



ST. PAUL ON THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Reporter

December 6, 2020 2nd Sunday of Advent

*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way.
A voice of one crying out in the desert:
"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."*

The First Sunday of Advent revealed to us the power of God, who is asking us to be attentive not only to the moment but also the future. In particular, Jesus asks us to be "alert" to "watch" for the coming of the Lord. Little did the people know at the time that the one to be "alert" for, to "watch" for was in their midst. Jesus was standing before them. Jesus is in our midst at all times and in His Divine Providence is providing for us. Many times we miss his providential care because we are not paying attention or better yet, we are distracted.

The quote above is from the Prophet Isaiah. He was telling the people to be alert and watchful for the one who would pave the way for Jesus and that was John the Baptist. John was always humbled in the presence of Jesus. John knew the one before him was mightier and holier. John knew his mission shadowed in comparison to the mission of Jesus. None the less, John still heralded the gift of Jesus coming into their lives.

Like the angels, whose purpose is to praise God in heaven and to be messengers for us here on earth, herald for us to be alert and watchful. John the Baptist has taken his rightful place in heaven and his voice still cries out to us to prepare the way. The Angels who will announce the Good News of the Savior's birth are still dwelling amongst us, exhorting us to be watchful and alert.

What do we need to watch for? Why do we need to be alert? We need to be attentive to our need for a Savior. If we, at the core of our being, don't believe we need a savior then there is nothing to look for; nothing to celebrate. It is only when we honestly say we need a Savior- we need Jesus Christ in the forefront of our lives, that preparing the way for Jesus by being alert and watchful makes sense.

The Prophet's words to "make straight the paths" (turning our hearts and minds always to Christ and turning away from sin and vice) have no relevance if we don't believe Jesus Christ is necessary. Christmas isn't a social or cultural endeavor. We are celebrating a person, born in a time and place. We are not only celebrating Jesus' birth, we are also celebrating his

death and resurrection. We cannot divorce one event from the other. Jesus' life, death and resurrection is all one event that we must constantly live in our daily lives.

Do we need a Savior in our lives? Do we need the angels, the messengers of God's mercy in our lives? If we say yes, then it must be the reality we live. It means turning away from all that is not preparing the way for Jesus' providential care in our lives. In this time of Covid our crosses and suffering are magnified. Our Savior will help us if we prepare our hearts to allow Him in.

An example to share. This past weekend Fr. Fricke was blessed to celebrate the baptisms of the Hasselman children. (see page 4) Mrs. Hasselman is in the RCIA process to finish her preparation, so she, along with the children, can receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Mr. Hasselman, the father and a spiritual warrior for the family, is already fully initiated in the Catholic Church. Clearly the heavenly Father has been calling the Hasselmans back into His fold. Are we as attentive as the Hasselmans to God's prompting? God is always calling us to prepare the way. Are we alert and watchful of the Father's desire for us to grow closer to His Son, Jesus?

We should have extra time this Advent because the virus is forcing the cancellation of many activities. Use this allotted time to step back. Let us open our hearts and ask the Holy Spirit to help us be alert and watchful, to prepare our lives to receive the Savior we so desperately need: the babe in the manger.

Tuesday is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. It is not a holy day of obligation because of the dispensation. However, if you are able, please attend the 6:30 or 8:15 a.m. Mass. At these Masses and just prior to Benediction at 6:50 Tuesday evening we celebrate our end to the 33 Days to Morning Glory with the Marian Consecration!

The 33 days with Mary has honed our ability to be alert and watchful of our growing closer to the heart of our Savior, Jesus.

In prayer and watchfulness,
Fr. Jim Bilot

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE
DECEMBER 24, 2020
8:15 am

4:30 pm in the Church
AND 4:30 pm in the Gym
6:30 pm, and
12:00 midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY
DECEMBER 25, 2020
8:00am, 10:00 am,
and 12:00 noon

DECEMBER 26, 2020
8:15 am
4:30 pm (Holy Family Vigil)

DECEMBER 27, 2020
8:30 am, 10:00 am
and 12:00 noon
(no 7:00am)

DECEMBER 31, 2020
8:15 am
4:30 pm (Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Vigil)

JANUARY 1, 2020
9:00 am ONLY
(Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

Please be attentive to our website and social media pages for unexpected changes to our Mass schedule

READ THE GOSPEL AND COLOR THE PICTURE.

SHARING THE GOSPEL

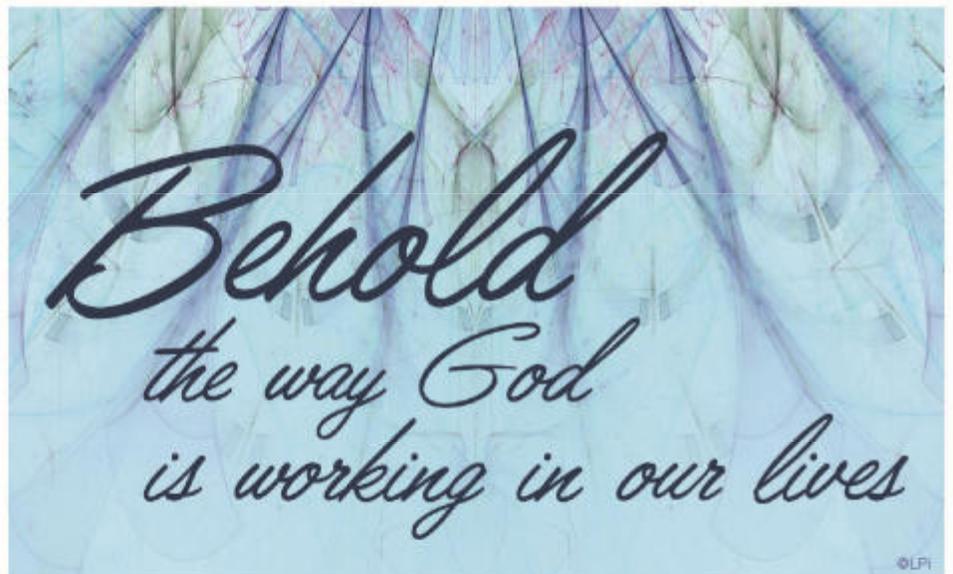
John the Baptist had an important message. When you make sinful mistakes, and when you turn away from God, stop. Learn from your mistakes, and do things God's way. Were you bossy or rude? Be thoughtful and kind. Did you tell a lie? Be honest instead. God wants you to share his love with other people.

PRAYER

Jesus, help me to learn from my mistakes. Thank you for forgiving me.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Ask your family if you have hurt their feelings. Ask them to forgive you.



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 6, 2020

- SUN 12/6** Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
- MON 12/7** Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26
- TUE 12/8** Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
- WED 12/9** Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30
- THR 12/10** Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15
- FRI 12/11** Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19
- SAT 12/12** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]
- SUN 12/13** Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 6, 2020

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent
- Monday:** St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Wednesday:** St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
- Friday:** St. Damasus I, Pope
- Saturday:** Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Advent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Prepare the way of the Lord! The message of John the Baptist becomes the calling of every baptized disciple of Jesus Christ. Each one of us is asked to prepare the way of the Lord. Given the humble means of our lives, how can we do this? It certainly does not require that we stand on street corners announcing God's future coming! We can more readily take up the task of our lifework by clearing our lives of unnecessary, distracting clutter. By creating solid and deep spiritual lives, we can heighten our awareness of God's presence and help people point to and discover God's presence around them. By conducting ourselves in holiness and devotion, we can speak volumes to those we meet. Not by preaching actual words, but by living lives that communicate the comfort God wants His people to know. As the world sometimes frantically unfolds around us, we can be people of patience who show others that it's okay to wait for God's gift to come. Conducting our lives in this manner, we will know the peace that comes from doing what we have been asked to do.

St. Paul Gingerbread Church Construction



Stop by the parish office front window and check out the completed St. Paul Gingerbread Church on display!



JOIN US AND SPEND TIME
WITH JESUS!

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays
8:45am - 7:00pm

Confessions
6:30pm - 7:00pm



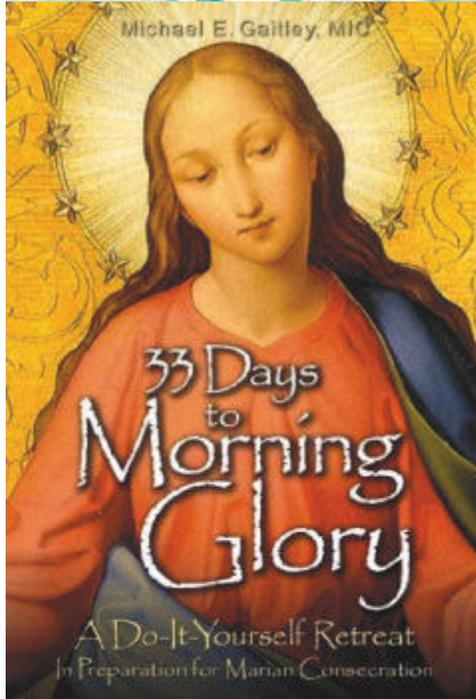
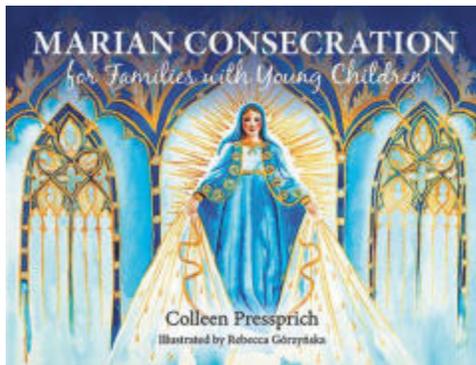
*Baptism day for Taryn Marie Hasselman, Kylie Anne Hasselman, Zoey Elizabeth Hasselman, Mason Michael Hasselman and Parker Louis Hasselman.
Proud parents are Lillian and Kevin Hasselman*



Kevin and Lillian Hasselman presented their five children to Fr. Colin Fricke to receive the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Paul on November 29th, 2020. Kevin is a Catholic and Lillian is a baptized Christian. She is in the process of becoming Catholic through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

"You have called your children to this cleansing water, that they may share in the faith of your Church and have eternal life. By the mystery of this consecrated water lead them to a new and spiritual birth. We ask this through Christ our Lord."

If you are interested in RCIA or baptism for children over 6 years of age please contact Fran Bauer at fbauer@stpaulonthelake.org.



Day of Marian Consecration Tuesday, December 8th, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Thank you to the more than 300 people who have joined us on the 33 day journey leading up to our Day of Consecration. For those who have been preparing for this day, or those who are renewing their Consecration, we invite you to join us for one of three opportunities to pray as a church family the Prayer of Consecration together:

Tuesday, December 8th
Immediately Following the 6:30 am Mass
Following the 8:15 am Mass just after Adoration
begins 6:45 pm, towards the end of Adoration
(please arrive by 6:30 pm)

Please bring your *33Days to Morning Glory* book. If you are not able to join us on that day, please pray the Prayer of Consecration on that day on your own, found on page 137 of your book

For those using *the Marian Consecration for Families with Young Children* book, we invite you to pray the prayer together as a family.



Mrs. Ball's Fourth Grade class has been participating daily in the Marian Consecration. We enjoyed some quiet time creating and praying a "Prayer for Help"



Each day we read the Marian Consecration passage to the 7th grade students and they need to fill in that day's box with an image, word, or phrase that goes with the passage. The kids find it relaxing to complete each morning.

**Kam Uebbing
7th Grade Teacher**





Watch your mail!

In order to better connect with you, serve your needs, and help you grow as a Catholic Missionary Disciple, we are reaching out to update our records. Census forms are being mailed to every registered family within our parish. Please read each and every area and provide us with updated information. Whether you have no changes, a few or many, please return this form no later than December 15, 2020. You may return it by mail, place it in the weekend collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. We realize that this task may take a few minutes of your time, but the updated information you provide will be invaluable in order to best support and serve your needs.

St. Paul on the Lake Altar Society

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

If your recent packet of church envelopes does not include an envelope for a Christmas Flower Offering, there are additional envelopes available in the gathering space.

PLEASE NOTE there is space on the envelope to indicate a special intention or someone for whom you wish prayerful remembrance

by the
St. Paul Prayer Group.
Thank you for your generosity.



IT'S SO GOOD TO SEE (HALF OF) YOUR FACES

Be sure your mask is providing the proper coverage from nose to chin.

We appreciate your cooperation and support.





Oh Come Oh Come Emanuel!

**All are invited to join us for the
blessing of St. Paul on the Lake's
new Crèche**

**Saturday, December 12th
following the 4:30 pm Mass
Front Lawn of the Church**

**Please join us after Mass as
Fr. Jim blesses our new crèche,
constructed/managed by
Quinn Johnson for his
Eagle Scout Project, Troup 6100,
St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church**

**Over 100 hours of labor has been
dedicated to this new structure,
to usher in the hope of Jesus to
our parish and wider community
during the Advent and
Christmas Season.**

Social Distancing Required

(Fr.) Colin's Column

**An introduction to
inspirational information**

**Fifteen Promises of the
Blessed Virgin Mary to
those who pray the Rosary:**



1. Whosoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the Rosary shall receive signal graces.
2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the Rosary.
3. The Rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin and defeat heresies.
4. It will cause good works to flourish; it will obtain for souls the abundant mercy of God; it will withdraw the hearts of men from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift them to the desire for Eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means!
5. The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the Rosary shall not perish.
6. Whosoever shall recite the Rosary devoutly, applying himself to the consideration of its Sacred Mysteries, shall never be conquered by misfortune. God will not chastise him in His justice, he shall not perish by an unprovided death; if he be just he shall remain in the grace of God, and become worthy of Eternal Life.
7. Whoever shall have a true devotion for the Rosary shall not die without the Sacraments of the Church.
8. Those who are faithful to recite the Rosary shall have during their life and at their death the Light of God and the plenitude of His Graces; at the moment of death they shall participate in the Merits of the Saints in Paradise.
9. I shall deliver from purgatory those who have been devoted to the Rosary.
10. The faithful children of the Rosary shall merit a high degree of Glory in Heaven.
11. You shall obtain all you ask of me by recitation of the Rosary.
12. All those who propagate the Holy Rosary shall be aided by me in their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the Rosary shall have for intercessors the entire Celestial Court during their life and at the hour of death.
14. All who recite the Rosary are my Sons, and brothers of my Only Son Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion to my Rosary is a great sign of predestination.



CHRISTIAN SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES DECEMBER 2020~JANUARY 2021 MAKING A DIFFERENCE, SERVING FROM A DISTANCE



The Gospel call to serve others fosters love, encourages kindness and builds community! This list has a variety of opportunities for youth, individuals and families to make a difference, while serving others safely and remotely from a distance. Please follow the simple instructions included in each project description. All completed project kits will be collected on **Thursday, January 7, 2021**. Due to a lack of storage space and COVID restrictions, **ITEMS MAY NOT BE DROPPED OFF TO THE PARISH OR SCHOOL OFFICE**. If you have any questions or would like to sign-up for a project, please contact Tricia Kesteloot for assistance at (313) 885-7022, ext. 122 or tkesteloot@stpaulonthelake.org

MAKE A WARM FLEECE-TIE BLANKET: We are blessed by our partnership with the local charity, *Blanketed with Love*. Students and families have the opportunity to assemble a cozy blanket (at home) for someone in need. Blankets will be donated to St. Aloysius Parish, Gianna House and The Pope Francis Center. The kit includes instructions; sharp scissors are required but will not be provided. Volunteers are encouraged to make a \$15-20 donation to offset the cost of the fleece. Please specify how many blankets you wish to complete when calling to sign-up.

SHOP AND PACK SENIOR GROCERY BAGS FOR SENIORS IN NEED: St. Aloysius Parish has a food pantry program that benefits senior citizens in need of food. Volunteers or families are encouraged to shop and fill one or more Senior Grocery Bags for those in need. There is no kit for this project, but we encourage you to still sign-up so we have an estimate number of bags expected for delivery. **See the checklist for suggested items on next page.**

BLESSING BAGS: Volunteers are needed to pack and prepare bags filled with basic necessities and non-perishable food; including warm gloves, hand warmers, granola bars, socks, etc. Bags will be given to homeless men and women in need by St. Aloysius Parish and St. Leo's Soup Kitchen. There is no kit for this project, but we encourage you to still sign-up so we have an estimate number of completed bags. **See the checklist for suggested items on next page.**

LUNCH BAG ART...SHARING A SMILE ONE MEAL AT A TIME: This project is ideal for children and artists of any age. Each kit contains a designated number of large brown lunch bags and markers to use. Just let us know how many you would like to pick-up! When you sign-up, please specify 25/50/100 bags.

WRAP AND ROLL FOR THE POPE FRANCIS CENTER - SILVERWARE KITS: Another great project for volunteers of all ages. The Pope Francis Center will continue to serve a hot meal every day during the winter months (over 200 meals per day) and needs volunteers to individually wrap plastic silverware. Each kit contains plastic silverware, napkins, non-latex gloves, return bag for items and a simple instruction sheet. When you sign-up, please specify 100/250/500 pieces.

DELIVERING CHRISTMAS CHEER: The St. Paul Bereavement Ministry Group is looking for high school students, adults or families interested in delivering Christmas plants (plants provided) to those parishioners who have lost a loved one this year. This committee assists those in the parish who have experienced death in their family or the pain of loss. Students will need to have a parent or adult driver to deliver the plants. All deliveries will be made to the front entrance of a recipients' home within our local communities, and proper social distancing is required. **FLEXIBLE DATES FOR PLANT DELIVERY ARE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19 OR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20.**

PROJECTS AT THE HELM: (formally known as Services for Older Citizens) cares and assists the elderly living in our local communities. Volunteers are needed for several outdoor activities including yard work, shoveling snow or special projects. ***If you would like to volunteer, please contact Heidi Uhlig Johnstone at (313) 649-2107 or email her at huhlig@helmlife.org.***

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms" 1 Peter 4:10

Operation Outreach

THE PARKING LOT PANTRY IS BACK!

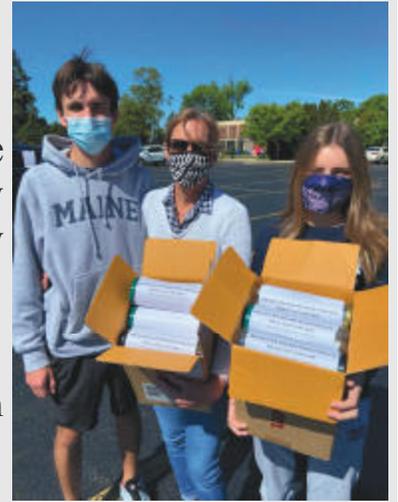
Our efforts to serve and care for the homeless guests at the Pope Francis Center and the St. Aloysius Food Pantry continues. Many members of our St. Paul Family have truly made a difference...even while volunteering from a distance!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

We have a dedicated team of drivers who will provide contact-free porch pick-up from your home on Thursday mornings between 9:00-10:15 am. Here is the current list of items needed:

- ♥ Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches (individually packed in sealed Zip Lock bags, any type of bread or jelly, no cutting necessary)
- ♥ Fresh bananas, oranges or Cuties (soft fruit is best)
- ♥ Cases of bottled water (any individual sized bottles are welcome)
- ♥ Individual-size cartons of organic white/chocolate milk (sold in 6, 12 or 24 count cases)
- ♥ Individual-size bottles of orange juice
- ♥ Individually wrapped SOFT granola bars or treats (i.e. Rice Krispie Treats, Hostess products, RAISINS ARE A FAVORITE, NO CHIPS PLEASE)
- ♥ Homemade baked treats (i.e. cookies, brownies, Rice Krispie treats)
- ♥ CLOTH protective masks

Questions? email or text Therese Schueneman at thereseschueneman@yahoo.com or (313) 598-2167



St. Aloysius, Neighborhood Services CHECKLIST FOR SENIOR GROCERY BAG CONTENTS

All items should be placed in a sturdy paper grocery bag, and everything should be sized for ONE OR TWO PEOPLE. **PLEASE NO #10 SIZED CANS**

Fruit:	1 or 2 cans
Vegetables:	2 cans
Soup:	2 cans
Juice:	1 can or 2 juice boxes
Meats:	1 can of one of the following – Tuna, Chicken or Beef
Cold Cereal:	1 box
Hot Cereal:	1 container Oatmeal or Grits

Dry Items to include:

1 bag of dried rice	
1 bag of dry beans	
1 box of macaroni and cheese	
2 boxes of different of pasta or noodles	
1 desert/brownie or cake mix	
1 sleeve saltine crackers	
Sauces:	1 can spaghetti sauce OR 1 can of tomatoes
Instant Potatoes:	1 box or can
Milk:	1 package dry milk
Canned Meals:	Spaghetti O's, Beef Stew, Chili, Pork & Beans, etc.

CHECKLIST FOR BLESSING BAGS

Please place the following necessities in a clean gallon sized Ziplock bag, along with a note of encouragement:

- Hand-warmers (2-3)
- Thick socks (1-2 pairs)
- Winter gloves and hat
- Hand sanitizer
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Small container or bag of Q-Tips
- Individual pack of baby wipes or wash cloth
- Chap Stick
- Band-Aids
- 2 Granola or energy bars (All kinds)
- Boxes of bags of trail mix, or raisins
- Chewing gum or hard candy
- Beef Jerky sticks
- Travel-sized First Aid kit (OPTIONAL)
- Bag or roll of quarters for laundry (OPTIONAL)

ST. PAUL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

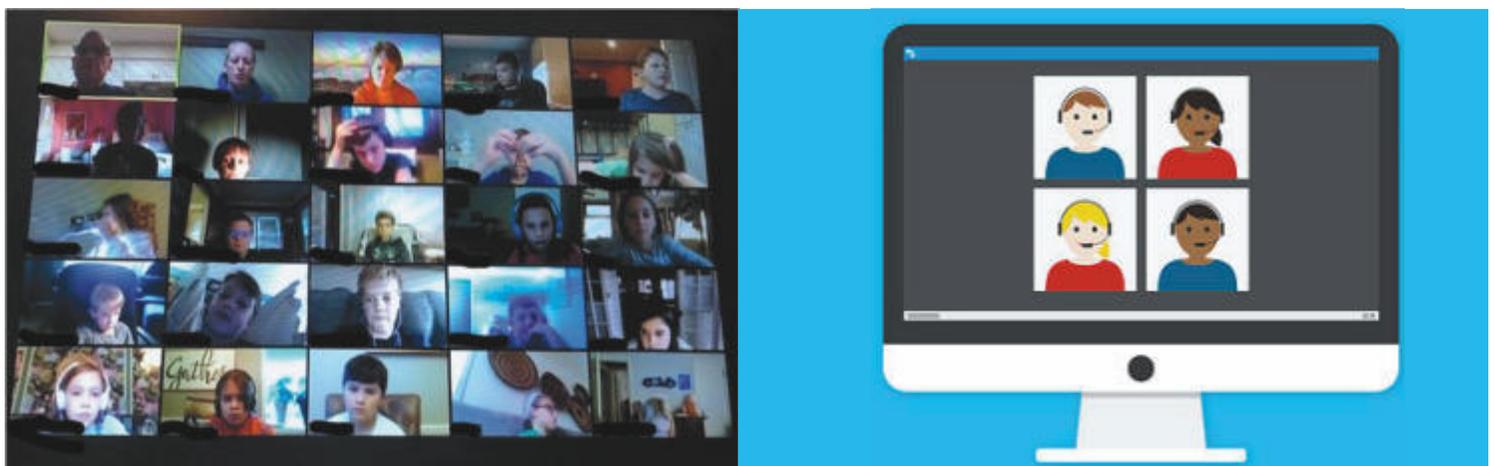


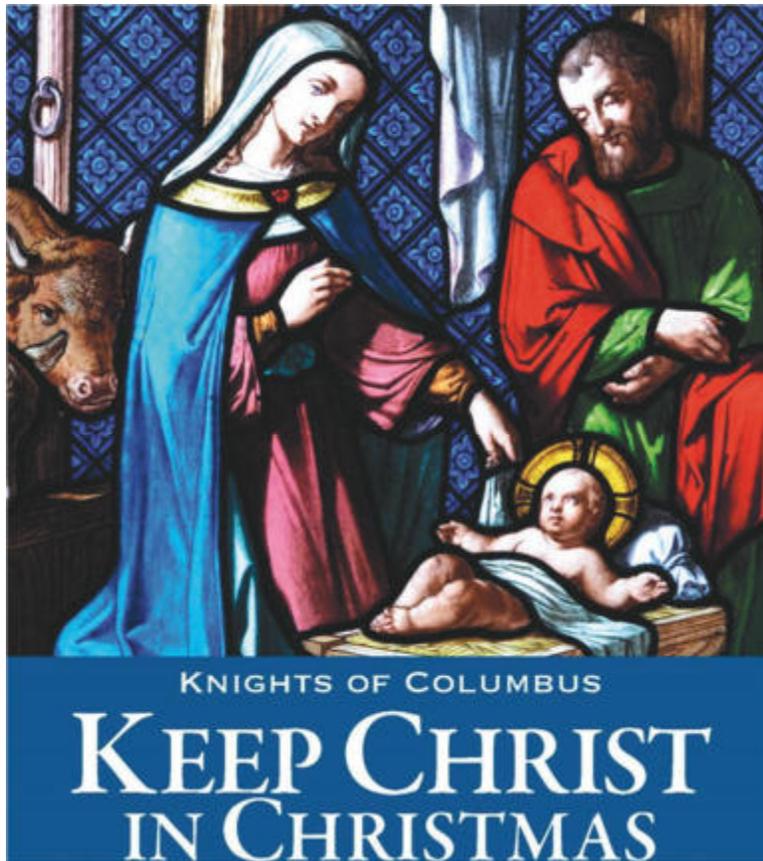
Important Reminder for RE Students in Grades 3-8...

Reconciliation will be offered for both students and parents on Monday, December 7th from 4:00 – 5:30 pm and 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Parents will remain in their cars, unless also receiving the sacrament. Volunteers will greet the children at the gathering space driveway and direct them into the gathering space where they will wait until a priest is available. Please remember masks are required when entering the church. There will be multiple face-to-face stations with proper social distancing set up in the church. Following confession, the children will exit from the front entrance of the church (facing Lakeshore Drive). Additional volunteers will ensure safe travel back to their vehicles.

Other News...

We had the pleasure of having Deacon Bill Jamieson join our 4th Grade Religious Education class in a Zoom Meeting November 16th to learn about and pray the Rosary together. In years past, Deacon Bill has led the 4th Grade class Rosary lesson in the church during class time. Deacon Bill talked about why we pray the Rosary and the importance it has in our Catholic faith. There were 23 students able to attend, along with Mrs. Julie Granger and Mrs. Marty Waterson. They prayed the Joyous Mysteries with Deacon Bill. The children volunteered to say the second half of each prayer, so it really was an effort on everyone's part. We were very happy to have Deacon Bill join our class meeting and give the kids such a wonderful Rosary lesson, as for some it was their first time praying the Rosary.





Calling All Artists!

Announcing the Annual Keep Christ In Christmas Poster Contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 12121 and St. Paul School.

Gift Card Prizes will be awarded to the winners in 3 of the following age groups; ages 5 through 7, 8 through 10, and 11 through 14. RULES

- Poster must reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas
- Each poster should be the individual work of a single person
- Each poster must contain an appropriate slogan
- Each entrant should have their name, teacher/catechist and grade on the back of the poster
- Posters can be done in any media (if chalk the work should be laminated) and should be rendered on plain white paper 8 ½' by 11' or ideally 11' x 17". Paper is available in the front office of the school or parish office.

Posters will not be returned. The winners will go on to compete at the district level. Points for each poster will be awarded in the following 3 categories; Slogan (30), Visuals (30), Overall Impact (40).

Completed posters should be turned into the student's teacher or the parish office by Friday, December 11.

St. Paul TPG MASK FUNDRAISER

\$15 per mask

Proceeds go to St. Paul on the Lake School

Please indicate the number of each you would like to order below

Please include your FIRST NAME, LAST NAME, and PHONE NUMBER



\$15 Children's Size Mask
(4.5" vertical measurement) ages 3 and up

_____ black with red logo
_____ red with white logo

\$15 Adult Small Size Mask
(5.2" vertical measurement)
fits youth large as well

_____ black with red logo
_____ red with white logo

\$15 Adult Large Size Mask
(6.2" vertical measurement)

_____ black with red logo
_____ red with white logo



Masks are machine washable, triple layered with filter, adjustable straps, individually wrapped, please allow 2 weeks and pick up for the mask will be at parish office.

Total enclosed:

\$ _____

Cash accepted and checks payable to St. Paul, TPG

TURN IN ORDER FORM TO PARISH OFFICE OR DROP IN SEALED ENVELOPE IN THE COLLECTION BASKET.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE**

**Next collection on
December 12-13**

Monthly collection of
refundable bottles and cans

Sponsored by St. Paul Knights of Columbus

Provides for seminarian scholarships for
Deacon Bobby Karle SJ
Br. Luke Van Berkum OP
James Bird
Arturo Medina

Second full weekend of each month

Trailer with banner in parking lot near rectory

Please do not bring or leave anything if
trailer is not present.



Day, Date, and Time	Celebrant
Saturday, December 12 4:30 pm	Fr. Slowinski
Sunday, December 13, 7:00 am	Fr. Slowinski
Sunday, December 13, 8:30 am	Fr. Fricke
Sunday, December 13, 10:00 am	Fr. Bilot
Sunday, December 13, 12:00 noon	Fr. Bilot

Schedule is subject to change at any time.

BEREAVEMENT

Care Notes are written for people dealing with intensely emotional situations who are looking for concise, easy-to-read guidance and support. That's why these booklets are designed with smaller, more manageable sections.

If you find this topic helpful to you or a loved one, you may find this booklet along with others in our gathering space.

If you need additional assistance or wish to speak to a priest or deacon, please call 313-885-8855.

SENIORS AT ST. PAUL

COMMUNITY IS
A SIGN THAT LOVE
IS POSSIBLE...

JEAN VANIER

Attention Senior Parishioners!

We know the possibility of Covid-19 exposure is concerning for our senior parishioners.

We are here to help!

Do you need help with local errands?

Do you have trouble getting out shopping for essentials?

Do you know someone who may need help?

Contact the parish office at 313-885-8855 or at
info@stpaulonthelake.org

STEWARDSHIP AND CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

ONLINE GIVING



Many of you are aware and take advantage of the convenience of electronic giving to our parish and we are grateful for that. We believe it is time to upgrade to a more streamlined online provider for our eGiving needs through *Faith Direct*. For those of you who have yet to join us in giving online, I strongly encourage you to do so. Here's why:

Faith Direct enables parishioners to make your Church contributions through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments.

Faith Direct also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket.

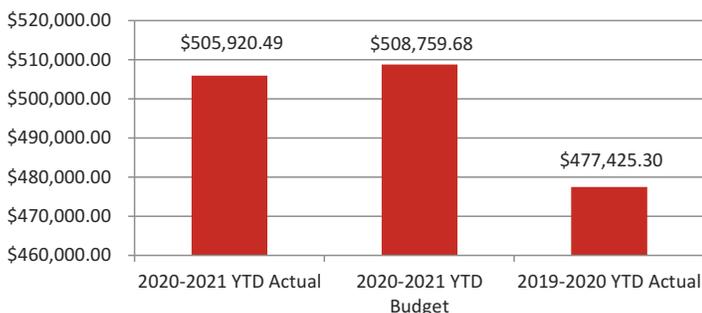
Please join me in enrolling by responding to the mailing you will receive or visit faith.direct/MI1011 to enroll securely online.

TEXT TO GIVE

Text GIVE to 313-825-5778 to setup recurring or one-time donations to St. Paul on the Lake.

OFFERTORY

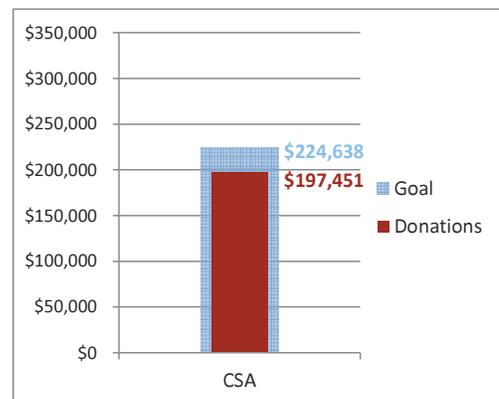
Our Stewardship 07/01/2020 - 10/30/2020



CSA AS OF NOVEMBER 18, 2020

Your generosity to the Catholic Services Appeal makes all these efforts possible. It brings livestreamed Mass to those who can't attend, powers our Christian Service programs and outreach, helps us learn how to better share Jesus in our diverse and multicultural Detroit community, and helps individuals and families grow closer to God even while physically distanced. Your gifts to the CSA does all this, and so much more.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Day	Date	Mass Time	Intention	Also to be Remembered
Sunday	December 6	7:00 am	Priestly Vocations	
		8:30 am	Clergy Intentions	
		10:00 am	All St. Paul Parishioners	
		12:00 noon	Anita & Guiseppe Spina By: Family	Paul Apap Georgette & José Borrego Jean Worzniak (Anniversary)
Monday	December 7	6:30 am	Nora Moroun By: A. Moroun	John Donahue
		8:15 am	Rick Warchol By: Family	
Tuesday	December 8	6:30 am	Deceased Members of the Moroun Family	George J. Blake
		8:15 am	Vartkes Kefelian By: Seta Kefelian & Family	
Wednesday	December 9	6:30 am	Doris C. Pyszynski	
		8:15 am	Jim Schrage By: Wife & Children	
Thursday	December 10	6:30 am	William Robrecht By: Family	
		8:15 am	Marcella Seymour	Angela Crea (1 Year Anniversary) Ronald Vallan
Friday	December 11	6:30 am	Blake N. Jones By: Mike & Karen Allison	
		8:15 am	Taylor Flaska By: Family	Matthew Peyser Sean Gretkierewicz
Saturday	December 12	8:15 am	Vincent Restituto Maribao (Birthday)	
		4:30 pm	Frank & Mabel Boris By: Family	Bettejean Ahee John Ahee
Sunday	December 13	7:00 am	Clergy Intentions	
		8:30 am	Clergy Intentions	
		10:00 am	All St. Paul Parishioners	
		12:00 noon	Michael Lumetta By: Mother	Frances Kosky Lawrence Lumetta Kristine Stone Taylor Flaska

PRAY ALSO PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED
 Mary Bellanca † John Conti † Fr. Michael Cooney

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Catherine Gardey and Cameron Keuning (I)
Haleigh Sluschewski and Andrew Clairmont (I)

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November 29, 2020
Kylie, Mason, Parker, Taryn
and Zoey Hasselman

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Ted Kirles
Marjorie Miller

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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Need somewhere to turn?

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 800.799.7233.

Mental Health

NAMI, The National Alliance on Mental Illness is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. Call Barb, 313-886-8004, for information on meetings in Grosse Pointe.

FIND HELP IN A CRISIS: CALL THE NAMI HELP LINE AT 800-950-NAMI, EMAIL AT info@nami.org OR TEXT "NAMI" TO 74174.

Marriage Resources: foryourmarriage.org

An initiative of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops with information and support relating to dating and engaged couples, parenting and the family, marriage (including troubled marriages), and Marriage Resource Center.

Reporting Sexual Abuse

Inform the Archdiocese of Detroit regarding the sexual abuse of minors by priests, deacons, and other church personnel and/or to speak to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, **contact**

866.343.8055. This line is for reporting suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within archdiocesan institutions and ministries only. Persons with complaints not involving clergy or church personnel should refer to the archdiocesan web site at www.aod.org for contact information for civil authorities.

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Please call/stop by the Parish Office or download the form from stpaulonthelake.org.

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Only registered parishioners may make arrangements for weddings at least 6 months in advance to ensure adequate preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage. **Please call the Parish Office at 313-885-8855.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism Preparation Classes are suspended at this time. Please email ctolliver@stpaulonthelake.org to register for online class. Baptisms take place the **2nd & 4th Sundays** of most months following the 12:00 noon Mass.

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