



FEBRUARY 10, 2019
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Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

GESU CHURCH

“We worship joyfully and serve humbly as the Spirit leads us.”



Pastor's Notes

In reading up on Black History Month, I came across a short biography (thanks to the Archdiocese of Washington Office of Black Catholics) of a former slave who is on track to become the first African American man canonized as a saint from the United States. I thought you might be interested in him.

Pierre Toussaint was born and raised as a Catholic slave in Haiti when it was still a French colony. To escape the slave rebellions that eventually drove out the French government, Toussaint's owners fled, with him, to New York. He was assigned as an apprentice to one of the city's leading hairdressers and became quite successful. When his slave-owner died, Toussaint quietly supported his owner's widow. She, in gratitude, freed Toussaint from his slave status.

Toussaint later married and used his considerable wealth to support charitable causes, including work against religious and racial prejudice. Toussaint's death in 1853, at age 87, sparked widespread mourning. Just 13 years ago, Pope John Paul II declared Pierre Toussaint a "Venerable," which is the first step to becoming a saint.

Have a great week!
Fr. Peter

Ignatian Moment: Be the Person You Actually Are Thomas Merton in *New Seeds of Contemplation*

Humility consists in being precisely the person you actually are before God, and since no two people are alike, if you have the humility to be yourself you will not be like anyone else in the whole universe.

It is not humility to be someone that you are not. It is as much as saying that you know better than God who you are and who you ought to be. How do you expect to arrive at the end of your own journey if you take the road to another (person's) city? How do you expect to reach your own perfection by leading someone else's life?

What hinders you from being "the person you actually are before God?"

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Scout Sunday

February 17, 10:30 am Mass

Scouts (boys and girls) associated with Gesu will join us in worship.

Welcome!

CSA MINUTE

Evangelization

Mercy Nights throughout the Archdiocese are helping our faithful and friends they invite who may not attend Mass regularly to experience Christ in a less formal setting. Like the "Come, Encounter Christ!" events, Mercy Nights feature scripture and the presence of Jesus through adoration, reconciliation and music.

This program of the archdiocesan Office of Evangelization began last month, on various Friday evenings throughout the Archdiocese. Two Mercy Nights remain: St. Thecla Parish in Clinton Township on February 15 and Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Detroit on February 22. Each begins at 7 pm.

Your CSA gifts support the Evangelization Office's work of helping people encounter God in a new way, such as through Mercy Nights and Kerygma Nights.

Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance

On Wednesday, February 13, 2019, the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance and the Archdiocesan Office for Black Catholic Ministry will host the 11th Annual Urban Parish Spirit Awards. The Spirit Awards is an opportunity to acknowledge the unsung individuals who embody the spirit of our parish with their contribution to the parish community. Gesu's unsung individual is parishioner, Catreea Heslip. The celebration will be held at **Sacred Heart Church, 1000 Eliot St., Detroit, Michigan (I-75 and Mack Ave.)** at 6:30 pm followed by food and fellowship. We hope you will participate in this Spirit-filled event.

Mass Intentions

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. At Gesu, there are many requests for scheduling such Mass intentions. As a way to allow as many parishioners and friends as possible to schedule Masses, please see the following guidelines:

Guidelines

- Only one Mass per month may be requested for the same intention (person).
- Specific dates can only be reserved within six months of the current calendar year.
- The offering is \$10 per Mass. This is accepted at the time of the request.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, February 11

Yoga, 5:30

Scripture, 6:30 pm

Tuesday, February 12

Staff Meeting, 10 am

Wednesday, February 13

Leisure Group, 12:30 pm

AA, 7 pm

Thursday, February 14

Yoga, 5 pm

Boy Scouts, 6-9 pm

UDCA Paid Patrol, 7 pm

Choir Rehearsal, 7 pm

Friday, February 15

Saturday, February 16

Sunday, February 17

Scout Sunday

RCIA, 9 am

Bible Study, 1-2:30 pm

BMO, 2-5 pm

SVDP would like to thank all the parishioners for their food and monetary donations this holiday season. A special thank you to the Gesu students for their generous food donation.



SVDP
Gesu Conference

Green Team Alert

Do you sometimes waste food? Let's face it--we all do. Find out how this harms the environment as well as your wallet. Check out the latest edition of the Green Team bulletin board in the social area of the church!

Jesuit Volunteer Corps

"Are you interested in full-time service? Do you want to work on the front lines of social justice and live intentionally with other young leaders? You can put your faith into action with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps. JVC places young professionals across the country to create a more just and hopeful world. If you would like more information visit <https://www.jesuitvolunteers.org>

Please send your announcements and prayers of the faithful to this email address:

gesuannouncement@gmail.com. Deadline for announcements is Wednesday. Thank you.

Funerals

Please call the parish office at 313-862-4400 to schedule a funeral. Thank you.

**Please pray for those experiencing illness or other problems.
May God grant them peace!**

Note: Names will be listed for 4 weeks. Please call the parish office to add or remove names from the list.

Lucille & Luke Allen	Tinney Barnes
Dan Mioduszewski	Clarice Hardaway
Brandon Tolhurst	Darrow Harden
Fr. Norman Dickson, S.J.	Fr. Robert, Scullin, S.J.
Calvin & Mellowees Hart	Odessa Ford
Grant Leeper	Diane Bryant
Mia Lamb	Jim & Erin Schmitt
Elaine Attaway	George Brooks
Herbert Ford	Shirlee Sullivan
George Williams	Gloria Taylor
Donald Harris	Florence Parker
Barbara Glamb	Rita Pavlosky
Naomi King	

Prayers will continue at Ministry Meetings and during General Intercessions of the Mass. Gesu parishioners will be contacted periodically.

Nursing Home

Gladys Harper	Tammy Pitrowski
Roy Washington	Barbara Wilson
Mabel Ann Greason	Leo P. Brennan
Jesse Taylor	Madolyn Merriwether

Homebound

Blanche Dodson	Dorothy Morrow
Clifton Few	Leonard Ellison
Doris Washington	Arnett Jordan
Marguerite Jordan	

MASS INTENTIONS FEBRUARY 11-15, 2019

MONDAY - 11TH

5:30 pm Delphine Donehue—Gesu Parish

TUESDAY - 12TH

5:30 pm Joyce Fruge—Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

WEDNESDAY - 13TH

5:30 pm—Michael Brennan—Rachel Brennan

THURSDAY - 14TH

5:30 pm Intention of Marilyn Grundy—Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

FRIDAY - 15TH

5:30 pm Dr. Pearlye Rudolph—Gesu Parish

Weekly Offertory Collection

Week of 2-3-2019	Total: \$ 11,319.00
Weekly Budget:	\$ 7,800.00
Surplus (Shortfall):	\$ 3,519.00

Thank you!!



Did You Know?

You can locate Gesu Bulletins at Seek&Find.com/bulletins or gesudetroit.com

Gesu Church

MISSION STATEMENT

"We worship joyfully and serve humbly as the Spirit leads us."

Church Office & Mailing Address

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Office Hours

Monday through Friday: 9 am-4 pm

Closed for lunch, 12 pm-1 pm

Parish Office closed on Saturday & Sunday

Pastor:	Peter Etzel, S.J.
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Faith Formation:	Mark Lezotte
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Church Web address:	gesudetroit.com

Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday, 5:30 pm

Weekends: Saturday, 5:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Secular Holidays: Mass at 9:30 AM

Holy Days: Mass at 5:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4-5 pm or by appointment with the Pastor

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Registered: If you are not registered and want to be in the parish and want envelopes, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Center. Thank you.

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