ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 21, 2023

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Night Vigil	6:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
Saturday Vigil @ St. Mar	ry4:00 PM
Sunday @ St. Mary	7:30AM & 11AM

DAILY MASSES

Tues., Fri., Sat	8:30 AM
Wednesday Evening	6:30 PM
Weds., Thurs. @ St. Mary	8:30 AM
Tuesday Evening @ St. Mary	

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Wednesday	5:30-6:30 PM
Saturday	
Tuesday @ St. Mary	
Saturday @ St. Mary	

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least nine months in advance, and be a registered parishioner. Formation classes are required for the Sacrament of Marriage.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements must be made in advance. Parents/candidates must be registered, active members of the parish for at least three months. Baptism formation class is required for the Sacrament of Baptism.

SICK AND SHUT IN

Please contact the parish office if you, or a member in your family is ill— at home, or in the hospital, or if the Sacrament of the Sick is desired, as we may not be notified by the hospitals.

PARISH ADMINISTRATION STAFF

Fr. Roy Horning	Pastor
Mrs. Kim Edwards	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Kimberly Murawski	
Mrs. Karen West-Aiello	Principal
Mrs. Kimberly Kallas	School Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Peggy DePottey	Bookkeeper
Mr. Anthony Avery	Director of Music Ministry
Mr. Arnold Lake	Maintenance
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HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL

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Phone (810) 766-9778 Please use this number only in **emergencies**, if you need a priest after 4:00 PM weekdays, or on weekends when the parish office is closed.

HOLY ROSARY COUNCILS & COMMISSIONS

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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of May 21, 2023

Sunday:

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/ Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 (13)/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

Monday:

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/ Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday:

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday:

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday:

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday:

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/ Jn 21:15-19

Saturday:

Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday:

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/JI 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Traditionally, the four writers of the Gospels are symbolized by four creatures that make their way into Church art and architecture: Matthew, an angel; Mark, a lion; Luke, an ox; and John, an eagle. These images can be found in churches across the world, a nod to those who recorded the stories of Jesus for us, thousands of years ago.

Today's Gospel was written by John. There are a few reasons why John is symbolized by an eagle, but my favorite explanation is that his writings soar like an eagle into the sky with their beautiful, poetic language. The prayer we hear today is no different — Jesus invokes God in a long discourse that might seem mystifying at times, the same way that a poem can be perplexing to understand when we are unfamiliar with the pacing or format.

Consider holding onto the shortest sentence in this prayer: "I pray for them."

Jesus prays for us. For me. For you.

Let that sink deep into your being.

Jesus is on your side. He is aware of what you are holding at this moment. He is aware of your pain, your faith, your mission. And He's rooting for you. This prayer was recorded thousands of years ago, far before you were born. Since before you were born, you were held in prayer. With that certainty, we live.

- Father John Muir

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023 | 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Notes from the Pastor... Fr. Roy Horníng

The Province of Michigan, composed of the Archdiocese of Detroit and Dioceses of Lansing, Kalamazoo, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Gaylord and Marquette, celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord on Seventh Sunday of Easter. So, "Ascension Thursday" has been transferred to this Sunday. This Holy Day celebrates Jesus' Ascension to heaven on the 40th day after his Resurrection. *Magnificat Magazine* has a succinct and profound meditation on this mystery of our Catholic faith: "*The Ascension of Jesus into heaven,*" *Pope Francis said, "acquaints us with this deeply consoling reality on our journey: in Christ, true God and true man, our humanity was taken to God. Christ opened the path to us. If we entrust our life to him, if we let ourselves be guided by him, we are certain to be in safe hands, in the hands of our Savior.*" *This is why, as Pope Benedict XVI wrote, it would be a mistake to interpret the Ascension as "the temporary absence of Christ from the world." Rather, "we go to heaven to the extent that we go to Jesus Christ and enter into him." Heaven is a person: Jesus himself is what we call heaven.*"" Jesus is our salvation!

St. John tells us that Jesus promised to send us the Advocate, who would lead us to all truth. The Church has always taught that the Holy Spirit dwells in the Church, for the Spirit was poured out upon the apostles on Pentecost. The Holy Spirit guides us to all truth, especially in matters of faith and morals. Thus, when the Church teaches on faith and morals it is Christ himself who teaches us; for Jesus Christ is the head of the Body of Christ, the Church. We see this concretely in the lives of the saints. Enlightened by the Spirit they lived lives of virtue and holiness and is part of our spiritual tradition, and in reality, this is in part our spiritual inheritance. The Spirit's work is to draw us steadily deeper into a life-giving relationship with the Son and the Father. This is at the heart of St. Ignatius' Rules of Spiritual Discernment.

I want to share the application of these Rules of Discernment to the temptations we experience in our daily lives. It is important to emphasize that these are rules of "spiritual discernment." Ignatius noticed that there were different spirits that acted on his soul to move him towards God, as well as spirits that were actively trying to move his soul away from God. Enlightened by the Holy Spirit he noticed how he could discern which spirit he should acknowledge and respond to positively, and also those that were to be rejected and renounced. His starting point was first to be aware of movements within his soul: when he felt his soul being moved by conscious thoughts he would apply a simple rule of discernment. If the activity was moving him towards God he would acknowledge it, accept it, and act on it; for he discerned and reasoned that only the Holy Spirit would be the one drawing him towards God. If the thoughts would lead him to move away from God, then he would reject them and renounce them; as these were the temptations of the enemy. For St. Ignatius the "enemy" was the world, the flesh, and the devil. It did not concern him which one it was, if it was moving him away from the Lord it was to be rejected.

Temptation is the ordinary activity of the enemy that every disciple of Jesus experiences. However, a majority of believers in the Church have not been taught these simple rules, or worse do not believe that the enemy has the power to influence our behavior. The world has enormous influence on the way we see and understand reality. The worlds views and agendas are often readily accepted without proper discernment. Likewise, the flesh easily influences us, because original sin has wounded our intellect and seeks comfort and pleasure above most everything else. The devil desires only our destruction and spiritual death, so they tempt us to act in a manner that leads us away from communion with God. These principles are easy to grasp, but the problem lies in poor spiritual formation that has left us unarmed to deal with temptation. Modern psychology tells us that all human behavior can be explained by human psychology; it completely dismisses the enemies influence or activities to move us away from God. Its flaw is a result of an erroneous anthropology (the study of what it means to be human) that ignores the Christian truth that we are body and soul, or body and spirit. A materialist understanding of human nature has no room for spiritual truth. Thus, spiritual temptation is not addressed and leaves us unarmed for spiritual combat. (Continued on Page 5)

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, May 27th

LECTOR: Lisa Wheeler E.M.: Marian Rodriguez, Cathy Stacey, Charlene Trevorrow, Brad DePottey, Liza Wheeler, Bruce Sage, Jim Blaine ALTAR SERVERS: Joseph, Joshua & Isabella Bennett

<u>Sunday, May 28th</u> LECTOR: Mark Corcoran

E.M.: Mark Corcoran, Barb Boudreau, Sally Green, Dave & Kathy Dutton, David Fairman, Kathleen Binkley, **ALTAR SERVERS: Volunteers**



Please pray for the following people who are sick at home or in the hospital: Nancy Kreger-Aills, Katherine Arendt, Dave Atwell, Kim Barker, Jane Benson, Stephanie Bosley, Joe Boris ,Hannah Burner, Elizabeth Craig, Edith Crist, Delphon Davidson, Glenn Davidson, Joanne Depottey, Marjean Dolan, Lisa Edwards, Terry Edwards, June Fechik, Brian Fent, Gail Fielder, Ashley Flagg, Katherine Gibson, Rebecca Gillette, Don Gray, Mark Hagler, Joyce Hipkins, Brian Holyfield, Jim Hoover, Jaden Howard, Roger Howard, Denny Howell, Dolores & Wesley Hunt, Cindy Jackson, Bob Jackson, Mary Jankowski, Remington Johnson, Dean Jones, Nick Jones, Alan Karl, Amy Kelly, Beth King, Beverly King, Nancy Kroetsch, Tracy Kropp, Debra, Mike and Logan LeClaire, Judy Liddle, Gayle Marcum, Mindy Manzardo, Karen Michelson, Scott Penney, Rosemary Pieknik, Rachel Porritt Southerland, Joyce Powell, Roger Savage, Laura & Dan Schlund, Claire Sheets, David Slough, Mary Sobey, Theresa Valley, John Varner, Mary Ward, Judith Ware, Sarah Webb, Craig Zafiroff & Jerrod Zuwala. If you, or someone you know, is ill or in the hospital, or are homebound, and would like to be on the prayer list, please call the office. The requests must come from the individual or an immediate family member. Please call the parish office at 736-4040, as due to the privacy act, we may not be notified.

An Offering to God

May 13th & 14th

Weekly Sacrificial Budget Weekly Collection Received

\$6,000.00 \$5,043.00

Fiscal Year Total

During April, 225 of our 504 registered families		
OVER Budget	\$20, 809.39	
Received	\$362,069.39	
Budgeted	\$341,260.00	

contributed to our offertory collections.

The above figures are for Sunday Contributions only and do not reflect total Parish/School Budget. Thank you to all who are contributing to Holy Rosary Parish.



MONDAY, May 22nd

St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

TUESDAY, May 23rd

8:30 a.m. Mass: Margaret Howard by Bruce & Judy Sage and Vivki Gever by Bill & Pat Estelle

WEDNESDAY, May 24th

5:30 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. Mass: Joseph Strzynski by Bev, Peggy, Kim & Cathy

<u>THURSDAY, May 25th</u>

St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church St. Gregory VII, Pope, St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, Virgin

FRIDAY, May 26th

St. Philip Neri, Priest 8:30 a.m. Mass: Conversion of Souls and Margaret Howard by Harry & Marsha Neminski

SATURDAY, May 27th

St. Bernadine of Siena, Priest 8:30 a.m. Mass: Deacon Ted Heutsche 6:00 p.m. Mass: Robert Ludorf by the Strzynski Families and Arlene Dubie by Paula Buick

SUNDAY, May 28th

Pentecost Sunday 8:30 a.m. Rosary 9:00 a.m. Mass: Holy Rosary Parish and Arthur Mahon by Rick & Noreen Mahon

WELCOME

If you would like to join Holy Rosary Parish, have a change in address and/or telephone number, or would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

Name

Address City/Zip:

Telephone:

I would like to become a registered, active parishioner Please change my address and/or telephone number as shown above

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Please add to the Prayer List

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A simple rule is to become aware of what is attempting to move our soul. Once we have awareness that something is trying to move or influence our soul we must be discerning. Examining this spiritual activity, we need to discern whether an action based on this movement in our soul will lead us towards God or away from him. Example: "I feel a desire to pray." Prayer is a spiritual conversation with God, which should be recognized as a movement towards God and ought to be accepted and acted upon. However, sexual thoughts or strong desires for comfort and consolation of the flesh need to be discerned too. If I act on these thoughts or desires am I living in accord with God's commandments, my vocation, and ultimately my goal of getting to heaven? If the answer is "no" then I must reject them, renounce them, and repent of them. These are the three R's. If they are of the enemy (the world, the flesh, and the devil): I reject these temptations or thoughts, then renounce them, and finally I repent of them. I add the repentance as they might have arisen from my fleshly earthly desires. This covers all the bases and puts my soul in a direction oriented towards God, the ultimate Good. This takes practice, but I assure you if we practice this for two weeks you and I will quickly discover that what we thought were simply our thoughts, were in fact temptations from the enemy. That voice in our heads that we always thought was our own, was in fact not us but the enemy of our souls. Over time our growing awareness will reap positive dividends in the spiritual life. We will grow in holiness and become true friends of Jesus.

Be sure to check Fr. Roy's Tidbits for Great Audio Recordings of our Faith! Go to the Holy Rosary website, which is: holyrosaryflint.com On the home page you will see Fr. Roy's Tidbits. Just click on the link and you

will be connected.

thank you

The St. Patrick's Guild wish to thank everyone who donated to the Flint Area Right to Life Lollipop Fund-Raiser.

Your donation will help them be a voice for the unborn, elderly and disable.

Through your generosity we were able to give the Flint Area Right to Life \$742.31.

May God Bless All of YOU!

Knights of Columbus Assembly 0523 Flag Disposal Ceremony June 15th 6PM Hosted by the K of C Holy Rosary Council #11532 Pot luck to follow. You may bring in flags and give them to Grand Knight, Tony Avery prior to June 15th.

Knights of Columbus Comedy Show and Dinner This Sunday, May 21st Dinner at 2PM

\$20 per person/\$30 per CoupleFor tickets or more information:(810) 736-4040 ask for TonyPrizes, 50/50 Raffle and Fun!

Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities celebrated by Bishop Earl Boyea Sunday, June 4th 11AM There will be ASL interpreting for those that are Deaf/Hard of Hearing and Mass Propers will be available for those attending that are Blind/Low Vision. A catered lunch in St. Mary's Cathedral Hall, following the Mass. Please RSVP to blatsie63@yahoo.com or at 517-381-1410 by May 24th if you wish to attend the catered lunch.

No RSVP necessary to attend the Mass.

Memorial Day Mass-St. Mary, Mt. Morris

There will be a Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 29th beginning at 9AM at St. Mary's Church, Mt. Morris, <u>in Calvary Cemetery.</u> Please bring lawn chairs.

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FLINT, MICHIGAN



May 22nd Toby Hall, Mallori Faris

<u>May 23rd</u> Max Charron, Julie Robbins, Erica Grappin

May 24th Joseph Gillette, Megan Cooper

<u>May 25th</u> Atsuko Murphy, Jane Benson, James Desrochers, Terry Edwards

May 26th George English

May 27th

May 28th Holly Lien, Mercedes Avery –Cortez

Healing and Prayer Service Thursday, May 25th 6PM St. Mary Church, 2500 N. Franklin, Flint

5:30PM Doors Open 6PM Welcome/Introduction 6:30PM Gospel Teaching healing 7PM Corporate Prayer for Healing with Eucharistic Procession 8PM Individual Prayer Ministry

Worship Leader & Presenters: John Mira, Father Adam Maher, and Patrick Brennan

Hosted by: Sister Rachel, Sister Christina and Deacon Mike

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Holy Rosary Parísh 2023 <u>Fírst Fríday Memoríals & Special Intentions</u> <u>for Líving & Deceased Famíly Members</u>

Bob and Bobby Gibson Martínbíanco & Newland Famílies Nemínskí and Grantner Famílies Stewart Pincumbe Families Burnett, Clapper & Palacios Families Ronald Isaacson Farís & Meredith Famílies John & Ellen Michalik Families Ronald Isaacson Vaughn Owens & Marzonie Families Gary Clase, Clase and Gadany Famílies Buíck, Jedlowskí & Korcyíak Famílies Frank & Maureen Smejkal **Robert & Colleen Kanous** Margaret, Stephen, & Hyon Howard Famílies Claude Green Famílies Bishoff and Dowdall Families Krebsbach Famílíes Arendt & Podulka Famílies Coulter & Christian Families LaGraff, Gray & Showalter Famílies Kozlowskí, Musíalowskí, Reska & Hadden Famílíes Martel Famílies Jeanníne Kelly & Theresa Boucha Turchí & DeVíto Famílies

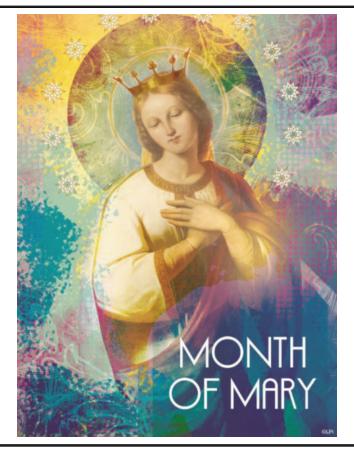
Spec. Intention of Claude Green Families Leona & Michael Kelley Mr. & Mrs. Míchael L. Kelley Russell & Julía Whítmeyer Desrocher & Schwind Families Dysarz, Lambertz & Winkler Families Trundle & Hazard Famílies Aube & Woloszyk Famílies Clare & Geraldine Karl Families Holy Souls in Purgatory Frank & Maureen Smejkal Rodríquez & Mucha Famílies Daniels, Coulter & Kuczera Famílies Galvas & Flood Famílies Kononchuk, Gauthier & Chazick Families Stephen & Hyon Howard Famílies Alan Uren Osborne, Hipkins, & Plante Famílies Lawrence I. Víznau. Jr. Mass is prayed for the intentions of the First Friday Memorials & Special Intentions. Each month you are able to have a Mass prayed for your loved ones, living or deceased, or for anyone who has a special intention. The cost is \$75 for the year. Call the office at (810) 736-4040.

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Save the Date!

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May 21st-Comedy Show 2PM May 30-31-Wojo 10% rebate back to HR School June 4th-High School Senior Mass June 11th-Marriage Mass– Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries which end in 0 or 5, or 50+ years! June 26-28th-Vacation Bible School-12-3PM for K-8th Grade



Wojo's Greenhouse On Tuesday and Wednesday, May 30th and 31st, mention "Holy Rosary" or show a flyer and Holy Rosary School will receive 10% of your total purchase back as a rebate.

Marriage Mass Sunday, June 11th 9AM

With Congratulations we will honor all couples who have been married 50+ years and those whose number of years married ends in a 5 or 0. Greg and Yvonne Ellsworth will be on hand taking pictures and Cake and Punch will be served after Mass. Please call the office to RSVP at (810) 736-4040.

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you." - Jn 17:1

Graduation Mass Sunday, June 4th

We will celebrate our High School and College Graduates at the 9AM Mass. This Annual Baccalaureate Mass recognizes the milestones that high school and college graduates have achieved..

Please make sure to RSVP to the parish office if you will be attending, (810) 736-4040.

Red Geraniums Needed We are asking parishioners again this year to donate potted RED Geraniums for use in the church on Pentecost Sunday, May 27th & 28th. The geraniums will then be planted to beautify the grounds. We will have a table in the church from May 20th on for the plants. Thank you for your generosity!

