THE LAPEER CATHOLIC IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/ 6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 17, 2022



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OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8AM,10AM and 12PM (Traditional Latin Mass) Daily Mass: Mon, Tues, Thurs 9AM First Friday and First Saturday of the Month: 9AM (Tues & Thurs– Traditional Latin Mass) Saturday Vigil: 4:30PM Holy Days: Please check the bulletin or the parish website.

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday: following 9AM. Mass Saturdays: 3-3:45PM . 1st Wednesday of the month: 8:15PM For private appointment call the rectory.

BLESSING OF OBJECTS

1st Wednesday of the month at 7:30PM in the church.

EXPOSITION

Thursday Mornings after 10AM Mass until Benediction at 7PM.

OUR SACRAMENTAL POLICY

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Brian Hurley

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

7/10/2022	
Total	\$12,741.15
Collection	\$8,766.50
Direct Deposit	\$1,803.00
WeShare	\$2,171.65

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Six month Parish registration and participation are required for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage. Baptism: Arrangements must be made in advance and parents must attend a baptism class. The Church requests that at least one of the parents be a practicing Catholic, and the Godparents must be practicing, fully initiated Catholics at least 16 years of age. If there are two godparents, one

must be male, one must be female. If there is one godparent, they may be male or female.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least nine months in advance. Call the Rectory office. Officiate at the ceremony must be the Parish Pastor, Deacon, or a family member.

Funerals: Officiate must be the Parish Pastor of Immaculate Conception, or a family member

Please note: the services of the Parish Organists are used for all Weddings and Funerals.

For more details regarding our sacramental policies and procedures, please refer to the "Sacraments" tab on our parish website.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 17 4:30PM (Vigil) OF-MC Ron Shaffer+ 8:00AM OF-MC Jim Steffler+ 10:00AM OF-MC Alice Mullally 12:00 PM UA-MC People of the Parish 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (EF) 5th Sunday after Pentecost (UA)

Monday, July 18 9:00AM OF-LM Leona Gormley + St. Camillus de Lellis (OF & UA)

Tuesday, July 19 9:00AM UA-MC Nancy Heilig+ St. Vincent de Paul (UA)

Wednesday, July 20 No Masses Scheduled St. Apollinarus (OF) St. Jerome Emilliani (UA)

Thursday, July 21 9:00AM UA-MC William Hurley+ St. Lawrence of Brindisi (OF & UA)

Friday, July 22 No masses scheduled St. Mary Magdalene (OF & UA)

Saturday, July 23 St, Bridget (OF) St. Apollinaris (UA)

Sunday, July 24 4:30PM(Vigil) OF-MC People of the Parish 8:00AM OF-MC Theresa Mozader+ 10:00AM OF-MC Alejandro Lopez+ 12:00 PM UA-MC Mary Tersigni+ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (OF) 7th Sunday after Pentecost (UA)

> OF - Ordinary Form (New Rite/Novus Ordo/English) UA - Usus Antiquior (Traditional Latin Mass) MC - Missa Cantata (Sung) LM - Low Mass

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42 Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8//Mt 12:46-50 Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-9 Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17 Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:24-30 Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

PARISH APOSTOLATES

Angels of Mercy For elderly and homebound of the parish. Bea Castenada	(810)813-4069
Food Pantry Dawn Peskey	(586)924-1873
Homeschoolers Co-op on Tuesdays through the school year. Mee and activities as well.	
Ashley Gill	(248)918-7008
Hospital, Homebound, and Nursing Home Extraordinary	
Ministers of Holy Communion Joe Hojna	(810)969-4082
Knights of Columbus Meets first Tuesday of the month in the BKCS Community Room.	
Phil Francis	(810)728-2295
Ladies League Meets at 6PM on the last Tuesday of the month. of the parish are welcome. No meeting in Dec. Sandra Babicki	All adult ladies (810)660-7076
Mother of Perpetual Help Rosaries Meets first Wednesday of the month Jenni Hulway	(586)453-4580
Purgatorial Society Increasing devotion and charity to the Holy Sou Meets 1st Tuesday of the Month at 10AM in the c Andrew Sprankle	
St. Vincent de Paul Meets once a month in the rectory.	(810)664-8594

Youth Group Lillian Peddemors

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING

Gn 18:1-10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing nearby.

When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." The men replied, "Very well, do as you have said." Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, "Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls."

He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice steer, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then Abraham got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before the three men; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate.

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent."

One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."



One who walks blamelessly and does justice; who thinks the truth in his heart and slanders not with his tongue.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who harms not his fellow man,

nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor; by whom the reprobate is despised,

while he honors those who fear the LORD.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who lends not his money at usury and accepts no bribe against the innocent. One who does these things

shall never be disturbed.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Col 1:24-28

Brothers and sisters:

Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church,

of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past.

But now it has been manifested to his holy ones, to whom God chose to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory. It is he whom we proclaim,

admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.



GOSPEL

Lk 10:38-42

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary

who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said,

"Lord, do you not care

that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me."

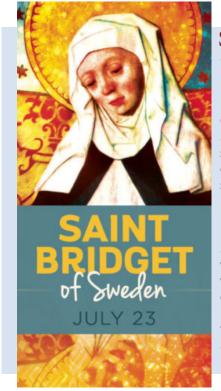
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ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN - JULY 23

Saint Bridget or Birgitta was born in 1303, the daughter of Birger Petersson, governor of Uppland and his wife Ingeborg Bengtsdotter. She was married to Ulf Gudmarsson, who became governor of the province of Nericia. They had eight children, all of whom survived past infancy which was rare for the 12th century. One of their daughters would become St. Catherine of Sweden.

Saint Bridget was hailed as a mystic and her visions, which began in her early childhood when she had visions of Christ Crucified, made her somewhat of a Middle Ages celebrity. Her vision of the Nativity of Jesus even influenced the art of the Nativity through the Baroque era! She is said to have predicted the Vatican State. Saint Bridget's Revelations, which she dictated to Peter Olafsson, the prior at the Cistercian monastery of Alvastra near which she retired after her husband's death in 1344, were published in 1492. They have since been published in many languages and can still be purchased today.

Some of her most profound visions regarded the founding of a new religious order which would be primarily for women, ruled by an abbess, but with a separate house for monks who would serve as order chaplains. Her visions detailed everything from the abbey church to the clothing that would be adopted as the nun's habit, and how the order would be ruled. King Magnus II of Sweden granted Bridget land and buildings. The order, called the Bridgettines or the Order of the Most Holy Savior was approved by Pope Urban V in 1370.

Saint Bridget was canonized in 1391 by Pope Boniface IX and in 1999 Pope John Paul II named her one of the Patron Saints of Europe.

KICKIN' BACK CONCERT

Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 27 at 6PM. The band "Kickin' Back" is playing a concert in the BK Community Room. Bring a dish to pass, and there will be games for the kids to enjoy!

ALTAR BOY BOOT CAMP

Altar boy training for the English Novus Ordo Mass is July 25, 26, and 28 from 10AM-3PM. Altar boy training for the Latin Usus Antiquior Mass is August 1, 2, and 4 from 10AM-3PM. Call the parish office for more information.

FAMILY OF PARISHES MEETING

There will be a second family gathering this <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>July</u> <u>19 at 7PM</u> here at Immaculate Conception. For more information on what this means for our parish, visit familiesofparishes.org.

ANGELS OF MERCY

Our Group, has been in existence since 2017. Now that the pandemic is receding we wish to provide services to our parishioners. We are still in need of volunteers. We provide many services to the homebound members of our parish. We transport to church, doctor appointments, prescription pick up, grocery shopping or pick up, visits to Assisted Living facilities, Nursing homes, and private homes for prayer and support, if these services can be done safely. If you are aware of any parishioner that could benefit from our services pick up a pamphlet in the back of the church and call the number listed God Bless!

CURRICULUM SALE AND SWAP

The Homeschoolers are having their fourth annual curriculum sale and item swap on August 12. Bring any gently-used clothing items, housewares, books, games, toys, etc. that you no longer need to the General Squire Park pavilion in Dryden at 1PM. No money is exchanged for the swap, take what you like and leftovers will be taken to a local donation center.

We will have a separate area for the curriculum sale so that people can buy/sell curriculum. You will need to man your own table if you plan to sell curriculum and arrive at 10:30AM, but we will set up an area for that and make sure the sale is clearly marked as not part of the free Swap. Email Jenny Porter with any questions (porterfamily810@yahoo.com)

VOUNG ADULT SINGLES EVENT Join us and other Catholic Young Adult Singles on July 20 from

Join us and other Catholic Young Adult Singles on July 20 from 6-9PM for a summer social & bonfire at St. Paul's Albanian Church in Rochester Hills. \$5 cover, Apps & Drinks provided. Any questions or to RSVP, contact us at hhcyagroup@gmail.com

PRAYER LIST

Duane	
Andy	
John	
Kelly	
Francis	
Mary Pfeifer	
Martin Rice	
Janet Wood	

Michael Arnett Bonnie Mary Gillett Dwayne Ryan Connie Suzette Loewer Edward Sefcovic

If yto have your loved one put on the prayer list, please call the rectory. The names will remain on the list for four weeks, or you can call the rectory to have their name relisted

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Catechists sought for 2022-2023 School Year

"Then since the gifts that we have differ according to the grace that was given to each of us: if it is a gift of prophecy, we should prophesy as much as our faith tells us. If it is a gift of practical service, let us devote ourselves to serving; if it is teaching, to teaching."

-- Romans 12: 6-7

Even though we've just celebrated Independence Day, it is time to begin preparing for the 2022-2023 Religious Education Program. Won't you please consider helping our children grow in the knowledge of God and His one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church? We need teachers and classroom aides to lead Grades Pre-K through 8. We will give you all the materials and the help you need. Our classes begin Wednesday, September 4, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

As with any volunteers, all catechists and classroom aides must undergo a criminal background check and complete the Archdiocesan "Protecting God's Children" training (or arrange to complete it as soon as possible).

Whether you are a returning catechist or new to our program, we appreciate all the help you can provide. For more information or to sign up, please contact Laura Brestovansky at

lbrestovansky@lapeercatholic.org or call 810-664-0808 M-F from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

ASK DEACON JOE

Why do some deacons wear a black outfit and white collar like a priest? They are not priests. They should not be wearing these vestments!

According to Canon Law: "Clerics are to wear suitable ecclesiastical garb according to the norms issued by the conference of bishops and according to legitimate local customs" (Can. 284). What is meant by "suitable ecclesiastical garb" changes over time and in different places. In 1998, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops approved a complementary norm to Can. 284 which states in part: "Outside liturgical functions, a black suit and Roman collar are the usual attire for priests." So all priests wear the Roman collar, but not all that wear the Roman collar are priests. And this can cause confusion.

Seminarians are allowed to wear Roman collars while at the seminary after being admitted into candidacy. And you have probably observed Protestant ministers, both male and female, wearing Roman collars with shirts of all different colors. But what about deacons?

According to Canon Law, the requirements to wear ecclesiastical garb "do not bind permanent deacons unless particular law establishes otherwise" (Can. 288). So deacons don't have to wear clerical clothing, but are they allowed to? Well this question is left to the bishops to decide. For us in the United States, the National Deacon Directory states: "Because they are prominent and active in secular professions and society, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops specifies that permanent deacons should resemble the lay faithful in dress and matters of lifestyle. Each diocesan bishop should, however, determine and promulgate any exceptions to this law, as well as specify the appropriate clerical attire if it is to be worn" (89).

HOMESCHOOL CO-OP

Beginning this September, the Immaculate Conception Homeschool families are starting a co-op on Tuesdays from 9AM-2PM. The day will begin with morning Mass, followed by classes in Science, Art, Music, and P.E. The classes are for grades K-8, with opportunities for high school students, as well as a Preschool classroom.

Registration for the co-op will only be open through the month of July. The cost will be minimal, only to cover materials needed for the classes.

If you would like more information about the co-op, see the "Homeschool" tab on the parish website under "Parish Apostolates". There you can find the complete co-op Mission Statement, get more details, and fill out a registration form to get your students signed up for Fall 2022.

If you have more questions, please contact Jessica Schlaud (schlaudj19@gmail.com)



can appropriately wear clerical attire. The policy in the Archdiocese of Detroit has changed over time. It was very restrictive 22 years ago when I was ordained—I never even owned a clerical shirt with a Roman collar until a couple of years ago. Here is the current policy from the 2017 Permanent Deacon Handbook for our diocese:

"Permanent Deacons are allowed to wear the Roman Collar within the Archdiocese of Detroit under the following conditions: • When presiding at liturgical functions in and outside of the parish. • While involved in pastoral ministry at hospitals, cemeteries, prisons and other facilities where the Roman collar serves as a valuable witness. Deacons wearing the Roman Collar are to ensure that they are known as deacons and should wear a designator pin or some other type of identity" (3.2) From the end of the statement, it is clear that the Archbishop is also concerned about people confusing deacons with priests. The statement mentions the Roman collar, but does not comment on the color of the shirt. Because I also share your concern about reducing confusion, I have made the personal decision to only wear a gray clerical shirt on the few occasions that I wear one at all. Deacon Joe

Got a question for Deacon Joe? Put it in the box near the side entrance of the church and look for the answer in an upcoming bulletin.

For more of Deacon's writing, check out his blog: orthoscopy.net

And so it comes down to the local bishop to decide when deacons





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