

# Saint Mary

# Our Lady of the Snows

SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 | TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### My dear brothers and sisters,

**A FEW YEARS** ago, a French communist newspaper addressed the following remarks to French Christians: "Your Gospel is a much more powerful weapon than is our Marxist philosophy of life. Yet, we will defeat you in the long run. How can anyone believe in your Gospel if you refuse to live it out in your life, if you refuse to sacrifice your time and your money for it? How can anyone believe in your Gospel if you refuse to dirty your hands for it?" In the Gospel, Jesus relates the parable of the Unjust Steward. The steward dishonestly reduces the quantum of debts of his master's tenants, but the master praised his cleverness. The master praised, not his dishonesty, but his foresight and astuteness. The unjust steward misused, wasted, and embezzled his master's goods. He was accused by his master and deprived of his job and was asked to give an account of his stewardship. We, too, may have been negligent of our duties as parents, teachers, doctors, nurses, and friends. We may have perverted God's purpose and plan in our lives.

AS STEWARDS, WE will have our day of reckoning. We will be discharged from our stewardship and will be asked to draw up our accounts. Therefore, before the discharge of our stewardship, let us use our talents and opportunities for the good of the people. Then on the judgement day, we may stand before the Lord, not like the unjust steward in the Gospel, but as faithful servants whom the Lord shall commend and say, "Well done. Good and faithful servant, you have been trustworthy in few things, enter into the joy of your master."

**THE STEWARD WAS** a knave, but he was ingenious. We, the children of light, must abhor his knavery but imitate and adopt his foresight and wisdom. He was wisely using his present opportunity to provide for his future necessity. If the children of this world have such foresight in securing their future, which is transitory, how much more should

we, the children of light, be keen in securing our future in heaven, which lasts for all eternity? We must imitate the wisdom of the worldly people in the pursuit of the worldly riches in the concerns of our souls.

**THE STEWARD WAS** prompt. Immediately after he heard from his master that he was dismissed, he set to execute his wicked plan to secure his future. He never wasted his time. He called all his master's debtors and unjustly discounted their debts. In matters spiritual, we too must be prompt as this steward. Our life is in the hands of God, and we are not privy to the time of our last hour on this earth. We may be called any time to draw our account of our stewardship.

Procrastination is dangerous in the affairs of our souls.

ST. AUGUSTINE, BEFORE his conversion, kept on procrastinating saying, "Not today, Lord; not today, tomorrow I shall convert myself." But that tomorrow did not arrive for many months. It is a dangerous gamble in matters spiritual to postpone. We must imitate the promptitude of the unjust steward in worldly matters in the affairs of our souls. The unjust steward used his intelligence and his office the best way he could to secure his future. We must provide for our comfortable reception in the next world by making good use of our possessions, resources, and talents now. Though this worldly wealth is not to be trusted for our happiness, it could be used as subservient to our pursuit of our happiness in the other world. The riches and possessions must be used, not selfishly, but to help and alleviate the sufferings of the poor. Now is the only time we have got to make good use of our gifts, talents, and possessions.

May God bless you and your families. Fr. Tomy



### WELCOME

A Journey in Faith to Love and Serve the Lord

We are called by our Lord Jesus Christ to live out the vision of the Gospel as a Catholic Christian Community. We strive to joyfully share our faith, to humbly serve the needs of others and to strengthen and encourage one another as followers of Christ.



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**Weekend Masses** Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 12:00 noon

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, 10:00 am Mass Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:00 pm

Tuesday through Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 8:30 am

First Friday of the Month Masses

Friday: 9:00 am and 5:00 pm

**Private Confession** Adoration

Monday: 6:30 pm Fridays: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Wednesday: 8:30 am

Saturday: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm

### MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 7:00 PM (FR. PLACIDO)

~ Hope Michelle Morrison, by Benedict Matthew Santiago

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 9:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 9:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

**Special Intention** 

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 9:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

† Joseph Gaviglio, by Angelo and Marisa Vitali

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 9:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

† Barbara Mullen (1st Anniversary), by Family

† Tom Hammond, by the Morelli Family

### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

8:30 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

~ Hope Michelle Morrison, by Benedict Matthew Santiago

† A Soul in Purgatory in most need of a Mass intention, by Robert C. Lesniak

5:00 PM (FR. TOMY)

† Sal and Rose Dickie, by Family

† A Soul in Purgatory in most need of a Mass intention, by Amy Lesniak

### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

8:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

† Carol Heinz (Birthday Remembrance), by Mom and Dad

† Barbara Mullen, by Family

10:00 AM (FR. TOMY)

† Frank and Rita Pace, by Mary Shura and Family

~ People of St. Mary

12:00 NOON (FR. PLACIDO)

† Juan and Maria Ortega, by Family

† Guadalupe Ortega, Jr., by Family

# ADORATION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

My Dearest Lord Jesus, may everything I do begin with You, continue with Your help, and be done under Your guidance. Send Your Spirit to cleanse my life so that the offering of myself to You may be pleasing to You. Amen

**FRIDAYS** 

Exposition 1:00 pm Adoration 1:00 pm until 4:50 pm followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

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:



KIMBERLY SCHOOF

Wife of Bill Schoof



Arlene Banka Samantha Barlow Dawn Baxter Karen Beck Nancy Beck Bob Behmer Laurie Benedetto **Bernadine Bettley** Shirley Bible Patricia Billinghurst Raymond Billinghurst Dave Boyd Maureen Boyd Amy Nowicki Boyers Monica Brooks Tom Buckley Tony Bular Kristen Buskard Sharon Callahan Marguerite (Babs)Carlise Christine Cavanaugh Pete Cenzer **Trevor Cline** Jack Coggburn **Richard Cole Jodie Courtney** Cheryl Crawford **Emmett Michael Collop** Cliff & Mary Cunningham Susan Daurety Mary Jane DeCender Rick & Russ DeLong Mario DelPup Mike DePetro

Laura Drahozal Donna Drako Terry Dreslinski Josie Duncan Elizabeth Dunn Pat Fallone Lisa Fegan Mary Finnegan Tracey Ford

Thomas DeWitt

Andréa Foster **Kelly Fox** Thomas Fuja Natalina Gáviglio Marisha Grzybowski Lori Haile Hanna and Family Eli Hansen **Dennis Henry** Ann Marie Howard Virginia Iaconelli Pat (Grams) Kanny

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Barb Kuehnl Rose LaBorde Dorothy LaFave Michael LaFave Tom LaFave

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Janice Oleszczak Michael Opalko David Ostrenga Carol Lynn Pearce Breanne Petkus Karen Perdue Alex Petkus

**Thomas Plemmons** Mike Polcyn

Don & Marilyn Ponto Fran Rabideau Mackenzie Rajdl Cindy Rashid Anthony Rastique Leti Rastique

Robert Reid Paula Reynolds Rex Richmond Marilyn & John Rogers

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Jim Siemasz Edna Skop Vera Smith Jerry Snyder Kristin Stoneback Joan Thome **Bob Tomczyk** Patricia Trudeau Susan Truner Michael Trupiano Bill Tumidanski

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### **STEWARDSHIP**

**WEEKLY OFFERING** 

September 4, 2022 \$21,251.96 September 11, 2022 \$21,114.00 Our Weekly Goal \$20,365.00

# SA CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Pledged to Date 9/11/2022 \$ 87,868.54 Needed to Reach Goal \$ 89,496.46 2022 AOD Goal \$177,365.00

Thank you for your generosity!

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2022**

**Sunday, September 18** 

Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13

Monday, September 19

Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 20

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 21

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Thursday, September 22

Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday, September 23

Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday, September 24

Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

#### **NEXT SUNDAY READINGS**

**September 25, 2022** 

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile, and their wanton revelry shall be done away with. (Am 6:7)

Psalm: Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b] Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps 146)

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

I charge you before God, who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the noble confession, to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Tm 6:13-14)

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented."(Lk 16:25)





### BECOMING CATHOLIC

the word church? You might have thought of a building or the pope and bishops. The word church has many different meanings. For Catholics, however, church is more than a building or a group of people or a liturgy. The truth is expressed at the beginning of Mass: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all" (The Roman Missal, Third Edition).

THE UNITY OF Christians lies in the Trinity. The Church is people united, not by a building or a hierarchy or an organization, but by someone. The Second Vatican Council declares that the Church shines forth as "a people made one with the unity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church [Lumen Gentium], 4). The Church is the community of all those who have been drawn into the life of God "by faith and Baptism" (CCC 804) and the continuing presence of Christ leading them to a united vision of God-a people acting as one through the Holy Spirit dwelling in their hearts.

"By Baptism the Christian participates in the grace of Christ, the Head of His Body. As an 'adopted son' He can henceforth call God 'Father,' in union with the only Son. He receives the life of the Spirit who breathes charity into Him and who forms the Church." (CCC1997)

**IF YOU WOULD** like to learn more, contact Deacon Tim Pilon (deacontimpilon@yahoo.com or 248-390-5436).



WE ARE LOOKING for a few compassionate volunteers on a rotating basis to pray the Rosary at the funeral home when requested by parishioners when a loved one has passed. We will provide training. Leading the Prayer of the Rosary is a ministry that is appreciated during a difficult time. Please call the Parish Office for further details or to volunteer.

### THE BLESSED TRINITY

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

**THE MYSTERY OF** the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in Himself. The whole history of salvation is identical with the history of the way and means by which the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit reveals Himself to men and reconciles and unites Himself with those who turn away from sin. It is one of the mysteries of faith which is hidden in God and can never be known unless revealed by God. It is a dogma of our Faith. We profess these beliefs each time we pray The Apostles' Creed and The Nicene Creed. The word "Trinity" comes from the Latin word "trinitas," meaning "three in one". This symbolizes the Three Persons of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit representing One God.

**THE INFORMATION IN** this article is taken from the Catechism of the Catholic Church. It tells us that God is One God in Three Persons. The three Persons are distinct from One Another in their relations of origin. It is the Father who generates the Son, who is begotten, and the Holy Spirit who proceeds. Each Divine Person performs the common work according to His unique personal property.

MANY RELIGIONS INVOKE God as "Father." He is the Creator of the universe, (of our world) and all creatures within. He is our Loving God and Father, and the First Person of the Blessed Trinity. We learn about God through Jesus, the Word of God-----His Only Begotten Son. Jesus is the Image of the invisible God,---- God made Man, who came down to earth to save us from our sins. He is the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. Before His Passover, Jesus announced the sending of another "Paraclete" (Advocate), the Holy Spirit, who would be with and in the disciples to teach and guide them "into all truth." The Holy Spirit is thus revealed as another Divine Person with the Father and Jesus,----and is the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity. Christ, appearing to the Apostles, breathed on them and conferred on them the Holy Spirit. He is the breath of Christ (St. John Damascene) breathed by Him to us and dwelling on us the breath of life, by which we enjoy the supernatural life of God's children. We worship God in the Trinity-----and inseparable in what They are, the Divine Persons are also inseparable in what They do. This whole "mystery" is very difficult to even try to comprehend.

**HOWEVER, THIS IS** what we believe----and might spend some time thinking of how we relate to Each One of Them.

"God our Father, hear our prayer, hear us God the Son. Holy Spirit, hear our prayer. Mercy on your people, Lord!"

Love & Prayers, Arlene Loehr

P.S. GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT. AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND EVER SHALL BE, WORLD WITHOUT END. AMEN.



# PARISH CHOIR WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

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REHEARSALS EVERY THURSDAY FROM 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

DO YOU LOVE to sing?

**DO YOU ENJOY** singing in a group setting?

WHY NOT SHARE your gift of singing as a member our choir?

THE PARISH CHOIR begins a new season of singing this month as rehearsals are underway for Advent, Christmas, and the Anointing of the Sick. We welcome new members to join us at this time. An audition is not required. We simply ask that you to attend our next rehearsal on Thursday from 7 - 9 pm in the Music Room, room 3. Our Director of Music, Kurt Dicksen, will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding membership in the Parish Choir.

#### TIME COMMITMENT

YOU MAY CHOOSE to sing for a full season or half season. The full season runs from September to Pentecost Sunday (the end of May or early June); for a half season choose either September through the Christmas Season (ending in January) or January through Pentecost Sunday (the end of May or early June).

### **SCHEDULE**

**THE CHOIR SINGS** at the 10:00 AM Mass every Sunday, Christmas Eve Midnight Mass, Anointing of the Sick, Confirmation, Holy Thursday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Day. FOR MORE INFORMATION, please email Kurt Dicksen, k.dicksen@stmarymilfordmi.org.

### PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

**PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY IS** a chance to honor the priests in your life. It's like Father's Day, but for our spiritual fathers!

**IN HONOR OF Priesthood Sunday on September 25, 2022,** the Archdiocese Office of Priestly Vocations is inviting parishioners to offer a spiritual bouquet for their pastors and associate pastors. To learn more and to offer a spiritual bouquet, please go to:

https://detroitpriestlyvocations.com/priesthood-sunday/.

**PART OF THAT** bouquet includes an option to share a story about how this priest's ministry has impacted your life. We plan to collect and share these stories in a Detroit Catholic article on Priesthood Sunday.

### RECRUITING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY IS** an excellent opportunity to fulfill your baptismal call of service to one another. Liturgical Ministries include **Lectors, Sacristans, Altar Servers, Greeters, and Ushers**. Our liturgies utilize the talents and gifts that God has given this community to the fullest extent. Parishioner contributions help our liturgies to be truly life-giving celebrations. Please prayerfully consider joining one of these ministries.

**IF YOU WOULD** like to consider joining the Liturgical Minister team, please call the Parish Office at 248-685-1482. May God bless you.

# LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 24-25

We are currently looking for additional Lectors, Sacristans, Altar Servers, Greeters, and Ushers to serve for the weekend Masses. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office.

### Saturday, September 24, 5:00 PM

Altar server: Gia Hysko Altar server: Jazelle Hysko Sacristan: Wendy Lyon Lector: Joan Brees Lector: AVAILABLE Greeter: Joe Stanislawski Greeter: Catherine Stanislawski

### Sunday, September 25, 8:00 AM

Altar Server: Luke Lamerato Altar Server: Vince Smoker Sacristan: Teresa Chludzinski Lector: Doug Sordyl Lector: AVAILABLE Greeter: Dennis Belcuore

Greeter: Pat Kowalski

### Sunday, September 25, 10:00 AM

Altar Server: Sofia Mejia Altar Server: Adrian Mejia Sacristan: Alyson Mejia Lector: Steve Zerwas Lector: Alyson Mejia Greeter: James Kramb Greeter: Camila Mejia

Children's Liturgy: Jodie Courtney

### Sunday, September 25, 12:00 PM

Altar Server: Kathy Martin Altar Server: Paul Martin Sacristan: Jerri Somervell Lector: Richard Kerruish Lector: Lucy Sailor Greeter: Barbara Kerruish Greeter: AVAILABLE



## **UPCOMING DATES:**

**Sept 19** 7-8:30 pm **EDGE** 

Sept 21 4:45 & 6:30 Faith Formation

Sept 25 6-8:00 pm Life Teen Service Night

Sept 26 7-8:30 pm EDGE

Sept 28 4:45 & 6:30 Faith Formation

Oct 3 7-8:30 pm EDGE

Oct 5 4:45 & 6:30 Faith Formation

October TBA Unleash the Gospel

**Pastoral Letter** 

January, 2023 via Zoom Vatican II w/Deacon Tim

# WALKING WITH PURPOSE

COME AS YOU ARE. YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

#### Which book to order?

**Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point** is the foundational study for WWP. Explore fundamental questions of our Catholic faith and our relationship with Jesus Christ. Learn how your spiritual life fits into your day-to-day life.

Sessions start Sept. 20 at 10:00 am to Noon

**Beholding His Glory** reminds us how all Scripture points us to our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Recognize and appreciate God's plan for our lives, His awe-inspiring majesty and His desire for personal intimacy with each one of us.

Sessions start Sept. 27th, 10:00 am to Noon OR Sept. 29th, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Order your book today: www.walkingwithpurpose.com

**Questions?** Theresa MacFarlane, tjmac1207@gmail.com or Colleen Gonzalez, 248-685-7848



I greet you with affection in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Teacher. "Teacher!"

**What a beautiful** name this is! Jesus is our first and greatest teacher. Saint Paul tells us that Jesus gave His Church not only apostles and pastors, but also teachers, to build up the whole body in faith and love. Together with the bishops, priests and deacons who are ordained to preach the Gospel and care for the Lord's flock, you, as catechists, play an outstanding part in bringing the Good News to every village and homestead in your country.

**I WISH BEFORE** all else, to thank you for the sacrifices which you and your families make, and for the zeal and devotion with which you carry out your important task. You teach what Jesus taught, you instruct adults and help parents to raise their children in the faith, and you bring the joy and hope of eternal life to all. Thank you for your dedication, your example, your closeness to God's people in their daily lives, and all the many ways you plant and nurture the seeds of faith throughout this vast land. Thank you especially for teaching our children and young people how to pray.

**I KNOW THAT** your work, although rewarding, is not easy. So I encourage you to persevere, and I ask your bishops and priests to support you with doctrinal, spiritual and pastoral formation capable of making you ever more effective in your outreach. Even when the task seems too much, the resources too few, the obstacles too great, it should never be forgotten that yours is a holy work. The Holy Spirit is present wherever the name of Christ is proclaimed. He is in our midst whenever we lift up our hearts and minds to God in prayer. **He will give you the light and strength you need!** The message you bring will take root all the more firmly in people's hearts if you are not only a teacher but also a witness. Your example should speak to everyone of the beauty of prayer, the power of mercy and forgiveness, the joy of sharing in the Eucharist with all our brothers and sisters.



**MAY YOUR PATRON** saints obtain for you the grace to be wise teachers, men and women whose every word is filled with grace, convincing witnesses to the splendor of God's truth and the joy of the Gospel! Go forth without fear to every town and village in this country, to spread the good seed of God's word, and trust in His promise that you will come back rejoicing, with sheaves full from the harvest.

God bless you!

~EXCERPTS FROM POPE FRANCIS'S GREETING TO CATECHISTS, KAMPALA, UGANDA, NOVEMBER 2015

### SOMETHING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

# FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Sept 18, 2022

#### PADRE PIO: BETWEEN HEAVEN AND EARTH

Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Filmed on location in Italy, starring Michele Placido in a moving performance, this film tells the whole story of the beloved monk from San Giovanni Rotondo, a place where millions of pilgrims now annually visit Padre Pio's grave.



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# WEEKLY JUSTICE CHALLENGE

The Responsorial Psalm this Sunday is: "Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor" (Psalm 113). Numerous psalms praise God for caring for the poorest and most vulnerable in our world. They also invite us to be part of God's plan for bringing justice to all.

Your challenge this week is to peruse the psalms until you find one which speaks to your family of God's compassion for the poor. (You can also use Psalm 113.) Every day this week, pray at least part of your chosen psalm as a family or household on behalf of a person or community struggling with poverty, hunger, or lack of shelter. Start on Sunday with someone in your neighborhood or local community. Each day stretch your prayer further ahead so that you are praying for global needs by the end of the week.

### THE FLOCK









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"Who will trust you with true wealth?"

### Sheepish Question:

When—and why—have I thought it was okay to have more than my share?

# Faith Formation

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### MEN'S MINISTRY

**WE WELCOME YOU** to gather with us every Thursday morning for coffee, donuts, fellowship, prayer, and enrichment. We are a judgement-free zone for your faith questions, comments, and concerns.

**COME AND SEE** what you've been missing!

### THURSDAYS AT 9:30 AM, ROOMS 6-8

Contact: Larry LeClerc, 248-685-9762 or leclercl52@gmail.com or Matt Pigula, 248-719-0772

# Couple Prayer

For married or engaged couples of any Christian faith

SIX-WEEK SERIES\* FROM SEPTEMBER 20 - OCTOBER 25 WITH KEN & SIGNE CASTEL TUESDAY EVENINGS 6:30 - 8:30 PM



Learn how to draw closer to each other and to God through the simple act of praying together. \*Week 4 led by Teresa Tomeo & Deacon Dominick Pastore

Register by calling the Faith Formation Office: 248-685-2702 Supply fee: \$45/couple



### **HOLY FIRE**

... is back this year and is closer to home... in Detroit! Open to all middle school students, this is an event you won't want to miss! A chance to be with other middle school students from around the Archdiocese, great speakers, growing deeper in your faith and having the time of your life! We are registered as a parish, so please contact Olivia at youthministry@stmarymilfordmi.org to purchase your ticket. Scholarships are available. We will carpool from St. Mary Church.





### PRO-LIFE FUNDRAISER DINNER

Guest Speaker: Deacon Mike from St. Williams in Walled Lake

Presenting: "They Say, You Say".

How to respond to pro-choice arguments.

**DATE:** Thursday, September 22, 2022

**TIME:** 6:00 pm

**COST:** \$25.00/person

**LOCATION:** Bakers of Milford Restaurant

2025 S. Milford Milford, MI 48381

**RSVP:** Before September 19, 2022

Pam Dawson 248-245-1499 Rose D'Ambrose 248-909-4932

### NATIONAL PRAYER CHAIN

**DO YOU BELIEVE** abortions will end? I do! When we pray, we believe that God will answer our prayers, and He does. Yes, people have been working hard in big and little ways to stop abortions.

**PRAYER IS THE** most powerful weapon we have, especially the rosary. It exposes those that hide behind the curtain of abortion, an industry based on evil. Prayer is especially powerful from children, the disabled and the elderly, as it gives power to those who the world marks as weak.

Please join the National Prayer Chain sponsored by Lakes Area Right to Life on Sunday Oct. 2, 2022, 2-3:30 P.M.

Christ Lutheran Church 620 General Motors Rd., Milford Join Us Rain or Shine

Pray for Life with Love.

Pam Dawson

The Lord is far from the wicked, but He hears the prayer of the righteous. Proverbs 15:29

# Christian Service

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# **COUNTRY BREAKFAST**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
AFTER 8 AM & 10 AM MASSES

**COST IS A FREE-WILL DONATION** 

Proceeds will benefit the IHM Sisters of Monroe, MI

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# 4TH & 5TH GRADE TEACHERS AT ST. PATRICK SCHOOL, WHITE LAKE

**4th Grade Teacher:** We seek a joyful, knowledgeable, and Christ-centered educator for the 2022/23 school year. An ideal candidate would possess strong teaching and communication skills, a willingness to take on additional roles and responsibilities, and a strong Catholic Christian identity. A Social Studies endorsement is preferred. **5th Grade Teacher:** We seek a strong, Christ-centered educator to teach 5th Grade for the 2022/23 school year. An ideal candidate would possess strong teaching and communication skills, a willingness to take on additional roles

and responsibilities, and a strong Catholic Christian identity. Endorsements in Math and/or Science preferred.

**APPLICANTS CAN EMAIL** their resume to Jeremy Clark at jclark@stpwl.org.



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



### MY BROTHER KNIGHTS,

**THIS WEEKEND WE** have our last Country Breakfast of the year. All proceeds will go to the IHM Sisters from Monroe. And our special guests for the breakfast will be the Sisters from Monroe. As always, we can use your help for food preparation and serving. If you cannot help, stop by, have breakfast, and say hello to the Sisters. Our breakfast offering will be the same along with our normal beverage service. It will once again be a free will offering.

**FROM FULTON J. SHEEN:** "To the extent that we abandon our personality to Him. He will take possession of our will and work in us. We are no longer ruled by commands coming from the outside, as from a cruel master, but by almost imperceptible suggestions that rise up within. We feel as if we had wanted all along to do those things He suggests to us; we are never conscious of being under command. Thus our service to Him becomes the highest form of liberty, for it is always easy to do something for the one we love."

Enjoy Sunday with your family.

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# LOOKING FOR HEALTH MINISTER TEAM MEMBERS

ST. MARY CHURCH is looking for volunteers to join the Health Ministry. Volunteers can be an active or retired healthcare professionals. The mission is to provide and promote health information, to support those with chronic health problems, and to encourage healthy lifestyles among all parishioners.

**OUR FIRST MEETING** is on Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 pm.

**IF YOU ARE** interested in becoming a member of our team, we encourage you to contact the Coordinator, Donna Binns-Gordon, at jamesrobgordon@aol.com.



# SENIORS AGING GRACEFULLY, SOMETIMES (SAGS)

**SAGS WOULD LIKE** to extend an invitation to the Seniors of St. Mary Church to events they have planned.

**COME AND SEE** what SAGS is all about. There is something for everyone! Here are our upcoming events:

- Thursday, September 29th at 5:30 PM NOAO Weather Center
- Saturday, October 15th at 12:15 PM
   Fiddler on the Roof at the Fisher Theatre \$75.00
- Monday, October 24th at 5:30 PM Meadowbrook Hall Flashlight Tour
- Sunday, November 20th. 12:15 PM Hamilton at the Fisher Theatre. \$125.00
- Thursday, December 29th at 12:15 PM
   Les' Miserables at the Fisher Theatre \$75.00

**ALL ACTIVITIES REQUIRE** registration. Please contact Julie Owens, the SAGS coordinator at Holy Spirit, by calling 248-887-0027.

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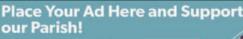
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