

Family of Parishes Serving the Northern Lapeer Catholic Community
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Mission Statement of SS. Peter & Paul, St. Mary 's Burnside, St. Patrick Chapel, Sacred Heart, Brown City

We, the Disciples of Christ, will faithfully radiate the love of Jesus that is in each of us and teach His "Good News" to all. We welcome everyone into His Home, the Roman Catholic Church, by living His gospel of love, hospitality, and service. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will joyfully and wholeheartedly minister to all that we meet along the way, as we journey to the Kingdom of God. *Adopted 2009.*

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

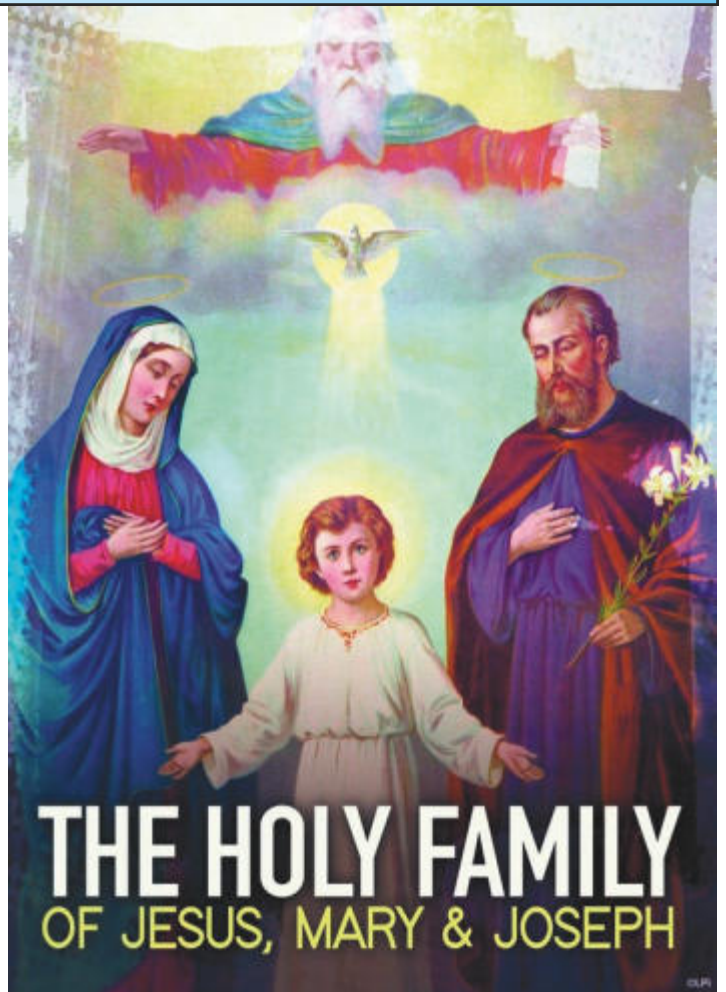
December 26, 2021

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.



Let us keep Fr. Muma in our prayers throughout the month on January as he travels to Cameroon visiting family and friends.

SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday by NOON.

Office Hours:

Mon. ~ Tues. ~Wed. ~ Thurs. 9:00am-4:00 pm

Office Closed 12:00 pm. to 1:00 pm. daily (for lunch)

WEDNESDAY EVENING HOURS (during Faith Formation Classes): 4:15-7:00pm

St. Mary's of Burnside

5622 Summers Road P.O. Box 268

North Branch, MI 48461

Worship Cathy Hampton..... 810-614-8323

Music Director Brandon Byrne.....810-338-4369*

Sacred Heart, Brown City

7090 Cade Road,

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Parish Office810-688-3797

Secretary.....Lisa Juip

Announcement deadline: Monday @11am

Email or call the cluster parish office.....810-688-3797

Fax.....810-346-3036

Music Director Dianne Knox.....810-627-8401

Mass Schedule

SS. Peter & Paul

Daily 8:30 am. Monday-Friday

Saturday 4:30 pm.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Holy Day 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation: North Branch Saturday - 3:30pm
or by appointment

St. Patrick's Chapel

NONE AT THIS TIME

Sacred Heart of Brown City

Sunday 8:30am

St. Mary's of Burnside

Sunday 9:30am

Ministry Phone Directory

Keenan Hall.....810-688-8343

Council President Kerry Seers989-761-7065

Music Director Christine Swoish.....810-247-3994

K of C—Adam Jacobson810-441-4926

Bereavement Ministry.....810-688-2476

Project Rachel.....888-722-4355

Domestic Violence.....800-799-7233

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Young Christian Ministry—

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Karmyn St. Andrew.....810-688-4912

Faith Formation— Family of Parishes

Dianne Knox.....810-627-8401



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The Rosary and the Divine

Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at

St. Patrick's at 3:00 pm on Friday's

*Except for 1st Friday Adoration



*Call Donna Sherman at

989-670-2644 to verify that there has not been a
cancellation due to weather.



**Spend some time with our Lord...
Every 1st Friday**

Adoration & Benediction

3-4 pm at

After the 8:30

St. Patrick's in Clifford

Mass at SS Peter & Paul



ATTENTION:

Due to the rising cost of votive
candles; the **suggested donation for
lighting a votive candle will be
\$3.00** beginning the first Sunday of
Advent, November 28, 2021.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 02, 2021– Epiphany Breakfast after 8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart (at hall) and after the 10:30 Mass at SSPP will be at Keenan Hall. Faith Formation *Class Skits will be held*. Free will donation appreciated.

Tuesday, January, 11, 2022-**CALENDAR DAY** meeting, 6:30 pm at Keenan Hall.

Saturday, January 22, 2022-Adoration at SSPP 3:00-4:00 pm

Sunday, January 23, 2022-R&R with Jesus returns. Fr. Steve Mateja will be homilist. Details to follow.



Military Honor Roll—Pray for those currently serving

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Dominic Mersino | Janelle Klimek | Julie Ruhlman |
| Andrew Smith | Orion Andrzejewski | Jeffrey Berlin |
| Joel Gyomory | Matt Van Cleve | Dalton Natke |
| Ryan Andrews | Jake Weingartz | Miranda Rogers |
| Alexander Repic | DJ Mitch | Ernest McNees, Jr. |
| David A. Sinka II | Jacob Kreiner | Eli Parsch |
| Daniel Johnston | Crystal Dhooghe | Troy Manthei |
| Benjamin Causey | Josh Pasek | Jeremy Kohler |
| Lucas Perry | Jay Caldwell | Remely Andrzejewski |



SS. Peter & Paul Gift Shop

We have wide variety of cards, crafts for kids, Christian symbol cookie cutters, Sacramental gifts, Rosaries, Bibles and more.

The 2022 St. Joseph Sunday Missals are in...get yours today!

If you are looking for a certain item, and we don't have it, we will make every effort to find it for you and place a special order.

The Gift Shop is located in SS. Peter & Paul's Gathering Space and is open after Masses on the weekends or call the cluster office to make arrangements during office hours.

*There are free cluster parish directories by the gift shop.

Church Gift Shop Workers:

Volunteers needed. Contact Regina Kreiner at 810-358-3646 if you would like to help out.



| Ministers' Schedule | Altar Servers | Eucharistic Ministers | Lectors | Sacristan | Ushers |
|--|--------------------------------|---|--|----------------------|--------|
| NEW YEARS EVE Fri. Dec. 31, 2021 SS Peter & Paul 4:30 pm ~~~~~ | None at this time | Tom Staroska | M. Huestis V. Meiberg | Tom Staroska | |
| NEW YEARS DAY Sat. January 01, 2022 ST. MARY'S 10:00 am | NO 4:30 pm VIGIL MASS TODAY | Volunteer | Volunteer | Volunteer | |
| Sun. January 02, 2022 St. Patrick's | NO MASS | NO MASS | NO MASS | NO MASS | |
| Sun. January 02, 2022 Sacred Heart 8:30am | None at this time | Charles Page Monica Bussone Thomas Geiger | Jesse Vanbuskirk Mike Juip or Steve Kohler | Ray Deshutter | |
| Sun. January 02, 2022 Mary's- 9:30am | None at this time | Margaret Almand Willie Ankley | Michelle Bader Larry Doherty | Renae Bader | |
| Sun. January 02, 2022 SSPP- 10:30am | None at this time | Robin Wilkins J. Pasternak | Tina Ide Nancy McDonald | Annette Armstrong | |


PRAYER REQUESTS

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|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Shelly Gill | Francis Andrzejewski | John Schumitsch |
| Robt. Hannick, Jr. | Stephen Nellenbach | Troy Rutkofske |
| Susie Martinez | John Rusztowicz Jr. | J.D. Shipman |
| Jim Essenmacher | Sharon Perry | Elizabeth Wymer |
| Cathy Kinch | Dianne McClelland | Ceci Church |
| Karen Brzezinski | Layla Chandler | Sarah Tanner |
| Aaron Am | Claire Aldred | Chris Schlaud |
| Tim Rawson | Blake Ellens | Louis Kelsey, Jr. |
| Joseph Muma | Joanne Palomino | Mike Denver |
| Paul Clemens | Darrell Daenzer | Dennis Phillips |
| Dennis Wnuk | Jim Vercammen | Wanda Siterlet |
| Frank Downey | Eleanore Kiesel | Norm Bringard |
| Lucy Johnson | James Guigar | Gordy Potter |
| Carrie Brzezinski | Steve Grabowski | Chris Kreiner |
| Madeleine Weber | Wanda Parker | Patricia Krepes |
| Jacob Shuselt | Randy Geisenhaver | Fr. Rich Trembl |
| Jack Lorming | Jeff Palmatier | Linda Lebioda |
| Mary Kohler | Ed Czelusniak | Scott Thibodeau |
| Ruth O'Malley | Jan Brunett | Carol Fantin |
| Gennice Gromada | Mitchell Ludwig | Mrs. Larry Gormley |
| Barbara Pincheck | Frank Andrzejewski | Joanne Wohlfel |
| Dana Primeauj | Steven Andrzejewski | Tia Stokes |
| Chris Howland | Arlene Emmie | Rhonda Hess |
| Diane Ruhlman | Mary Ann Hatch | Ron Caldwell |
| Delores Willard | Rocky Gardner | Diane Skwisk |
| Toby Willard | Darcy Szufnar | Marie Repic |
| June Ford | Gina Coullard | Keith Kohler |
| Sherry Chase | Taylor Coullard | Susan Edwards |
| Theresa Weingartz | Theresa Travinkar | Joanne Cetnar |
| Danielle Shiels | Julio Palomino | James Cetnar Sr. |
| Mildred Bailey | Steve Weingartz | Lexa Schocke |
| Kylie | Baby Haley | Brandon Pease |
| Lisa Verellen | Terry Hunicut & Family | Gerald Bader |
| Ann Kreiner | Rita Gonzales | Janice Walter |
| Ashley | Ron Cowan | Millie Sell |
| Jill Krych | Rob Marshall | Mary Hall |
| Joe Syler | Barbara LaMarra | Tom Rawson |
| Virginia Musiel | Tom Stacherski | Ruth Oxyer |
| For our Troops | Marlene Pawlaczyk | Don Ecker |
| Cindy Lewis | Janet Finkbeiner Fox | Sue Korte |
| Ruthie Powell | Jim & Rhonda Hess | Justin Martin |
| Pat Burgess | Randy Armstrong | Cassie Belanger |
| Ralph Deshetsy | Deanna | Deacon Pete's Mother Joan |
| Daniel Potter | Ken Strzelecki | Charlie Rice |
| | | Dorothy Rinke |
| | | Patricia Dallaire |

Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12


Saturday, December 25, 2021-Christmas Day

10:00 am @ SS. Peter & Paul (NO 4:30 pm Vigil Mass today)

✠Eric Soper by wife and family

Sunday, December 26, 2021

7:30am @ St. Patrick~ NO MASS

8:30am @ Sacred Heart

✠Lee Elston by Eric & Lorn Burns

✠Bob & Pat Linck by Mary & Dan Fairweather

✠Linda Ann Kromer by Anna Kromer

9:30am @ St. Mary's

✠Francis Nellenbach by Karen Ford

*For the Living & ✠ Deceased members of our Parish Family

10:30am @ SS. Peter & Paul

✠Mike Berlin by wife Linda & family

✠Julie Stacherski by husband Tom and family

Monday, December 27, 2021 NO MASS TODAY

8:30 am ✠

Tuesday, December 28, 2021 NO MASS TODAY

8:30 am ✠

Wednesday, December 29, 2021 NO MASS TODAY

8:30 am ✠

Thursday, December 30, 2021 NO MASS TODAY

8:30 ✠

Friday, December 31, 2021-New Years Eve

4:30pm SSPP ✠Bonnie Hunt by Stan and Linda Picarski

Saturday, January 01, 2022-New Years Day

10:00 am @ SS. Peter & Paul (NO 4:30 pm Vigil Mass today)

✠Bob Thibodeau by Dan and Brenda Coulter

Sunday, January 02, 2022

7:30am @ St. Patrick~ NO MASS

8:30am @ Sacred Heart

*For Ron Schmet II & Sherry Ren by Deiotte family

9:30am @ St. Mary's

✠Clare & Catherine Kreiner by their family

*For the Living & ✠ Deceased members of our Parish Family

10:30am @ SS. Peter & Paul

✠John Schulte by Stan & Linda Picarski

✠Ed Rogers by Bob & Sally Wolfe

✠Eugene Weingartz by wife Maureen



Our Return to God

SS. Peter & Paul

December 12, 2021.....\$4,424.00
 Number of envelopes.....81
 Average Contribution.....\$53.27
 Utilities.....\$40.00
 Christmas Flowers.....\$135.00
 Immaculate Conception.....\$384.00

St. Patrick Chapel

December 12, 2021.....\$175.00
 Number of envelopes.....4
 Average Contribution.....\$43.75
 Immaculate Conception.....\$125.00

Electronic Donations

SS. Peter & Paul & St. Patrick parishioners have the option to make their Sunday donation electronically. It is simple to do.

Please call the parish to sign up now.

St. Mary's

December 12, 2021\$ 1,310.00
 Number of envelopes.....37
 Average Contributions.....\$35.40
 Utilities.....\$10.00
 Masses.....\$20.00
 Flowers.....\$10.00
 Immaculate Conception.....\$325.00

Sacred Heart

December 12, 2021.....\$n/a
 Number of envelopes.....
 Average Contribution.....\$
 Fuel.....\$

KNIGHT'S KORNER.....

North Branch
 Knights of Columbus #9568 News

Check out our web site at
www.nbkofc.org



Officers Meeting 1st Tuesday
 Regular Meeting 3rd Tuesday
 7:00 pm in Keenan Hall



SAVE THE DATE
Calendar Day for
NLC-Family Of Parishes
 Tuesday, January 11, 2022
 6:30 pm at Keenan Hall

Any group/ministry who needs to schedule events on the Family of Parishes calendar needs to be present at this meeting. Please bring with you the list of dates needed to be reserved on the calendar. This is a VERY important meeting, please plan ahead...see you in the New Year!



Have You Lost A Loved One?

The Bereavement Ministry would like to help you at your time of loss. We often do not hear about a loss if your relative dies and they don't belong to our Family of Parishes. If you lose and immediate family member (spouse, child, parent, sibling) and could use our help, **please call the parish office at: 810-688-3797.**

We would like to reach out to you.
 Sincerely,
 The Bereavement Ministry



CSA 2021 Targets

SS PETER & PAUL \$33,244

Pledges/Gifts as of 12-13-2021

\$39,194.00

ST MARY'S \$8,972

Pledges/Gifts as of 12-13-2021

\$9,810.00

SACRED HEART \$7,775

Pledges/Gifts as of 12-13-2021

\$10,065.00

Congratulations! We Did It! We met our goals, now anything given to the CSA remains in our parishes entirely!

CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS-CSA

The 2021 target goals for each of our parishes have been reached! Congratulations and thank you for your continued support and generosity. Now everything given to the CSA remains in each parish entirely (100%). Christmas collections are very important to each of our parishes. *Therefore, if you would like to make a gift to your parish during Christmas, mark it as CSA and 100% of your donation will stay in your parish.*

May God's Blessings be upon you and your family and have a very Blessed Christmas Season. ~Fr. Rich

Why do we have Nativity scenes at Christmas?



Christmas celebrates the Incarnation—when God became one of us. This was a key part of the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi. So, in 1223, Francis wanted

people to celebrate, the Incarnation in a special way that would help people remember the Christ Child and His humble birth. Francis wanted people to see and experience how the Christ Child lay on the hay in a manger with an ox and an ass standing by.

On Christmas Eve that year, at the appointed time, Francis' brothers gathered at a hilltop cave in Greccio, the "new Bethlehem," along with men, women and children from the area, to reenact the first Christmas. The torches they carried lit up the night as they approached the manger. It was as if once again shepherds were walking in the night to come and adore Him. All were filled with joy over the mystery of the Incarnation and a tradition was begun that has inspired millions since then.

As you gaze on your Nativity set, may you remember and celebrate again God's love for all of creation. To show His abundant love, mercy, and forgiveness, Jesus became a person like us. This is what the Nativity scene invites us to ponder.



Prayer to St. Joseph for Priests

Blessed St. Joseph, shield those whom Jesus has honored with the authority and dignity of His Priesthood.

Intercede for their every need; sustain them in their fatigues and labors; console them in their pains; fortify them in their combats; and keep them holy. Obtain for them the humility of St. John the Baptist, the faith of St.

Peter, the zeal and charity of St. Paul, the purity of St. John, and the spirit of prayer and recollection of which you, dear Saint Joseph, are the model. So, having been faithful priests on earth, they may receive in Heaven the just rewards promised to Priests according to the Heart of God.

Amen

St. Joseph, pray for them.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for them.

St. Therese, Little Flower, pray for them.

Sacred Heart Christmas Flower Donations

*Ford & Hodgkinson Families by Marv & Pat Ford

*Deceased Member of Elston & Ford Families by Sacred Heart Brown City

*Henry & Rosella Ford by Paul & Charlotte Kalbfleisch

*Jane Kohler, Don & Rita Kreiner and George & Pat Hahnefeld by Glenn & Corrine Kreiner

*Mike & Anna Vinande by Ann Kromer

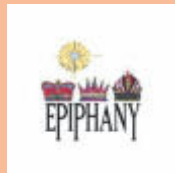
*Michael Vinande by Ann Kromer

*Linda Ann Kromer by Ann Kromer

*Raymond Larry Geiger by Geiger Family

*Helen VanBuskirk & Doug Kaufman by Jesse & Amber VanBuskirk

*Phyllis Juip & David Seidell by Juip family



Please Join Us for an Epiphany Breakfast on January 02, 2022

Faith Formation and the Knights of Columbus would like to invite all of our Parish families to come out and enjoy a

pancake breakfast in celebration of the Epiphany.

There will be two separate breakfasts to support our Faith Formations students:

Brown City, at the church hall following the 8:30 Mass at Sacred Heart

North Branch, at Keenan hall following the 10.30 Mass at SSPP.

Faith Formation students will be performing special skits for our enjoyment.



HOLY FAMILY



Cheer Warriors Needed

As Marie Repic continues her recovery from two broken hips and a stroke let us brighten her day by sending notes of good cheer. If you would like to send her a note or a holiday card, you may send it to:

Marie Repic
Stonegate Room 327
2525 Demille
Lapeer, MI 48446

or 2843 North Branch Rd.
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Please keep Marie and Andy Repic in your prayers

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Presents under the Christmas tree are nice, but they can't heal a hurting marriage. Retrouvaille is for couples with marriages that are struggling, not communicating well, or those considering separation or divorce. It is also for those who are already separated or divorced that want marriage help. Some couples attend during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Other couples are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend the program. Some couples have been married for many years, while others have been married only a short time and encountered trouble. *This is the BEST Christmas gift you could ever give yourself, your spouse, your children, your family and your friends!!*

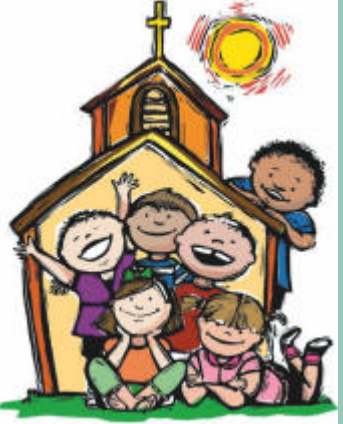
Marriage Saving Weekend
 Jan. 14-16, 2022
 Metro Detroit Area

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REMINDER...

The first Sunday of each month we will celebrate the children in our Family of Parishes. The children will be actively involved at the 8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart and at the 10:30 Mass at SS Peter & Paul. We ask that parish members donate Non-perishable food items for the local food pantry. *Please remember to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the local food pantry on Sunday, January 2, 2022.*



Holiday Schedule

Friday, December 31-New Year's Eve
 4:30pm SS Peter & Paul

Saturday, January 1-New Year's Day
 10:00am St. Mary's
 (NO 4:30pm Vigil Mass this day)

Sunday, January 2, 2022
 8:30am Sacred Heart 9:30am St. Mary's
 10:30am SS Peter & Paul



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Prayer Shawl/Blankets...

There are many shawls/blankets available for you to give to someone in need of prayers & comfort. The shawls are located in the white cabinet in the library at SS Peter & Paul. There is no cost.

Please record the name of the recipient in the burgundy book. This is a way to practice both the spiritual and corporal works.

Covid Protocols:

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages Mass-goers, regardless of vaccination status, to wear a mask *if you are able* and practice social distancing to reduce exposure to COVID-19. *Above all, respect individuals and their personal medical decisions by demonstrating kindness towards others at all times.*



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