

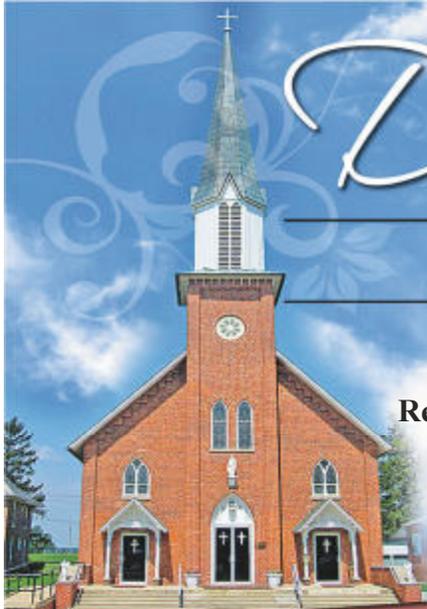
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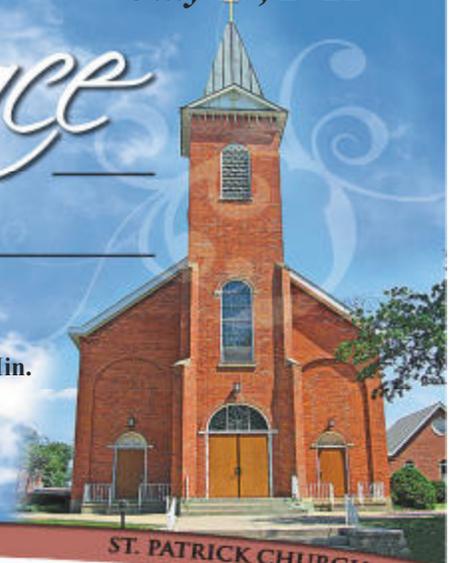
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All Masses have Resumed

(under the AOD Covid-19 Guidelines)

DIVINE GRACE PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm at St. Patrick

Sunday 8:00 am at St. Joseph

Sunday 11:00 am at St. Patrick

Monday 9:00am at St. Patrick

Tuesday 7:00 pm at St. Patrick

Wednesday 9:00 am at St. Joseph

Thursday No Mass

Friday 11:00 am at St. Patrick

(School Mass)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday at 3:00—3:30pm at St. Patrick

Or by Appointment at St. Patrick or
St. Joseph



SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

MASS SCHEDULE

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, July 19

9:00 am, Carleton

No Mass

Tuesday, July 20

7:00 pm, Carleton

No Mass

Wednesday, July 21

9:00 am, Maybee

No Mass

Thursday, July 22

No Mass

Friday, July 23

11:00 am, Carleton

No Mass

+Saturday, July 24

4:00 pm, Carleton

+Estella Beamish req. by Family

Sunday, July 25

8:00 am, Maybee

+Parishioners of Divine Grace

11:00 am, Carleton

+David Ammerman req. by Connie Ammerman

+Arthur Strimpel req. by Janice & Family

If there is not Mass on a day that you had a scheduled Mass Intention please call the office at 734-654-2500 to reschedule.

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekend Offerings

6/12/2021 & 6/13/2021

Total \$4,385.72

Thank you for your continued support.



During the COVID-19 pandemic, Divine Grace Parish still needs your support. Although, some of us may not be able to celebrate Mass in our parish community, we still have a need to pay our staff, maintain the church building, and, importantly, continue our outreach ministries. We ask that, to the best of your ability, you continue to make your weekly offertory donations by,

•Mailing them to the parish at Divine Grace Parish 2996. W. Labo Rd. Carleton, Michigan 48117

•Your bank, via bill pay (typically this is a free service through your bank which will allow you to make a one time payment and or recurring payment. The bank can electronically produces a check and mail it directly to the parish at no additional cost to you, the consumer.)

•Through the Archdiocese of Detroit website at give.aod.org.

Thank You For Your Continued Support



Readings for the week of July 18, 2021

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 14:21—15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28 [24b]/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [cf. Jn 6:68c]/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Observances for the week of July 18, 2021

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday:

Tuesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

Wednesday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: St. Mary Magdalene

Friday: St. Bridget, Religious

Saturday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest; BVM

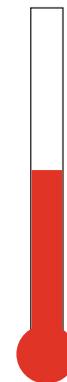
Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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A Deeper Understanding of Scripture

July 18, 2021

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There's an ordinary pine grove located on a tree farm not too far from town where life's stresses and demands seem to melt away. It is here that all that seemed so important out there no longer is and one can get lost in the rows of trees and majestic beauty. God is here and all is good. We need to connect with the Divine Source of all that is in order to understand what it is we are doing and why we are doing it. Otherwise, things stop making sense and bitterness can overcome one's spirit. It's okay to play once in a while and to discover that place of profound life and peace. People always have needs and there is constantly something to do. And while all of that is necessary and we are needed, there is also that inner solitude within that needs to be celebrated and released.

We all need a pine grove. It's that little place we can go and leave all that consumes us behind. It's a place where technology can be set aside and wonder, and awe given some time. We don't have to text, calculate, or orchestrate anything in the pine grove. It is a somewhat deserted place where all of that can be set aside and we can just be. The anger, frustration, exhaustion, discouragement, helplessness, and occasional apathy, all can fall to the ground like all of those pine needles that once held their place on the branch of a Frasier Fir. The needles can let go. We can let go. We are beings connected with Being and we all need to remember what really matters, who really matters and what life is truly all about. We need to find that place where we can rest and let go of all of the barnacles we accumulate. Rest, breathe, seek, and love.

The world will need us again when we leave the pine grove. It will all be waiting for us, beckoning for our attention. But we will have prayed and will have marveled at the silence and the beauty of goodness. We can go back, ready, and eager to listen, to help, to heal, to cry, to embrace, and attend to all that is asked of us. But, having let go of the distractions in that deserted place we will have a renewed sense of purpose. We will know better Who it is we serve and what we are meant to do. It will all be clearer now that we have been Divinely touched and refreshed.

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Parish Festival

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2021 Divine Grace Parish Festival

St. Joseph Church/Maybee
September 18 & September 19, 2021

Covid-19 Protocol Update

We are very slowly beginning to emerge from the pandemic, but we are still living in a covid-19 world! As of June, masks are no longer required in church for those who have been fully vaccinated. Otherwise, all other procedures are still in place to keep us safe. For example, we ask that everyone sanitize their hands as they enter the church and prepare to receive communion. Some social distancing is still a good idea. Some parishioners may choose to continue the use of a mask.

We now have two small sections in the middle of each church for social distancing for those who need it, or feel more comfortable with this arrangement. These pews are clearly marked with signs, otherwise all other pews have had all social distancing signs and tape removed.

Hopefully, we will all be sensitive toward and respectful of one another's preferences for social distancing and covid-19 safety. As the people of God, Christian charity is at the heart of our identity.

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The Steward's Work Is Never Done

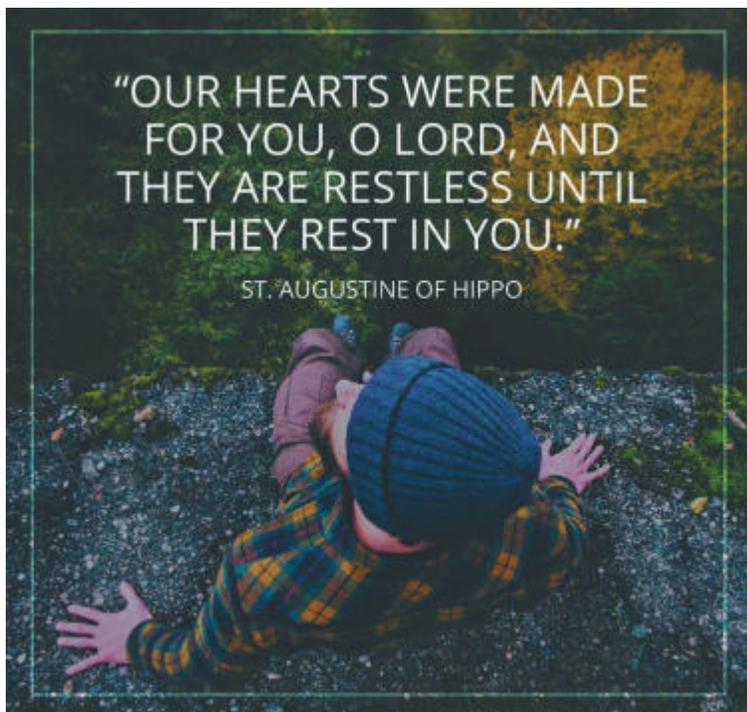
Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock! When you hear these strong words from the Old Testament, you're probably thinking, thank goodness I don't have any sheep — dodged that bullet. Nobody misled here! No flock scattered on my watch! However, we are all shepherds of a kind, called to tend our own sheep: our families, our parishes, our communities.

But it's exhausting. Don't we all sometimes just want to take a break from being a steward? The excuses are so familiar: we're tired, we've done enough, we've given all we can, what more does the parish (or my spouse, or my kids, or my boss, or my friends, or my community) want? We give ourselves permission to be selfish. So, what if the flock scatters just a little?

Jesus gets that. We can just imagine him weary with exhaustion, can't we? We see him on his boat, attempting to sneak away for a quick break — maybe just a chance to eat a bite of food in peace. He is God, but he was still human, after all. Even the most dedicated shepherds need to sleep. But people couldn't leave him alone. They were hungry for him. They needed what he could offer, and they needed it now.

As tough as it is, that's the example we are tasked with imitating. Everyday Stewardship demands accountability. It demands our showing up even when we are tired. It demands that we look at our lives, our time, our energies, our talents, our hearts, our bank accounts and think: where do I still have more to give?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



CYO Fall Sports Signups

Registration for CYO fall sports are currently open. Divine Grace Parish members and St. Patrick School students are eligible to participate. Available sports are:

- Girls Volleyball: Grades 4-8
- Boys Tackle Football: Grades 4-8
- Co-Ed Soccer: Grades 5-8
- Co-Ed Flag Football: Grades 1-4

Please register with Divine Grace Parish Athletic Director Dave Illes at (734)731-0348. Our sign up deadline is July 28th.

Coaches and volunteers are needed for volleyball and flag football. Your help will make this a successful season for our young Catholic athletes. Please reach out to Dave Illes to learn more.

Summer Creative Writing Workshops Offered through Weber Center

June 18, 2021, Adrian, Michigan – This summer, set some time aside to gather with other creative writers and to express what has long been hidden within you – and longs to see the light of long summer days.

Weber Retreat and Conference Center offers a weekly series of Creative Writing Workshops from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. EDT Thursdays, July 15, 22, and 29 and August 5, 2021. Whether you write as a spiritual practice or to give creative expression to your ideas and feelings, this series offers a supportive group of writers and the opportunity to enhance your writing skills.

The virtual workshops, offered via Zoom, are facilitated by Sister Tarianne DeYonker, OP, a certified Amherst Writers and Artists leader and published author.

The cost is \$80 and registration is required. Registration is available at www.webercenter.org; click on “programs.” Registrations may also be made by contacting Weber Center at 517-266-4000 or webercenter@adriandominicans.org. Limited scholarships are available.



Do You Know....

Divine Grace Parish now has an official Facebook page. Our Saturday, 4pm Mass in Carleton is now being livestreamed. Like us on Facebook at Divine Grace Carleton-Maybee



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There is an alternative to divorce!

This quite possibly could be the best gift you ever give yourself, your spouse, your children, your family and your friends!!

Please pass this information on to anyone who you suspect might be a hurting couple

The next Retrouvaille program will begin on Friday, August 20, 2021.

Visit HelpOurMarriage.org or call 800-470-2230

Visit Aquinas College this Summer!

Aquinas College welcomes high school students to our campus this summer to experience firsthand what it means to be a Saint! Visit opportunities include Personal Visits, Information Sessions and Twilight Tours. Come discover why small is mighty! Details and registration can be found at aquinas.edu/visit.



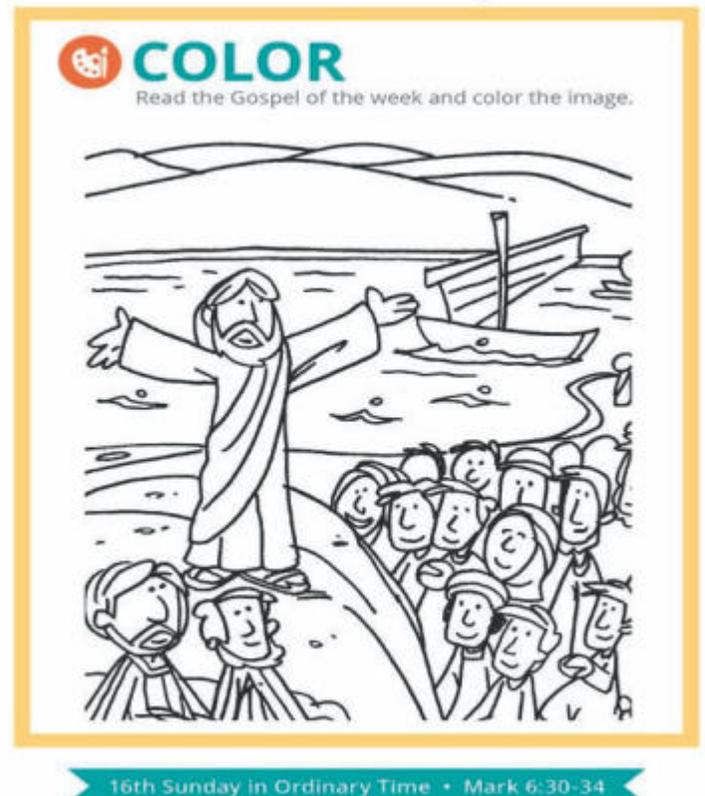
Bottle Drive

Our St. Patrick School is doing a bottle/can drive, throughout the entire school year. We're asking you to bring your (clean) returnables to the school office. All of the proceeds will go towards the School. Thank You in advance for your support.



Live the Liturgy

We only have so much psychological and spiritual energy. We easily get tired. Responding to life's demands and people's needs can really zap us of all of our energy. Anger, frustration, exhaustion, discouragement, helplessness, and even apathy can run wild. We can find ourselves bitter and irritated by the fact that we have to do it all again. We need to rest, connect, and focus. Deserted places, free of unnecessary distractions and demands, are great places of refreshment and we all need them. Desiring to be alone for a bit and rest does not indicate selfishness. Rather, it radiates wisdom. God is the source of all we do and the satisfaction of every human heart. If we are going to use the gifts God gave us well, then we have to make sure our batteries are recharged and replenished. Jesus invites us to go to a desert place to rest and pray. Where is yours?





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**Total Cost: \$40 per person
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For Reservations, and/or Other Upcoming Pilgrimages Information:

Michael Semaan, *Pilgrimage Coordinator*

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Email: michaelpsemaan@gmail.com Website: www.prayerpilgrimages.com

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 –3:30 pm. at St. Patrick

Registered Parishioners

In order to be considered a registered parishioner you must be receiving offertory envelopes. Anyone 18 years of age and older should register with the parish office as soon as possible.

Sacrament of Baptism

You must be a registered parishioner (receiving envelopes) attending Mass regularly, and take Baptismal Preparation Class.

Sacrament of Marriage

You must be a registered (receiving envelopes) and active member of Divine Grace Parish for at least six months **before** a wedding date will be scheduled. Weddings will take place six months or more **after scheduling the date.**

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound

Notify the Parish Office of illness, hospitalization or nursing home status as soon as possible.

RCIA (Rite of Initiation for Adults)

Anyone interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith, or in becoming a member of our Catholic Community, is invited to contact the parish office or Crysti Esper, RCIA Coordinator at RCIA@divinegraceparish.com, 734-770-4327.

Bulletin Email

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Bulletin Deadline

Articles and inserts must be received by email no later than Friday, 12 noon 2 weeks prior and must provide the dates desired for publication. (No inserts will be done on Holiday weekends or when the parish office is closed)



Covid-19

Parish office hours are temporarily suspended



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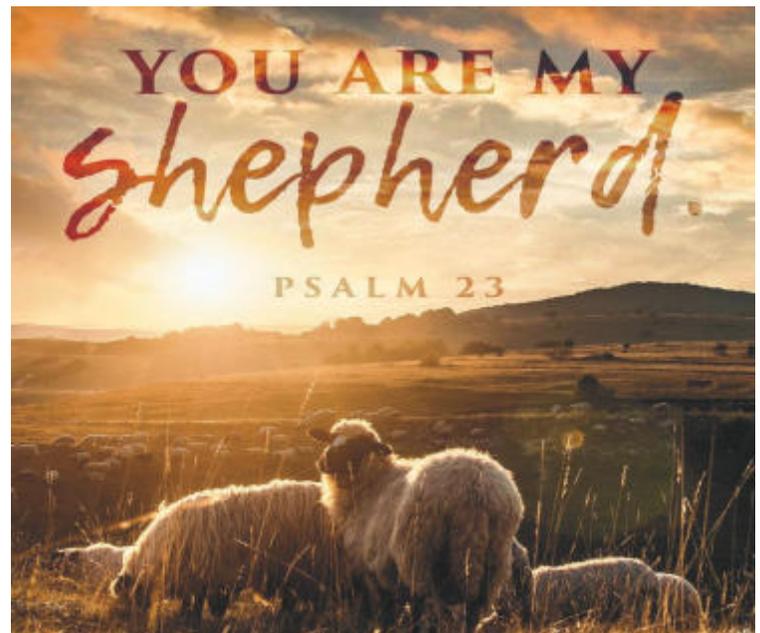
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