

ST. MARY STUDENT PARISH

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

JANUARY 29, 2017

Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BLESSED

**“Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart,
for they will see God.” - Mt 5:7-8**

**“Dichosos los misericordiosos,
porque obtendrán misericordia.
Dichosos los limpios de corazón,
porque verán a Dios”. - Mt 5, 7-8**

SMALL CHURCH COMMUNITIES Written by Elise Huber, Campus Ministry Associate

The beatitudes have always challenged me. They are a description of what it means to truly live our faith, perhaps a description of how to be an every-day saint. It is what we strive for and also a reminder of how the Lord blesses us and supports us even amidst our difficulties and sufferings. While beautiful and poetic, the beatitudes are difficult to constantly live out - being merciful, clean of heart and a peacemaker every single day is quite the challenge. It is easy to get overwhelmed by what Jesus seems to be asking of us, and yet there are so many blessings within the challenge of living the life that the beatitudes suggest.

First is the blessing that our Lord is forever merciful. He understands and knows that in our humanness we make mistakes, we slip-up and we make decisions that might pull us further from Christ. And in his mercy, he loves us, forgives us and gives us another chance. Each day is a new beginning, an opportunity to try again and strive for the life that our faith calls for.

Another blessing within the challenge of the beatitudes is that the Lord is pleased even just with our desire to live out a life of faith. If we don't find ourselves with that desire, then that is a great place to start - pray for the desire to live out your faith in the ways that the beatitudes suggest. Furthermore, our faith and the call of the beatitudes gives us reason, purpose and comfort to continue

when we are hurting or suffering. "Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted."

But the best blessing within the challenge of the beatitudes is that no matter where we are in our striving to live a life of faith, the Lord loves us all the same and loves us with a love that surpasses our understanding. By striving to live out the beatitudes, we strive to be closer to God and his love. Jesus is on top of the mountain calling us to a life where we can be overflowed with grace to love and be loved.

So the next challenge, how do I have the endurance and strength necessary to constantly continue toward this lifestyle? That strength only comes from God, but I think God works in a few ways to help. I think the first and most obvious way is through prayer. Prayer, in whatever form it may be, centers me in the busyness of life and reminds me of how I am called to live. God also helps me through other people. It is helpful to have someone to keep me accountable and to ask me how I am doing on my journey.

For me, I have found Small Church Communities to be a place for me to both find prayer and a supportive community. I have a weekly check-in, a chance to stop, pray, review how I have been living my life and make a goal for what further steps I can take toward living a life for Christ. We all keep each other accountable and form a community of prayer and support.

Believe it or not, Lent is coming up soon. The beatitudes challenge us to a challenge towards to live a life of faith. Instead of just giving up chocolate, consider joining a Small Church Community. Meet once a week throughout Lent to pray, center yourself, and set goals to help you live the life described by Jesus in the beatitudes.

Small Church Communities will start the week of February 20th and meet once per week for 90 minutes throughout Lent. There are groups for people of all ages and backgrounds.

Sign-ups start Jan 29 <https://goo.gl/forms/ZAESoZe4nfxleSvy1>

DEADLINE: FEB 12

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

8:30 AM, 10AM, Noon,
2PM (Spanish), 5PM & 9PM

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon-Thurs 5:10 PM
Friday 12:10 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday	8AM-9PM
Monday	8AM-9PM
Tuesday	8AM-9PM
Wednesday	8AM-9PM
Thursday	8AM-9PM
Friday	9AM-5PM
Saturday	12PM-3PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wed after 5:10 PM Mass
Sunday at 7:30 PM or by appt

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MASS INTENTIONS: JAN 29-FEB 5

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

8:30 AM	Mass for	James & Madelaine Krolik
10:00 AM	Mass for	+Victor Colombano
12:00 PM	Mass for	+Eric Wietzel
2:00 PM	Mass for	People of the Parish
5:00 PM	Mass for	Anne Marie Jamili
9:00 PM	Mass for	Benefactors of SMSP and Campus Ministry

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

5:10 PM	Mass for	Gerry Fulgencio
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

5:10 PM	Mass for	Donna Mulrooney & Family
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

5:10 PM	Mass for	Sean, Laura & Avery Brown
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

5:10 PM	Mass for	Christopher Brown
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

12:10 PM	Mass for	Romulo & Enrico Aquino
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:30 AM	Mass for	
10:00 AM	Mass for	+Emily Malone & Family
12:00 PM	Mass for	+Herb Anderson
2:00 PM	Mass for	+Manuela Salazar Barios
5:00 PM	Mass for	Benjamin Besa
9:00 PM	Mass for	People of the Parish

WEDDING BANNS

Eric Zhao & Christina Gallagher on Feb 4, 2017

Jared Miles & Jessica Green on Feb 11, 2017

Victorio Bichucher & Natalie Ziel on Feb 11, 2017

MEETINGS & EVENTS: JAN 29-FEB 4

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

Children's Liturgy	10:15 AM	Newman Hall+
FFF Praesidium	11:15 AM	Newman Lounge
ESL	12:45 PM	Newman Hall
Hispanic Choir Practice	1:00 PM	Music Room
Hispanic Children's Liturgy	2:00 PM	Donnelly Hall
Ig.nite Lead Team	6:00 PM	Loyola Room
Special Events Team Meeting	6:30 PM	Rectory Lounge
Reconciliation	7:30 PM	Church

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

Daytime Warming Shelter	8:30 AM	Newman Hall
Centering Prayer	6:30 PM	Richard Room
Baptism Class	7:00 PM	Newman Hall & Room
Bible Study	7:00 PM	Whitman Room
Born for Joy	7:00 PM	Montieth Room
ASB Formation	8:30 PM	Donnelly Hall+

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

Daytime Warming Shelter	8:30 AM	Newman Hall
Outreach Team	5:00 PM	Loyola Room
Pray the Rosary	5:45 PM	Church
Grad/YP SCC	6:30 PM	Rectory Lounge
SCC-Restore	8:30 PM	Rectory Lounge

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Eucharistic Adoration	6:00 PM	Church
Triduum Choir	6:30 PM	Donnelly Hall
Bilingual Healing Service	7:00 PM	Church
RCIA	7:00 PM	Newman Hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Interfaith Team	4:00 PM	Guest Room
Ig.nite	5:10 PM	Church & Newman Hall
SCC-Restore	7:30 PM	Rectory Lounge

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Women's Undergrad Retreat		Off Site
Faith Sharing Lead Team	12:00 PM	Rectory Lounge
Retreat Dinner	5:00 PM	Newman Hall

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Women's Undergrad Retreat		Off Site
Spanish Wedding Preparation	9:00 AM	Rectory Lounge & Dining Room

ASB BUCKET DRIVE

Finding Kinship: Alternative Spring Break Immersions

Over 100 students will put their faith into action through our Alternative Spring Break immersion program. They will serve with the people of rural Appalachia and in the inner cities of Baltimore and Flint. They will help welcome the stranger in Louisville, KY and build homes in Meridian, MS. They bring their passion and love to serve with the people of El Salvador, Nicaragua, and the Dominican Republic. New this year, they travel to LA and Florida to work with immigrant communities and they go to Iowa to experience the spirit of L'Arche and be with people who have intellectual disabilities.

Wherever they go, they are prepared to encounter Christ in all they meet and to be transformed.

They are collecting donations after all the masses on February 5 to help defer the costs of the ASB program. This is the only fundraising event for ASB at St. Mary. Your prayers, support, and generosity are greatly appreciated.

ICPJ LATIN AMERICA TASK FORCE MOVIE NIGHTS AT SMSP

The Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice (ICPJ) Latin America Task Force will be hosting a movie night once a month at SMSP: 2/14, 3/14, 4/11, 5/9. Dinner provided by Pilar's, together with a Latin American movie and a discussion afterward.

ICPJ website for movie events: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dinner-a-movie-latin-america-task-force-latf-tickets-29848739383>

LENTEN SMALL CHURCH COMMUNITIES

Sign-ups open Jan 29

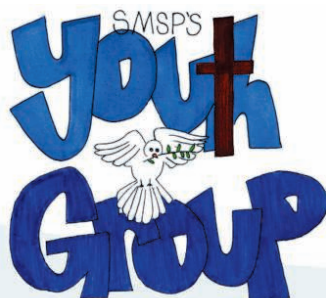
Are you hoping to deepen your faith this Lenten season? Are you stuck in your prayer life? Do you want to journey with others towards Christ? Consider joining a Small Church Community (SCC).

SCC's offer the opportunity to gather with a community centered around authentic conversations, real relationships, and restoring faith. Groups meet once a week for 90 minutes to reflect and discuss the readings for the upcoming Sunday. There is a group for everyone and every need.

Sign-ups start Jan 29

<https://goo.gl/forms/ZAESoZe4nfxleSvy1>

DEADLINE: FEB 12



LASER TAG WITH THE YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, February 5 | 3:30-5 PM

Let's build some community through the best way possible, laser tag! All high school youth are encouraged to join us at Zap Zone (4177 Carpenter Rd in Ypsilanti) at 3pm on Sunday, Feb. 5th. One game is \$7 and two games for \$15. We will see who will be crowned champion of the youth group!

Contact Adam perryada@umich.edu

DAYTIME WARMING CENTER



Monday-Friday
8:30 AM-4 PM
Newman Hall

Weekdays through Jan 31,
St. Mary provides a
welcoming, safe, and warm
environment where people
experiencing homelessness
can find companionship,

compassion, kindness, and respect. It creates the culture of encounter and inclusion that we need. We provide food, coffee, a warm place of rest, the opportunity for conversation, and the building of relationships. Solidarity and mutual giving are the values that guide this ministry. **Volunteers and donations needed...**Link to sign-up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a5a728a7f49-january1>

OTHER WARMING CENTERS IN ANN ARBOR

FEBRUARY 1-28 (note different locations depending on day)

- * First Baptist: Tues & Thurs -517 E Washington St
- * First Congregational: Mon, Wed, Fri - 608 E William St

MARCH 1-31 Lord of Light Lutheran : 801 S Forest Ave

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS: 8AM-7PM (LUNCH AT 3PM)

Robert J. Delonis Center: 312 W Huron St

DELONIS CENTER COMMUNITY MEAL

Volunteers needed the 1st and 5th Fridays of the month to make and serve the evening meal at the Delonis Center at 312 W Huron St., Ann Arbor. **TWO SHIFTS:** 3:00-5:00 PM-cook/set up and 5-7:15 PM-serve/clean up Sign up online :

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a5a728a7f49-stmary>

Questions, contact Bill Alt at walt@smspnewman.org

ROTATING MEN'S SHELTER

Each winter, St. Mary Student Parish hosts an overnight shelter for men experiencing homelessness. This year we will host men from Monday, February 6 through Monday morning, February 13. We are in need of a hospitality team to welcome guests and an overnight staff to spend the night. To sign up for one or more of these shifts, please do so here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090449a4aa22a7fa7-rotating/>

If you would like to donate snacks for the shelter, or if you have any questions, please contact Amy Ketner aketner@smspnewman.org.

TAKE ACTION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Register for Feb 11th

Conference in Lansing

Pope Francis has challenged people of goodwill to take action against human trafficking and new forms of slavery. In collaboration with the Diocese of Lansing, St. Vincent Catholic Charities, and Livingston County Catholic Charities, Michigan Catholic Conference will host ***From Darkness to Light: Human Trafficking and Our Response*** on **February 11, 2017** to respond to this call. The all-day conference will be held at Lansing Catholic High School. Participants will interact with experts and organizations that work to combat the crime and learn how to become involved in anti-trafficking efforts. Breakfast and lunch are included in a \$25 registration cost, and pre-registration is required.

Further information and registration details can be found at www.micatholic.org/fromdarknesstolight/.

Contact Annie Bennett at 517-316-3588 or abennett@micatholic.org

Faith in Action

ISLAM 101

Wednesdays | 7:00 PM

Questions about Islam? The Islamic Center of Ann Arbor is offering a new class that focuses on the basic beliefs and practices of Islam – free and open to all. Every Wednesday Night @ 7:00 pm, Islam 101 consists of 3 weekly sessions which repeat every month – you can start at any time! The Islamic Center of Ann Arbor is located at 2301 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor.

Some members of SMSP will begin attending on February 1, but feel free to join whenever you can. For more information <http://mca-a2.org/islam-101/>

To sign up for a ride, please fill out this google form https://docs.google.com/a/umich.edu/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfuNDPHg1BJ1ILV6uxJ275ZvHu3gVNvwDhCG_8LTdME9gt4fw/viewform

OR to sign up for a ride, email Lauren Tassone ltassone@umich.edu and she will send you the form.

BILINGUAL HEALING & ANOINTING SERVICE

Wednesday, February 1 | 7:00 PM

Need freedom from past hurts, unhealthy thought patterns, fear, worry, feelings of loss or abandonment? Join us as we pray with one another: silent prayer with members of the healing team and/or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Contact Fr. Ben pastorstmarys@gmail.com

BAPTISM CLASS

1/30, 2/20 & 3/27-attend one class only

We offer an infant baptism class in both English and Spanish once a month on a Monday night from 7-8 PM. Information packets are available in the Parish Office and should be picked up at least a week prior to class.

Contact Carol ckonczal@umich.edu

Grad Students & Young Professionals

SOUL FOOD

Soul Food is a monthly gathering at Arbor Brewing Company for Graduate Students and Young Professionals offering fellowship and spiritual nourishment. Food and drinks begin at 7 PM followed by a speaker at 8 PM.

- ◆ **Feb 20** Soul Food at SMSP featuring Terry Nelson-Johnson. This week will feature dessert only and meets at the parish at 6:30 PM.
- ◆ **Mar 13** featuring Fr. James Martin, S.J. who will be joining us via Skype
- ◆ **Apr 10** TBA
- ◆ **May 8** featuring Fr. Alan Zabler, OSFS

For more information about the Grad/YP group, or to be added to our email list, contact the Grad/YP lead team smsp.grads.lead@umich.edu or Fr. Joe jwagner@smspnewman.org

GRAD/YP SCC

Tuesdays | 6:30 PM

This SCC is open to all Grad/YPs and does not require sign-up. Just drop-in each week on Tuesday evenings to build community and share in our faith. The groups will start meeting on Tuesday, January 24th and continue throughout the semester.

GRAD/YP MASS & DINNER

Each month we host a Monday **mass & dinner** right at St. Mary. Join us to worship, connect, and enjoy a delicious dinner with our Grad/YP community. Dates for 2017 include: Feb 6, Mar 27, Apr 24 & May 22.

RESTORE

Open Undergraduate Faith Sharing Groups

Tuesdays | 8:30 PM

Thursdays | 7:30 PM

St. Mary's is a big place; the University is even bigger. Small Church Community (SCC) offers the opportunity to gather with a community of students centered around authentic conversations, real relationships, and restoring faith.

These faith sharing groups have a mission to strengthen the student community by creating open, year-long, gatherings focused on restoring faith, friendships and the kingdom of God.

Contact Elise ehuber@smspnewman.org

WOMEN'S RETREAT

February 3-5, 2017



God wants to work on our hearts by allowing us to engage with the women of faith in scripture, by learning their struggles, pains, challenges, fears, hopes and dreams. During this weekend, God will also open your heart to a renewed relationship with Him and your sisters in Christ.

The retreat begins at 5pm on Friday, February 3rd and runs until noon on Sunday, February 5th. The retreat will be at the Weber Center in Adrian, MI. Meals will be provided by the center and snacks will be provided by those coming on retreat! Sheets, towels, pillows, etc., are provided.

Sign up online today! goo.gl/5Db23a

Contact Jenny jline@smspnewman.org



Thursdays | 5:10-7:00 PM

This weekly gathering for undergrads features an Ignatian twist - time for some discussion and an exploration of where God is in your life.

The evening begins with a student-led Mass at 5:10 PM, followed by a great dinner and discussion. Everything wraps up by 7:00 PM, but feel free to stay to study or spend time with friends. We're open until midnight!

Contact Jenny

jline@smspnewman.org

SPEND

**SUNDAY
NIGHTS
SUNDAY**

AT ST. MARY

- ◆ Enjoy snacks in Newman Lounge from 6-9 PM Sundays
- ◆ Open 'til midnight for students Sunday-Thursday
- ◆ Evening Masses at 5 & 9 PM
- ◆ Confessions at 7:30 PM

Our Parish Campaign

Witness to
HOPE
The Catholic Diocese of Lansing

Our Parish Campaign

To Strengthen Our Parish and Our Diocese

Together, We Make A Difference

As Catholics, we have a responsibility to meet the needs of our local parish and to collectively act to support those activities that benefit us all. *Witness to Hope* is the campaign being conducted in each of the 81 parishes in our diocese. It is our opportunity to address both immediate needs and long-term issues.

The \$65-million collective goal is designed to provide direct and indirect support to every parish in the diocese. The largest single element in the campaign is the funds to be spent directly by the parish. The benefit from the other elements include ensuring funding for future seminarians, caring for our senior priests, strengthening our religious education programs, expanding parish and social service ministries, and addressing current collective priorities of the diocese.

In the coming weeks, we will be sharing more information with you during Mass, in the bulletin, at receptions, and in information packets for each family.

As our parish moves forward, each of us are asked to do three things:

- **Listen and Learn.** Come to understand the needs of our parish and diocese in a very detailed way. See the impact of what the funds raised will do.
- **Reflect and Pray.** Consider what all will be accomplished and the importance of the Church in your life. As a family, seek God's guidance as to how you can best help. Ask questions and ensure your understanding during this period.
- **Decide and Act.** When you feel you have had your questions answered and determine how best you can assist, please make your pledge and celebrate with all our parish families and families throughout the diocese.

In the coming weeks, we will build on this information and look forward to an active dialogue with you. Thank you for your prayers, consideration, and interest in our Church.

What is the goal of the *Witness to Hope* campaign?

The \$65-million diocesan-wide *Witness to Hope* campaign will fund a diverse balance of critical pastoral and financial needs. Each parish will have its own goal and fund its own priority projects as it determines. Parishioners will be invited to pledge their faithful generosity over as many as five years.

Why is the diocese conducting the campaign at this point?

Witness to Hope is a continuation of Bishop Boyea's pastoral letter *Go Announce the Gospel of Jesus Christ*. This campaign will advance the ability of our parishes, as well as our diocese, to fulfill the shared mission given to us by Jesus. The impact of this generous support will be felt in parishes and throughout the diocese for years to come. This support will provide us financial backing to increase our evangelization efforts, provide a welcoming home for all who seek the faith, and ensure a continued sound financial based for future members of the faith to build upon.

Will funds for the *Witness to Hope* campaign reduce offertory support for the parish?

In presenting the campaign, it will be important to emphasize that all gifts to *Witness to Hope* should not reduce other giving commitments to the Church, but should be extraordinary generosity made freely and faithfully to meet the extraordinary challenges and opportunities presented through the campaign. Over the long term, this historic, unprecedented campaign will build the capacity of parishes to realize their mission potential.

Will we be conducting the Diocesan Support Appeal as well as *Witness to Hope*?

There will NOT be a Diocesan Support Appeal conducted in 2017.

How was the parish case established?

Each parish, through the leadership of its pastor and councils, determines what the parish share will fund. Every parish sets its own priorities to be funded. For some it may be repairs and critical maintenance, others will work to eliminate debt, still others will make capital purchases, or expand evangelization and other outreach ministries at the parish.

How long is the pledge period, and when will I receive my reminders?

Pledges can be made over as many as 5 years, and parishioners may choose the beginning month and choose whether to receive monthly, quarterly, or annual reminders. Each parishioner will also select when they wish to begin making their payments to best fit their personal financial situation.

How do I learn more?

There will be series of bulletin inserts to provide more information about the campaign. The parish will host a number of receptions where members can come listen, learn, and ask questions, each member will receive a packet of information. You may visit www.witnesstohope.net anytime to learn about the overall campaign, our parish effort, and learn more about what other parishes are doing.

RETREAT AT ST. FRANCIS

Thursday, February 16 | 9:00 AM-3:30 PM

"Becoming a Saint: Our Deepest Desire," a retreat being offered at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt on Thursday, Feb. 16 from 9:00am-3:30pm. The cost is \$30. Tony Sperendi is the director. The Lord invites us to be His blessed ones. Become who God made you to be!

Register - 517-669-8321 or stfrancis.ws

WINTER FORUM

"LIFE IS CHANGED, NOT ENDED"

Sunday, February 12 | 1:00 PM

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church in Manchester is hosting a winter forum to consider issues related to death Sun, Feb. 12 at 1:00 PM. The program, entitled "Life is Changed, Not Ended," offers an opportunity to learn more about several issues that we may confront when a loved one dies. There will be speakers from hospice, an attorney, and a representative from the funeral home plus our pastor Fr. Bosco and Dcn. Dennis.

We invite all our friends and neighbors to attend this with us and consider – with the benefit of a little bit of emotional distance what otherwise we all must consider at a time that likely will be much more difficult. St. Mary Roman Catholic Church is located at 110 E. Madison, Manchester, MI 48158.

For more information or to register, please call 734-428-8811.

VOCATIONS NIGHT

Feb 7 | 8:00-9:30 PM

If you've ever been curious about the different holy vocations one can live within the Catholic faith, come join us for a Vocations Night. Each month, a different speaker shares their vocation story and words of wisdom to our listeners. Whether our speakers are religious, consecrated, married, etc. they have all had a profound experience of God working in their lives that lead them to their vocation. These evenings are meant to be relaxed, laid-back, and a simple way to respond to Pope Francis's call to engage and talk more about the different vocations within the Church. All you need is an open heart, listening ears, and willing spirit to attend. Hope to see you there!

For more information please do not hesitate to contact either Elise Huber ehuber@smspnewman.org or Abbie Scheske abschesk@umich.edu

RETREAT FOR DIVORCED CATHOLICS

February 10-12, 2017

St. Francis Retreat Center,
DeWitt

This warm and uplifting event is less about the daily details of your life—or the devastation of your divorce—than it is a special time to draw close to Our Lord. Drawing from the story of the Samaritan woman who encounters Christ at Jacob's well, this event recognizes that after divorce people are much more aware of the deep thirst that needs quenching ... particularly in all their relationships.

To get to core issues, the weekend helps you go deeper into the interior life by asking: *Will I ever fully heal from divorce? What makes me happy and why does it elude me at times? Who is Christ to me? What does he have to say to me? How does he love me? What does he offer me? Do I really believe him? What holds me back from receiving his living water in the daily details of my life? and, on a practical level, HOW DO I INCORPORATE ALL THIS INTO MY RELATIONSHIPS?*

Included in the weekend is a fun welcome and introduction, talks, helpful exercises, small group breakouts, quiet time for reflection, meals, a full-length movie, and more. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.

Registration can be found at www.stfrancis.ws/upcoming-retreats.html

CENTERING PRAYER

Mondays | 6:30 PM

Centering Prayer is a silent practice of prayer that rests on the faith that Christ is present within by his Holy Spirit. It is an excellent preparation for contemplative prayer, which is a grace or gift bestowed by God. Centering Prayer is an intentional openness to, or practice of "waiting" on God, encouraging the building of a more intimate relationship with Jesus and the movement of the Holy Spirit. It is rooted in centuries-old monastic prayer.

The book [Open Heart, Open Mind](#) by Fr. Thomas Keating, OCSO is a good introduction.

The first Monday of each month we listen to an introduction to centering prayer and then pray for 20 minutes. Otherwise, we typically sit and pray for two 20-minute sessions with a short meditative walk in between. All are welcome. Contact Serena Larson serena68@comcast.net

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays | 6-10 PM

Eucharistic Adoration will take place most Wednesdays in the Church. It is a time to reflect and pray quietly before the Lord. People are invited to come when they can and stay as long as they like.

Contact Bret bretepat@umich.edu

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Mondays | 7:00 PM

Our Catholic faith teaches that God is alive in the Scriptures. Come discover the Word with us. We practice scripture-based faith sharing in a small discussion group. Discussions are guided by church-approved commentaries, question guides, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Contact Kathy Ann Moilanen 734.668.7437

TRIDUUM CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wednesdays | 6:30 PM

The Triduum Choir provides music for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil . Song selections range from classical music by Mozart to more contemporary music written within the last few years. Rehearsals dates: January 18 - April 12 on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. New singers are welcome to join!

Contact Paige pdgraham@umich.edu

LGBT OUTREACH

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

7:00-8:30 PM

The LGBT group is sponsored by St. Mary Student Parish and meets twice monthly. Meetings are private and confidential.

As a diverse community of believers, we respect each person as a unique reflection of God's presence in our midst. We commit ourselves to being a community of care, support, formation, reconciliation, and witness to justice with and among gay and lesbian persons, parents, family members, and friends.

We teach that all love comes from God and focus on helping people reconcile their faith with their orientation. We provide a safe space for discussion, healing, and prayer. Together we reflect on Scripture and listen to the lived experiences of gay and lesbian persons and their allies.

Contact Mark
markthies@yahoo.com

ST. MARY'S DISCUSSION GROUP

Sunday, February 12 | 3:00 PM

Ken Kollman, Prof. of Political Science, will lead a discussion on "Thoughts on a Christian Response to a Trump Presidency." We will meet in Donnelly Hall at 3pm for cookies and conversation and then begin the discussion at 3:15. The meeting will end about 4:45. All are welcome to attend.

Suggested readings for the meeting are as follows—please search for these titles on the internet:

1. The first, a brief piece by Eduardo Porter from the NY Times titled "A Threat to U.S. Democracy—Political Dysfunction" is aimed at helping us understand the election of Trump.
2. The second reading, "Election 2016 – a Postmortem" is an article from Commonweal magazine with the reaction of several thoughtful Christians to Trump's election.

Contact Sherry sswarden@umich.edu.



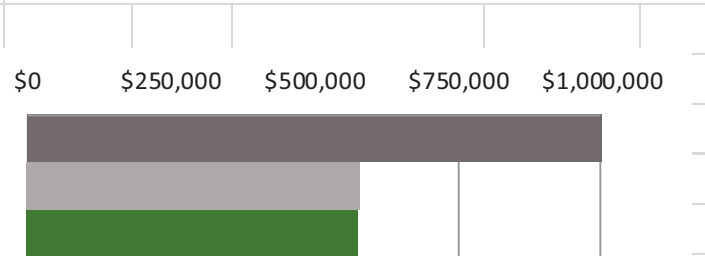
Thursday, February 9
Adoptive Mothers,
Story of Moses

Women of every age are invited to connect, be inspired, and celebrate their faith with one another. Women of the Heart meets the second Thursday of each month from 10:15 AM – 12:00 noon to enjoy a light brunch and explore relevant topics. This year's theme is ***Our Scriptural Sisters: Their Roles and Ours.***

For more information contact Patty pmmm@comcast.net or Phyllis pbmclaughlin@comcast.net.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Year-to-Date Offering Report as of 1/22/2017



Annual Budget Goal	\$1,000,000
Year-to-Date (YTD) Goal	\$579,100
Amount Collected YTD	\$575,495
Above (Below) YTD Goal	-\$3,605

Weekly Offering Report as of 01/22/2017

Weekly Budget Goal	\$17,300
Sunday 01/22/2017 (Week 30)	\$17,556
Above (Below) Weekly Goal	\$256
Special and Holy Day Collections:	

SUNDAY COLLECTION THANK YOU!

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THE MAN EVENT

Feb 25 | 10:00AM-5:00PM

Bishop Boyea will host the men's event and asks that all men in the Diocese prayerfully consider attending. It'll be a great opportunity for us to reflect and prepare ourselves for Easter. The Man Event at Our Lady of Fatima in Michigan Center, MI. Besides our own Bishop Boyea, the featured speaker is Dr. James Keating, with Brian Flynn leading music. The conference offers opportunities for men to take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration. The conference will benefit all who attend, re-igniting their faith in Christ, addressing men's topics and renewing their commitment to family. The conference will conclude with Mass, celebrated by our Most Reverend, Bishop Earl Boyea.

This conference is open to all men 12 years old and above. Please invite your sons and neighbors.

Registration is \$40 per adult and \$30 per student. A pig roast lunch is included.

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JANUARY 29

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I	Zephaniah	2:3; 3:12-13
Psalm	Psalms	146:6-10
Reading II	Corinthians	1:26-31
Gospel	Matthew	5:1-12a

Blessed are the humble of the earth, blessed are the poor in spirit! Such are the ones God has chosen to confound the strong of this world.

FEBRUARY 5

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I	Isiah	58:7-10
Psalm	Psalms	112:4-9
Reading II	1 Corinthians	2:1-5
Gospel	Matthew	5:13-16

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