



# Saint Mary

## *Our Lady of the Snows*

APRIL 21, 2024 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

**ONCE A MAN** had gone for his weekly market fair and was returning home happy with the purchases he had made. It was pretty dark, and the path was very narrow. By mistake, he slipped and fell in the pond filled with muck, and it was extremely cold. However hard he tried to come out, he could not, and worse still, he went on sinking into the muck. He thought his end was near, yet he kept on shouting. To his good fortune, a man was passing that way in a cart, and when he heard the cries, he stopped. He threw a rope to the man and tied it to his horse, and with delicacy and difficulty, he pulled out the man. Then he took the nearly unconscious man to his home, washed him of the muck, and wrapped him in a blanket. The man recovered in couple of days and wished to go home.

The man who had fallen thanked his benefactor for the favor done and asked what his name was. The man replied that he had no need to tell him and that he should relax and go. While the person still insisted, the good man asked him a question, whether he knew the story of the Good Samaritan in the Bible. The man responded positively. Then the good man responded that if he could tell him the name of the Good Samaritan, then he would reveal his name. The man thought a while and said that it is not recorded in the Bible. Nor will I tell you mine, the man replied. Kindly go and pray for me and be a Good Samaritan.

**TODAY IS THE** Good Shepherd Sunday and Vocation Sunday, and the Word of God presents us with two images: the Children of God and the Good Shepherd. In today's Gospel passage, we have the parable of the Good Shepherd. In this parable, Jesus the Good Shepherd stresses the intimate relationship between the shepherd and the sheep. This passage unfolds around two references wherein Jesus refers to Himself as the Good Shepherd. More important is the phrase, "I am," which precedes the title Good Shepherd. These so called "I am" sayings in John are the characteristic formula of the self-revelation of Jesus. It also indicates the intimate connection between Jesus and the Father, and at the same time, it designates how this revelation meets the basic needs and desires of those to whom He was sent. Such is the case with the good shepherd whose concern is the people. In this passage, Jesus emphasizes the self-sacrificing element in His own life, namely, as a good shepherd, He is ready to lay down His life for His sheep. He contrasts the good shepherd who owns the sheep to someone who is simply hired to look after

the sheep. The fundamental difference is that the hired person has no investment in the sheep. He is paid to watch after them, but because they are not his, he is unwilling to endure any danger to protect and care for them.

**JESUS USES THE** imagery of the shepherd from the ordinary usage of life and calls Himself the Good Shepherd. During the time of Jesus, the shepherd of the Middle East had close intimate relationship with a smaller flock. The shepherd was in charge of them and would lead them out to pasture daily while spending all his time with them. He took personal care of them, and Jesus says that He had a deep sense of commitment and responsibility

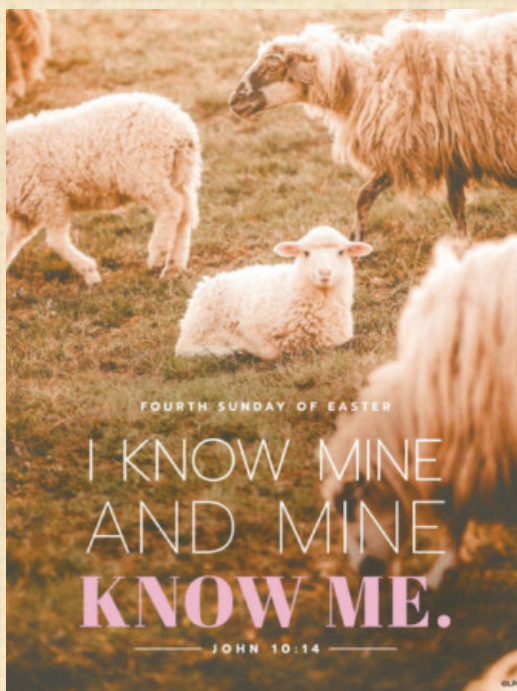
towards His own sheep. He was concerned about the sheep, and hence, they were attracted to Him. Every good shepherd knew every one of his sheep by name, and he was aware that his sheep also knew him. This showed the intimate knowledge of the shepherd.

**AS WE CELEBRATE** Good Shepherd Sunday, let us ask the Lord that we may be His good sheep, listening attentively to His voice and follow His example of self-giving love. Jesus gives us the example of a good shepherd who shows His concern and care for His own sheep. The Lord of compassion promises to go and gather His sheep and bring them back to good pasture. This is the time we pray for all our shepherds in the church and society who are given the responsibility of caring for others. Here we have Jesus as our model who offered to sacrifice His life for His chosen ones. Jesus the Good Shepherd is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. He is the one who goes after the lost sheep leaving

the ninety-nine to bring it back to the fold. This Sunday, also the Vocation Sunday, we are asked to pray for many and good vocations to continue the work of the Shepherd. The church insists that vocations are a responsibility of the Christian family. To foster vocations, the family must foster the Christian life. The family must live its faith in Christ on a daily basis in unity and prayer. As God's creatures, we are a reflection of His being, and as His children, we are God's own family. On this day, we are especially asked to pray that the Church may be provided with the leaders needed to do its work of spreading the Gospel. As we pray for more vocations in the church, we remember those who answer their religious calling and have a duty to safeguard the faith of the children of God, the believers of the Church. God is calling every single one of us to work for the Gospel.

**MAY GOD BLESS** you and your family.

Fr. Tomy





# Worship

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## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 12:00 noon  
Spanish Mass (2nd Sunday of the Month): 6:30 pm

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday, 10:00 am Mass

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 7:00 pm  
Tuesday through Friday: 9:00 am  
First Friday of the Month: 9:00 am and 5:00 pm  
Saturday: 8:30 am

## ADORATION

Fridays: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

## PRIVATE CONFESSION

Monday: 6:00 pm  
Wednesday: 8:30 am  
Saturday: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm



## 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.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, APRIL 22, 7:00 PM (FR. TOMY)

- ✠ Dakota Schultz, by John Cherney
- ✠ Richard Hausman, by Livia and Family

### TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 9:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

- ✠ Irene Meadows (1st Anniversary), by Family
- ✠ A Soul in Purgatory in Most Need of a Mass Intention, by Alvin J. Hanzel

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 9:00 AM (FR. TOMY)

- ✠ Vera Willard, by Jim and Nancy Robertson
- ✠ Gloria Render, by Her Husband Bernard

### THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 9:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

- ✠ Gloria Render, by Her Husband Bernard
- ✠ Michael Willard Jr., by Jim and Nancy Robertson

### FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 9:00 AM (FR. TOMY)

- ✠ Lawrence Joseph (Birthday Blessings), by His Sister

### SATURDAY, APRIL 27 8:30 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

- ✠ Special Blessings

## CONFIRMATION

### 11:00 AM (BISHOP BATTERSBY)

### 5:00 PM (FR. TOMY)

- ✠ Dakota Schultz, by Alicia Brown
- ✠ David and Loretta Nolta, by the Derbin & Nolta Families

## SUNDAY, APRIL 28

### 8:00 AM (FR. PLACIDO)

- ✠ People of St. Mary
- ✠ A Soul in Purgatory in Most Need of a Mass Intention, by Alexis N. Berlin

### 10:00 AM (FR. TOMY)

- ✠ Anna Robertson (Birthday Blessings), by Busha & Grandpa
- ✠ Ron Savage, by Mitzi and Ronnie Savage

### 12:00 PM (FR. PLACIDO)

- ✠ Rita Pace (10th Anniversary), by Mary and Family
- ✠ Tom Rose (Birthday Remembrance), by His Wife Dorothy

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

My Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, coming before You, I pray for every member of our parish, especially those most in need of Your Help. Bless each one with a new outpouring of Your Love, Goodness, Mercy, and Grace.



**Fridays: Exposition 1:00 pm  
Adoration 1:00 to 5:00 pm  
Benediction 4:50 pm**



## IN OUR PRAYERS

Kathy Alfen  
 Melissa Antos  
 Baby Chase  
 Cindy Barstow  
 Audrey Beningo  
 Kathy Boos  
 Amy Nowicki Boyers  
 L. Brendel  
 Leroy Brown  
 Vincent Brown  
 Tom Buckley  
 Harold Bulgarelli  
 Diana Burgos  
 Sharon Callahan  
 Pete Censer  
 Jeanne Chimenski  
 Christine  
 Jack Coggburn  
 Candance Cox  
 Clif Cunningham  
 Mary Cunningham  
 Cathleen DeLong  
 Rick DeLong  
 Russ DeLong  
 Mike DePetro  
 Betty Dunn  
 Sharon Dusney  
 Christine Eldridge  
 Cheryl Facione  
 Frank Farkas  
 Terri Fedock  
 Mary Finnegan  
 Richard Gallimore  
 Natalina Gaviglio  
 Audrey Gawenda  
 Jean Pierre Geronimi  
 Greg Gonzalez  
 Michael Hachigian  
 Hanna and Family  
 Maryann Harcharik  
 Mike Henry  
 Misty Histon  
 Pete Holden  
 Fr. David Howell  
 Eric Iberle  
 Grace Iberle  
 Joe Iberle  
 Theresa Ivan  
 Patricia Jones  
 Gabriel Jules  
 Pat (Grams) Kanny  
 Poullette Kathrein  
 Sue Keliher  
 Deirdre Kelley  
 Donna Kozlowski  
 Barb Kuehnl  
 Dorothy LaFave  
 Betty Lagger  
 Ron LaMontagne  
 Lea Lawitzke

Kyle LeMarbe  
 Kurt Longcore Family  
 Tom Losinski  
 Phil Macheca  
 Chris Mansfeld  
 Aldona Manvydas  
 Stan Manvydas  
 Jim Markham  
 Kathy Martin  
 Andrea Massa  
 Tony Massa  
 John Matusiak  
 Ghazi Maya  
 Najiba Maya  
 Ilene Miller  
 Mary Gish Moore  
 Linda Nathan  
 Shelley Nichols  
 Michael Opalko  
 Bill Panaciewicz  
 Pat Paris  
 Patricia Parrish  
 Agnes Passerelli  
 Mary Pernak  
 Mike Pierce  
 Mike Polcyn  
 Don & Marilyn Ponto  
 Franklin Prater  
 David Prosak  
 Carol Przekora  
 Fran Rabideau  
 Missy Rappuhn  
 Debbie Repech  
 Pat Reske  
 John Rogers  
 Judy Romanowski  
 Henry Rossi  
 Joan Rowe  
 Gloria Schulte  
 Carol Shubitowski  
 Janet Sikora  
 Bob Sobczak  
 Doug Sordyl  
 Ashtryn Michael  
 Sorenson  
 Nate Statly  
 Kristin Stoneback  
 Ken Sznyr  
 Joan Thome  
 Bob Tomczyk  
 Kim Troger  
 Bill Tumidanski  
 Greg Vaquera  
 Doris Welsh  
 Loretta Whalen  
 Bobby White  
 Nina White  
 Allen Wielfaert  
 Evan Wielfaert  
 Zygmunt Zylka

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### STEWARDSHIP

#### WEEKLY OFFERING

April 14, 2024	\$21,290.00
Our Weekly Goal	\$20,365.00



O God, Father of all Mercies,  
 Provider of a bountiful Harvest,  
 Send Your Graces upon those You have called  
 to gather the fruits of Your labor;  
 preserve and strengthen them  
 in their lifelong service of You.

Open the hearts of Your children  
 that they may discern Your Holy Will;  
 inspire in them a love and desire  
 to surrender themselves to serving others  
 in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ.

Teach all Your faithful  
 to follow their respective paths in life  
 guided by Your Divine Word and Truth.

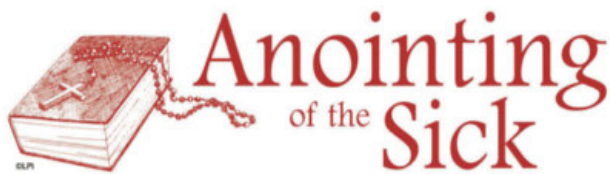
Through the intercession  
 of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
 all the Angels, and Saints,  
 humbly hear our prayers  
 and grant Your Church's needs,  
 through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



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**ON SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024** at 11:00 am followed by a luncheon. We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, and we invite you to celebrate with us. The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments that Jesus shares with us as a personal encounter with His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Today, the Church encourages the weakened elderly, the mentally ill, those who are seriously ill, and those anticipating surgery to receive this giving sacrament of Christ.

**PLEASE CALL THE** office at 248-685-1482 to register for the Mass and the luncheon.

Blessings to all!

**JV**, Christian Service Coordinator



## SAINTS

### HOW DOES A PERSON BECOME A CANONIZED SAINT?

**IT IS IMPORTANT** to remember that all the saints are people, real people who lived just as we do! The first saints of the Church were martyrs or theologians known for a holy life. Over time, the Church has established a set process to investigate the causes of saints.

**AFTER A HOLY** person's death, the bishop of their diocese initiates the canonization process with the Vatican. Typically, they must wait five years to ensure any false enthusiasm has lessened. With Vatican approval, the process begins and the person receives the title "Servant of God." The first phase involves collecting information about the person's life and scrutinizing it carefully. One person has the specific role of raising doubts — this is the origin of the phrase "devil's advocate!" When it is clear the person truly lived a heroically holy life according to Church teaching, they are declared "Venerable."

**IF THE PERSON** is a martyr for the faith, they will also be declared "Blessed." If the person is not a martyr, they must be credited with a miracle. This is also closely examined for authenticity. Once the miracle is authenticated as truly a miracle performed by God through the person or through their intercession, they are beatified. An additional authenticated miracle is required before canonization, and we can call them "Saint." ©LPi

## I SAID A PRAYER FOR YOU TODAY

"And know that God must have heard. I asked that He'd be near to you at the start of each new day to grant you health and blessing and friends

to share the way. I asked for happiness for you in all things great and small. But it was His loving care I prayed for most of all." Amen

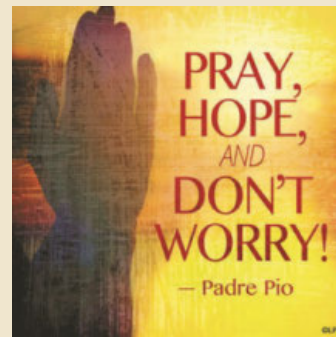
**PRAYER IS A** powerful gift that God gives us. It is a communication process, which allows us to talk to God and deepens our relationship with Him. It unleashes God's power so that He is able to work on our behalf. Prayer helps to remove doubt and confusion and replaces them with peace. When we pray, we are changed and able to accomplish more in our lives. It is a power that can change the world. Our daily living and charitable works, our jobs, and even housework are all prayers if directed to God. America and the world greatly need prayers in these uncertain times. Always pray for the "best according to the will of God." He alone knows how to resolve everything----in His own time and way. Pray for the leaders of America: for Godly wisdom, knowledge, and understanding to make decisions for the good of our people and country and to close their ears to political pressure.

**PRAY THE DIVINE** Mercy Chaplet and to the Holy Face of Jesus for the conversion of sinners. Our country is experiencing tornadoes, hurricanes, fires, floods; pray for our State: "Dear Jesus my Savior, please protect not only myself, my family, and friends, please protect also my city and state. I place them all under our Heavenly Mother's Holy Mantle and into Her Immaculate Heart of Mercy. Thank You Jesus. Amen." (I pray that every morning.) Pray for the powerful intercession of our Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and all the Saints, St. Michael, our Guardian Angel, and all the Angels of Heaven, from the "good people of Heaven" to the Holy Souls in Purgatory (who cannot pray for themselves) and even the unborn. A lot of Heavenly Help is available, for they will take our prayers to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. "THEY" are always with us and will never leave us---and THEY love us unconditionally. A Hail Mary takes only fifteen seconds. Pray also for forgiveness for our offences and in thanksgiving for our many blessings.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK**, love and prayers,

**Arlene Loehr**

**P.S. O MOST BLESSED** Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.





# *Congratulations to Our Newest Catholics!*

Congratulations to everyone received into the Church this Easter Vigil  
from our RCIA Class!

As a parish, we welcome you to the Holy Catholic Church  
and will continue to pray for you and your families  
as you move forward with us and the whole Universal Church  
in our journey with Christ!

Abigail Chappell  
Chase Chappell  
Gabriel Chappell  
Jacob Chappell  
Regina Chappell  
McKenzie Chappell  
Lindsey Dehnbostel  
Jennifer Dufresne  
Britton Duncan  
Lucian Duncan  
Reagan Duncan  
Stephanie Duncan  
Christopher Duncan  
Anthony Gyjokaj  
Ariana Gyjokaj  
Christian Gyjokaj

Michelle Klump  
Jace Lebreton  
Robert Lynch Jr  
Brandon McGowan  
Ian Moir  
Abigail Moore  
Nicole Parisien  
Addison Sokolowsky  
Travis Thomann  
Fernando Torres  
John Vega  
Melina Wing  
Ryan Wing  
Navaeh Wing  
Marjane Warrick

## **Dear Lord,**

*I give You thanks that You sent down  
the Holy Spirit unto my soul  
with all His gifts and graces.  
May He take full possession of me forever.  
May His divine unction cause my face to shine.  
May His heavenly wisdom reign in my heart.  
May His understanding enlighten my darkness.  
May His counsel guide me.  
May His knowledge instruct me.  
May His piety make me fervent.  
May His divine fear keep me from all evil.  
Drive from my soul, O Lord, all that may defile it.  
Give me grace to be Your faithful soldier,  
that having fought the good fight of faith,  
I may be brought to the crown of everlasting life,  
through the merits of Your dearly beloved Son,  
our Savior, Jesus Christ.  
Amen."*



# Upcoming Events

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**Pilgrimage**  
to the  
**National Eucharistic Congress**

**INDIANAPOLIS**  
**JULY 17 - 21, 2024**

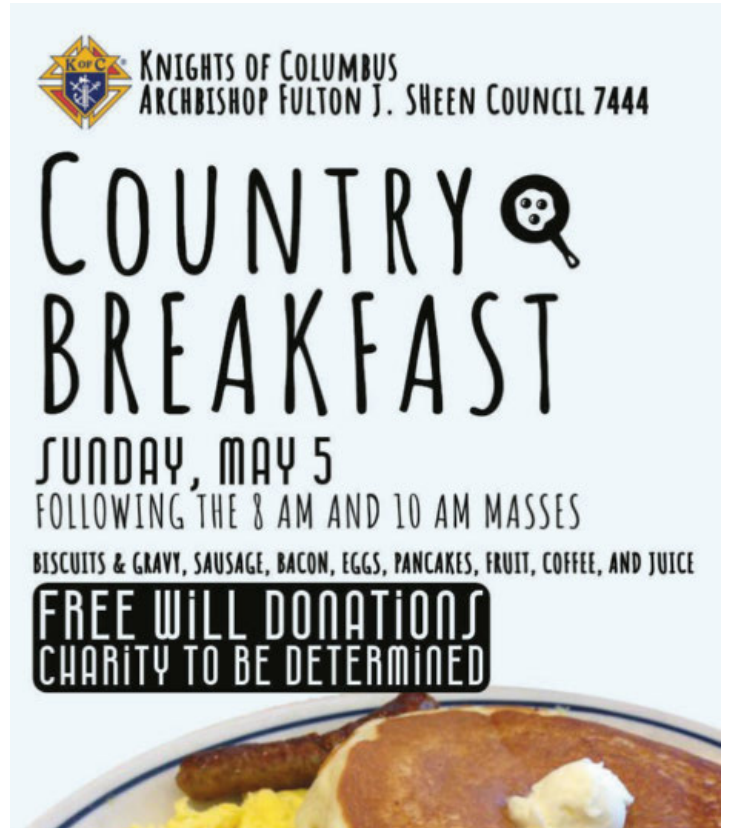
with Archbishop Vigneron  
and Archdiocese of Detroit




Participate in this pivotal moment in the Church and draw into a deeper intimacy with our Lord. Join our diocese by registering today! Scan the QR code or click Book Now to attend this historic event.



[BOOK NOW!](#)





 **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN COUNCIL 7444**

# COUNTRY BREAKFAST

**SUNDAY, MAY 5**  
FOLLOWING THE 8 AM AND 10 AM MASSES

BISCUITS & GRAVY, SAUSAGE, BACON, EGGS, PANCAKES, FRUIT, COFFEE, AND JUICE

**FREE WILL DONATIONS**  
**CHARITY TO BE DETERMINED**



# GRIEF/LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Begins: Thursday, April 18th  
and will meet every Thursday for 8 sessions

10:30 AM to 12:00 PM, Room 10  
Registration **IS** required.

Please call the parish office at 248-685-1482  
to register.

If you have questions, or are in need of  
additional information, please contact  
Marisa Vitali (248)722-0402 or  
Pat Zoch (248) 360-6666





**ST. MARY**  
*Prayer Quilt Ministry*  
presents  
**A CHURCH WIDE**  
**SATURDAY SEW**

**Saturday, May 4**  
**from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**  
benefitting **RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE**

**If you know how to "paper or foundation piece" or if you would like to learn this skill, please join us! Foundation and precut fabrics are provided.**

**FOR QUESTIONS OR TO RSVP, CONTACT THE PQM COORDINATOR RACHELLE VICK AT RAVICK72162@AOL.COM**

Lunch and snacks provided ... and chocolate!





## YOUTH MINISTRY—FROM THE MINDS OF OUR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**DURING THE** Middle School Edge program, our students are encouraged to ask questions relative to the Catholic faith. Each week, we will publish answers to a question that has been asked. The depth of their questions is thought provoking and genuine.

**Question:** If Jesus sits at the right hand of the Father, who sits at the left?

**Answer:** No one really sits at the left-hand of God the Father. We need to look at this figuratively instead of literally. Jesus is the right-hand Man of God the Father. Much like how a president has their right hand, the vice president or a secretary, the Father also needs a right hand Man whom we know as Jesus. Sometimes when we hear the prayers or readings in the Bible, we shouldn't take them so literally but rather figuratively.

## Youth Ministry

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# TACO-BOUT A PARTY!

### LIFETEEN STUDENTS AND FAMILIES & UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN

End of Year Party and Introduction

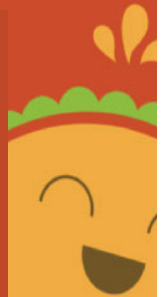
Join us on Friday, May 3

following the celebration of the

First Friday Mass at 5pm

for our End of Year Party and

Introduction to the LifeTeen Community



## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### CONFIDENCE IN PRINCES

**HAVE YOU EVER** confided your problems to a friend, only to get the answer, "have you prayed about it as much as you've talked about it?"

**LIKE ALL GOOD** advice, it can really irritate the recipient at first. Here I am, vulnerable and wounded, unloading my problems, and this joker tries to load them right back up and ship them off to Someone with a higher pay grade.

**BUT AGAIN, LIKE** all good and irritating advice, it rings true if you sit and think about it. Sure, venting is helpful. We all need that friend or family member who can listen to our problems. But if we ever start to think that person can solve them, it's a good sign that we're losing perspective.

**ARE YOU LOOKING** to the world for an answer? Are you looking in the mirror, expecting to find a solution to your problems? Are you expecting happiness, peace, contentment or justice to come from any place other than God?

**"IT IS BETTER** to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in princes," the Psalms tell us. Well, I've never put much confidence in princes. But when it comes to problems, I often find myself telling God to take a step back — "I've got this."

**IT'S TOUGH TO** pray about any problem as much as you talk about it. We want so badly to tackle the issue ourselves. But I'll let you in on a secret: it doesn't matter what the question is, we don't have the answer. Take it to the One who does. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

ST. MARY YOUTH MINISTRY  
PRESENTS

# Graduation Brunch!

CLASS OF 2024,  
JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION  
BRUNCH AFTER 10 AM MASS ON  
SUNDAY, MAY 26

Please RSVP by Sunday, May 12  
to Sophia at 248-685-2702 ext. 201  
OR by scanning the qr code below



# Faith Formation

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## THE FLOCK



“By grace you have been saved by faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God.”

### Sheepish Question:

Recently, how have I experienced God's grace in spite of my failures?

## FAITH FORMATION

**LIFE TEEN: Last Class (End of Year Party on 5/3)**

Friday, April 19 at 4:30 PM

**FAMILY: Kids Against Hunger Packaging Meals**

Saturday, April 20 from 6:00—8:00 PM

See the complete Faith Formation schedule on the St. Mary website: [www.stmarymilfordmi.org](http://www.stmarymilfordmi.org)

## BECOMING CATHOLIC

**THERE ARE MANY** people searching for a way to meet their spiritual needs and identify with a community of faith. People who feel the desire to know more about the Catholic Church and to explore its life may simply need a friendly invitation. Perhaps your spouse or a close friend is Catholic, or you saw or read something that prompted questions and inspired interest. The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the Church's way of extending an invitation.

**OUR CATHOLIC FAITH** isn't so much a set of beliefs, although we do have them, but more of a relationship that starts with our Lord and develops as we observe and encounter Him in our lives. Feelings can be powerful, but you wouldn't want a relationship founded only on feelings. Relationships are stronger and healthier when they're built on solid ground. We trust and respect decisions that are well-considered shared, and entered into freely.

**IF YOU OR** someone you know would like to learn more, contact Deacon Tim Pilon ([deacontimpilon@yahoo.com](mailto:deacontimpilon@yahoo.com) or 248-390-5436)

## St Mary VBS Station Leader Job Postings



Sign up Here



June 17-21 from 9:00 am—12:00 Noon

We're looking for volunteers to help lead the different stations during VBS.

We provide all the training and support you need to run a fun and successful station.

You will be given a team of volunteers to help you out!

We have stations for Pre-k through 5th grade.

Please scan the QR Code above to visit the website to see which position is the right fit for you!



# ST. MARY SUMMER FAIR

## ADOPT A TEDDY BEAR TODAY!

**THE TEDDY BEARS** have arrived and are ready to be adopted. We still have 5 dozen waiting to be dressed however you prefer. You could buy baby outfits (newborn or 3-month size fits best), Build-a-Bear outfits or accessories, or if you are really creative - sew, knit, or crochet something. They are all a huge hit at the Fair!

**IF YOU HAVE** never participated before or if you just haven't had a chance to get a bear, please consider taking one home. We would appreciate all the help we can get. The Bears will be available for pick up in the Parish Office, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm and are not due back until July.



**THANK YOU IN** advance!

Your Teddy Bear Chairs, **Cheryl Hinman** 248-730-1211 and **Cheryl Kaczmarek** 248-775-1027

## VEGAS TENT DEALERS NEEDED!!!

**BLACKJACK • LET IT RIDE • ROULETTE • TEXAS HOLD-EM (SATURDAY AFTERNOON) • CASHIER/SELLER • COME JOIN THE FUN!**



- ➔ SOCIALIZE WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS WHILE YOU HELP OUR CHURCH
- ➔ ENJOY THRILL OF THE GAMES (You will win!!!)
- ➔ LEARN HOW TO PLAY (training will be available)



**DUE TO MICHIGAN** Gaming Control Board Requirements, we must submit dealer information with the application. Therefore, we must start early with this process. We will need a copy of your driver's license. A camera will be available.

**Sign up in Courtyard lobby or Social Hall after Masses on:**  
**April 20 & 21 • May 11 & 12 • May 25 & 26**

**IF YOU CAN'T** make any of these dates, forms will be available in the Parish Office. Make sure you include a copy of your driver's license. I can also e-mail the form to you: ronlfeffert@comcast.net.

## THEME BASKETS APRIL COLLECTION

**SPRING IS IN** the Air!

April's suggestions from the theme basket committee are: Organic/Plant Based/Vegan & Cruelty Free products, Gardening items, Sports themed items, or Coffee items.

**PLEASE FEEL FREE** to reach out to Christine Hoppe at [hoppecandf@gmail.com](mailto:hoppecandf@gmail.com)

or MaryLynn Ferda at [marylynn.ferda@stmarymilfordmi.org](mailto:marylynn.ferda@stmarymilfordmi.org) with any questions or for suggestions.

**DONATIONS CAN BE** dropped off in the Parish Office.

**THANK YOU AND** God Bless!



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## HAVEN MINISTRY OF ST. MARY

The HAVEN Ministry of Saint Mary was formed to help survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence who often flee with nothing but the clothes on their backs. They come to HAVEN needing very basic items of comfort while in the shelter. One way to assist HAVEN and those they protect is to provide "Fresh Start" bags.

The HAVEN Ministry of Saint Mary, with your generous help, intends to provide those "Fresh Start" bags.

*"And we can do a lot for the good of the less fortunate, for those who are weak and suffering, to promote justice, to promote reconciliation, to build peace."  
— Pope Francis*



*We are asking for donations of the following full size toiletry items.*

- Deodorant / Shampoo / Conditioner / Lotion / Combs and hair brushes / Pocket mirrors / Towels and washcloths / Lip balm / Soap or body wash / Toothbrush / Toothpaste

**DONATIONS will be collected April 8th -28th**

**ARE YOU PREPARED TO SAVE A LIFE?**


**Milford Firefighter (Joe Bonish) will present two life saving topics:**

**Stroke Awareness & Narcan Awareness**

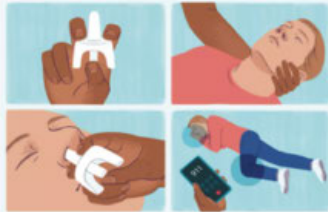
**May 22, 2024**

**6:30 pm-8:00 pm (St. Mary – Milford / Rooms 6-8)**

**Everyone welcome – "No Cost" to attend**



**STROKE AWARENESS**  
F.A.S.T. Be prepared to recognize the signs and symptoms of a stroke!



**NARCAN AWARENESS**  
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**Reserve your spot by Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**JV at 248-685-1482**

**E-mail at: [j.vance@stmarymilfordmi.org](mailto:j.vance@stmarymilfordmi.org)**

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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Dear Brother Knights,

**THANK YOU FOR** a big weekend last weekend! Our guys got together in the morning and cleaned up Commerce Road in front of the Church. Dale Nordstrum rallied the guys to get the work done on short notice. That same night, Bill Beningo, with a lot of help from our Brother Knights, put on a great comedy night with a local favorite, Andy Beningo, headlining the show. Judging by the constant laughing, I would say the people who attended really enjoyed themselves.

Judging by their reaction, I would say you will see more events like this. We hope everyone had a great time.

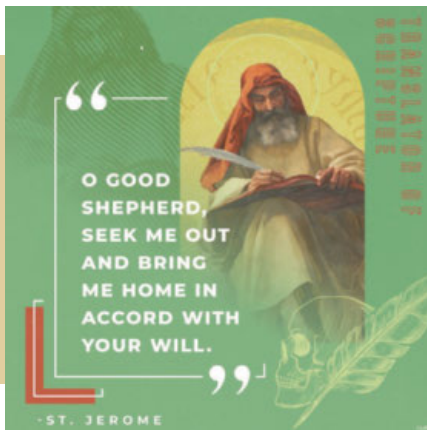


**FROM FULTON J. SHEEN:** "To do God's Will until death, that is the inner heart of all holiness."

**ENJOY SUNDAY WITH** your family.

**Gus LaRuffa**—PGK (248) 912-7406

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## SAVE THE DATE! ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING DRIVE

**PLEASE SAVE THE** date for the St. Vincent de Paul clothing drive on July 12-14.



## SVDP IN NEED OF FURNITURE

**THE FURNITURE BARN** is seeking clean gently used furniture to be able to donate to individuals or families in need. The barn especially is seeking beds, couches, and refrigerators. If you have any furniture that you would like to donate, please call either Dave at 248-431-8985 or Sheila at 810-919-8015.



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## MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

**THE TUESDAY MORNING** men's golf league is looking for a few new players. We play at Hartland Glen and tee off at 9:00 am. We play 9 holes of golf starting on April 30th and go until September 10th.

**WE ARE LOOKING** for anyone who would like to be added to the sub list with the possibility of playing full time. If interested, please call Bill at 248-931-2495 or Ray at 248-496-9760 .

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**TODAY, WE CELEBRATE** "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' love and care for us.

**THIS MONTH, THROUGH** your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to be "Good Shepherds" to the hearts of the poor, to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT** all monies donated to the St. Mary St. Vincent de Paul organization 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 Scott Crichton at (734) 788-7261.





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