St. Anastasia Catholic Church - Troy

5th Sunday of Easter — May 2, 2021

Sunday Masses

*(*requires reservation to attend)*

Saturday
4:00 PM*
6:00 PM (2nd & 4th Saturday only in Spanish)

Sunday
8:00 AM*
10:00 AM*
12:00 PM*
5:00 PM*

Daily Masses

Monday—Friday
8:15 AM

Reconciliation

Tuesday
6:00 PM *(or by appointment)*

Please go to our website (www.stanastasia.org) for the most up-to-date info.

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This week at St. Anastasia

Sunday, May 2
Masses (reservation required):
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 5:00 PM
2:00 PM Baptism
Ticket sale for Curbside Breakfast (May 9)

Monday, May 3
Mass: 8:15 AM
9:00 AM—7:00 PM Outdoor Adoration

Tuesday, May 4
Mass: 8:15 AM
Reconciliation: 6:00 PM
9:00 AM—7:00 PM Outdoor Adoration
3:00 PM Teen Prayer Meeting
7:00 PM Cradled in Mary's Arms
7:00 PM Evangelization Meeting

Wednesday, May 5
Mass: 8:15 AM
7:00 AM Men's Fellowship Book Study (Zoom)
8:00 AM Men's Sunday Reading Discussion (Zoom)
9:00 AM—7:00 PM Outdoor Adoration
10:00 AM Zoom Fellowship and Faith
7:00 PM Rosary w/Dcn Tom on Facebook
7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (Zoom)

Thursday, May 6
Mass: 8:15 AM
9:00 AM—7:00 PM Outdoor Adoration
10:00 AM Legion of Mary
7:00 PM Rehearsal for May 8th First Communion

Friday, May 7
Mass: 8:15 AM
9:00 AM—7:00 PM Outdoor Adoration
10:00 AM Guadalupano Group

Saturday, May 8
Masses: 4:00 PM (reservation required)
6:00 PM Spanish Mass
9:00 AM Focus HOPE Food Delivery
10:00 AM 1st Communion Mass (invitation only)
Mother's Day Right to Life Flower Sale

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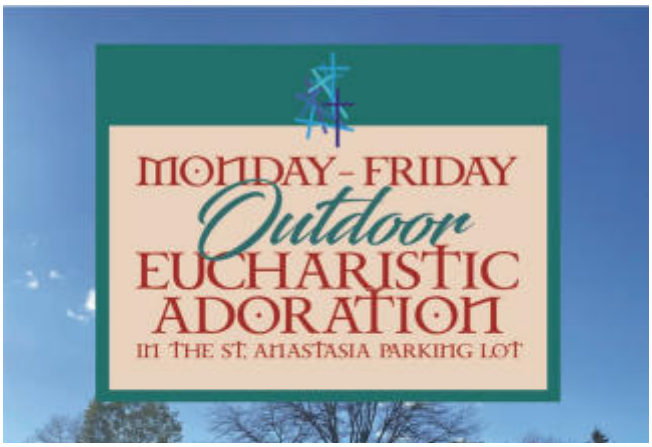
Sunday, May 9
Masses (reservation required):
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 5:00 PM
8:00 AM Curbside KofC Pancake Breakfast
Mother's Day Right to Life Flower Sale



9:00 AM—7:00 PM, Monday—Friday
In the parking lot directly outside the Chapel.
Come visit the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament from the inside of your vehicle.
Monstrance visible through the window.
In the event of a funeral, start time moves to 11:30.

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3 Ways to attend Weekend Mass:

1. **Attend Mass in person** (please wear a mask & social distance. Reservation is needed for Saturday 4PM; Sunday 8AM, 10AM, 12PM & 5PM).
2. **Watch Mass livestreamed from your car** and come to the doors of the Church for Holy Communion.
3. **For those who have need of a particular dispensation: Watch Mass livestreamed from home** on our YouTube channel (search St. Anastasia Catholic Church).

Get your FREE Mass reservation beginning at 10AM the Wednesday before weekend Masses.
Please note that a reservation allows you to attend Mass in person. You may be directed to sit in the Social Hall once the Church reaches capacity.

Find the links on our website at:
https://www.stanastasia.org
If you know someone who may not have internet access and would like to reserve a spot, please ask them to call the Parish Office and leave a message.

Baptism

The following children have been received into our parish family.

Jackson Edward Olsen
Edward and Christine (Ramirez)

Olivia Josephine Pasternak
Donald and Kelly (Bagley)

The **Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 2 p.m. A preparation class is required if you have not recently attended one. This may be completed prior to your baby's birth.
Please contact Holly at Ext. 109 or hmichelcavage@stanastasia.org.

Mary's Mantle "An Evening of True Beauty"

Mary's Mantle is excited to welcome author, Bonnie Engstrom, as our virtual speaker for "An Evening of True Beauty" on May 5th.

This would be a great event to do within a woman's small group or Bible Study – questions will be posed to "continue the conversation" after the event. We hope you can join us for this wonderful evening! For more details and to register, please visit:

https://marysmantle.net/event/an-evening-of-true-beauty/

Hello St. Anastasia Parishioners! I am so excited to be here. My name is Jenny Greuling, and I am beginning a new journey as Family Catechesis / Sacrament Prep Co-ordinator at St. Anastasia. I am really looking forward to meeting, getting to know, and working with the families of St. A's. I have a special place in my heart for this parish. I worshipped here when I was a young adult and first married. It warms my spirit to be back.

My husband, Steve, and I have been married for 27 years, and we have two sons. Jacob is our 23 year old, and Joe is our 16 year old. We live in Rochester Hills with our beloved golden doodle, Lucy.

I have spent much of my career teaching… many different ages of people. I can honestly say that I enjoy teaching every age, and my favorite is family instruction. I love working with families to help them get to know God better. One of my favorite Saints, Mother Teresa, knew that if we want to have peace in the world, we need to start in our own families. She said, "A family that prays together, stays together and if you stay together, you will love one another as God loves you." Our family is our way to love Jesus. I am honored to be part of the Religious Education Team that is looking to bring families closer together and to God. If you see me at Mass, in the building, or just around, please introduce yourself/your family. I'm eager to start getting to know everyone.

Jenny Greuling, Ext. 101
jgreuling@stanastasia.org

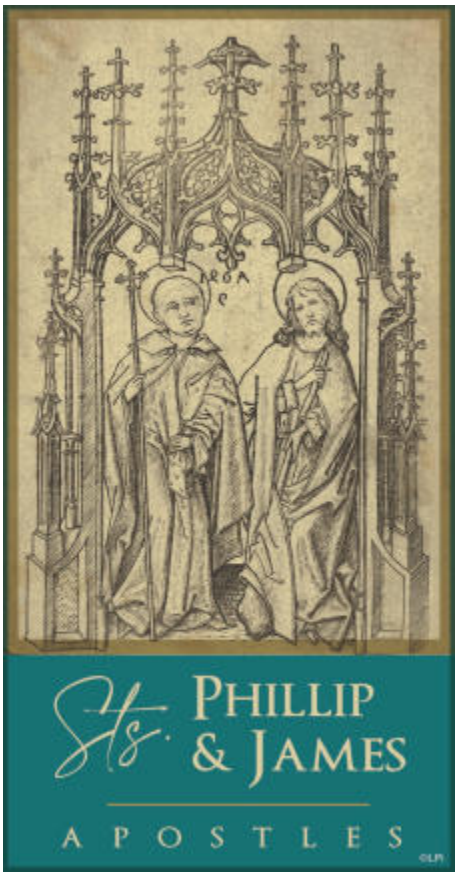
Banns of Marriage

We ask the faith community of St. Anastasia to pray for the following couples as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament of marriage.
May God bless you!

Christopher Glowacz and Laura Rollinger

Brown Bag Book Club

Hope you are enjoying this beautiful weather!
Our next meeting is Thursday, May 13 at 11:00 a.m. We will be discussing ***The Glass Castle*** by Jeannette Walls. Location is yet to be determined. We have been meeting by Zoom, in a local park, or possibly at the parish. Social distancing wearing a mask at the parish. RSVP to khouseman@stanastasia.org.



Baptism Concern

If you or someone you know was baptized at St. Anastasia between 1986-1999, there may be an issue with the validity of the baptism.

Please call the Parish Office and speak with Fr. Steve or Fr. Jim for more information.

Donations for our Food Pantry may be brought to the doors of the Pastoral Center (by the garden fence) between 9—11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays only.

Offertory Food Collection

Jelly
Cleaning supplies
Pasta
Baby wipes

Readings Of The Week

Sunday, May 2
Acts 9:26-31
I John 3:18-24
John 15:1-8
Monday, May 3
Sts. Philip and James, apostles
I Corinthians 15:1-8
John 14:6-14
Tuesday, May 4
Acts 14:19-28
John 14:27-31a
Wednesday, May 5
Acts 15:1-6
John 15:1-8
Thursday, May 6
Acts 15:7-21
John 15:9-11
Friday, May 7
Acts 15:22-31
John 15:12-17
Saturday, May 8
Acts 16:1-10
John 15:18-21
Sunday, May 9
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
I John 4:7-10
John 15:9-17

To those who are homebound or in the hospital today:

The love of God and the prayers of our parish family are with you even though you can't be present at Mass today. When you are unable to attend Mass, know that we miss you and pray for your restoration of health and hope. Please pray for us as you unite your suffering to the cross of Jesus, Our Lord.

We look forward to your return to Mass and pray that you will be uplifted by the beauty, presence, love and strength of the Holy Spirit.

Mass INTENTIONS

Monday, May 3
8:15 am
Emma and Alex Moran
Tuesday, May 4
8:15 am
Mike Ermiger
Wednesday, May 5
8:15 am
Betty Jean Yates
Thursday, May 6
8:15 a.m.
Mary Ketchum—special intention
Friday, May 7
8:15 a.m.
William F. Ferris
Saturday, May 8
4:00 p.m.
Emido and Benedetta Moscone
6:00 p.m.
Mercedes and Oscar Vega
Sunday, May 9
8:00 a.m.
The People of St. Anastasia
10:00 a.m.
The People of St. Anastasia
12:00 p.m.
The People of St. Anastasia
5:00 p .m.
The People of St. Anastasia

Mass Intention Procedure

Mass intentions need to be arranged at least two weeks in advance. Mass intentions are for persons living (special intention) and deceased.

We accept Mass intentions for each Mass that is scheduled. The Tuesday morning Masses are "collective Masses" meaning that more than one intention may be offered that day. Request a Mass by calling the Parish Office.

First Holy Communion

WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD!

Congratulations to those who celebrated First Holy Communion this weekend!

Scarlett Bansen, Stella Bauriedl, Delaney Bowen, Ruth Cotta, Sebastian Gonzalez, Jose Gongora Saucedo, Peyton Haupt, Addison Hucal, Harrison Kucharek, Brady McCarty, Brooke McCarty, Colton Murray, Donald Pasternak, Hector Ramirez, Dana Ray, Kassius Renaldi, Sophia Tan Ai, and Benjamin Valitutti

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Gospel Meditation, May 2, 2021, 5th Sunday of Easter

"Spiraling out of control," is a phrase that can easily describe the current display of human existence. In addition to the violence, unrest, uneasiness and turmoil that are common elements of our daily news, other essential pieces are misplaced or missing. Many lack an objective center around which to order and structure their lives or a clear set of definable goals or mores to act as guideposts and life directives. It appears that "feelings" have become a "new god" and traditional structures and ideals set aside. It is almost as if history only shows that we got this whole thing wrong and many are determined to finally set things right. The real truth, however, is that while wrongs and errors are certainly a part of our often-checkered past, it is hardly the case that all was wrong. It is not our task to rewrite the history of our lives, but to learn from mistakes that were made, and preserve the perennial wisdom at the root of our successes. Learning is an essential part of being human.

The question becomes, however, from whom do we learn? Some have such a hard time placing God in that position, but that is precisely where God needs to be. God is the Master Teacher from whom all of humanity learns and gets its cues. It is in and through this relationship with the Gardener of Life that we are fashioned and pruned into the people we are intended to be and can be. It is only in God that we are able to find our best selves. Sadly, many think that religion too, as well as history in general, has also gotten all this wrong. Yet, our resurrection faith tells us differently. We are reminded, today especially, that we are meant to remain in Christ as Christ remains in us. We are also reminded that Jesus, the Incarnate God, is the vine upon which we grow, the branches that flow from the source of God's life.

Giving up our will to God's can be a painful endeavor. It is not easy to set our own desires and wants aside and allow God to step in and direct and guide our growth. But this is the only way to prevent deadly weeds from overtaking us and bringing us to a place of self-destruction. God's commandments are the very guideposts and benchmarks we need, yet many seek to remove them from all public view because they appear to limit self-expression and suppress what is considered by many to be "human freedom." They are the only way we can find freedom, however. And, until we learn this fundamental lesson, we will continue to spiral out of control, never really knowing who we are, what our potential can be or how life really can be lived. We will not know peace. ©LPi

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detroitpriestlyvocations.com
or call the Parish Office to speak
with Fr. Steve or Fr. Jim

Letters of Hope

Hello Spring!

I know our seniors would be so happy to receive some joy and encouragement from you. Would you consider writing a letter or a picture / art and dropping or mail to the office so we can spread some hope and joy? You could also include prayers, bookmarks, prayer cards or art. *All ages are welcome to participate*). If you would like to be a pen pal with the senior I send your letter too, please include your mailing address.

Please send letter or art to Kim Houseman, St. Anastasia, 4571 John R, Troy, MI 48085.

You have been given grace, let us share with others.

Encounter † Grow † Witness

To add a name, email office@stanastasia.org

Steve Addison
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Paul Boulanger
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Nadira Saco
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Katie Shier
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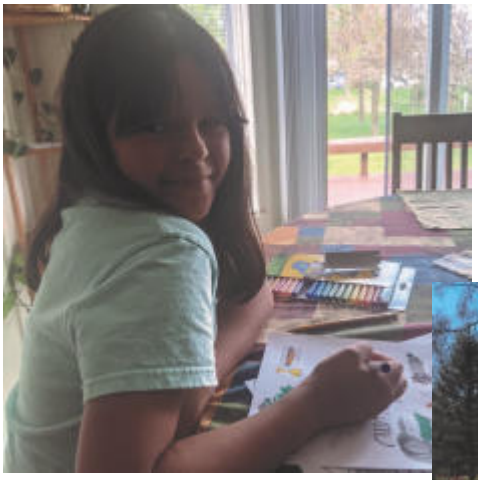
Religious Ed AT ST. ANASTASIA

Family Catechesis lessons center on the Sunday gospel reading.
Having completed the lesson and activities as a family at home, they turn in their "homework" - a picture of the family learning and growing in their faith together!



READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Put a brand new light bulb in a lamp. Turn the lamp on. It shines brightly. Now, unplug the lamp. The lamp goes dark. It might be a nice lamp. It might have a new light bulb. Yet, without being plugged in to electricity, the lamp cannot shine. In today's Gospel, Jesus is the vine and you are a branch. As long as you are attached to Jesus, your faith can grow fruit like love, kindness and gentleness. If you break away from Jesus, your faith will die, and you will not grow any fruit. Stay plugged in to Jesus, so you can shine. Stay connected to Jesus, so your faith can grow fruit.

PRAYER

God, help me to stay connected to Jesus.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Read Galatians 5:22-23 with your family. Write down the nine different kinds of fruit that will grow from your faith, when you stay connected to Jesus.

KIDS CORNER

Unscramble the words from today's Gospel:

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joined	pray	gardener
branch	fruit	clean

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National Day of PRAYER

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Cradled In Mary's Arms

A Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support Group at St. Anastasia Catholic Church

If you have experienced pregnancy or infant loss, join us for prayer, reflection, and support.
Our first meeting will be

Tuesday, May 4 at 7pm in Meeting Room B.

(Enter at the Main Office doors)

Meetings will continue on the first Tuesday of each month.

Preregistration is preferred, but not required, by contacting Pam at 586-258-6903 (call or text)
OR email us at espencer@stanastasia.org

St. Anastasia Annual Clothing Drive—NEW Guidelines!

Saturday, May 15, from 8—11 a.m. (Davidson Center Curbside)

ALL donated items must be clean, in good condition, folded neatly and delivered in a box, if possible.

YES
Clean
In Good Condition
Folded neatly

NO
Ripped or torn
Dirty or stained

We are less interested in volume, but in cleanliness and quality.
Our last clothing drive was overwhelming and we heard from the place we delivered to that 80% was dirty and had to be rerouted / discarded. Garbage bags filled with clothing will not be accepted.
These items are delivered to individuals who would like to wear these items with dignity.

Always Loved, Always Welcome

Garden Of Giving

Visit Telly's Greenhouse and support our Garden of Giving. We plant and harvest fresh vegetables to share with our local neighbors in need. By your support we can feed our neighbors. Bring this ad with you when you shop May 1 - June 30. Thank you!

Offertory Update

ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH - TROY

Weekly Budgeted Collection: $ 25,961.50

Month of April	
April 3-4	$ 23,854.20
April 10-11	$ 12,452.50
April 17-18	$ 10,538.50
April 24-25	$ 11,393.50
Electronic Giving (Month-to-Date)	$ 45,941.00
Received Month-to-Date	$ 104,179.70

April Target Collection $ 103,846.00

Year-to Date Target Collection: $1,116,346.00
Year-to-date Collection Received: $1,079,518.29
Ahead/(Behind) $ (36,827.71)

Number of envelopes received last week: 409

Building Maintenance Fund (YTD) $ 25,580.00

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Thank YOU for your continued financial support of St. Anastasia Parish!

We ask that, to the best of your ability, you continue to make your weekly offertory donations, either by mail or via our website at **www.stanastasia.org/giving/automated-donations**.

Those attending Mass in person will find a drop box for their contribution in the Gathering Space and Social Hall.

If your income has been adversely affected by the response to COVID-19, please contact our Parish Office to be connected with a St. Vincent de Paul representative to see how they may be of help to you.

As always, we thank you so much for your generous giving to the parish of St. Anastasia!

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revised April 24, 2021

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Rev. Jim Houbeck ..... Ext. 153
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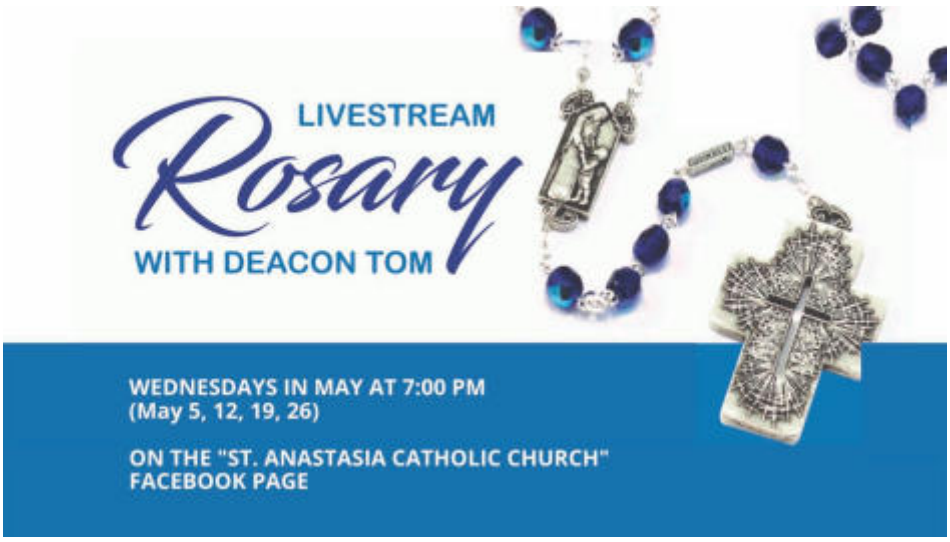

Faith and Fellowship Opportunities for those 18-35.

Please see the "**St. Anastasia Young Adults Ministry**" Facebook page, our website, or email us: youngadults.stanastasia@gmail.com

Archdiocese of Detroit
NEW community space for different young adult opportunities going on around the AOD: community.detroitcatholicyoungadults.org

Young Catholic Professionals Detroit (YCP)
Executive Panel Discussion (Tue, May 11 – 7 pm)
Refiner's Fire with Mario Enzler (Tue, May 18 – 1 pm EST) ONLINE
Executive Speaker Series (Wed, May 26 – 7 pm)
To learn more, www.ycpdetroit.org/ and facebook.com/ycpdetroit

Tap into Life
Capuchin Retreat, 62460 Mt. Vernon Road, Washington, MI 48094
*Check Facebook's Tap Into Life page for more details on current COVID restrictions.
(First Sunday of every month) at 6-9 pm, next meeting – June 6, 2021
Mass followed by dinner, a talk, fellowship and faith sharing. Grow in the faith and explore Franciscan spirituality led by Fr. Tom Nguyen, OFM Cap. FREE. You must sign up via Eventbrite

Ways to Serve in your Community Safely

- Forgotten Harvest (14/Coolidge/ Royal Oak); www.forgottenharvest.org
- Lighthouse of Oakland county; packing food opportunities; https://lighthousemi.org/how-to-help/volunteer-opportunities/
- St. Vincent DePaul Store, Madison Heights, 12/Stephenson; (248) 206-5644
- Gleaners; Southfield, https://gcfb.volunteerhub.com/
- Open hands Food pantry, Royal Oak, Saturdays; www.openhandspantry.org
- Common Ground (phone work); www.commongroundhelps.org
- Crossroads Soup Kitchen, Detroit; https://crossroadsofmichigan.org/volunteer/

High School & College Grads!
Save the date !
St. Anastasia's Graduation Mass
Sunday, June 6, 12PM

Watch your email and actual mailbox for an invite, (RSVP required) or contact the Religious Ed Office for information: mbrani@stanastasia.org

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MASS SCHEDULE

(revised 03/19/2021)

Saturday
4PM*
2nd & 4th Saturday: 6PM (in Spanish)

Sunday
8AM*, 10AM*, 12PM*, & 5PM*

Monday—Friday
8:15AM

Please wear a mask and follow all guidelines. An * after posted Mass time = reservation required. www.stanastasia.org

Weekend Masses livestreamed on our YouTube channel. **The Chapel is temporarily closed to the public.**

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

(revised 10/29/2020)

Tuesdays 6PM
(or by appointment)

In the Church, please wear a mask.

MAIN OFFICE HOURS

(revised 3/30/2021)

The Parish Offices, though not fully open, are staffed Monday—Thursday, 9AM—5PM, Friday, 9AM—3PM. Best to make an appointment to visit, or ring the doorbell at main office entrance.

Parish Registration: Newcomers may register in the Parish Office or on our website. Please notify us if your contact info changes or if you move from the parish.

Baptism: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Prep Class. Call Holly, Ext. 109.

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