Then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, “Ephphatha!” — that is, “Be opened!” — And immediately the man’s ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.

Mark 7: 34-35
### THIS Week

#### Saturday, September 4th
- **Office hours:** 9 AM - 4 PM
- **3 PM:** Confessions
- **4 PM:** Mass
- **Readings:** 1 Tm 1:1-23 | Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8 | Lk 6:1-5

#### Sunday, September 5th
- **Office hours:** 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- **9 AM:** Mass
- **11 AM:** Mass
- **Readings:** Is 35:4-7a | Ps 146:6-10 | Jas 2:1-5 | Mk 7:31-37

#### Monday, September 6th
- **OFFICE CLOSED**
- **NO MASS**
- **8 PM:** AA MTG | Rm H
- **Readings:** Col 1:24–2:3 | Ps 62:6-7, 9 | Lk 6:6-11

#### Tuesday, September 7th
- **Office hours:** 9 AM - 4 PM
- **NO MASS**
- **11 AM:** Bridge Club | Oscar Romero Rm
- **7:30 PM:** K of C Business Mtg | H
- **Readings:** Col 2:6-15 | Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11 | Lk 6:12-19

#### Wednesday, September 8th
- **Office hours:** 9 AM - 4 PM
- **NO MASS**
- **10:30 AM:** Scripture Reflection | Thea Bowman Rm
- **6:30 PM:** Needle & Hook Group | Thomas Merton Rm
- **Readings:** Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

#### Thursday, September 9th
- **Office hours:** 9 AM - 4 PM
- **NO MASS**
- **7 PM:** VIP Rehearsal | Church
- **Readings:** Col 3:12-17 | Ps 150:1b-6 | Lk 6:27-38

#### Friday, September 10th
- **Office hours:** 9 AM - 12 PM
- **NO MASS**
- **Readings:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 | Ps 16:1b-2a & 5, 7-8, 11 | Lk 6:39-42

#### Saturday, September 11th
- **Office hours:** 9 AM - 4 PM
- **3 PM:** Confessions
- **4 PM:** Mass
- **Readings:** 1 Tm 1:15-17 | Ps 113:1b-7 | Lk 6:43-49

#### Sunday, September 12th
- **Office hours:** 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- **9 AM:** Mass
- **11 AM:** Mass
- **Readings:** Is 50:5-9a | Ps 116:1-6, 8-9 | Jas 2:14-18 | Mk 8:27-35

### Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 | Weekday**
- **4:00 PM:** Gerald Tomczak, Wedding Anniversary
- **Fred Kuspa**
- **Glen Kossick**
- **Edward Kelly, 22 yr. anniversary**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 | TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- **9:00 AM:** Parishioners of St. Blase
- **11:00 AM:** Michael Schornak, 46 yr. anniversary

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 | Weekday | NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 | Weekday | NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 | The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary | NO MASS**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 | Saint Peter Claver | NO MASS**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 | Weekday | NO MASS**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 | Weekday**
- **4:00 PM:** Thomas R. Gray, Jr.
- **Eleanor Iwankowski**
- **Raymond Iwankowski, Sr.**
- **Ray Iwankowski, Jr.**
- **Kenneth Burnell**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 | TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- **9:00 AM:** Robert Ludwig
- **Ann Clarke**
- **Rose Bratta**
- **Dolores Bratta**
- **George Bratta, Sr., 32 yr. anniversary**
- **Susan Spakowski**
- **Dave and Geri Giasson, S.I. – 57th Wedding Anniversary**
- **11:00 AM:** Tom Dettloff, 11 yr. anniversary
- **Helen Alexander**

### NEW Parishioners

**Welcome to the St. Blase Community!**
- **Adam and Natalie Walter**
- **James and Nicole Grabowski and Family**
- **Melissa Schaffer**
- **Cary and Sharon Cubba**
Happy Labor Day! Many will be asking, “Where has summer gone?” Yet if recent history is an indicator, there remain several weeks of warm weather ahead. Maybe it will come with a little less rain, too!

This Labor Day there will be discussion about the “labor shortage.” Of course, this shortage does not exist in jobs paying six or close to six figures. It is a shortage of service industry workers: those whose jobs are low on the pay scale, and often the respect and dignity scale. Some claim this is due to generous government stimulus checks. Others to people reevaluating their life priorities during lockdown. Others contend the inability to earn a living wage in these jobs. Still others look to the lower immigration levels. My guess is that it is all the above. We tend to want one answer, simplistic solutions. Yet most issues are multi-faceted and cannot be reduced to one cause or explanation.

Beginning with Pope Leo XIII and the encyclical Rerum Novarum (1891), the Catholic Church has consistently supported the efforts of workers to form unions aimed at protecting their rights and dignity. Since then, this teaching has been consistently affirmed down through and including Pope Francis. Pope St. John Paul II stated that labor unions “are an indispensable element of social life, especially in modern industrialized societies” (Laborerum Exercens). This does not mean the Church ignores the errors sometimes found in labor unions. As with any institution, unions can be corrupt, bureaucratic and place the interests of the institution ahead of their constituency.

That acknowledged, numerous studies demonstrate that increased productivity and the dignity of workers usually go hand in hand. In addition to benefitting their own rank and file, unions also contribute to raise the wages and improve the working conditions of non-union workers as well as encouraging managerial innovation and technological improvement. We have moved from an agricultural, to an industrial and now a technological labor environment. It will take time for us to adapt and to learn what works best and benefits people most in these changing times. Iceland, for example, is experimenting with a 30-hour workweek and the early indicators are promising. Closer to home, lockdown has caused some to prefer working from home, or seeking a hybrid between being in the office and working from home. Our understanding of and relationship with our own labor and that of others continues to evolve.

Faith continues to guide us as our reality changes. From the Old Testament prophets, to Jesus’ words and example, to the life of the early Church, it is clear that God calls us to care for our poor and vulnerable. One can measure a community’s faith by the concern and solidarity demonstrated toward those on the margins of life. Our preferential option for the poor and oppressed is our prime directive as we reflect on matters of human labor. Ultimately, the dignity of a person does not stem from the work they do or the income they earn, but above all from the person they are: God’s image and likeness.

Saturday marks the 20th anniversary of “9/11.” We continue to remember those killed and their loved ones who miss them. We also recognize that there is now a generation from whom these events are the stuff of a history book. Regardless of our age, it is our task as elders to share our memories of that day, albeit imperfectly as memory often is. It is vital also to share the mood of our nation in the immediate aftermath of those attacks. A sharp contrast to the current climate of intense distrust and division. People, for a brief time, genuinely demonstrated respect and concern for one another. May that memory, more than blame and terror, be our take away from that painful event.

IN MEMORIAM

Estelle Mandell
December 18, 1925 - August 29, 2021

BLESSINGS NEWLYWEDS!

Daniel & Maria

Daniel Mackay & Maria Ampola were married at St. Blase on August 29th, 2021 by Father Randy Phillips.
ON THE ROAD TO Emmanuel

As I write this article, it is the end of August. The Labor Day Holiday is upon us. School will begin the day after Labor Day if not already. Again, we will be heading back up north for a few more days. They tell us that it will be “cooler” temperatures! I love summer and all the “green” around and hate to see it go. But the colors of fall are spectacular also. Enjoy the remaining days of summer and all that fall has to offer.

The great rumor mill has started. Over the last few weeks, while ministering at the local cemeteries or at the grocery stores, I have been asked by several parishioners if I was leaving St. Blase. “I heard that you were leaving us. I heard that your assignment with us was over here at St. Blase. We heard that you were reassigned to another parish.”

Please continue to read on:
I am NOT leaving St. Blase. I was assigned to St. Blase July 1, 2018, and that assignment did end June 30, 2021.

We must renew our assignment every three years and so July 1, 2021, I was assigned to St. Blase by the Archbishop until June 30, 2022. With that expiration of this new assignment date my next assignment will be in conjunction with the Family of Parishes model, wave 2 for an additional two years.

So, I will be with you for a while. I am so glad to work with such a wonderful staff and a beautiful church family. Both have enriched my faith. I will continue to serve you to the best of my ability, and we will continue to gather around the Table of Word and Sacrament. God is good. Please see the letter from our Archbishop below. Have a great week.

RCIA – our RCIA process will begin at the end of September, if you know of someone wanting to become Catholic or finish their sacraments, please have them contact me at the parish offices and I will be glad to meet with them. Tentatively we have 6 people for sacraments this coming year. Please see related articles in the paper

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS

PRAYER Requests

HOSPICE
Genoveffa Todaro

HOSPITAL
Rosalie House
Claire Smith

EXTENDED CARE
June Dupuis
Agnes McGartland
Kathleen Stephens
Dan Azarovitz
Barbara Ritter

AT HOME
Josephine Armstrong
Josie Bauman
Robert Bergen
Kermith Billette
Linda Billette
Yvonne Bova
Jerry Colzani
Sam Criscenti
Anna Curtis
Norbert J. Daru
Linda Diegel
Marilyn Filipp
Ethan Gehrke
Phyllis Guzzik
Barbara Jarema
Robert Jarema
Dorothy Kihm
Michael Kovak
Nancy Kramer
Josephine Kuhlman
Lorenzo Lia
Leon Mann
Mary Ann Mann
Phyllis Marek
Lena Rose Marlow
Anna Masakowski
Robert E. Newcomb
Julia Perna
Sharon Petkoski
Robert Priskey
Alberto Ramos
Helen Rocca
Sarah Serra
Kathleen Tiano
Sharon Turnas
Joann Zelenak
Libby Zelenak
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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, September 8th

NEEDLE & HOOK GROUP
Do you knit, crochet, needlepoint or cross-stitch? If so, this group is for you. Just bring in your current project and take a seat. This is an opportunity to share “purls” of wisdom, get ideas and enjoy the company of fellow textile artists. This is strictly a social group; there will be no formal instruction. Come check it out, this group is sure to keep you in stitches!

Our first meeting is Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY

BRIDGE CLUB GAME NIGHT

Tuesday, September 7th

BRIDGE CLUB MEETING
The Bridge club is resuming back at a new time and location. For vaccinated persons, we will be meeting on the first Tuesday of each month from 11 AM to 2 PM in the Romero room at the church. Our first game is on Tuesday, September 7th. Those not vaccinated will arrange an offsite game on the website Bridge Base Online. If you need a partner or have questions, please call Neville and Doreen D'Souza (248) 689-4148

PLASTIC WITH A PURPOSE
Monday, September 13th
More details on page 9...

Thursday, September 16th

FRIENDLY BLASERS
This group meets periodically at the church in the Social Center, every other Thursday. We get together to have lunch, chat, and sometimes play bingo. Our next meeting starts at 11:30 AM on September 16th. We’ll have a luncheon provided by American House, so please RSVP with the Parish Office so we know how many lunches to prepare.

We love seeing new faces, so if your Thursdays are free, we’d love to see you there!

Saturday, October 2nd

MONTHLY GAME NIGHT
Game Night is back! Invite your friends! Bring your own games or use ours. Admission is $5 per person and includes pizza, salad, dessert, and beverages. We’ll start after the 4:00 PM Mass. If you have any questions, you can call Don Rogowski at 586-604-3952.

MEN’S PRAYER GROUP
Tuesday, October 5th | 6:30pm
Thomas Merton Rm.

K OF C TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE
October 9th & 10th

Semi-Annual Blood Drive
October 11th, 2021

Monday, October 11th

BLOOD DRIVE
Our Semi-Annual Blood Drive is coming up. Sign up at redcross.org or call Denise at (248) 952-0801. Thank you and eat healthy!

Knights of Columbus Wine Tasting Party
October 16th

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?
see page 9
BE A Catechist

Faith Formation starts in October! We always need volunteers to help with Faith Formation as Catechists, Catechist Aides, and Hall Monitors (descriptions below). If you are interested in volunteering for our program, please contact Diann in the Parish Office. We appreciate your help!

Catechists

Teach, pass on the faith and share your own faith. You must be a practicing adult Catholic who loves God, accepts young people and has enthusiasm for the faith. Catechists facilitate and/or lead faith formation sessions using age-appropriate material provided. Catechists should be comfortable in large and small group settings and have a good sense of humor, a willingness to share their faith, and an openness to further their own personal growth.

As a catechist, you will be provided the materials, training and continuing support to best empower you in your ministry, while taking into account your busy schedule. Our volunteers include parents of children in the program, so you may actually have the opportunity to teach your own child’s class if you would like.

Catechist Aides

Catechist aides assist catechists in faith formation session activities for children. They monitor children in class, take attendance, escort children to the bathroom and assist catechists. Aides can be teens, 14 or older.

Hall Monitors

To be present in the building on all program nights for the safety of all. If you are one of those parents who sits and waits for your children during this time, this would be a great opportunity to assist us as a Hall Monitor. Hall monitors patrol lobby, bathrooms and other areas while children are in catechetical sessions.

FAITH Formation

This program is designed to engage, support, and nurture children in their baptismal call to a lifetime of growing closer to and being more like Jesus. Faith Formation sets out to educate, form and inspire the young people of our parish community. From womb to tomb we are called into a deeper relationship with our God who first loved us.

Start your child on their path to growing a deeper relationship with God and register for Faith Formation. You may register in the Parish Office or at stblase.org Join us for another year of faith-filled fun!

Faith Formation Safety Guidelines 2021-2022

To ensure the safety and health of students, families, volunteers, and staff at St. Blase, we have set the following precautions for Faith Formation this year.

Mask Required

Masks required for all students, volunteers, and staff that will come in close contact with students regardless of vaccination status.

Volunteers

All Catechists, Catechist Aides, & Hall Monitors must be fully vaccinated. Prolonged contact raises risk of transmission to those most vulnerable.

Social Distancing

Students will stay 3 feet apart per CDC recommendations. We acknowledge that there will be brief times when this will not occur.

Sanitize

All classrooms will have hand sanitizer and sanitizing hands will be encouraged. We will also have thermometers available if necessary.

Stay Home if Sick

Any student, family member, volunteer, or staff that is ill, that is under quarantine, or that tests positive for COVID is asked to remain home; students will receive class materials for the class(es) missed.

Contact the Office if...

Any student, family member, volunteer, or staff that tests positive for COVID must contact the Parish Office by phone or email immediately so that proper tracing procedures can take place.

Home Study

If your child is unable to wear a mask or you are uncomfortable with the guidelines presented, please know we do offer home studies as we truly desire your child to learn our beautiful faith!
The Healing of a Deaf Man
Mk 7:31-37

Be opened! This week’s Gospel reading tells of when Jesus healed a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This reading shows us the authority of Jesus. He did this in a different way than other miracles, it was more intimate. He placed His fingers in the ears of the man and spitting, He touched his tongue. He then looked up to heaven and said “Be opened!” and immediately the man could hear and speak clearly; he was healed. Be opened – more of a command than just a slight saying, but what is that saying to you? Are your ears opened to hear the Word of God? Is the Word of God in what you say to others?

The readings support the authority that God has and how much He loves us. He wants us to use all our senses to know Him and love Him, freely. The blind will see, the lame will walk, the deaf will hear, the ill will be healed, and we are not to be afraid. The second reading tells us how not to treat others that we judge to be “different” or “outcasts” for it is a reflection of ourselves. God restores these “outcasts” and His unconditional love must flow from each of us towards one another.

The Gospel reading this week gives us a beautiful reflection as we prepare for our faith formation school year. Our children are learning more about God and forming a life-long relationship with Him. Pray that their eyes be open to see God and all His wonders; their ears be open to hear God and grow in His wisdom; their lips profess God and speak with love, and their hearts welcome God so that they can show His love to all. Pray that we all continue to strengthen and renew our relationship with God. Be opened! God is good!

Banana Cake
Preheat oven to 350 F. Put 2 1/3 cups flour, 1 1/4 tsp. baking powder, 1 1/4 tsp. baking soda and 1 tsp. salt in a bowl. Cream 2/3 cup shortening & 1 2/3 cups sugar. Add 3 eggs, 1 1/4 cup ripe bananas and 2/3 cups buttermilk. Add dry ingredients and mix until just blended. Pour into a 13x9 or 2 8-inch round pans. Bake for 30 minutes. Check every 5 minutes after that until toothpick comes out clean in middle.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT OUR PROGRAM? CALL DIANN! 586.268.2244
Passing on our faith to our children is an important responsibility. We have rich programs starting at age 3 and continue through 8th grade confirmation. Please reach out if you are interested in learning more.

**Bulletin Submission**

*Mass Intentions and Prayer Requests*

If you are interested in adding a mass intention or prayer request to the bulletin, please contact the parish office directly. The deadline for these requests is Sunday at 12:30pm, or at least 7 days before the Sunday of Publication.

*Bulletin Announcements and Ads*

Requests for new announcements, or edits to recurring announcements must be submitted **at least 7 days before the Sunday of publication**. To submit a request for a bulletin announcement, please contact Sarah.

Announcements may be edited or redesigned. Recurring announcements will be included for up to two weeks unless otherwise specified.

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- Alcolholics Anonymous (AA)...............877-337-0611
- Compassion Pregnancy Center..........586-783-9620
- Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan..248-338-4250
- Domestic Violence –Turning Point....586-463-6990
- Drug Addiction Support, Clinton Twp........1-800-558-0175
- Problem Gambling Hotline.............1-800-270-7117
- Poison Control Hotline..................800-222-1222
- Suicide Prevention Hotline...........586-307-9100
- Hotline (24 hours).........................or 800-273-TALK(8255)
- Employment Services.................800-285-WORKS (9675)
- Free Legal Advice by Phone...........1-800-ATTORNEY
- Grief Counseling............................www.griefshare.org
- Hospice Services..........................888-247-5701
- Immigration Services......................800-375-5283
- Meals on Wheels (Macomb County).....586-469-5228
- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Macomb...........586-254-1500
  (Offers numerous support services including: Food Assistance Hotline, Gamblers Anonymous, Urgent Care for Mental Health Conditions, Counseling for Survivors of Sexual Assault, Anxiety/Depression Support Groups, & Refugee Assistance)
- Project Rachel (Post Abortion Counseling)..................888-722-4355
- Interfaith Caregivers
  (assist with grocery shopping and other daily tasks)..................586-757-5554
- Senior Services in Macomb County
  (Lawn mowing, snow removal, transportation, etc.)..................586-469-6999
- Good Shepherd Coalition
  (for eviction assistance, disconnected utilities, and other resources.
  Open Mon–Thurs)..........................586-307-8888
- THAW (The Heat & Warmth Fund)
  (for utility bill assistance)...........1-800-866-8429
- Pope Francis Center
  (for food and other support services)........313-963-5134

**SACRAMENTS**

Please call the Parish Office for all sacramental needs, including preparing for a baptism, scheduling your wedding, or planning a funeral mass. We will help you every step of the way.

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**CHRISTIAN Service**

**Macomb Food Program Cereal Drive**

St. Blase sponsors a cereal collection on the second weekend of each month. Our next cereal drive pickup is on **September 14th**! Please place donations in the gathering space bins.

**Plastic with a Purpose**

Our Plastic with a Purpose crochet group meets Monday, **September 13th**! Join us at 1:30 PM to create mats for the homeless. We could use your help, no crochet experience necessary!

**Due to an abundance of bags, we are temporarily not collecting plastic bags to give our group time to use up the ones we have already collected.**

**Save Your Stamps!**

Save stamps that have their perforations intact, and are not torn, cut or stained. Leave at least 1/4 inch on each side of the stamp when cutting it from the envelope. Simply drop your stamps in the basket at the information counter. Stamps are sent to the Sisters of the Holy Cross for the "Ministry with the Poor Fund."

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION**

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish Office. We’d be happy to answer your questions and assist you in your spiritual journey. The RCIA is a process which involves learning about the Catholic faith and discussion on how the faith impacts our lives.

Check the following that applies to you:

- [ ] I have never been baptized, and desire to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- [ ] I was baptized Catholic, and desire to receive First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.
- [ ] I was baptized in another Christian denomination and desire to learn more about the Catholic Church.
- [ ] I have children who have never been baptized and desire them to be baptized.

**NAME______________________________**

**PHONE____________________________**
**AROUND TOWN**

Saturday, September 11

9/11 PRAYER SERVICE

An interfaith prayer service of healing and hope on the 20th year commemoration of the 9/11 attacks. On behalf of the Archdiocese of Detroit, and in partnership with faith leaders of southeast Michigan, Monsignor John Kasza invites the community to join in prayer.

September 11th | Noon at St Therese of Lisieux Parish

Tuesday, September 14

DIACONATE VOCATION AWARENESS INFORMATION NIGHT

The Permanent Diaconate Office of the Archdiocese of Detroit will be hosting an in-person Vocation Awareness Information Night at Sacred Heart Major Seminary for all who are discerning a call to the Diaconate from 7 - 8:30 PM. RSVP at aod.org

Friday, September 24

GOLF OUTING - INTERFAITH CAREGIVERS

19th Annual Charity Golf Outing
Cracklewood Golf Club
18215 24 Mile Road, Macomb, MI 48042

9:30 a.m. registration | 11:00 a.m. shotgun start
Cost: $125 per person

Golfer Outing includes: 18 holes of golf with cart, Free range balls, Continental breakfast, Lunch at the turn, Dinner and silent auction, Beer, pop and snacks on the course, Golfer gift bag, Door prizes

More information at: https://www.ivcinfo.org/

**CSA 2021**

Let’s fill this thermometer! Together we can meet our CSA goal. If you have not already done so, please consider giving a donation to this year’s Catholic Services Appeal. We have not reached our goal yet and any shortage must be paid by our parish. Every pledge helps and makes a difference, so please give what you can. To donate, mail your CSA envelopes to the return address stated on your envelope or donate online at givecsa.org

Your gift helps fund over 100 ministries, programs, and services within the Archdiocese of Detroit. Once we reach our goal, 100 percent of the overage is returned to St. Blase.

Thank you for your generosity!

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Month of July**
Actual Offertory: $49,482.00
Budget Offertory: $51,211.00

**Annual Budget**
Offertory Annual Budget 2021-2022: $655,590.00
Christmas Offertory Budget 2021-2022: $150,000.00
Total 2021-2022 Budget: $805,590.00

**Catholic Services Appeal**
Our Goal: $107,763.00
Total Pledged: $81,484.67
Total Number of Pledges: 351

Help us reach our goal! See thermometer above. If you have not already donated to 2021 CSA, please consider doing so. Donate at givecsa.org