

SAINT MARY

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

A Journey in Faith — To Love and Serve the Lord

FOUNDED 1890

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME • July 4, 2021

God
Bless
America

*"Blessed is
the nation
whose God
is the Lord"*

Psalm 33:12

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!

THE RAFFLE TICKET SELLER'S INCENTIVE DRAWING was held on June 20th.

1ST PLACE \$200 - Alex & Jessica Estrada

2ND PLACE \$100 - Ken & Karen Kuzma

3RD PLACE \$ 50 - Richard & Kathryn Sawicki

NEXT SELLER'S INCENTIVE drawing will be on held on Sunday, July 11th.

Thank you **SO MUCH** for your support!

**Catholic Services
Appeal**

- SO FAITH MAY FLOURISH -



8TH WEEK'S REPORT

Parish Target.....	\$183,906.00
Pledged.....	\$ 110,580.71
Number of Donors.....	323
Amount needed to reach Goal	\$ 73,325.29

THANK YOU
for your
generous
response!



4TH OF JULY OBSERVANCE

IN OBSERVANCE OF the 4th of July holiday, the Parish offices will be closed on Monday, July 5th. However, there will be mass at 9:00am & confessions at 8:30am. **NO** evening mass.

EXPOSITION, ADORATION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

What better way to thank our Lord for our Freedom and many blessings than to come for a visit with Him in the Blessed Sacrament. No where on earth are we more welcome than in the presence of Jesus.

Fridays 1-5pm

Benediction at 4:50pm



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Council President: Larry Chludzinski
Council meeting is the fourth Tuesday of the month.

WORSHIP

Commission meeting is the second Tuesday of the month.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Chairperson: Jerri Somervell
Commission meeting is the second Tuesday of the month.

FAITH FORMATION

Chairperson: Mike Ciarelli
Commission meeting is the second Tuesday of the month.

FINANCE

Chairperson: Keith Hughes
Commission meeting is the third Tuesday of the month.

BAPTISMS Please call the Parish Office to arrange for your child's baptism.

MARRIAGES Arrangements may be made by contacting the Parish Office at least six months before the wedding date. You must also be a Parishioner six months previously.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual Confession
 on Saturdays between 9:00 & 9:30 am,
 Mondays 6:30-6:55 pm, Thursdays 8:30-8:55 am
 or anytime upon request by calling the Parish Office.

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FAITH FORMATION

REGISTRATION NEWS

Register on-line at the parish website for Fall 2021-22 Faith Formation sessions! Opportunities to serve include: catechists, hall monitors, EDGE and LIFETEEN Core Team Members.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Every adult and teen that works with children in the AOD must complete the Protecting God's Children seminar.

The class is offered online until 7/31/2021. Please register and complete the course via the website: www.virtus.org
 If you have any questions, please call Colleen or Wendi.



INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY?

The Rite of Christian Initiation provides a setting where the journey of faith and moments of conversion can be celebrated within our Christian community. Join us! **WE ARE HERE FOR YOU** and would love to hear from you.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION contact Faith Formation office
 248-685-2702 or Deacon Tim Pilon: deacontimpilon@yahoo.com

Monthly Prayer focus for our Children—July

Dear God, I pray that any suffering in the lives of my children would be used to produce holy character. In my role as a mother, I desire to protect. Help me not to get in the way of Your work in my children's lives.

Romans 5:3-5

walking with purpose



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 "My grace is sufficient for you."

Sheepish Question:

What causes my faith to falter? How can I bear up to face it?

FAITH FORMATION



THE MEN OF St. Mary gather every Thursday morning for coffee, donuts, fellowship, prayer, and learning.

WE INVITE YOU to an environment where you can share your faith questions, comments and concerns without judgement.

CHECK OUT WHAT you've been missing! Thursday mornings—after the 9:00 am mass in the upper parking lot or Rms 6-8.

MORE INFORMATION:

Larry LeClerc, 248-685-9762 and leclerc152@gmail.com or Matt Pigula, 248-719-0772

Meet our Extended Family! St. Maria Goretti, Feast day: July 6



St. Maria is an Italian virgin-martyr of the Catholic Church, and one of the youngest saints to be canonized at only 11 years old. She was born to a farming family. Her father died when she was nine, and they had to share a house with another family, the Serenellis. Maria took over household duties while her mother, brothers, and sister worked in the fields.

One afternoon, Alessandro, the Serenelli's twenty-year-old son, made sexual advances to her. When she refused to submit to him, he stabbed her fourteen times. She was taken to the hospital but she died forgiving him. He was arrested, convicted, and jailed. During imprisonment, he repented. After 27 years he was released from prison and visited her mother to beg forgiveness, which she granted. He later became a lay brother in a monastery, dying in 1970. She was beatified in 1947, and canonized in 1950. Patron saint of victims of rape, crime/abuse victims, and teenage girls.

This is the only known photograph of Maria Goretti, dated to early 1902.



WEEKLY JUSTICE CHALLENGE

July 14th is the feast day of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, the patron of the environment and ecology. She was from an Algonquin tribe that had been hit with a small pox epidemic which

took the lives of her family. As a teenager, she was introduced to scripture by missionaries and she was baptized. She led a very prayerful life devoted to the Eucharist and to serving others. Some in her tribe ridiculed her and she endured great suffering for her faith, yet she never wavered in her beliefs.

Your justice challenge this week is to take a step out in faith like Kateri. Talk with a friend or someone in your family about your faith. Share what is important to you about it and then encourage those you talk with to do the same. You may be laughed at or ridiculed, or you may be surprised by a warm reception. Whatever the response, thank God in prayer for the opportunities you have to bring the good news to others and continue to be a living witness of your faith.

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MICHIGAN ROAD TRIP!

The **NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER BASILICA CATHOLIC CHURCH** is Catholic church in Royal Oak, Michigan. A designated national shrine, the church building is well-known for its execution in the lavish zig-zag Art Deco style. The structure was completed in two stages between 1931 and 1936. The sanctuary, at 2100 West Twelve Mile Road at the northeast corner of Woodward Avenue (45 min. from Milford).

Named in honor of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux (who was known as "the Little Flower"), the church was first built in 1926 in a largely Protestant area. It was founded in 1925, a year before construction started. Within days of the church opening, the Ku Klux Klan burned a cross in front of the church. The original wood structure was destroyed by a fire on March 17, 1936. Construction of the new building started in 1931 and ended in 1936. Its completion was spurred by the destruction of the old structure and it employed large amounts of copper and stone to execute the designs of architect Henry J. McGill, of the New York firm of Hamlin and McGill.

Pope Francis designated the Shrine a minor basilica on January 31, 2015.



CHRISTIAN SERVICE



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

Our Catholic grade school is doing a penance service this Lent. Do young children really need to go to Confession? How much sin can they really have?

Confession for children is an excellent way to help them reflect on their actions and accept responsibility for their behavior. It helps them to grow in their understanding of sin and how it affects others. This helps them to form their consciences and make better choices in the future. Most importantly, they learn the value of forgiveness, both given and received. Rather than singling out what's wrong, Confession offers hope and a new start! Children can grow in understanding God's unconditional love and develop a sense of inner dignity that transcends their failings. Not bad for five minutes and an "Our Father" or two!



USHERS NEEDED!

WE ARE IN NEED of ushers
at ALL the masses!

Please note, entire families can also usher together, so if you have teens, please feel free to include them with you.

INTERESTED OR HAVE QUESTIONS?

Call J.V. at the Parish Office.



SACRISTANS NEEDED

WE ARE IN need of individuals willing to sacristan at ALL of the masses. As we slowly open back up here at the church and more people feel comfortable coming, we are asking for volunteers. As a sacristan you would prepare the altar with the gifts used for mass. At the completion of mass you would then clean up all the items used. Full training would be provided. Right now, this is not a scheduled ministry but a volunteer situation. We sincerely thank the people who have stepped up & helped all throughout the pandemic. We are hoping to give those dedicated folks a break! Please, if the Spirit moves you, call the Parish office and let us know that you would like to help out. The time commitment would be about a half hour total (15 minutes prior to mass and 15 minutes following mass).

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact J.V at 248-685-1482.

Thank you so much!

Eucharistic Quote:

"If we but paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this Sacrament, I am sure that the thought of Christ's love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude."

~ St. Angela of Foligno

WEDDING COORDINATOR NEEDED



DO YOU LOVE weddings? Do you like to attend weddings? We are looking for someone who would like to volunteer helping out with wedding rehearsals & weddings here at St. Mary. You will be trained to orchestrate rehearsals and to make sure the weddings go off without a hitch! **Well, maybe ONE hitch!**

Please call the Parish Office at 248-685-1482 & ask for Cherie if you are interested.

KNIGHT NEWS



MY BROTHER KNIGHTS: Happy Independence parishioners. We have a great deal to be thankful for on this day. The independence and freedom of our country was gained from the British in 1776. No one is still around from that time, but we still benefit from a hard-fought war to establish a country that was ours, unique in every way. It is important that we remember those freedoms we have, our independence, our right to free speech. Today, when you enjoy that barbeque with your family, remember that you live in the best country in the world.

FROM FULTON J. Sheen: ‘The danger today is in believing there are no sick people, there is only a sick society. There is a tendency among many shallow thinkers of our day to teach that every human act is a reflex, over which we do not exercise human control. They would rate a generous deed as no more voluntary than a sneeze... Such a philosophy undercuts all human dignity... All of us have the power of choice in action at every moment of our lives.’

I once played in a golf outing for young men who joined the Seminary to become future priests when I was asked by a parent: ‘where was the safest place to watch?’ I thought for a minute, then said, in the fairway.

Enjoy Sunday with your family.

Gus LaRuffa - PGK (248) 912-7406

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council 7444

God Bless America

*While the storm clouds gather far across the sea,
let us swear allegiance to a land that's free.
Let us all be grateful for a land so fair, as we
raise our voices in a solemn prayer.*

*God bless America, land that I love.
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with a light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the oceans, white with foam.
God bless America, my home sweet home.
God bless America, my home sweet home.*

-- Irving Berlin



HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

TODAY, JULY 4TH, we celebrate our declaration of freedom from the government of Great Britain, back in 1776. Our forefathers and their families endured many hardships as they fought against the British army. Many were killed and injured in the battle. Thanks be to God for their bravery and desire for freedom. May they rest in peace in the Arms of God. Our country, although not perfect, continues to enjoy these freedoms. However, we are recently experiencing some trying times; seemingly a battle between good and evil. Now it is our turn to defend what they fought for long ago, and again, turn to God for inspiration and guidance. We are fighting against abortion, hatred, accusations of racism and lawlessness. Both God and our country have laws for us to observe-----not change----- to fit some selfish ideologies.

Recently at a Mass, we sang: “O God Our Help In Ages Past.” As back then we need Him more than ever now.

IN THE MEANTIME, we can be thankful that we do have freedom of religion, being able to practice our Catholic Faith; that we are still considered “One Nation Under God” and our currency still contains the words: “In God We Trust.” We are thankful for our family and friends who love and care for us, as we do for them. Some of us older folks feel that we were lucky to have grown up in some of the best times of America; we could ride our bikes everywhere, play ball games in the streets and fields, walk to our friends’ homes and felt safe----- an even travel on the bus by ourselves. We “socialized”----- didn’t have cell phones to distract us with texting and games during dinner and other times. Thanks be to God for those “good old days”. Right now, we can also be thankful for the season of summer, with the longer hours of daylight, the beautiful flowers and lush green trees; for our vegetable gardens and being outdoors to visit with our neighbors. Our churches are open, our masks are off and we are sort of back to normal. Again, Thanks be to God. So, as we celebrate this great holiday, let us continue to pray: “God Bless America, Land that I love.” We pray to Our Lady of America to intercede for blessings and forgiveness for the sins of our nation. Pray to St. Michael to fight against the evil forces attacking our nation---- and to guide and protect us.

HAVE A BLESSED AND SAFE HOLIDAY!

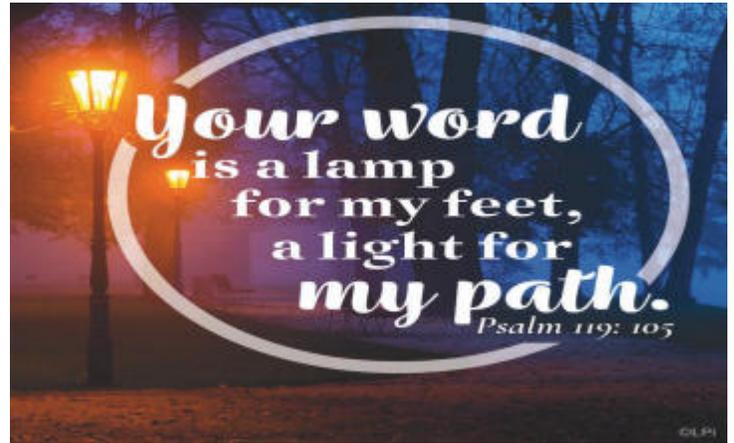
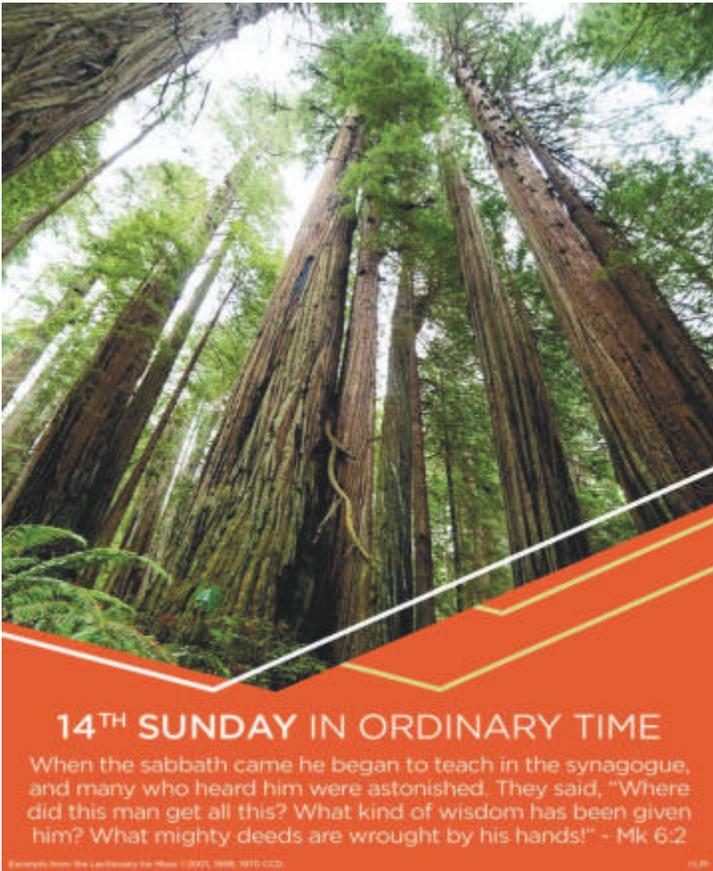
Until next week,

Love & Prayers,

Arlene Loehr

P. S.” Man’s way leads to a hopeless end. God’s Way leads to endless hope.”

GOD Bless AMERICA



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -
 RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Prophecy of You and Me

PROPHET. There's a heaviness to this word. It's weighted down with meaning. We think of prophets and we think of Charlton Heston with wild hair and a booming voice, reaching out his hand to work wonders of nature by the grace of God. We think of prophets and we think of ancient Biblical history – someone far away, someone so removed from our everyday life. A prophet is someone who knows something we don't.

WHEN I LET you in on this secret, it might scare you at first: in a way, God is calling you to be a prophet. He is calling me. He is calling anyone who hears the truth of the Gospel. However, there is no need for the megaphone and the wild locusts. This prophet gig might not be what you're thinking.

WHAT DOES A prophet do? He hears and testifies to the truth, even when it's uncomfortable, even when it's unpopular, even when it results in, as Paul says, "weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints." A prophet doesn't have to be smart or rich or ordained; heck, he doesn't even have to be particularly willing.

ALL A PROPHET has to do is listen to the truth. The truth we receive from Christ, through the Gospel and the sacraments, is a mighty gift. But it is a gift that we are not meant to simply keep for ourselves. In possessing it, we are compelled to also pass it on, to share it, to let the Spirit set us on our feet.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

NEXT WEEKEND'S LITURGY
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Introduction

WE ARE ALL created in the image and likeness of God and we are chosen by God to fulfill the purpose of the "One who accomplishes all things." We are sent as missionaries and prophets to preach the good news by the witness of our lives. The path will not always be straight, nor will the message always be heard or welcome. But the Lord promises that as we go forth into the world, His grace is sufficient to do the work of discipleship: to preach and to heal those we encounter.



So they went off and preached repentance. - Mark 6:12

SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Am 7:12-15 God calls Amos to prophesy to Israel.
- Ps 85 Justice and peace shall prevail.
- Eph 1:3-14 All are chosen and loved by God.
- Mk 6:7-13 The disciples are sent to heal and preach in His name.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL the people ask : "How is it such miraculous deeds are accomplished by His hands?" Because of your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul many "miraculous deeds" are accomplished for the poor.

This week put a gift in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box, knowing that through your kindness someone who is suffering will be touched by God in a miraculous way.

Please note that ALL MONIES donated to St. Mary St. Vincent de Paul remain in this area, and are used to assist local families in need.

IF YOU HAVE questions or are interested in joining us, please contact Julie Jacobs at (248) 396-2857.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Michelle Adams
 Patrick Amrine
 Robert Andrzejewski
 Brandy Asnaz
 Arlene Banka
 Samantha Barlow
 Laurel Bedgood
 Shirley Bible
 Tammy Bidwell
 Darryl Bolitho
 Carol Brown
 Vince Brown
 Tom Buckley
 Sharon Callahan
 Sarah Campione
 Marguerite Carlise
 John Carlton
 Terri Chiaz
 Chuck Chidsey
 Josie Ciaravino
 John Clement
 Trevor Cline
 Bud Conrad
 Richard Cole
 Paul Corrin
 Julien Couture
 Simone Couture
 Cheryl Crawford
 Joe Criscuolo
 Cliff & Mary Cunningham
 Susan Daurety
 Mary Jane DeCender
 Rick & Russ DeLong
 Mario DelPup
 Thomas DeWitt
 John Dickey
 Jacob & Tonya DiPonio
 Dolores Donnellon
 Laura Drahozal
 P.J. Driscoll
 David Dunn
 Morgan Elliot
 Ivan Emiline
 Mary Finnegan
 Beverly Fleming
 Andrea Foster
 Thomas Fuja
 Anthony Garofalo
 Natalina Gaviglio
 Bev Golden
 Jack Graver
 Pat Greenless
 Jamie Guckian
 Eli Hansen
 Helen Harcharick
 Kathy Harcharick
 George Hayden
 Nancy Heinz
 Dennis Henry
 James Hanson
 Ann Marie Howard
 Virginia Iaconelli
 Atlas Lee Jackson
 Diane Jechura
 Jackie Johnson
 Joan Johnston
 Tom Jones
 Kate Joslin
 Patricia Kelly
 Rob Kelly
 Christopher Kirk
 Jason Kirk
 Ryan Kirk
 Sam Kirk
 Carole Kirouac
 Ellen Kobylski
 Linda Kozlowski
 Delaney Kraemer
 Bruce Krot
 Barb Kuehnl
 Dorothy LaFave
 Patricia & Ronald Lafrance
 Connie Lagodzinski
 Becky Lamb
 David Lashbrook
 Lorraine Latour
 Judith M. Leek

Frannie Lesniak
 David Liscinsky
 Randy Manar
 Aldona & Stan Manvydas
 Cary Marakovitz
 Tom Marciniak
 Kelly Martin
 Suzanne Marzek
 Virginia Markey
 Annette Matt
 John Matusiak
 Christina McCarthy
 Michael McCarthy
 Sean McCusker
 Marge McDiarmid
 Michael McGregory
 Debra McKinney
 Fred McMahon
 Mary McNamara
 Alyson Mejia
 Joe Mills
 Michael Misteravich
 Adam Moore
 Earl & Pat Moore
 Charlotte Moss
 Fr. Ed Mitchell
 Dennis O'Brien
 Joan Opiela
 Mike Polcyn
 Don Ponto
 Karl Prescher
 Fran Rabideau
 Michael Rahig
 Cindy Rashid
 Betty Redford
 Paula Reynolds
 Vincent Rhodes
 Rex Richmond
 Katie of Riverview
 Marilyn & John Rogers
 Henry Rossi
 Sandy Roy
 George Ruszyk
 Claire Salyers
 Eileen Sausa
 Dave Scherf
 Christopher Scherf
 Gloria Schulte
 Karen Scott
 Janet Sikora
 Ken Sikorski
 Edna Skop
 Anne Sordyl
 Graham Squires
 Phil Stapleton
 Kimi Stephens
 Connie Stewart
 Kristin Stoneback
 Helen Swiacki
 Lynn Tankersley
 Shirley Teasdale
 Bob Tomczyk
 Hai Tran
 Susan Truner
 Michael Trupiano
 Chris Tucker
 Bill Tumidanski
 Erin Van Gordon
 Mark Vecellio
 Lorraine Velthoven
 Sally Wagener
 Matthew Wagner
 Justin Weaver
 Terry Webb
 Nina White
 William Wilkins
 Barbara Wilson
 Arlene Yearn
 Diana Zerilli
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 Laurie Zielinski
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SAINT MARY PARISH

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Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday : 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
 12:00 noon

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Cancelled until further notice

Nursery

Closed until further notice

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:00 p.m.
 Tues., Wed., Thurs., Friday: 9:00 a.m.
 Sat., 8:30 am

Holy Day Masses

9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 5th, 9:00 am (NO EVENING MASS TODAY)

~Patrick & Katie Elliott, (Special Intentions) req. by: Mary & Greg Elliott

Tuesday, July 6th, 9:00 am

†James Schultheis, (14th anniversary) req. by: Family

Wednesday, July 7th, 9:00am

†Danny Gawenda, req. by: St. Mary Choir & Your Michigan Family & Friends

Thursday, July 8th, 9:00 am

†Carol Malloy, req. by: John & Judy Gosik

Friday, July 9th, 9:00 am

†Ron Michalak, req. by: Family

Saturday, July 10th

8:30 am (presider) Fr. John Peter

†Betsy Erickson, (2nd anniversary) req. by: Her Family

5:00 PM (presider)

†Harold Shura, req. by: His Wife Mary & Family

†Raymond Choate, req. by: The Choate Family

†Art Vance, req. by: Family

Sunday, July 11th

8:00 am (presider) Fr. John Peter

~Mary Katherine Killebrew, (Birthday) req. by: Her Family

†Vito & Lenore Jordan, req. by: Angelo Jordan

†Steve Brunetti, req. by: Arlene Loehr

10:00 am (presider) Fr. John Peter

~People of St. Mary

~Henry Root, (Special Intentions) req. by: Mary & Greg Elliott

12:00 Noon (presider) Fr. John Peter

†Eugene Haack, (25th anniversary) req. by: His Family

†Charles Gaiera, (20th anniversary) req. by: His Family

**IN LOVING
 REMEMBRANCE**

On behalf of the Parish Family
 of St. Mary, we would like to
 extend our deepest sympathies
 and prayerful reassurances to
 the family and friends of:

STEVEN BRUNETTI
 (Son of Jackie Brunetti)
 &
DUANE STIBAL

OFFERTORY REPORT

Thank you so much for your
 great generosity and open-hearted
 support of St. Mary.

Our annual budget is based on
 contributions each week of
 \$22,482.00 The contributions for
 last weekend were \$19,290.00

This amount includes On Line
 Giving donations.

June 21-24 was our annual Motor City Mission Trip. Students in grades 6-12 from St. Mary, St. Patrick, St. William and Holy Spirit all came together for a week of mission in the greater Detroit area. We served at soup kitchens, helped clean up gardens, cleaned out buildings, set up for events and more! We even took some time to pilgrimage to the Solanus Casey Center in Detroit and took a tour of the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. After three days of service we went to Kalahari in Ohio for a day of fun!



St. Mary, Our Lady of the Snows
Faith Formation



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
<p>4</p> <p>Attend Mass as a family and pray for peace.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Recite the Apostle's Creed as an act of faith.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Pin a picture of a guardian angel to your collar to remind you of your protector.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Turn off the TV and computers and tell stories after dinner tonight.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Let one person choose a favorite prayer for the whole family to say together.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Attend First Friday Mass or benediction as a family.</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Choose someone in the news to pray for as a family.</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Ask each person to listen carefully to the homily at Mass today for one idea to implement this week.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Prove to someone you love that you are trustworthy. Make a promise and keep it.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Talk about what you would say to Jesus if he came to visit you.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>In honor of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, lay on a blanket outside, look at the night sky and marvel at God's creation.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Ask the pastor what your family can do to help out in the parish.</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Pay a compliment to each member of the family.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Surprise someone with a friendly phone call.</p>
<p>18</p> <p>After Mass today, write a family prayer to say every Sunday this Summer.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Family Fun Night: Play board games, sing songs, watch movies ... together!</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Pray the "Hail, Holy Queen" today in honor of our Blessed Mother.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Light a candle and confess a sin. Promise God you'll try never to do it again.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>As a family, pick one of the seven virtues and practice it all day. (Faith, hope, charity, prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance.)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Learn more about the saint whose feast day is celebrated on your birthday.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Set up a prayer place in your home. Use a pillow, a candle, and a Bible. Then use it.</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Eat ice-cream sundaes after Mass today to celebrate the Lord's Day.</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Celebrate the feast day of Sts. Joachim and Ann, Jesus' grandparents.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Donate canned goods to a soup kitchen.</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Take a family walk and bring home as many different wild flowers as you can.</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Share the joy of being a child of God. Tell a joke and make someone laugh.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Pray for all foreign missions today.</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Ask St. Francis to watch over our Pope.</p>
				<p>29</p> <p>In honor of St. Martha today, clean house and share a special meal.</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Observe a meatless Friday today. Order a vegetarian pizza and relax.</p>	<p>31</p> <p>To help see your home as a "church," make paper crucifixes and put one in every room.</p>



***Man shall not be strengthened by wickedness:
and the root of the just shall not be moved.
Proverbs 12:3***

THE EXPRESSION, “roots keep you grounded,” harkens a powerful image and parallel to the natural world. In order for a tree to continually produce healthy fruit, the old and established roots must secure the plant in place while the young growth expands the tree’s magnitude. The old and the new must exist together and remain consistent in form as well as adaptable to new circumstances. Truly, they are dependent on each other for the tree to remain healthy.

IN ADDITION TO vitality, strong roots ground the tree into the earth anticipating the storms of the sky in order to remain steadfast through all trials. Though far from attractive, the roots afford and preserve the tree’s beauties and fruits. And yet, a tree is generally recognized by its fruit, not the nature of its roots.

TO IDENTIFY A thing by its roots and to know the roots are two entirely different concepts. To identify something is outward and insubstantial; to know something is inward and studied. Identification is only the first step to knowing as it is the acknowledgement of a particular thing. Knowing requires thoughtfulness, understanding and conviction. Therefore, the roots do not define rather they provide the infrastructure.

THIS EXPRESSION MAY be extrapolated from its common parallel to human beings and applied to construction as well. A church should be grounded with a strong foundation, ideally both physically and spiritually, that supports the declaration of faith manifested in beautiful architecture and decoration. Restored or added decoration must be derived and designed within the context of the existing architecture as well as supportive of the traditions and doctrines of the faith.

A BUILDING’S ROOTS are a proper foundation and a purpose. As Owen Jones states in the *Grammar of Ornament*, “Architecture is the material expression of the wants, the faculties, and the sentiments, of the age in which it is created. Style in Architecture is the peculiar form that expression takes under the influence of climate and materials at command.” The decoration is a continued outgrowth of these sensibilities and must follow the architecture in order to offer a harmonious and balanced effect.

THE PARENT ROOTS that support the construction of any church must be the beliefs. Without that foundation, the community will become lukewarm, the traditions will go uncelebrated, and the architecture, regardless of how impressive or beautiful, will crumble just as a tree with weakened roots can only stand unsupported for so long.

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