

Jesus said to the crowd, "Gake care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Mass Times & Information

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:30pm
Sunday	8am 10am 12pm
Monday	8:30am
Tuesday	6:30pm
Wednesday	8:30am
Thursday	8:30am
Friday	8:30am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9am to 4pm closed 12-1pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday	9:15am
Saturday	3:30pm

BAPTISM

Parents must be registered for three months in the parish and complete two Baptism preparation sessions before they may celebrate Baptism.

MARRIAGE

Couple must meet with the pastor prior to choosing the date of their wedding and complete six months of preparation.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / HOMEBOUND

Call the parish office to arrange for anointing for someone who is seriously ill or preparing for surgery or if you would like Holy Communion brought to your home.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration forms are available in the parish office or you may register online at <u>iccatholic.org</u>.

PARISH DATABASE

Immaculate Conception invites you to create your own member account. You may contact the parish office with your e-mail address and we will send you a link to join our *Breeze* system where you may update your personal information. If you have recently moved, updated your phone number, email address or family members, please contact our parish office with any changes or use your own account to update.

ONLINE OR TEXT TO GIVE

For your convenience we offer Online Giving. You may contribute using a checking or savings account, credit, or debit card, and you may update or cancel at any time. You may make a one-time donation or set up a repeating schedule. We also offer Text-to-Give — just text your donation amount to **586-435-0011.** To give online just visit <u>iccatholic.org/egiving</u>, call the parish office, 586-725-3051, if you need help.

Weekly Schedule

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MON 8:30am.....Mass
7:00pm.....Rosary/Exercise
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Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Or 14:13-21



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8:00 & 9:15amRosary/Exercise 6:30pm......Mass 7:15-9:00pmEucharistic Adoration

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/(Dt 14:22-36

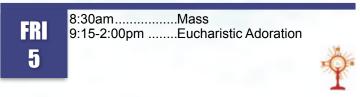
WED 8:30am.....Mass



Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/(Dt 15:21-28

THUR 4	8:30am 9:15am 6:30pm 6:30pm	Confessions Fr Joe's Adult Education
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Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/(Dr 16:13-23



Na 2:1, 3 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/(Dt 16:24-28

5A1 6	9:30am	Basketball Camp Confessions
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Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

SUN 8:00am.....Mass 10:00am....Mass 12:00pm....Mass



Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/ħeb 11:1-2, 8-19

Fr. Joe's Jottings

Next weekend a priest from the Diocese of Byumba in the African country of Rwanda will be speaking at all the Masses as part of the annual **Mission Appeal.** Each summer the Archdiocese of Detroit allows a representative from various dioceses, religious orders, or institutes to speak at our various parishes, sharing with us information about their ministries and experiences, and requesting our prayers and financial support. Please be attentive to our visitor next weekend, and consider responding to his appeal as your circumstances and means allow.

I recently read an interesting but upsetting book called *Ouija Board Nightmares*, authored several years ago by John Harker; it's a collection of true stories about persons who've subjected themselves to great spiritual danger by using what many people wrongly consider nothing more than an exotic and interesting board game.

A Ouija board (with the name coming from the French and German words for "yes") has the letters of the alphabet, numbers from 1-10, and the words "yes" and "no." The players place their fingertips on a small plastic marker, or planchette, with a hole on the top; after one of them asks a question aloud, the planchette moves through "psychic energy," with the hole lining up over a letter, number, or word—thus supposedly spelling out "from beyond" the answer to the question. It's possible one or more of the players is directing the planchette in a certain direction, but many times it seems to move of its own accord.

Most players suffer no ill effects from the "game"—but as the book demonstrates, many of them do. On numerous occasions the Ouija board is a portal or gateway to evil spirits—placing the participants in *great spiritual danger*. Many things have happened to naïve participants (often unsuspecting young people) that are not just creepy or frightening, but dangerous and terrifying—and *sometimes they persist even after the Ouija board has been discarded or destroyed*. Spirits contacted in this manner may claim to be deceased loved ones or other beneficent entities, but are in fact evil spirits or demons; they may pretend to be friendly at first, but they always have a sinister agenda.

Each year I offer a religion series in 7th grade on the dangers of Satanism, the occult, and certain forms of rock and heavy metal music—and in discussing the Ouija board I share several stories illustrating its danger. This book offers dozens more stories on how people have opened themselves up to serious (and sometimes prolonged) suffering and distress—whether of a spiritual, emotional or psychological nature. Moreover, many instances of demonic attacks or possession began in this manner.

A word to the wise: the Ouija board is not a safe, innocent, harmless game; if you have one in your home, I strongly urge you to destroy or discard it (ideally after blessing it with holy water). In addition to guarding against spiritual enemies, we also have to be wary of human evildoers who seek to harm us. In this particular instance I'm speaking about identity thieves.

A few weeks ago I received a call on my cell phone from someone claiming to be a fraud investigator, who informed me that my Amazon account had supposedly been hacked. He transferred me to his "supervisor," who texted me a photo of his authentic-looking I.D. badge from the Social Security Administration. After asking some questions about my savings and checking accounts, he stated that it was necessary to use my Social Security number to trap the thieves, and that I would be given a different SSN to use in the meantime. This claim, and the fact that these gentleman spoke with a foreign accent, made me suspicious, and I hung up. A quick check of my Amazon account showed no suspicious activity, and a visit to the credit union verified there were no attempts at unauthorized withdrawals (for I had been careful not to give the "investigators" any account numbers). As a precaution, I established a personal code word and number as a second form of identity verification.

There are many elaborate hoaxes and scams trying to deceive the unwary—including fraudulent phone calls seeking one's personal information, fake e-mails, false "warnings" from the IRS or police, requests for gift cards supposedly from me or someone else at the parish (which several parishioners have received), etc. Always be on guard; if something seems suspicious, it's probably illegit-imate. As Jesus states, we must be innocent as doves, but also *shrewd as serpents* (Mt. 10:16).

The Holy Father's prayer intention for August is "For small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities."

The great detective Sherlock Holmes was out camping in the English countryside with his faithful companion Dr. Watson while staking out a case. Awakening in the night, Holmes woke up his friend as well and asked, "Watson, what do you see?" "I see millions of stars in the Milky Way." "And what do you deduce from them?" Watson answered, "Well, based on the position of Orion, I know we're in the Northern Hemisphere in summer, and it's about 3 o'clock in the morning—and it feels like it will be a drizzly day. What do you see, Holmes?" In response, the legendary detective responded, "I see that someone has stolen our tent!"

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Thought for the Day:

(In a warning against Ouija board use:) The only one who can reveal hidden knowledge besides God is the devil. --Fr. James LeBar (priest exorcist)

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Faith Formation Live~Learn~Grow

Save the Date to... Walk Among the Saints! Weekend of September 17 & 18, 2022

Come and walk among our indoor display where you will find a variety of saints displayed ~ learn more about them and how the lives of various saints can be guides for us through our lives. Participants will be given a booklet to help guide them and will also offer them some questions to reflect on, including words from Pope Francis about the saints. The display will be in the parish hall. At the end of the walk, participants will be invited to pray with the saints.

Anyone interested in helping with this event is welcome! Please call the Faith Formation Office to make arrangements!

More information to follow in the upcoming weeks.

Summer Blessings, Tina Kovalcik, DRE/Pastoral Assoc.



Baptism Preparation – The Rite of Baptism

Our next Baptism preparation session, the Rite of Baptism, will be held on Thursday, August 4th.

We will begin by listening to God's Word and reflecting upon it. Then we will break open the symbols and rituals found in the Sacrament of Baptism, review the baptismal rite and answer your questions. Parents and godparents of those to be baptized in the near future are asked to attend. Please call the Faith Formation Office at 586-725-1762 to register for this session.



For those who have lost a loved one and are still grieving their loss. There will be a light breakfast, fellowship and support next **Saturday, August 6th** following the First Saturday 9am Mass. This group is scheduled to meet monthly through June 2023. You may come as often as you wish.

Please RSVP (text or call) by this Wednesday, August 3rd to Laura at 810-334-5101.

Confirmation Service Projects

Our confirmation candidates are experiencing what it's like to do community service. Each candidate is required to complete four service projects in each of the four categories of Word, Worship, Witness and Welcome. Projects need to be thought out, planned, executed, and evaluated. The basic outcome is, how did this project "change the world" or "change someone"? Mission work or charity work is what we are all called to do. The next time you see one of our 8th grade confirmation candidates, ask them about their completed service project/s and the results that they witnessed. How did they use the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to help them with the project/s?

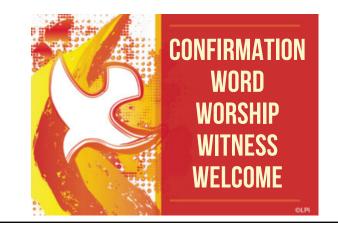
One of our candidates has chosen to write a bulletin article. Here she is sharing her story or testimony. This is something we all need to do! She is spreading God's message to others.

I Love My Faith

Hello, my name is Danielle Ogilvy, and I am in 8th grade at Algonac Jr/Sr High School, and I will be celebrating Confirmation in the spring of 2023.

I love being Catholic because I get to go to Church every Sunday. I enjoy that because I get to learn about everything Jesus did for us, how we can make Him proud, and how we can act like Him. Another reason I love being Catholic is because we get to receive Communion. I enjoy this because it is really Jesus' presence and every Sunday we have the chance to receive Him. I also enjoy being Catholic because we have the seven Sacraments. I love this because every time we receive a sacrament, we grow closer to God. For example, when we make First Reconciliation, we tell Jesus all of our sins and say we are sorry for them and that makes us clean and then we grow very close to God.

I am excited to make Confirmation because I get to grow closer to God and can learn more about how to live my faith.





The IC men's softball team won the championship in the Friday Men's Church Softball League by defeating the defending champion Fellowship Baptist Church 11-4 on July 22nd. This is the team's fifth championship in eight years since joining the league.

Thank you to all the wives, family members and friends who came to the games and cheered our team on to victory. A special thank you to the K of C Au Lac Council 10724 for sponsoring our team and providing the players and coaches with new uniform shirts. We look forward to defending our championship in 2023!

Members of the team were:

Mike Augustine Bob Brinker Michael Eldridge Cory Flasher Emet Flasher

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Our coaches were Norm Augustine and Joe McMillan.







Thursday, August 11th Regina Alumni vs Warren Fire Department 13900 Masonic Blvd, Warren 48088 Raffles Concessions Bounce Houses Dunk Tank www.reginahs.com/softballgame/ Proceeds to Warren Fire Dept Smoke Detector Project and Regina High School students

Basketball Camp

Saturday, August 6th 9:00 am – 12 Noon Immaculate Conception School Gym \$20 registration fee – pay at event Boys & girls grades 5 – 8



Camp Leader – Rachel Kehoe Professional basketball player – 6 years

Proceeds To Benefit IC School Athletic Program Sponsored by K of C Au Lac Council 10724







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August is dedic Immaculat			ugust 2022 lendar of Events		Immaculate Co	onception
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
"Jesus vs Satan in	St. Alphonsus Liguori 1	St. Eusebius of Vercelli 2	3	St. John Vianney 4	Dedication of the Bascilica of St. Mary Major 5	Transfiguration of our Lord 6
21st Century America" Fr. Joe Esper's Adult Education Class Thursdays Aug. 4, 11 6:30pm	9am Mass	8am and 9:15 am Rosary/Exercise 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Mass Adoration until 9pm Reposition	8:30am Mass	8:30am Mass 9:15am Confession 6:30pm Baptism Prep II 6:30pm Adult Education Series 7pm Knights of Columbus	8:30am First Friday Mass 9:15am Adoration until 2:30pm Benediction	9am First Saturday Mass 10am Grief Support 3:30pm Confessions 4pm Rosary 4:30pm Mass Confessions every Thursday at 9:15am
7	St. Dominic	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross 9	St. Lawrence	St. Clare	St. Jane Frances de Chantal 12	Saturday at 3:30pm
8am/10am/Noon Mass	8:30 am Mass 9:15am Loving Hands 3pm St. Vincent de Paul	8am and 9:15 am Rosary/Exercise 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Mass Adoration until 9pm Reposition	8:30am Mass	8:30am Mass 9:15am Confession 9:30am Book Discussion and Prayer Group 6:30pm Adult Education Series	8:30am Mass 9:15am Adoration & until Noon	3:30pm Confessions 4pm Rosary 4:30pm Mass Evangelization Table (FREE STUFF)
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Evangelization Table (after all Masses)	8:30 am Mass The Assumption Not a Holy Day of Obligation 7pm Mass of Reparation	8am and 9:15 am Rosary/Exercise 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Mass Adoration until 9pm Reposition	8:30am Mass	9:15am Confession 5pm Altar Servers' Pizza Dinner Altar Server	9:15am Adoration 2 until Noon	3:30pm Confessions 4pm Rosary 4:30pm Mass
21	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 22	St. Rose of Lima 23	St. Bartholomew Apostle 24	St. Louis	26	St. Monica
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28	Passion of St. John the Baptist 29		31	Sunday	Soffe	e & Donuts
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Rosary and Devotions following Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30am Masses. Rosary half hour prior to all weekend Masses. Rosary Monday through Friday 5:30pm in the Grotto, weather permitting. August-2022						

The Fool's Vanity: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Trust in God—as the Rock of our salvation, as the Lord who made us His chosen people, as our shepherd and guide. This should be the mark of our following of Jesus.

Like the Israelites we recall in this week's Psalm Response, we have made an exodus, passing through the waters of Baptism, freeing us from our bondage to sin. We too are on a pilgrimage to a promised homeland, the Lord in our midst, feeding us heavenly bread, giving us living waters to drink (see 1 Corinthians 10:1-4).

We must take care to guard against the folly that befell the Israelites, that led them to quarrel and test God's goodness at Meribah and Massah.

We can harden our hearts in ways more subtle but no less ruinous. We can put our trust in possessions, squabble over earthly inheritances, kid ourselves that what we have we deserve, store up treasures and think they'll afford us security and rest. All this is "vanity of vanities," a false and deadly way of living, as this week's First Reading tells us.

This is the greed that Jesus warns against in this week's Gospel. The rich man's anxiety and toil expose his lack of faith in God's care and provision. That's why Paul calls greed "idolatry" in the Epistle this week. Mistaking having for being, possession for existence, we forget that God is the giver of all that we have, we exalt the things we can make or buy over our Maker (see Romans 1:25).

Jesus calls the rich man a "fool"—a word used in the Old Testament for someone who rebels against God or has forgotten Him (see Psalm 14:1).

We should treasure most the new life we have been given in Christ and seek what is above, the promised inheritance of heaven. We have to see all things in the light of eternity, mindful that He who gives us the breath of life could at any moment—this night even—demand it back from us.

HOME ENTHRONEMENT TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



THROUGH THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

What is Home Enthronement to the Sacred Heart?

An Enthronement is a public recognition of Jesus as Lord and King of a home, business, or school.

Jesus, appeared to St. Margaret Mary between 1673-1675, and told her that He would bless each place where a picture of His Sacred Heart is exposed and honored. Jesus also made **12 promises** to those who would respond to the pleading of His Heart and make an effort to return His love.

Here are just a few of **the promises** Jesus makes to those who enthrone their home, business, or school:

- \clubsuit I (Jesus) will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
- ✤ I will establish peace in their homes.
- ✤ I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
- ✤ I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.
- I will bless every place in which an image of My Heart is exposed and honored.
- * I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
- $\boldsymbol{\diamond}$ Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart.

What can I expect?

You will be contacted by Laura, who will set up the date and time that works best for you. You will need to set up a place for the statue of our Lady of Fatima.

A team of two or three people will then come to pray with you, your family, or anyone you would like to have at the Enthronement.

They will bring the statue, that you keep with you for a week, to aid you in your daily prayer. Some have said they have experienced the presence of our Lady while the statue is in their home. The Enthronement takes about 1 hour.

At the end of the week, the team will return to close the Enthronement and pick up our Lady of Fatima. You will then receive a framed image of the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts.

Contact Laura for more information: 810.334.5101

Offered through the Men of the Sacred Heart



Heavenly Father, Lord of the Harvest, call forth vocations to the priesthood from our archdiocese and families. Jesus, Eternal High Priest, Give us men willing to sacrifice and serve. Make their hearts after Your own Sacred Heart. Holy Spirit, Everlasting Love between the Father and Son, strengthen, inspire, and set men on fire with divine charity. Grant them the courage to say yes to their vocation. Holy Mary, Mother of God, Mother of Priests, comfort and protect your sons as they discern their call. With Saint Joesph, may they know your love and companionship as they deepen their relationship with Jesus. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us. St. Anne, pray for us. St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests, pray for us.

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Remember in Your Prayers

Names of the sick will be published for <u>four</u> <u>weeks</u>. If you wish to place the name again, please contact the office.

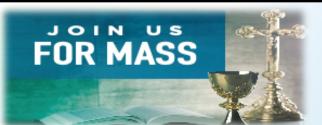
Joyce Beauvais Vivian & Margaret Belprez **Denise Brookins** Doug Cook Dennis Cyr **Michael Endres** Joe Finamore **Carole Gilmore** Kathy Kaufman Gleissner Mark Golden **Donald Keller** Katherine Kotlarsic Mary Kot Adam LaFrance Hudson Licari Michael McCormick Susan Neumann Tom Polak Ernie Sarver Vern Shepley Scott Simons Lucy Suchecki Aria Louise Swisher Elianna Grace Tomczak Nancy Trask Melissa Truman **Delphine Wegryn Ryan Wells**

Please Pray for our Military

SSGT Chad Bohr, US Air Force Sgt Jason Finamore US Army Sgt Drake Jacobsen, US Army Alex Kurple, US Navy Fr. Lt. Tomek Maka, US Navy Sgt Connor O'Gara, US Marines PFC Jack O'Gara, US Marines Sgt Mitchell Sikorski, USMC PS1, Felix Garcia, US Navy

Please send the name, branch of service and rank of any active Military to editor@iccatholic.org.

July 31, 2022



Monday, August 1 8:30am

Paul Gretkierwicz- by his Wife, Eileen

Tuesday, August 2 6:30pm

- * For the Ukrainian War Victims - by Tom Dunn * Rosemary Servick - by Randy & Pat Phelan

Wednesday, August 3 8:30am

₱ Oscar Stefani — by his Wife, Andrea

<u>Thursday, August 4</u> 8:30am

- Pauline Dean by her Family
- Living Bishops, Priests & Deacons of the Archdiocese of Detroit

Friday, August 5 8:30am

1 Irene Brown - by Lou & Carol Sacco

Saturday, August 6 9:00am

I John Patrick Templeton — by Deacon Ken & Gloria

4:30pm

- Michael Koehs 6th Heavenly Anniversary by Cheryl Koehs
- People of Immaculate Conception

Sunday, August 7

- 8:00am
- * Kathy DeBusschere By Jim & Rose Santer 10:00am
- Deceased Members of the Vandenboom Family by John & Marge 12:00pm
- Alvin Plotkowski by his Wife & Family



Genevieve Denis Beagle

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her. Today's Intentions Saturday 4:30pm * Christine M. Smith - For our Country Sunday 8:00am * John & Dianne Plegue 10:00am - People of IC 12:00pm * K of C #10724

August 6 & 7, 2022				
	Saturday 4:30pm	Sunday 8:00am	Sunday 10:00am	Sunday 12:00pm
ALTAR SERVERS	Garret Whitenight	Alexis Kiley	Aidan McDonald	Nikolai Zacharko (sub req.)
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GREETERS		Mary Jo Frank	Kim Gutenschwager Bryant Sebastian	
SACRISTAN	Tom Dunn	Ted Stawiasz	Janis Cornwell	Ed Gates
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Mon., Aug. 1st, St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church: He was born at Naples in 1696. Though renowned as a doctor of both Canon and Civil Law, he left the legal profession and entered the priesthood. He founded (1732) the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, C.S.S.R., also known as the Redemptorists, which today numbers some 5,000 members. To foster the Christian life, he applied himself to preaching among the people and writing books on moral theology, of which he was considered a master. He opposed Jansenism, stressing Christ's love and Mary's help. He is the patron of confessors and of moral theologians. He died in 1787.

Tues., Aug. 2nd, St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; and St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest: St. Eusebius was born at the beginning of the 4th century in Sardinia. He became a member of the Roman clergy and in 345 was elected bishop of Vercelli. He is considered the founder of the canons regular in the west. He defended St. Athanasius. With St. Hilary he was exiled to Palestine by Emperor Constantine. He was an opponent of Arianism.

Peter Julian Eymard, died on August 1, 1868, was born in 1811 at La Mure d'Isere, France. In 1856, he founded the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament [S.S.S.] which today numbers some 900 members. The Congregation is devoted to the worship and apostolate of the Eucharist as the center of the life of the Church and society. In 1858, he founded the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament, a contemplative women's community; influenced the founding of the Eucharistic Fraternity for the laity, the Association of Priests Advisers, and international Eucharistic congresses.

Thurs., Aug. 4th, St. John Vianney, Priest: Jean-Marie Vianney died in 1859. He is universally known as the "Cure of Ars". He was a compassionate spiritual counselor who spent no less than 11 hours every day in the confessional in winter, 16 hours in the summer. He is the patron of priests and the parish clergy.

Fri., Aug. 5th, The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major: Following the declaration of Mary as the "Theotokos", ("God Bearer"), by the Council of Ephesus in 431, Pope Sixtus II erected in Rome this oldest basilica in the West dedicated to the Mother of God.

Sat., Aug. 6th, The Transfiguration of the Lord:

Celebrated by 5th c. East Syrians, this feast was inserted into the general calendar in 1457 by Pope Callistus III to celebrate the defeat, announced in Rome on August 6, of the Turks at Belgrade. August 6 occurs 40 days before the Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross, September 14th.

From the Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist, 2022 Archdiocese of Detroit and the Six Diocese of MI.



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you indeed receive.

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Stewardship in Action - Collection Update July 11 - 17, 2022 2022 Catholic Services

Offertory Envelopes E-Giving Loose. TOTAL

\$7,937.00 \$3,043.16 <u>\$388.00</u> **\$11,368.16**



2022 Catholic Services Appeal				
Pledged Amount:	\$57,966.00			
Budgeted Goal:	<u>\$139,266.00</u>			
Amount to reach Goal	\$81,300.00			
Number Pledges Received	134			
Thank You !				

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Vincent dePaul

man who selfishly stored all his grain and goods only to

die and not enjoy his abundance anyway. What we strug-

gle all our lives to learn is that life does not consist of

possessions nor our perceived security, but of being pos-

St. Vincent de Paul you are realizing that in giving

our community that are in need and appreciate your generosity to the SVdP. Envelopes are available at the

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable about the rich

This week, as you give your gift to the Society of

There are many families, individuals and children of

Drivers Needed

Thank You !

You can make a difference in someone's life by providing rides to medical appointments, shopping and other essential errands. Use your own vehicle, in your spare time. You pick the days and hours that are convenient for you and the areas in which you are willing to travel.

There is no hands-on care required, just accompany someone to the store or to an appointment. This will enable many older, frail or disabled adults to get the medical attention, groceries and other support they need.

Have a Heart Be a Hero Volunteer MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Contact Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers for info; 586-757-5551 or <u>www.ivcinfo.org</u>.

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