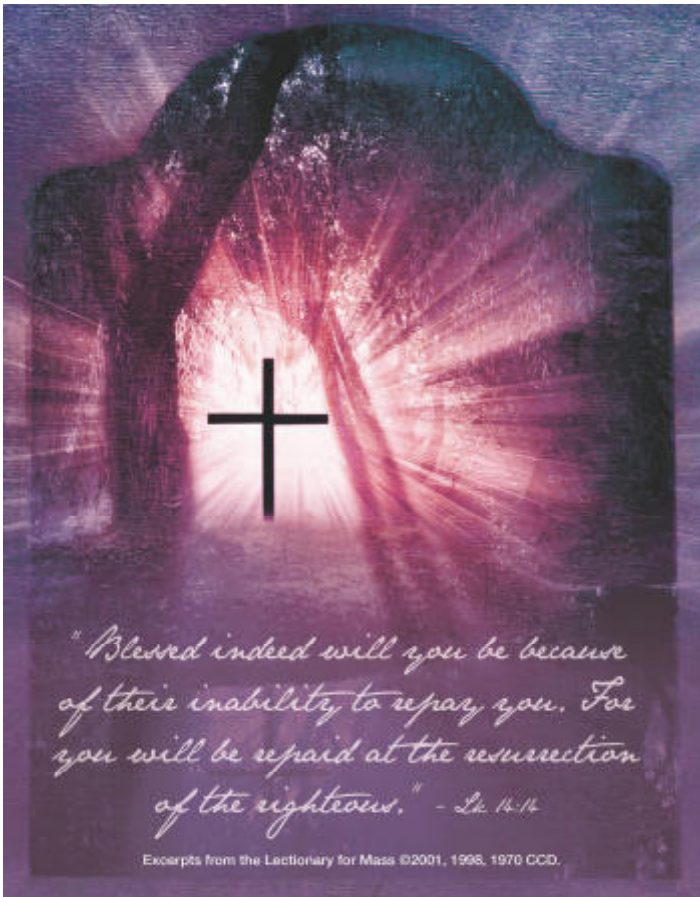




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 Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

# GESU CHURCH

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



## Children’s Faith Formation

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is Gesu’s faith formation program for children, ages 3-12 years old. This is a Montessori based program, set in an environment called the Atrium, which is in the lower level of Gesu School. There are two sessions to choose from: Wednesdays: 4:30pm-6pm or Sundays: 9am-10:20 pm. Registration forms and schedules are in the Church’s social area by the CGS display. Catechists will be on hand to take registrations and answer questions after all the Masses.

We begin sessions on Sunday, September 16th and Wednesday, September 18th for new children. Returning children begin on Sunday, September 30th or Wednesday, October 2nd. Please turn in registrations in the Social Area of Gesu Church or the Parish Center. Thank you!

The Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance 29th Annual Harvest Dinner is Wednesday, September 18, 2019 from 6-9 pm, shed 5 in the Historic Eastern Market. See the flyer in the Gesu News for more information.

## Ignatian Moment: Pray for What You Want James Martin, S.J., “Advent and Desire: A Meditation”

Desire is a primary way that God leads people to discover who they are and what they are meant to do. The deep longings of our hearts are our holy desires. Not only desires for physical healing, but also the desires for change, for growth, for a fuller life. And our deepest desires, those desires that lead us to become who we are, are God’s desires for us. They are ways God speaks to you directly, one way that, as Ignatius says, the Creator deals with the creature.

That is why St. Ignatius asks us repeatedly in the Spiritual Exercises to pray for what we want. It reminds you of the importance of asking for things in the spiritual life, and of realizing that whatever we receive is a gift from God.

*What do you want today? Ask God for it.*

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## Sowers of the Seed



### Where Should I Sit?

As I read this Gospel about “taking one’s seat at the banquet table,” the word that kept coming to mind was that of “entitlement.” And, the image before me was that of the many migrants I met on the border in Texas. These brothers and sisters were at our “banquet table” every day. I never experienced anyone taking the best seat, the seat closest to the kitchen, or the seat in front of the largest breadbasket. What I did observe were the young boys and single men, making sure that everyone had a seat and moving places so that mothers and children could sit together.

Is this what Jesus had in mind in this reading? I hear Him reminding me that no one is “entitled” to the best seat or a favorite seat. I hear Him cautioning me who happens to live in a resource-rich country to share my resources with those who have less.

I hear Mother Earth say: I have set a banquet before you, a portion of myself which has resources to sustain you for generations. You enjoy it, making sure that you take the best of the grains, fish, and animals to fill your belly. But, now, I need you to move over so others who have less can enjoy their fill.

As I reflect on the refrain of today’s psalm: **God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor**, I wonder, “Who will I be seated next to in heaven? Will I even have a seat?”

Sr. Judy Mouch, RSM

### Catechetical Sunday

Gesu Church and School – in concert with the Archdiocese of Detroit – will celebrate Catechetical Sunday September 15 with the theme “Encountering the Risen Christ.” Catechists will be formally commissioned at the 10:30 am Mass. We also will celebrate our parents, grandparents, and guardians by recognizing their important role in teaching the Catholic faith. Let us pray for all who dedicate themselves to the mission of passing on the Good News of Jesus Christ!

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Monday, September 2, Labor Day**

**OFFICE CLOSED**

**Tuesday, September 3**

Worship, 7 pm

**Wednesday, September 4**

Christian Service, 6:30 pm

AA, 7:30 pm

**Thursday, September 5**

Yoga, 5:15 pm

Boy Scouts, 6-9 pm

Choir Practice, 7 pm

**Friday, September 6**

Wedding rehearsal, 12 pm

**Saturday, September 7**

Wedding, 2 pm

**Sunday, September 8**

Ministry to the Sick, 12 pm

BMO, 2-5 pm

### Planning Ahead for the Global Climate Strike

Gesu’s Green Team invites parishioners to join them on Friday, September 20th in the global climate strike which will take place all around the planet that day. The youth of the world are calling for this demonstration to insist that today’s adults leave them a world to live in. We can join them here in Detroit from 1-4 pm at 8411 Sylvester, Detroit, MI 48214. If you can be part of it, mark your calendar. This event is happening during the Church’s Season of Creation, so we have a strong motivation to be part of it. To learn more see <https://kottke.org/19/05/join-the-global-climate-strike-on-september-20th>.

### Tuesday Bible Study

Tuesday afternoon Bible Study starts September 10th from 4-5 pm in the Parish Center.

### Did You Know?

Have you noticed the wicker basket at the entry into the sanctuary in church? We invite anyone to place donations of food into these baskets. The donations go directly to the food pantry at Gesu Church to be distributed to those most in need. Thank you.



**If you have an article for the Gesu News please have it in by 12 pm on Friday at gesudet@aol.com. If you have a flyer for the Gesu News, it will run one weekend only, please bring it in or email to gesudet@aol.com by 12 noon on Thursday. Thank you.**

**Please send your announcements and prayers of the faithful to this email address: [gesuannouncement@gmail.com](mailto:gesuannouncement@gmail.com). Deadline for announcements is 3pm Wednesday. 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	Fr. Norman Dickson, S.J.
Calvin & Mellowees Hart	Grant Leeper
Diane Bryant	Mia Lamb
Elaine Attaway	Herbert Ford
Shirlee Sullivan	Donald Harris
Rita Pavlosky	Darrow Harden, II
Barbara Glamb	Andrew Vitali, III
Alan Arnett	Gretchen Wilbert
James Porter	Scales, Sylvia

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
Jim Rucinski	Helene Rucinski

**Homebound**

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

**Assisted Living**

**MASS INTENTIONS September 2-6, 2019**

**MONDAY - 2ND, MEMORIAL DAY**

9:30 am MASS ONLY

**TUESDAY - 3RD**

5:30 pm George Williams—Lynn Barrett

**WEDNESDAY - 4TH**

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

**THURSDAY - 5TH**

5:30 pm Hedwige Maurer—Joe Maurer & Family

**FRIDAY - 6TH**

5:30 pm

If you have a change of address or a new phone number please call the office at 313-862-4400 or simply mail in the new information. Thank you.

**Weekly Offertory Collection**

Week of 8-25-2019	Total:	\$	8,150.00
Weekly Budget:		\$	7,800.00
Surplus (Shortfall):		\$	350.00

**Thank you!!**

**Gesu Church**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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

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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:	Phillip Cooke, S.J.
Associate Pastor:	Peter Etzel, S.J.
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Evangelization:	
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 4-4:45 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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