bernice Wypych

**Sun. May 19 11 am +Sr. Paula Mierle SJ** Req. by Carol Knobleck  
+**Deceased Members of the Kwilos Family** Req. by their Family  
+**Bernard Gryzbek** Req. by his Wife  
+**Debra Baker** Req. by Mark Mroz  
+**Nick Scanga** Req. by Sara Scanga

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Nancy Abramson	Eileen Harris	Teresa M. Pardo
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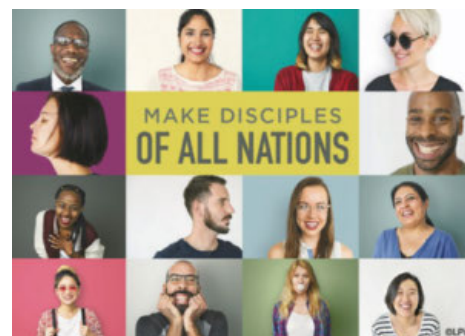


Hello to all in our parish! This has been a busy time for us. Thanks to the grant writing skills of our member

and past president Helene Lusa, we have received our second grant to help our neighbors in need! With this money we have been able to help many with back rent. Unfortunately those funds are now exhausted. If you are able to help us with donations, we will be very grateful.

You can put your donation in an envelope marked, "St. Vincent de Paul", and drop it in the collection basket, or drop it off at the office. Be assured we will make good use of the donations. We interview all those who ask for help to make sure their need is real and check their facts carefully. A very big "Thank You" in advance.

Our Prayers Are With You,  
Kathy Koszegi,  
President, St. Vincernt de Paul



## OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

PFC Dean Williamson  
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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

If there are any names that can be removed from our Prayer List, please let us know by calling 734-425-4421.

## NOTES FROM PAUL

In this week's Gospel (Mk 16:15-20) we hear about the amazing things that the baptized can do. I hope you all will start healing people, but leave the serpents alone, and don't drink any "deadly things" just to prove a point. Sometimes serpents and poison sound safer than going "into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." It can be pretty scary just talking to your family, but it doesn't have to be. The Gospel doesn't tell us to recite the whole bible, or give a 10 hour lecture. Proclaiming the Gospel can be as simple as letting people know that God loves them. Showing people that you "love your neighbor." Start small, just like the mustard seed.

God bless you,



Paul Zbytowski, Pastoral Associate  
Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator

## Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation



Greetings and Salutations,

Today, I would like to thank several people for their help last week with our Confirmation and First Communion sacraments. What a lovely week it was for Praising our Lord and Savior! Thank you; **Richard Asher, John and Cheri Filipiak, Lisa Kliza, Cyndie Lombardi, Carol Nelius, Aidan and our Beautiful choir.** It truly takes a village. I am so grateful to all of you.

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus is directing his disciples to go out into the world and proclaim the Good News. We as Catholics are to do the same. As parents, we are called to proclaim the Good News within our families. We do so when we read the bible and pray. We also encounter God's healing when we dry a child's tear or help a grandparent walk around the market. What other signs in our lives show others that we believe in Jesus?

Have a great week everyone!

Happy Mother's Day! A special loving wish to my mom in heaven!

Which planet loves to sing? Nep-tune.

Peace and Prayers,

Sabrina Queen,  
Faith Formation

## MUSINGS FROM THE MUSED

Salvation, peace, freedom, and morality are common themes of the world's religions. Today however, the gospel message departs from the standard offerings and charges us like no other faith does. The Lord is not content with passive moral living nor interested in ritualistic perfection, he says, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." And praise the Lord, those who heard this call took it to heart, hence we are here today with the same faith. Yet the work is not done, and we too are called to proclaim the good news to the world, words of hope and invitation. We have something very special here, The Body of Christ, in food and in flesh. We must remember we are the body of Christ, and the world now more than ever is barren of community centers. People are isolated, withdrawn, hopeless, afraid, angry and confused, we need to offer them the Body of Christ, which is found here at St. Mary Cause of our Joy. We are made one in the eucharist we share, let us always live as one and continue to invite others to do the same, this joy is meant to be shared.

Aidan Rickel,  
Director of Music Ministry





## Participate in the CSA 2024 Campaign!

We are grateful for the many ways you have contributed to the CSA in the past. Please consider renewing your gift this year, and together, with eyes fixed on Jesus, let his gaze be our strength as we share our love of Christ with others. If you have already made a gift, thank you for your generous support!

**To make a gift,** visit [givecsa.org](http://givecsa.org). You may mail your completed pledge card in the pre-addressed envelope that will be mailed to you shortly, or make your gift to our parish campaign online at [givecsa.org](http://givecsa.org). **REMINDER: Make your checks payable to: Archdiocese of Detroit—CSA.** Thank you! The good news—any dollar amount over our goal is given back to our parish! The bad news—if we don't meet our goal, the parish must pay the balance. So let's meet that goal and surpass it!



**Our Goal: \$72,026.00**  
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Would you like to join other Pro-Life members in praying for an end to abortions in our community?

Join us to pray the Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet each Saturday at 9:30 am and witness to the Gospel of Life outside:

Northland Family Planning Clinic  
35000 Ford Rd, Westland  
(Just east of Wayne Rd.)

### ROSARY

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



### FOOD PANTRY

This pantry could not survive without the help of the volunteers. New volunteers are always welcome. The May pantries are **Tuesday, May 14,** and **Tuesday, May 28.** Volunteers need to arrive by 8:30 a.m.

### We Need You!

**What:** Parishioners to become Parish Council Members.

**When:** Selection to take place on **Saturday, May 18** (Pentecost Weekend).

**Term:** Two three-year Member at Large openings.

Members of the current Parish Council will be in the Gathering Space during the weekends of May 4/5 and 11/12 to answer any questions and provide application forms to anyone interested. Meetings are held every other month on the third Tuesday at 7 p.m. **The next meeting is Tuesday, May 21.** Please consider becoming a part of the St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Parish Council.



### ELECTRONIC ONLINE GIVING

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

To begin, go to our website - [www.stmarycooj.org](http://www.stmarycooj.org) - Click on "Support St Mary" then click "Online Giving" in the drop down box. Click the big blue DONATE button. Follow the simple directions.

**If you have any questions or need assistance with set up, please contact the parish office at 734-425-4421.**

## Forever Young Seniors...

Happy Mother's Day to all of our Forever Young Seniors ladies!

Our next meeting will be Monday, June 3rd at 10:00am in the Small Hall. This will be a combined June-July meeting celebrating America. There will not be a meeting in July. Tickets for the September picnic will also be on sale for \$10.

Lunch will be provided by chef Ann Pape.

### Bianco bus trips:

**Tuesday, June 18th:** Gateway to Lenawee \$106 due by June 3rd

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

**Wednesday, August 28th:** Kellogg Manor \$117 due by August 5th

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

Maryann Sligay -- 734-525-3737

## Due to the Memorial Day Holiday...

If you need an article posted in the **June 2nd Bulletin**, please give the article to Kristine in the Parish Office no later than:

**Wednesday, May 22.**

The Parish Office will be closed on Memorial Day.

## HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

### Pancake Breakfast

The next HNF Pancake & French toast breakfast will be on Sunday, May 19, 8:30am-12:30pm. This will be the last pancake breakfast until September so come get'em while they last. Cost is still just \$3. Also on hand will be a group of Philippine Nurses of Metro Detroit providing a Free Health Fair. They will be giving tests for cholesterol, blood glucose, blood pressure, and urinalysis. An internal medicine physician will also be present with nurse practitioners, and even CPR directors. So come enjoy pancakes, attend to your health care needs, and don't forget your spiritual needs—please attend Mass!

The Holy Name Fraternity will meet at 7pm, Tuesday, May 21, in the small hall. This will be the last HNF meeting until September. A very important part of the meeting will be the continued nomination of officers for the HNF executive board, and upon conclusion of the nominations, the actual election. All members please attend

In the April 28th Mass Intentions at 11:00am, it should have read, "For the Deceased Members of the Rutkowski Family". My apologies. -Kristine Melendez, Secretary

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, May 13

Mass 12:00 Noon  
Eucharistic Adoration 12:30-3pm  
High School Youth Group 7:00pm

### Tuesday, May 14

Forgotten Harvest 9:00am

### Wednesday, May 15

Rosary 7:00pm

### Thursday, May 16

Mass 9:00am  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help -9:30am  
Bible Class 6:00 pm

### Saturday, May 18

Burning of Religious Articles at St. Richards  
Mass 5:30pm  
Confession 6:30 pm

### Sunday, May 19

Mass 9:00am & 11:00am  
Pancake Breakfast 8:30am-12:30pm

## Annual Baseball Game Trip

Please Join the Holy Name Fraternity for our annual baseball game trip. This year, we will attend the Toledo Mudhens' game on **Sunday, July 28, 2024**. Tickets are \$42.00 and includes the bus ride there and back. You can also purchase a voucher for a hot dog, chips and pop for \$8.00.

Please contact David Gluth at (734) 560-4688 for tickets and more information/questions. We have only 55 tickets available, so get yours today!

## 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:

Canned peas,  
Canned carrots,  
Canned potatoes  
Boxed mashed potatoes  
Boxed au gratin/scalloped potatoes  
Beef stew  
Sloppy joe  
Chili beans

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

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

## Burning of Blessed Religious Items

We are collecting blessed unwanted and used items that are burnable in a fire pit (i.e., holy cards, palms, prayer books, etc.). A container will be available in the entranceway of the church to drop off the items. The burning of these items will take place under the guidance of Fr. Sean Bonner on May 18, 2024 in the parking lot of St. Richard's Church.

St. Richard's Parish Council



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### Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday:

8:00am-4:30pm. Closed between 12:30  
and 1:00 pm for lunch.

Friday: Closed

Please call the office  
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### Mass Schedule

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

### Confession

Saturdays: 6:30pm

### Baptisms

Please call our Parish Office during  
regular business hours. **Parish member-  
ship 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.

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or ask an usher for assistance.

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Sunday	9:00 am and 11:00 am in Church

### 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)

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