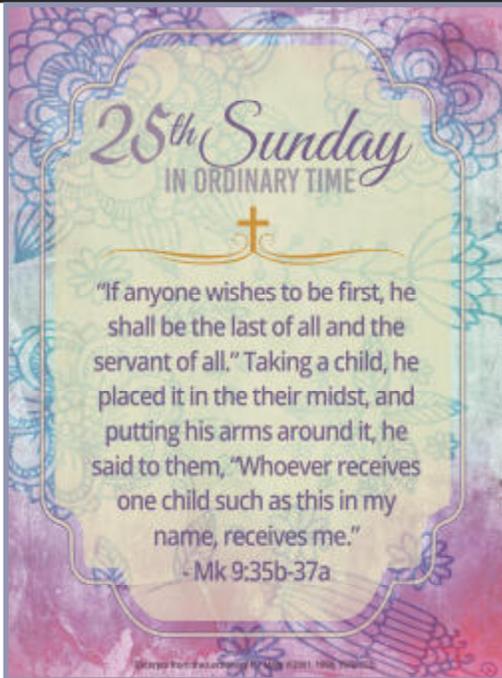




## 2021 Final Phase CSA Campaign Needs Your Help!



ception. If we should fall short of our parish assigned target, this will have to be supplemented by our already over-burdened annual parish operational budget. So, we do need your help to reach our 2021 CSA goal.

### What is the CSA Funding Used For?

Because of the Catholic Services annual appeal, here in the Archdiocese of Detroit, we are able to reach out as members of the Body of Christ through the various ministries and programs of the CSA. We can share our Catholic faith through Catechetical ministers that reach the lives of children, teens, married couples, young adults, and those preparing for marriage. We can also help to financially support our diocesan seminary and help those preparing to become diocesan priests, religious, deacons or lay ministers in our archdiocese. By supporting the annual CSA, we can also reach out to those who are in hospitals, prisoners, immigrants, refugees, and to ship-personnel passing through the Straits of Detroit. Your financial assistance in the CSA also helps to support our local Catholic Television Network (CTND) and makes it possible for our Marriage Tribunal to help Catholics return to the faith.

Our CSA contributions help us to be signs of God's mercy and give

the opportunity to bring joy to others through personal evangelization and sharing of the Good News. My prayer this week is that all our parishioners will consider offering some gift to the CSA.

Let us pray together, as the St. Patrick Parish Faith Family, that we will have a successful 2021 Catholic Services Appeal. Further information is available at [www.aodcsa.org](http://www.aodcsa.org).

Through your personal support, in accordance with Archbishop Vigneron's request that we all participate, can we count on you to join with us in this year's CSA? May the Lord richly bless you for your willingness to help as we together express the mission of our local Church.

### Invitation to Tuesday 11:00 a.m. Mass

Fr. Pat Brennan, CP., director of the St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center in Detroit, will be our guest celebrant and homilist this Tuesday morning, September 21st, at the 11:00 Mass. Everyone is invited! This Mass is also available each week through our parish website and on Facebook.

### Courtyard Renovation Continues!

You may notice some recent development toward our renovation of the courtyard between the church and the office building. We now have some architectural proposals that we are reviewing. This is the beginning of a long overdue improvement as we develop a social area and a place for private meditation and Marian prayer and devotion. If you

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### Pastoral Notes

This week, I want to ask you to consider offering your contribution to our annual Catholic Services Appeal. By this time, you should have received a personal letter from me. Because of the far-reaching effects of Covid 19, I am sending out a special request that you seriously consider an annual pledge of \$250.00 for this year's Catholic Services Appeal. However, I certainly appreciate whatever you are able to do to help us reach our assigned Archdiocesan target.

Just a reminder! As has been the requirement over the years for fulfilling our fair-share of the CSA, this year is no ex-

(Pastoral Notes cont'd)

would like to offer a special major leadership donation for this Memorial Garden, please let me know. Stay tuned!

I have already received some initial financial assistance to help us move forward. May the Lord bless all of you, our parishioners, who are helping us in so many ways to make a lifetime dream a possible reality for us all and provide a fitting outdoor shrine for our Blessed Mother Mary here on our parish grounds.

### Scriptural Reflections

I would like to offer to you this reflection from my Scriptural Reading last week from Wisdom 2:12, 17-20, James 3:16; 4:3, and Mark 9:30-37.

“Both God and the world offer their wisdom; our lives can be governed by only one.

The readings today feature a clash of two definitions of wisdom: worldly wisdom and divine wisdom.

*Worldly wisdom* looks at the just man with loathing. He pricks their consciences and points to the law of God. The wicked scoff: *let us see whether his words be true...if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him.* If the just man is truly righteous, then God should step in, revealing truth through might. If God fails to do so, the wicked then claim victory through their abuse of the just ones. Worldly wisdom also spurred the debate among the Apostles in the Gospel passage. Who was the greatest? Who would get the seat of highest honor in the Kingdom? Honors and rewards are paramount in worldly wisdom.

*Divine wisdom* is explained by St. James in the second reading: *Wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconsistency or insincerity.* That sounds exactly like what the world needs. Saint James not only describes the fruits of divine wisdom, but also indicators of its absence: jealousy, selfish ambition, war, conflicts. Might makes right in the short term, but leads to disaster. He also shows the self-defeating nature of worldly wisdom; coveting doesn't lead to possessing but to downfall.

In the Gospel, Jesus foretells his passion and death and stuns the Apos-

ties into silence. Picture Jesus' passion and death—the events, the figures, and especially the crucifixion. The supposed victory of the wicked over the just one is actually part of the divine wisdom. We don't have a good way to process this until it happens to us; how could revilement, torture, and a shameful death be anything good? That's why the cross is a stumbling block.

So where do we go? Who wins? Divine wisdom does.

First, worldly wisdom falls short because it has no eternal perspective. Those who taunted Jesus as he died on the cross (see Mt 27:39-33) inadvertently fulfilled what the Old Testament speaks of in our first reading. God used Jesus' rigged trial and horrendous death toward an eternal end.

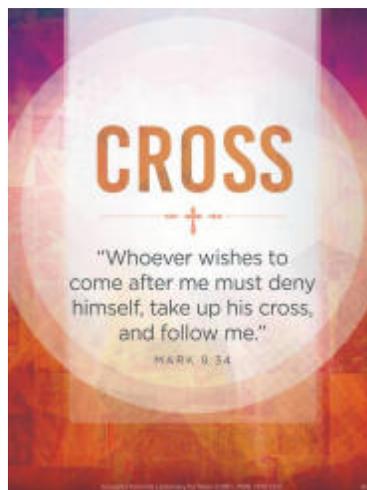
Secondly, worldly wisdom is short-sighted even in the temporal realm. Might making right works until someone mightier comes along. And history testifies: eventually, someone stronger always comes along.

Third, worldly wisdom relies solely on human intellectual powers. On the other hand, divine wisdom comes from our all-knowing God. It includes the cross but also heaven. If we persevere according to worldly wisdom, we may get temporal rewards and death. If we persevere according to divine wisdom, we get eternal love and happiness.

The difficulty lies both in the choice for God and in the commitment to his ways. In full trust, let us choose God's wisdom.”

Peace and Joy in the Lord Jesus Whom We Serve,

Fr. Tom



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

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## ADMINISTRATION

Gay Pousho, Business Manager 248-698-3100

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

WEEK OF 09/12/21	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFER- ENCE</u>
WEEKLY OFFERTORY	\$11,599.10		
ONLINE GIVING	\$5,141.31		
TOTAL	\$16,740.41	\$18,692.31	(\$1,951.90)
YEAR TO DATE	\$202,313.61	\$205,615.41	(\$3,301.80)

Please use blue or black ink when writing checks! Thank You!

TO REGISTER FOR ONLINE GIVING, VISIT [WWW.STPWL.ORG](http://WWW.STPWL.ORG)

## ELECTRONIC GIVING

To make your Sunday contribution electronically:

If your bank offers free bill pay, we suggest you use that service **OR** go to our website at [stpwl.org](http://stpwl.org) and click on "Online Giving". If you are contributing electronically and no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let us know. Call Bridgett at 248-698-3100 ext. 228, or [bgriffith@stpwl.org](mailto:bgriffith@stpwl.org)

## PARISH UPDATE

Have you moved...dropped your landline? Do we have your email? Please notify the parish office at 248-698-3100 ext. 228

## The Kindergartener

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom as the children drew pictures. The teacher would occasionally walk around and see each child's artwork. As she approached one little girl who was working especially hard, she asked what the drawing was.

The little girl told her: "I'm drawing God!"

"But sweetie," the teacher replied, "no one actually knows what God looks like."

Automatically, the little girl continued drawing and said, "well, they certainly will in a minute!"



## "Fuel the Mission"

**Parish Goal: \$124,786.00**

This is our share of the support which provides for the work of the Catholic Services Appeal.

Total Current Pledges:

\$79,282.50

Number of Pledges: 274

64% of our Goal

Balance Needed: **\$45,503.50**

Additional Donors

Daniel & Monica Blanchet



**Congratulations to our Newly Married**

**Jon Degenfelder  
&  
Leanne Allen**

September 10, 2021



## OFFICE HOURS

Beginning September 6th  
our office hours will be

**Monday—Thursday  
8:00am to 2:30pm  
Fridays: 8:00am—Noon**

*Please Pray for Our  
Men & Women in the Military*

EM2 Christian Kopicko - Coast Guard

HMC Geraldine Petrick – Navy Reserves

SPC Kerry Petrick – Army Reserves

Lt. Paul Campbell – USN

Sr. Airman Eric Kelly – Airforce

Major Andrew Atanasoff – USAF

Major Kathleen Atanasoff – USAF

S SGT Casey Crowley – Marines

PFC Dustin Crowley – Nat. Guard

Capt. Joseph Payne- Army

Michael Territo- Navy.

Andrew Lucas-USMC

Jesse Arbuckle- Navy

E-1 Jacob Collins -National Guard-Army

1st Lt. Marcel Cloutier – Air Force

Lt. Kirk S Seleski – U.S. Army

Austin Oberlander US Army

Sarah Schneider US Air Force

Justin Riordan, Army National Guard

LCpl Bryce D. Samoylov—Marines

Evan Caswell—Marines





**YOU'RE INVITED!!  
ST. PATRICK FALL CONCERT  
FEATURING  
MAGIC BUS  
OCTOBER 23, 2021**

The St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus are sponsoring its charity fundraiser concert on October 23rd at St. Patrick's Gym, featuring the very popular local band, Magic Bus. Doors open at 6:30pm with our opening band, the Whiskey Charmers, performing at 7pm. Beer, wine, soft drinks and snacks will be available. General admission tickets are \$20 with Reserved VIP tickets at \$25. Tickets may be purchased at the parish office, online at [www.itickets.com/events/455987](http://www.itickets.com/events/455987), or by calling 800-965-9324. Tickets will also be available for purchase after each weekend Mass beginning in October. Come join your family and friends for a great evening of fun, dancing, and music with "A Trip Back to the Woodstock Era" featuring the Magic Bus band!



The Magic Bus



The Whiskey Charmers



**Prayer for Catechists**

O God, our Heavenly Father,  
You have given us the gift of these  
catechists to be heralds of the Gospel  
to our parish family.

We lift them up to you in thanksgiving and intercede for them concerning their hopes and needs.

May we be attentive to the presence of your Word in them,  
a Word that lifts up and affirms, calls forth and challenges, is compassionate and consoles.

We pray that our parish family  
will always be blessed with those who have responded to the call  
to share in Christ's prophetic mission as catechists.

May we too be open to the universal call to service that Christ  
addresses to all of his disciples,  
contributing our gifts to the  
communion of faith, the Church.

We ask this in Jesus' name.  
Amen.



**This Week's Readings**

**Monday, September 20**

Ezr 1:1-6  
Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday, September 21**

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13  
Mt 9:9-13

**Wednesday, September 22**

Ezr 9:5-9  
Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday, September 23**

Hg 1:1-8  
Lk 9:7-9

**Friday, September 24**

Hg 2:1-9  
Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday, September 25**

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a  
Lk 9:43b-45

**Sunday, September 26**

Nm 11:25-29  
Jas 5:1-6  
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**ST. PATRICK PARISH  
MISSION STATEMENT**

*We, the St. Patrick Parish of White Lake, are a Catholic faith community that celebrates Life in Christ. As we are nourished and led by the Holy Spirit, our common baptismal mission is: to evangelize; to proclaim and to teach the Word of God; to praise and to worship God in Word and Sacrament; and to live His Word through loving service to ALL people. On this active faith journey, we are called to be disciples who affirm, heal and forgive in the love of Christ. Amen*

# WORSHIP

Ann Rogers arogers@stpwl.org  
248-698-3100 x 222

## Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Church

As we continue to navigate the Covid-19 Delta Pandemic and out of an abundance of caution, we ask that you follow the below guidelines:

- **Masks are strongly recommended for all**
- **Pews are NOT marked, but we ask you to maintain social distance from those outside of your family**
- **Please show your concern for others by wearing your mask**

**Thank you for your continued  
patience and God Bless You!**

### Sacristans Needed

Before Mass, Sacristans set out the correct amount of bread and wine along with the appropriate liturgical vessels. Sacristans prepare everything in a timely way for the ministers and the assembly who will worship together at Mass. It is easy to do and training is provided. We particularly need Sacristans at the 12:00 Mass. Please call Ann at 248-698-3100 x 222 if you are interested in serving your parish in this very important way.



### **St. Matthew** **Feast Day: September 21**

Matthew was a Jew who worked for the Romans as a tax collector. His fellow Jews considered him a traitor and resented him. The Pharisees viewed him, and all tax collectors, as sinners. So it was a real shock to hear that Jesus called such a man to be one

of his followers. But that's the kind of thing that Jesus did.



### **Padre Pio** **Feast Day: September 23**

Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, popularly known as Padre Pio, grew up in southern Italy. At the age of 15, he joined the Capuchins and was ordained in 1910. In

1918 he received the stigmata, the markings of the crucified Jesus, which he then bore for the next 50 years.

### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP** **RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

#### **The View from the Back of the Line**

Have you known that person? The one who leaves every person they encounter feeling a little more blessed for having met them? They're the friend you can count on when nothing is going well. They're the one who's always "doing" for others. They're never gossiping or sniping or complaining.

We wonder how they do it, how they have it in them. We're a little envious, even if we don't let ourselves acknowledge it.

That, folks, is what the view is like from the front of the line, gazing at those suckers in the way back and wondering why they're smiling so much.

We've all been at the front of a line and felt no shame about it. We show up early, we put in the time and the legwork, and we "earn" whatever it is we came for — sports tickets, the latest Apple product, whatever. That's how it works here on Earth, where the fastest win the race, the fittest survive and the first shall be first, always.

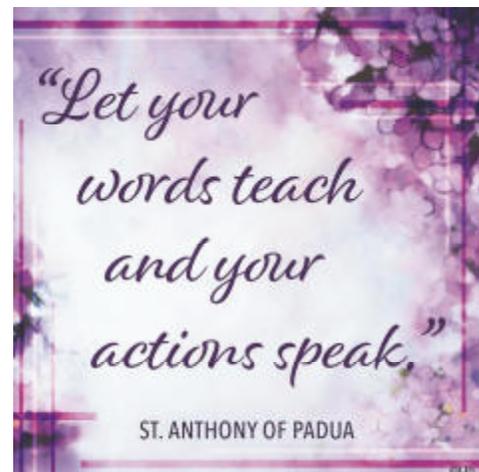
It's exactly why stewardship is such a tall order. Stewardship calls us to play by the rules of another kingdom — one where the richest have the least amount in their bank accounts and the happiest don't seem to have anything to show for it, at least materially.

If you have a person in your life who always seems happy "doing" for others, it's because by a boatload of God's grace, they play by the rules of the other place.

Watch and take notes — and don't be afraid to join them at the back of the line.

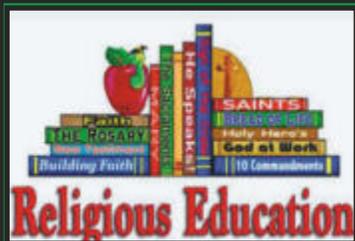
— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

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## FAITH FORMATION

Shannon Fresquez, Faith Formation Coordinator



**Thank you to all who have registered for Religious Education! We are excited to get this year off and running!**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS THIS WEEK!!**

**REMINDER .... Our SUNDAY FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM** begins this Sunday, September 19th at 3pm sharp in the Parish Social Hall!

Our **MONDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM** begins this Monday, September 20 at 5:45 pm sharp! Please enter through the school entrance. All of our participants should have received communication on the programs! We look forward to seeing everyone!



Our Religious Education programs are **ONLY** successful by the generous time of our volunteers! We are in **desperate need of Catechist AIDES**, for our Monday program - our Catechist Aides can be Middle School Age and older.

If interested, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 248-698-4388 or email Shannon Fresquez at [sfresquez@stpwl.org](mailto:sfresquez@stpwl.org).

Thank you for your consideration.

**Fall Adult Formation is Currently Registering!**

St. Patrick is thrilled to bring back our bible studies, in-person this Fall (although we still have a Zoom offering)! There is absolutely no experience required to participate in our Bible Studies, just a desire to learn more! Our Fall Adult Faith Formation program is taking shape, below are the current offerings (please note: we should be adding more studies in the near future):

**St. Patrick Bible Studies:*****The Bible Timeline - Couples Bible Study***

Starting September 22nd on Wednesday Evenings @ 6:30 pm

***Walking with Purpose, Women Study:******Grounded in Hope***

In-Person Starting on September 22, every other Wednesday @ 8:15 am

OR Via Zoom, starting September 29th @ 7pm (every other Wednesday)

More studies coming in the future!

**To sign up, please either:**

-Sign up online - visit [www.stpwl.org](http://www.stpwl.org) and click on Bible Study Registration

OR

-Contact the Religious Education Office at 248-698-4388

OR

-Email Lesa Pfeiffer at [readmin@stpwl.org](mailto:readmin@stpwl.org)

**St. Mary's Milford Bible Studies:**

Walking with Purpose Women Studies, beginning September 21st:

***Discovering Our Dignity***

Tuesdays @ 10am-12pm and

Thursdays 7-9pm

***Opening Your Heart***

Tuesdays 7-9pm

For Further information or to sign up please contact St. Mary's at 248-685-2702

**Holy Spirit Catholic Church Bible Studies:**

**Acts of the Apostles: Feasting on the Abundance of God's**

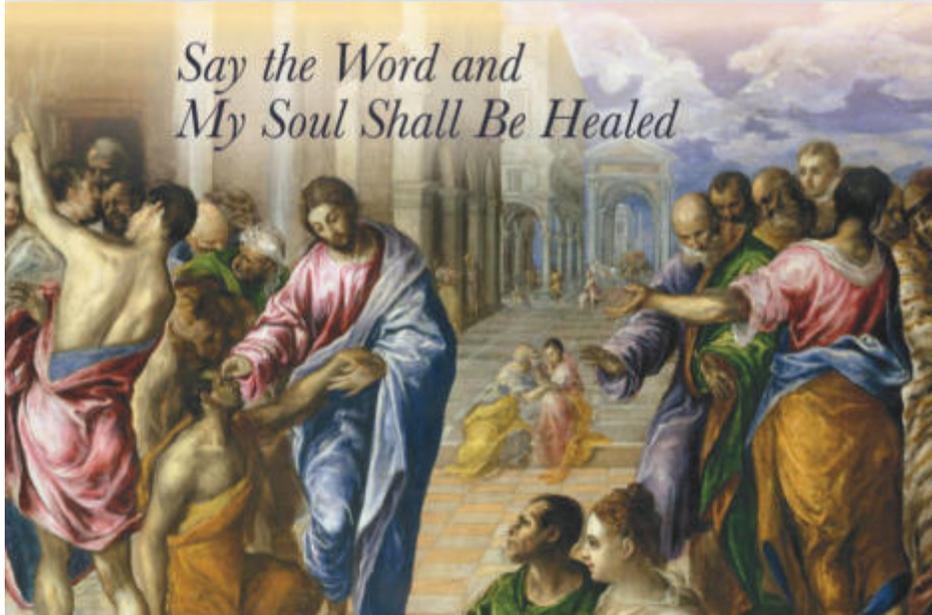
**Word** - Sessions offered Monday evenings 7-9 pm, Tuesdays at noon, or Wednesdays at 9:45 am, and begin the week of October 4th.

Student materials are \$10.00

In this six-session video Bible study we will journey through the book of Acts together. and you can register online, or by calling Jillian Peck 248-887-1634

# Catechetical Sunday

## Disciples of Jesus: Witnesses to the Gospel



This year, the Archdiocese of Detroit will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 19, 2021, with the theme “Disciples of Jesus: Witnesses to the Gospel.”

On this special day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to our parish community to pass on the Catholic Faith to our families. Today we celebrate our catechists’ response to the Lord’s invitation to develop their own relationship with Jesus. Catechists teach us to recognize Jesus’ voice and invitation in our own lives so that we will grow as His disciples and witness his love and mercy in our world.

We also celebrate our parents, grandparents, and guardians by recognizing their important role in teaching the faith. The parish community is encouraged to pray for all catechists who dedicate themselves to the mission of helping those

they teach to hear the voice of Jesus and to grow in relationship with Him. Thank you to all of our catechists for answering the call!



### Men’s Basketball is BACK!

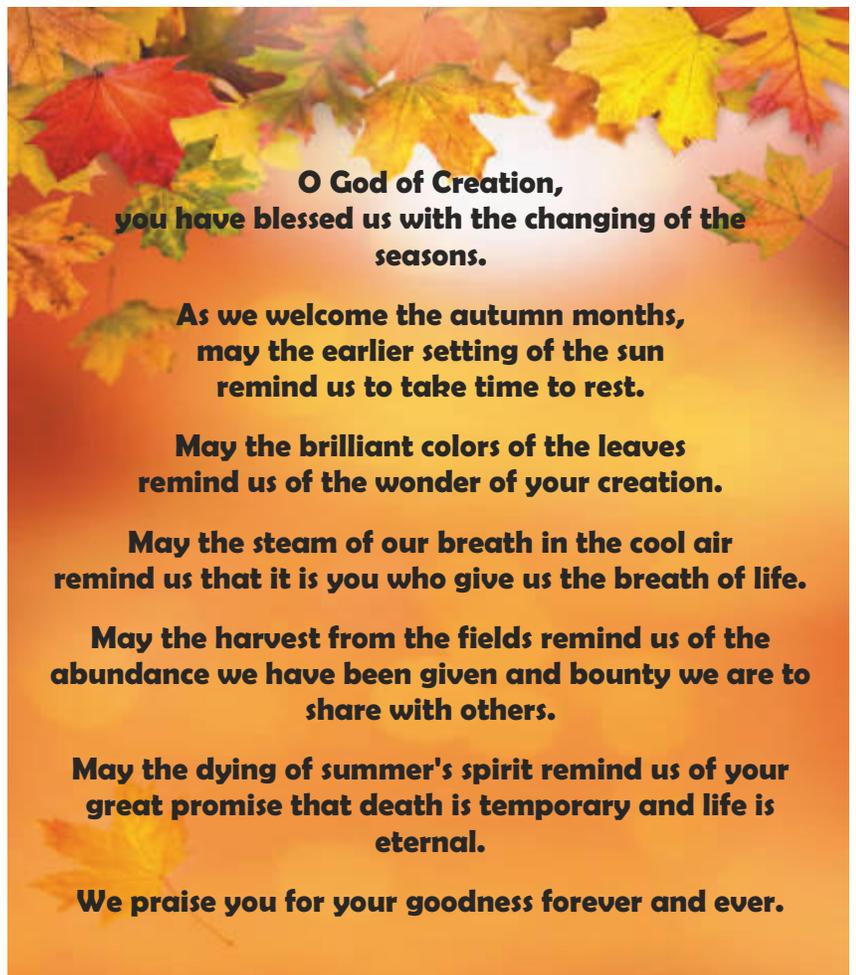
We are thrilled to announce the return of Men’s Basketball for St. Patrick Parishioners on Sunday nights.

Beginning this Sunday, September 19th from 6-8pm.

Please enter through the gym doors by the back parking lot. All participants are asked to complete the paperwork onsite prior to playing.

Questions? Contact Dan/Kelly McSweeney at [spaa@stpwl.org](mailto:spaa@stpwl.org).

Have Fun!



**O God of Creation,  
you have blessed us with the changing of the  
seasons.**

**As we welcome the autumn months,  
may the earlier setting of the sun  
remind us to take time to rest.**

**May the brilliant colors of the leaves  
remind us of the wonder of your creation.**

**May the steam of our breath in the cool air  
remind us that it is you who give us the breath of life.**

**May the harvest from the fields remind us of the  
abundance we have been given and bounty we are to  
share with others.**

**May the dying of summer’s spirit remind us of your  
great promise that death is temporary and life is  
eternal.**

**We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.**

**St Patrick Middle School Faith & Fun!**



**Table Leaders NEEDED!**

Looking for few more parents, older teens or adults willing to share their Monday evenings with our middle school youth. This is NOT a catechist role. We have leaders for the lessons—just need some additional supervision help!

We have a **Table Leader Meeting on Monday, September 20th at 7pm** in the Social Hall to help equip you for the task.

**Register ONLINE today to get in on all the fun this fall!** Full schedule is on the parish website: [St. Patrick Catholic Church](http://St.PatrickCatholicChurch.com) | [Genesis & Logos](http://Genesis&Logos.com) | [White Lake, MI \(stpwl.org\)](http://WhiteLakeMI.com)

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students travel through the Bible using "Encounter: Experiencing God in the Everyday."

The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students explore the ever-present God with "Chosen: This is our Catholic Faith."

For more information, contact the Faith Formation office: 248-698-4388 or [jcavanaugh@stpwl.org](mailto:jcavanaugh@stpwl.org)

**Attention families with Monday night conflicts...**

We will be offering an alternative option for a small group opportunity. This will allow your child to have a faith growing experience to keep them involved for Confirmation prep in the 9th grade. Please contact [jcavanaugh@stpwl.org](mailto:jcavanaugh@stpwl.org) to get more details.

This group's first session begins TODAY, Sunday, September 19th, with the 5pm Youth Mass followed by dinner and an intro to the Sunday evening sessions.



**Confirmation meets for Session #3  
September 26th 7:00 - 8:30pm**

Candidates, don't forget to bring your symbol of "MEEK"! Also, sponsors need to be chosen by now and invited to the Sponsor/Candidate session on Sunday, October 10th at 1:00pm in the Social Hall.

Please continue to pray for those preparing for sacraments this year.



**No Experience Required!**

It's that time of year again! We are looking for teens and adults to serve as Confirmation Facilitators. This is a great way for older teens to earn service hours needed for school while living out their own Confirmation responsibility. For more details contact Julie [jcavanaugh@stpwl.org](mailto:jcavanaugh@stpwl.org)

\*\* You do not need to have a student or sibling enrolled in the process to be an adult or teen facilitator. Parishioners eager to share the faith are always welcome! \*\*



**NEW THIS FALL!**

Youth/Family friendly Evening Mass on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Join us September 19, October 17 and November 21 at 5:00pm in the church for the weekend Sunday Mass at a "Teen-friendly" time.

Praise & worship music as well as a message for the Young and "Young at Heart."

**COME,  
ENCOUNTER  
CHRIST**  
FOR YOUTH  
& FAMILIES

An evening of prayer for your high school youth, middle school youth, and their families

- Praise & Worship Music
- Dynamic Preaching
- Confession & Adoration

**Date:** 10/24/21  
**Time:** 6:00- 8:00 PM  
**Location:** St. Patrick Parish  
9086 Hutchins Rd.  
White Lake, MI 48386

For more information:  
[youthministry@ead.org](mailto:youthministry@ead.org)

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

We are the host sight for this event. The evening is geared toward 8th through 12th grade students. **Adult volunteers will be needed to help welcome youth and their families from all over the Archdiocese.** Please plan to share some time this evening to help others encounter Christ like never before!

Contact [Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org](mailto:Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org) to volunteer and for more details as they become available.

**Works of Mercy Opportunities for Confirmation Candidates and anyone looking to “Unleash the Gospel” by being a Joyful Missionary Disciple!**

**Thursdays at 6pm– Board Games with the residents of Independence Village**

Looking for teens and their families who would like to play checkers, cards, and other games with the seniors. This is a “let us know week to week” opportunity and not a long term or weekly commitment. So if you have a free Thursday, let us know and we’ll give you the details! For more information... [jcavanaugh@stpwl.org](mailto:jcavanaugh@stpwl.org) or [kbrittingham@stpwl.org](mailto:kbrittingham@stpwl.org)



**Mercy in Action Day of Service, Saturday, October 16th 10:00am-3:00pm**

This is an Archdiocese-wide day of service. We will spend the day serving our elderly parishioners and their neighbors with fall yard clean-ups. Keep the morning or afternoon open to be Christ to others!

**Would you like an hour of yard clean-up?**



We are also looking for parishioners with leaf-filled yards so we can put our youth to work this day. Let us know if we can send a group to your home for an hour that day to do a little clean-up!

248-698-3100 ask for Julie



Teens...Stay spiritually fed by staying in touch using one of our Social Media Platforms!



Remind: Text "@sptee" to 81010



Instagram: @spteenswhitelake



Facebook: SpTeens White Lake



Twitter: spteenswhitelake



Snapchat: spatteens



**“Sock-tober”**

During the month of October, both our middle and high school students and their families will be participating in a sock donation service project. Anyone may donate new packaged socks. We will distribute them to the area homeless shelters and soup kitchens.



Thanks in advance for your help with this service project!

# CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Bonnie Degen

bdegen@stpwl.org 248-698-3100 x 215

## OPEN DOOR ANNUAL TEA AND LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER

Please join us on Monday, October 11 at the White Lake Oaks Golf Course. Doors open at 11:00 am to shop vendors and gift baskets. Raffle tickets will be also available. Luncheon with speaker from noon until 3:00 PM. \$45.00 Tickets are available by calling 248-360-4977, at the Open Door Resale Store and online at [WWW.OPENDOOROUTREACHECENTER.COM](http://WWW.OPENDOOROUTREACHECENTER.COM). Please join us for a fun and fabulous event.

## The Angel Haven Shoe Box Project

If you would like to participate in this great pre-Thanksgiving family project, here is what you can do. Get a shoe box - decide if you would like to create it for a child or adult. Please add warm hat and gloves or mittens, some warm clothing items, full size personal care items and a small toy or puzzle book or treats in the box. Wrap the outside of the box and the top separately with Christmas wrap – do not tie with ribbon, (this allows the delivery committee to adjust boxes so children in the same family receive equitable items).

Write on the box the size of clothing and the age that is appropriate for any toys inside and the gender of the person you created the box for. Labels for the boxes are available in Christian Service and tags to print will be available in future bulletins as well.

We have been sending hundreds of shoeboxes to Vansant, Virginia for many years to help some of the poorest families in Appalachia. We need your help to continue this amazing mission. Just think, if all you received for Christmas was the shoebox! The Appalachian people are so grateful for their shoebox gifts. Call Christian Service if you have any questions at 248-698-3103 ext. 215 or 216.

*Please deliver to Christian Service no later than November 15th.*

## Save a LIFE -AREA BLOOD DRIVES:

**Monday, Sept. 20th - American Legion Post 377,**  
7:30am—7:30pm 4819 Mary Sue Ave.  
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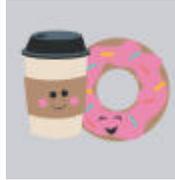


For your convenience, please consider making an appointment at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org),

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## Coffee and Donuts



Please join us for coffee and donuts in the social hall for fun and fellowship after 8 AM and 10 AM Masses this weekend. The proceeds are donated to local mission services in our area.



## St. Vincent de Paul

### You have helped the lame to walk!

We recently aided an individual who had a diagnosed case of severe left footdrop and left side weakness which left him totally dependent on a walker and leaving him in constant fear of falling. There is a therapeutic device with adaptive wire technology which senses when the patient's foot is on or off the ground and also adjusts to changes in his walking speed and various surfaces. It stimulates the appropriate nerves and muscles of the leg to override the misfiring electrical signals from the brain. Henry Ford therapy recommended this device for the individual to help him gain mobility. He can now walk with only a cane and has much more self-assurance and quality of life.

We quarterbacked the purchase of this device with generous help from fellow SVDP conferences. This was a new one for us, but indeed is a sign of the changing times. God bless you for helping us help those in need.

Submitted by,  
Dick Boehman,  
St Patrick Parish — St Vincent de Paul Society

**Please remember the poor boxes at the doors of the church. Requests for help are high in these uncertain times. Thank you so much for your generous and continued support!**

**VOLUNTEERS**  
NEEDED

We're in need of volunteers to return to Huron Valley Hospital to take patients the Holy Eucharist. The hospital does require the flu vaccine but not the Covid vaccine. You will not be asked to go into Covid rooms. If interested, please contact Kelly Brittingham in Christian Service for more information or questions. [kbrittingham@stpwl.org](mailto:kbrittingham@stpwl.org)

**Right to Life/ LIFESPAN**

We are in the middle of registration for LIFESPAN'S annual **Movement in Motion** bus trip to Washington DC for the annual March for Life. This year, we will have two "red eye" buses as well as our usual overnight stay at local churches. The trip is open to 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students, parents and chaperones. We will have one bus specifically for college students, young adults and up. Registration will close on October 1<sup>st</sup> so if you want to join us, call the LIFESPAN office, 246-816-1546 for information.

**Lakes Area Right to Life Family Fun, Entertainment and BBQ**

Please join us on Saturday, September 25, from noon until 4:00 PM at The Farm located at 2185 Hickory Ridge Road, Highland MI 48357. Tickets are available at [Eventbrite.com-search lakesarearighttolife.org](http://Eventbrite.com-search/lakesarearighttolife.org). \$20 per person, \$35 per couple, \$50 for a family of 4. Please bring your ticket for a special raffle. Bring your lawn chair!

**LIFE CHAIN**

Sunday, October 3, 2021- From 2:00 to 3:30pm. M-59 (Highland Rd.) at Elizabeth Lake Rd. (Kroger lot) Please see bulletin boards or call Christian Service for more information.

**Please Pray for the Sick**

- Ottie Kowalis
- Blanche Newton
- Michael Newton
- John Hanna
- Mary Ann Klakulak
- Butch Buechel
- Charles Brincat
- George Goeddeke
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- Ken Calcaterra
- Carl Schmitt
- Russ Kent
- Barbara Marcucci
- Roberta Holling
- Barbara Therrien
- Bill Reed
- Roy Davin
- Nathan Coleman
- Phil Hanson
- Linda Beaudoin
- Christine Rejniak
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- Jeff Emmer
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- Thomas Clark
- Joseph & Ruth Hauswirth
- Baby Alex Levine

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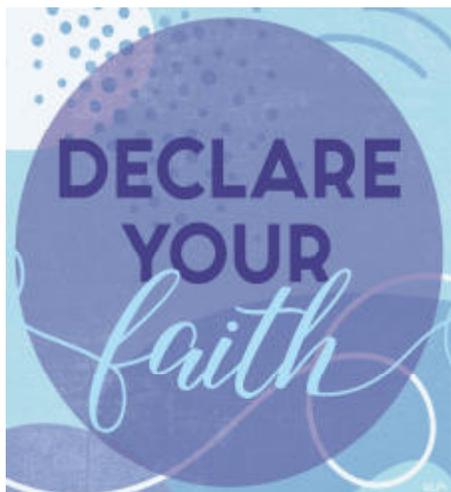
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 Sunday: 10:00am (Channel 22)  
 Sunday: 7:00pm (Channel 398)

(CTND is no longer telecasting the Masses)

Also available on St. Patrick home page for Virtual Masses at [stpwl.org](http://stpwl.org). Also available from the St. Patrick Parish Virtual Mass archives.

*(as of August 30, 2020)*



**Ohio & Indiana Historic Churches Pilgrimage**

On Thursday, October 7 to Friday, October 8, and to commemorate the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, you are welcome to join Prayer Pilgrimages as we are planning to visit the following churches with daily Holy Mass: Toledo's Our Lady Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, St. Joseph Church, & Historic St. Patrick Church. We then will proceed with an afternoon visit to Carey's Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation. We then will proceed to Indianapolis for our overnight stay and the following day, we plan to visit & tour their Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral, Holy Rosary Church, Sacred Heart Church, St. Mary's Church, & St. John the Evangelist Church with downtown free time. Scheduled deluxe motorcoach local pickups from Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish Center in Sterling Heights (7 AM departure, 9:30 PM return), Levagood Park in Dearborn (7 AM departure, 9:30 PM return), & St. Joseph Shrine in Detroit (9 PM departure, 9 PM return). Total cost per person, including Wyndham hotel lodging, is \$195 (single), \$155 (double), \$140 (triple), \$130 (quad). To reserve and/or more information: Michael Semaan at (248) 250-6005 or [www.prayerpilgrimages.com](http://www.prayerpilgrimages.com).

## Schedule for September 21 and September 25 & 26

DATE/TIME	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY
<b>Tuesday Sept. 21</b> Video Mass 11:00am Fr. Pat Brennan	Pat Mackowiak	Volunteers	Volunteers	<b>Video Volunteers</b> Camera: Janice Audio: Steve Haar Director: Teresa Producer: Steve Haar
<b>Saturday September 25</b> 5:00 pm Fr. Tom / Deacon Mike	Karen Schmitt	Volunteers	Robert Dedvukaj Emma Doyle Anna Doyle Makenna Kresbaugh	Volunteers
<b>Sunday September 26</b> 8:00 am Fr. Susai	Morey Yaklin	Volunteers	Sofia Ezmerlian John Fadool Sela Kubiak Zoey Toton	Volunteers
10:00 am Fr. Tom	John Fitzgerald	Volunteers	Amalie Christiansen Julia Christiansen Andrew Gourlay James Wigton	Volunteers
12:00 pm Fr. Susai / Deacon Ken	Tricia Fitzsimons	Volunteers	Michael Dabrowski Ashleigh Holubeck-Gotts Brady LeMarbe Olivia Ludwiczak	Volunteers

## Mass Intentions Scheduled for September 20 –September 26

Day/Date	Time	Intentions	By
Monday, Sept. 20	8:00 am	Ottie Kowalis on her 99th Birthday	Friends
Tuesday, Sept. 21	11:00am	Gerri Gordon—100th Birthday Remembrance Ann Owen Earl Richard Tracy - Birthday Remembrance	Family
Wednesday, Sept. 22	8:00am Communion Service	No Intentions	
Thursday, Sept. 23	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Friday, Sept. 24	8:00 am	Jill Skaife on her Birthday	Friends
Saturday, Sept. 25	5:00 pm	William & Anna Elbe - 71st Wedding Anniversary Vincent Romanski - 1st Anniversary of Death	Annamarie & Robert Russette Mark Malak
Sunday, Sept. 26	8:00 am	Mitchell Zombeck	Friend
	10:00 am	The Guckian Family	Family
	12:00 pm	Tom Zann Eleanor Limb - In Remembrance	Family Shirley O'Kelly and Maureen Underhill

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**  
**September 20—26**

**MONDAY, Sept. 20**

**Mass—8am**  
 5:45pm - Religious Ed Begins  
 7pm-Genesis/Logos Table Leader Mtg.

**TUESDAY, Sept. 21**

**Mass—11am**  
 7pm - Music Ministry Rehearsal

**WEDNESDAY, Sept. 22**

**Mass—8am**  
 8:15am - Women's Bible Study  
 3pm - Girl Scout Troop #76828  
 6:30pm - Couples Bible Study

**Thursday, Sept. 23**

**Mass - 8am**  
 7pm—Boy Scout Mtg./Hall  
 7pm—Venture Scouts Mtg.  
 7pm—Deacon Mike's Mtg.

**Friday, Sept. 24**

**School Mass—8:30am**

**Saturday, Sept. 25**

7am - SPAA Volleyball Games  
 Reconciliation—11am  
**Mass—5pm**

**Sunday, Sept. 26**

**Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm**  
 Coffee & Donuts follow 8am & 10am  
 Masses/Social Hall  
 11am - Adult RCIA  
 RCIA for Children  
 7pm - GPS Confirmation  
 8pm - Men's Basketball



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 Rev. Susaikannu Esack, S.A.C.  
 Deacon Michael Chesley,  
 Deacon Ken Bark

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**SERVICES**

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

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 Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 noon

**Weekday Mass Schedule**

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 Wednesday 8:00 a.m.  
 Thursday 8:00 a.m.  
 Friday 8:30 a.m.

**Rosary**

The Rosary is prayed after every weekday Mass.  
 Mother of Perpetual Help devotions are prayed after each Monday Mass.

**Holy Day Mass Schedule**

6:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

**Mass on a Civic Holiday - 9:00 a.m.**

**Parishioner Status** is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and giving of one's time, talent and treasure. It is important to be registered and active in your parish.

**Parish Registration**

Call Parish office for information.

**Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)**

Each Saturday at 11:00-11:30 a.m.

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Register with Worship Department

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance.

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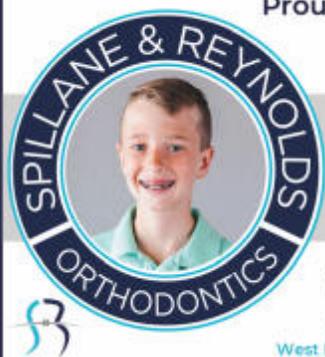
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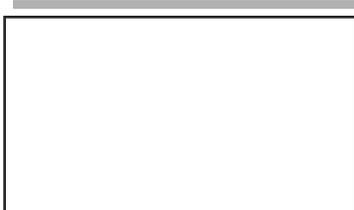
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