

The Catholic Community of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian



Saturday, Aug 21st	4:00pm	Lorenzo Mena
Sunday, Aug 22nd		Chris Kruger Shirley Grieve
Tue, Aug 24th	12:10am	Ann Glynn
Wed, Aug 25th	12:10am	Ralph Pax Sr
Thursday, Aug 26th	11:00am	Young Families of the Parish
Saturday, Aug 28th	4:00pm	Vocations
Sunday, Aug 29th		Barney Zonca For People of the Parish

**Please note that Father still does Mass intentions in a private Mass. when no public Mass is held.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND



Saturday, August 28th 4:00 P.M.

Sacristan	Theresa Seman
Comm.	Need 1
Lector	Need 1
EM	Theresa Seman, Need 1
Greeters	Norman & Ann Puma, Need 2
Ushers Mo	argaret Weyer, Pauline Bowyer,
N	orman & Ann Puma
Music Tec	h Need 1

Sunday, August 29th 8:30 A.M.

Sacristan	Need 1
Lector	Need 1
EM	Rosemary Atwood
Greeters	Need 4
Ushers	Need 4

Sunday, August 29th 10:30 A.M.

Sacristan	Margaret Weyer
Comm.	Need 1
Lector	Gabriela Kopacewicz
EM	Need 2
Greeters	Need 4
Ushers	Paul Schnipke, Pauline Bowyer
	Need 2
Music Tec	h Need 1

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PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Jeanne Angevine, Brigette Babin, Jerry Baldwin, Lou Bartolacci, Kaye Batdorff, Jim & Linda Brayton, Dorothy Burch, Ray Butler, Bill Butler, Evelyn Cade, Robert Christman Jr., Rebecca Clinton, Bonnie Combs, Tim Coppernoll, Andrew David, Don & Joyce Deaver, Florence Eifert, Deacon Tom Feiten, Greg Gehringer, Kym Hall, Dan & Donna Hancock, Andrea Hartman, Marian Herbst, Pat & Christine Hesch, Debra Jansen, Jay Jensen, Nancy Klco, Matt Laura, Pat Marshall, Fr. Ken McDonald, Nancy Moffatt, Constance Monday, Irene Morrison, John Oakley, Kari Olney, Scott Olson, Karen Oswald, Dail Patterson Jr., Larry Poxson, Marilyn Reilly, Nicole Retz, Ron Reynolds, Cam Schaub, Joyce Schulien, Tim Schulien, Ron Sinke, Ayden Weyer, Les Willams, Martha Williams

Please email heather@saintsjcc.org if you have a seriously ill relative or friend, prayer need, or deceased to be added to our prayer list. Also please email any updates needed to the current list.

May the Angels Welcome You to Paradise....

Kathleen Lund (wife of Rick Lund) Caren Kilborn (wife of Deacon Gordon Kilborn)



Please check out our daily & weekly Rosary Groups! All are welcome!

Mason Campus:

9:00am Saturday

10:10am Sunday - Divine Mercy Chaplet (livestream)
11:30am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:00am Friday
9:00pm ~ 2nd Friday of each month ~ Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet (livestream)

Online:

Wednesdays @ 7:00pm via Zoom Zoom Meeting Id: 873 3158 2254 Password: 798709 Contact: Soledad Heiler ~ soledad@provide.net Sundays @ 7:00pm via Zoom Zoom Meeting ID: 875 8029 8895 Password: 480279 Contact George Wygant ~ george.wygant@yahoo.com

We Need You!

Each Mass requires parishioners to help Father. There are numerous ways that you can share your talents in acts of service. Please check out the Liturgical Ministers section for descriptions & to sign up on our website!

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LITURGICAL LIFE

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading

Joshua, who helped settle the Israelites into the Promised Land, knew the struggle ahead lay in Israel's fidelity to God. How does anyone best show fidelity to God?

Second Reading

Toward the end of his letter, Paul takes up the topic of husbands and wives. He speaks of the importance of mutual subordination and love. What do you see as secret to a successful marriage?

Gospel Reading

Jesus' bread of life discourse ends with the report that "many of Jesus' disciples" no longer followed Jesus. How should we respond to family or friends who choose to walk away from Jesus?



GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

"Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods." We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these "gods" because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with "who is God" and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised "more." But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only "feels" true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It's a choice we all have to make.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 22ND



Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a 25-32 Jn 6:60-69

Monday

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday

Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday 1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab Mt 23:27-32

Thursday 1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 Mt 24:42-51

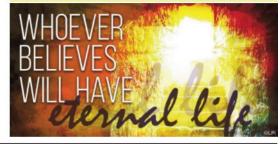
Friday

1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 Mt 25:1-13

> **Saturday** 1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Mt 25:14-30

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



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The Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian Knights of Columbus are hosting a church picnic for all of us on Sunday, September 19th from noon-4:00. A free-will donation will be accepted for the meal on the day of the event.

We are asking all parishioners to help sell tickets for several drawings happening at the picnic. Please pick -up tickets to sell after both the 8:30 and 10:30 Sunday Masses in the



parking lot. Tickets are only \$1.00 a piece.! 1st place is \$500, 2nd place \$300, 3rd place \$200, & 4th place \$100! Do not need to be present to win!

Sun Dried Community Worship Service

We hope you'll join us in supporting a Community-Wide Worship Service downtown Mason on **Sun, Aug 29th at 11 am.**

The featured speaker is Doug Routledge from Crossroads Farms. Doug considers himself a lifetime youth worker and Crossroads aims to positively impact rural communities by empowering students, interns, churches, and adult leaders through one-on-one discipleship, weekly programming, training, outreach events and trips. We'll have a time of worship and Doug will give a message about miracles along with information about his ministry. Our love offering will go to Crossroads Farm. It's always spectacular to see the Body of Christ come together!

Church Picnic Garage Sale

We are accepting donations (no clothes, just household items). Donations may be placed on the porch of the White House at the Bunkerhill campus. Set-up for sale Thursday, September 16th. Time TBA Sale Friday, Saturday and Sunday September 17, 18, and 19. Times TBA



On behalf of the Mason Knights of Columbus #9182, I would like to thank everyone who donated to the stuff a crib baby bottle project. This year, the numbers were

remarkable and we were able to raise a total of \$3,130.06! This project would not have been as successful without everyone's generosity. Thank you to everyone who pitched in to put the drive together, and thank you to those who donated!

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Knights of Columbus Corner Upcoming Events for Mason Council #9182



 August
 28 - 2:00 PM Grand Knights Appreciation Party at Martha's.

 346 Crosswind Dr., Dimondale.

August 29 - 5:00 PM Officers Meeting for Mason Council. August 29 - 6:00 PM Mason Council Regular Knights Meeting.

August 29 - 6:00 PM Knight's Angels Meeting.

September 10 - 4:30 - 7:00 PM will be the first of 5 Fall Drive Thru Famous St. James Fish Fry.

In the month of August there will be the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayers being said at 10:10 AM each Sunday morning before Mass.

The deadline for free membership has been extended to December 31, 2021. Join the Mason Knights of Columbus by going to kofc.org/joinus, and enter the password of MCGIVNEY2020. Once you are a member, we will get you into our council. If you sign up before December 31st, your dues will be free for all of 2021.

To learn more about Mason #9182 Knights of Columbus Council visit www.masonknights.org, or contact any council member at Church.



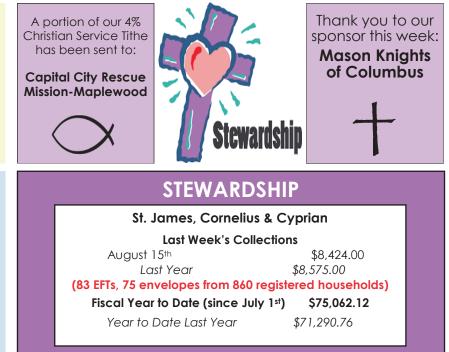
MASON COUNCIL #9182 K of C FAMOUS FALL FISH FRIES

Please use the Cedar Street Entrance

Yes, the Famous Mason Council #9182 Knights of Columbus Fall Fish Fries at 1010 S. Lansing St., Ma-

son, have come back and will be going from September 10 thru October 8th. With the uncertainty of the new virus, it will be Drive Thru only. We ask that you come in the Cedar St. entrance and process to the North Side of the hall where there will be a table to take your money and order your food. Payment will be by Credit Card, Check or Cash. If you have un-used punch cards, they can be used. Hours of operation will be from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM. The cost will be \$11.00 for everyone. The meal will include: 3 Fried or Baked

Pieces of Cod, Shrimp, Home Made Fries, Cole slaw, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Dinner Roll and Dessert. Pop and Water is not included but can be purchased separately. What a way to get a great Friday Night Fish Dinner!



LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING to the

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments Submission as Stewardship.

We aren't comfortable with the idea of submission. Our society champions equality, and rightly so — but it's a mistake to think that submission is at odds with equality. To submit ourselves fully, we must first be free. We must first be our own masters. God has granted us that freedom with the salvation He offers. We are no longer the slaves of sin. Now He asks us to be subordinate to one another, in the name of Christ.

What a completely uncomfortable task! What He's asking is for us to be subordinate to the person who irritates us the most. The person we really can't stand. The person who doesn't respect us or appreciate what we have to offer. The person we think we're smarter than, more talented than. The person we envy.

That's the real challenge of stewardship, isn't it? Subordination. Inconveniencing myself by giving of time, of money, of relationship. Putting the needs or wants of another above my own when they haven't done anything special to earn it.

I invite you to consider the cross — the most radical expression of submission, and of stewardship, that ever existed. If there was ever someone who deserved superiority, isn't it the God who let Himself be nailed to a tree, who gave so freely of His life, His body, His blood, His everything?

To look at him in his agony is to truly understand the beauty of submission — of laying down what you have for the good of the other.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

We live in a country that upholds the separation of Church and state. What is the role of Catholics in society?

Answer:

The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious — we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, "In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God" (On the Lay Members of Christ's Faithful, 15).

God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we're there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children. We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God!

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READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

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SHARING THE GOSPEL

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After Jesus compared himself to manna, and said that he was sent from heaven, many of his followers turned away from him. They just could not accept what Jesus was saying. It was too hard for them to understand. We have something they did not have. We have the Holy Spirit to help us. Sometimes what we learn might be hard for us to understand, too, but we never need to walk away. We can have faith in Jesus. We can ask him to help us.

PRAYER

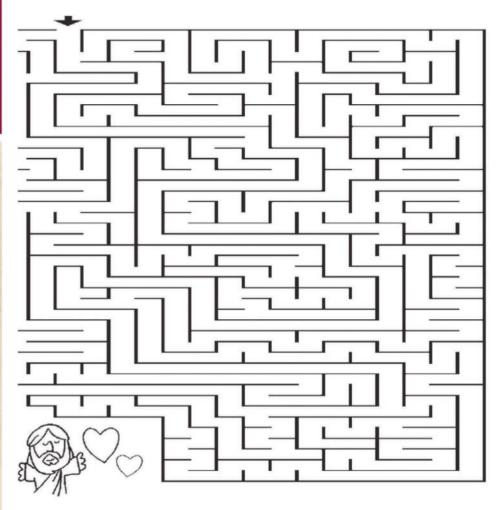
Dear God, give me the faith to trust Jesus always. Amen.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Have you ever learned something about God that was hard to understand? Talk about it with your family, and together pray for each other. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you learn what God wants you to.

KIDS CORNER

Find your way through the maze to Jesus.





All students through 12th grade need to be registered. You can sign up on our website: www.saintsjcc.org The church gardens are in need of weeding. If you would like to help spruce up our grounds, there is a small group meeting in the gazebo garden on no-rain Mondays from 11:00-12:30. Bring rake, shovel, knee pads... whatever you think you will need. We have a wheelbarrow available to us.



Many hands make light work. Thank you! Please contact Paulette Fox at 517-676-1807 for more info.

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Register for a Women's Retreat at St. Francis Retreat Center "Rediscovering Jesus - Called, Formed, Sent"

Looking to step away from the chaos of the world and spend a weekend with the Lord? Drawing on the wisdom of the book, "Rediscover Jesus" by Matthew Kelly, we will be revisiting what we know about the personhood and divinity of Jesus Christ. From the Incarnation to the Resurrection and beyond, we will strive to deepen our understanding of what Jesus said about who he is. Register online at www.stfrancis.ws or call the St.

> Francis office at (517) 669-8321. The suggested donation is \$185.

St. Francis is offering this women's retreat theme for 6 weekends: September 17-19, 2021 October 8-10, 2021 November 12-14, 2021 (Sts. JC&C weekend)

March 11-13, 2022 April 8-10, 2022

This is a wonderful spiritual experience to share with your family, friends and fellow parishioners. We hope to see you there!



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