



St. Justin~St. Mary Magdalen
Catholic Community
We Walk By Faith, Not By Sight



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Catechetical Sunday
September 19, 2021



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“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name,
receives me.” - Mk 9:37a



In his pastoral letter, *Unleash the Gospel*, Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron asks us to make Jesus “known by our word and deed” — timely guidance for the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal.

The ministries, programs, and services supported by your generosity meet the spiritual and physical needs of parishes and countless individuals throughout the Archdiocese and southeast Michigan.

When we embrace the CSA for carrying out the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, we witness Christ, and in turn, we open doors so others may also develop a deeper relationship with Him. We also extend our personal involvement in our local Church beyond our home parishes.

The CSA enables us, the Church in Detroit, to carry out Christ’s ministry of mercy and love throughout southeast Michigan and beyond — works no one individual or parish could possibly do alone.

CSA 2021 has begun. If you haven’t received your CSA information in the mail, please contact Doris at 248-542-8060 so she can get a copy to you.

Your support to this campaign is greatly appreciated.



Monday - September 20
Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companion Martyrs

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
 For: TBA
 From:

Tuesday - September 21
St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
 For: Robert Brozowski
 From: Sister

Wednesday - September 22

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
 For: TBA
 From:

Thursday - September 23
St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

- **NO MASS**

Friday - September 24

- 9:00AM Mass at St. Justin
 For: Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life

Saturday - September 25

- REP 9:00-11:00AM at St. Justin
- 12:00PM Confession at SMM
- 4:00PM Mass at St. Justin
 For: Alfred Hippler
 8th Anniversary
 From: Family

Sunday - September 26
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9:00AM Mass at SMM
 For: Dan Potter
 From: Shirley Ahlgrim
 For: Tom, Margaret & Tommy Roach
 From: Baker Family
- 11:00AM Mass at SMM
 For: Bruce & Melissa Schwartz
 Anniversary
 From: Melissa Schwartz

Right to Life-LIFESPAN *Movement in Motion*

We are in the middle of registration for LIFESPAN’s annual Movement in Motion bus trip to Washington DC for the annual March for Life. This year we will have two “red eye” buses as well as our usual overnight stay at local churches. The trip is open to 7th-12th grade students, parents, and chaperones. We will have one bus specifically for college students, young adults and up. Registration will close on October 1st so if you want to join us, call the LIFESPAN office, 248-816-1546 for information.



Rummage Sale Coming at the St. Justin Campus
MASKS MUST BE WORN!

Friday, October 1st 10:00AM - 5:00PM
 Saturday, October 2nd 10:00AM - 5:00PM
 Sunday, October 3rd 10:00AM - 1:00PM

Raffle Tickets Available \$1.00 ea. books of 10
 1st Prize - \$500 Cash
 2nd Prize - \$100 Kroger Gift Card
 3rd Prize - \$ 50 Meijer Gift Card



OUR SICK

Dan Baldwin, Joe Bittner, Ellen Cianfarani, Catherine Culbertson, Mary Dayton, Larry Druar, Bob Esler, Marie Ferguson, Ken & Annette Funk, Robert Hunacek, Becky Kohagen, Allison Kot, Tom LaBrie, Cheryl Loftis, Dorothy Martin, Richard & Nancy McLean, Barbara Potter, Patricia Schofield, Joyce Socia, Grace Stefanik, Judi Sullivan, Wayne & Gloria Sunman, Billy Taylor, Doug & Esther Thureau, Jenna Toppi, Matthew Willis, Ralph Wittla

To keep our List current and relevant, this listing will be revised every June 1st and December 1st. To add, remove or continue a name, please contact the parish secretary at 248-542-8060, or notify us in writing.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**The View from the Back of the Line**

Have you known that person? The one who leaves every person they encounter feeling a little more blessed for having met them? They're the friend you can count on when nothing is going well. They're the one who's always "doing" for others. They're never gossiping or sniping or complaining.

We wonder how they do it, how they have it in them. We're a little envious, even if we don't let ourselves acknowledge it.

That, folks, is what the view is like from the front of the line, gazing at those suckers in the way back and wondering why they're smiling so much.

We've all been at the front of a line and felt no shame about it. We show up early, we put in the time and the legwork, and we "earn" whatever it is we came for — sports tickets, the latest Apple product, whatever. That's how it works here on Earth, where the fastest win the race, the fittest survive and the first shall be first, always.

It's exactly why stewardship is such a tall order. Stewardship calls us to play by the rules of another kingdom — one where the richest have the least amount in their bank accounts and the happiest don't seem to have anything to show for it, at least materially.

If you have a person in your life who always seems happy "doing" for others, it's because by a boatload of God's grace, they play by the rules of the other place.

Watch and take notes — and don't be afraid to join them at the back of the line.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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**SJ-SMM Collection Summary
August 22,2021**

Non Offertory Collections

Holy Day	\$100
Votive	\$26

Total Non Offertory \$126

Offertory Collection

Envelopes	\$2,638
Loose	\$427
Total Offertory	\$3,065

Weekly Budget for Offertory \$3,288

Over (Under) Budget This Week (\$223)

Collections year to date \$24,985

Collections budget year to date \$26,304

Over (Under) budget year to date (\$1,309)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COAT DRIVE
for the October 9th through November 20th Coat Closet Giveaway



The Knights of Columbus has begun collecting donations of NEW and GENTLY used coats (special need is CHILDREN'S COATS) for their upcoming Coat Closet Giveaway. There are boxes at both campuses to collect the coats.

**National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
High School Vocations Event
October 4th, 2021**

The National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica Vocations Committee is presenting a Vocations Exploration Event for high school students (10th, 11th & 12th grades – all public, private, parochial & home school students are welcome and encouraged to attend). The event will be held on Monday, October 4th, 2021, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Shrine Catholic High School Library. The high school is located at 3500 W. 13 Mile Rd, Royal Oak 48073.

The event will be an opportunity for high school students to interact with Priests and/or seminarians as well as Sisters from the Dominican Sisters of Mary. There will be a short presentation followed by small group interaction where students can ask any questions they may have regarding discernment or a religious vocation.

Refreshments will be provided. We hope to see you there!



**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
(September 18/19, 2021)**

In today's reading from the Book of Wisdom, the wicked plot the death of the "just one". They wanted to see if God will take care of Him. This passage prefigures Christ's suffering, mocking, and death, as Jesus tells His disciples in St. Mark's Gospel. The Scripture readings from St. James and St. Mark warn against false ambition and seeking rank instead of looking to serve the Lord. These attitudes cause division among Christ's followers. With humility, Jesus explains that true discipleship requires the first to be last and servants of all. As Christian stewards, how is the Lord asking us to serve Him? To answer this question, spend some quiet time daily to open your heart and clear your mind to listen to what the Lord asks of you.



**Our SMM-SVDP Food Pantry
is in need of:**

- Noodles
- Pork & Beans
- Canned Meats
- Tuna Fish
- Jelly
- Boxed or canned potatoes
- Jello & Pudding
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
- Any monetary donation is greatly appreciated.

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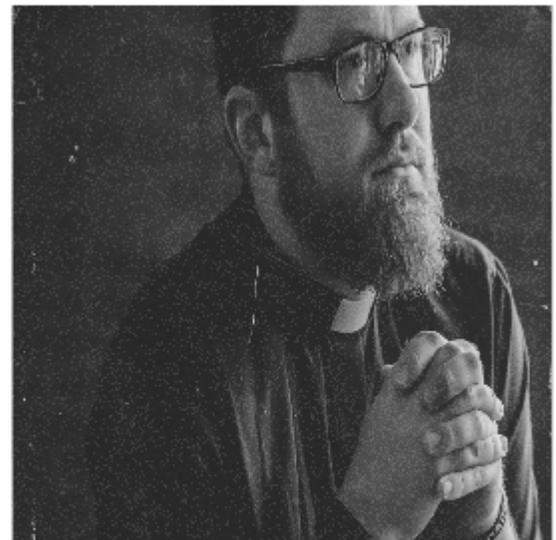
A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran, she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late ... But please don't shove me either!"

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are you called to priesthood?

The Archdiocese of Detroit, Office of Priestly Vocations offers resources for any young men discerning the priesthood. Our new website has information on applying to seminary, frequently asked questions, and how to get in touch with the vocation director.



Learn more at detroitpriestlyvocations.com

Grace

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"DO YOU WANT OUR LORD TO GIVE YOU MANY GRACES? VISIT HIM OFTEN."

ST. JOHN BOSCO

PASSING ON THE faith



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Readings for The Week



Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18

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

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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The Meijer Simply Give Campaign will last from now until Saturday, October 2, 2021. It is at the 13 Mile and John R Store in Madison Heights.

There will be a Double Match Day on Saturday, August 28. For every \$10.00 Simply Give Card purchased Meijer will provide an additional contribution of \$20.00 bringing the total to \$30.00 for our food pantry.

Please use the cards found in the gathering area of the Church campuses. A barcode is on them that is designated for our Church pantry.

Thank You for your support!
Val Zarkowski, President
SMM St. Vincent de Paul



Just A Friendly Reminder to all Knights

Meetings will be held every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. at the SMM campus at 7:30PM

September 26, 2021 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time				
	Lector	Ministers	Servers	Ushers
4:00PM at St. Justin	assigned	assigned	assigned	
9:00AM at SMM	assigned	assigned	assigned	Darlene Forbes Robert Suszek Bill Tillman
11:00AM at SMM	assigned	assigned	assigned	Tim Butler Ken Funk Chris Gariepy Ken Kuhr

ST. JUSTIN~ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday 9:00AM
at St. Justin
Tuesday 9:00AM
at St. Justin
Wednesday 9:00AM
at St. Justin
Thursday
No Mass
Friday 9:00AM
at St. Justin

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays 4:00PM
at St. Justin
Sundays @ 9:00AM & 11:00AM
at SMM

Holy Days of Obligation

(To be determined based on day of week.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Private Confessions)
Saturdays 12:00PM (noon)
at SMM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Monday of the Month
7:00PM-8:00PM
at St. Justin

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Third Monday of the month
following Daily Mass at St. Justin

Perpetual Help Devotion

Wednesdays following Daily Mass
at St. Justin

Sacraments

Baptisms

Arrangements must be made through the rectory.

Marriages

Arrangements must be made through the rectory at least six months prior to the date of marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick

Celebrated during 9:00AM Mass on the first Friday of each month at St. Justin

Parish Organizations

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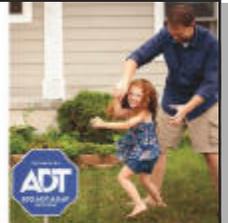
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