

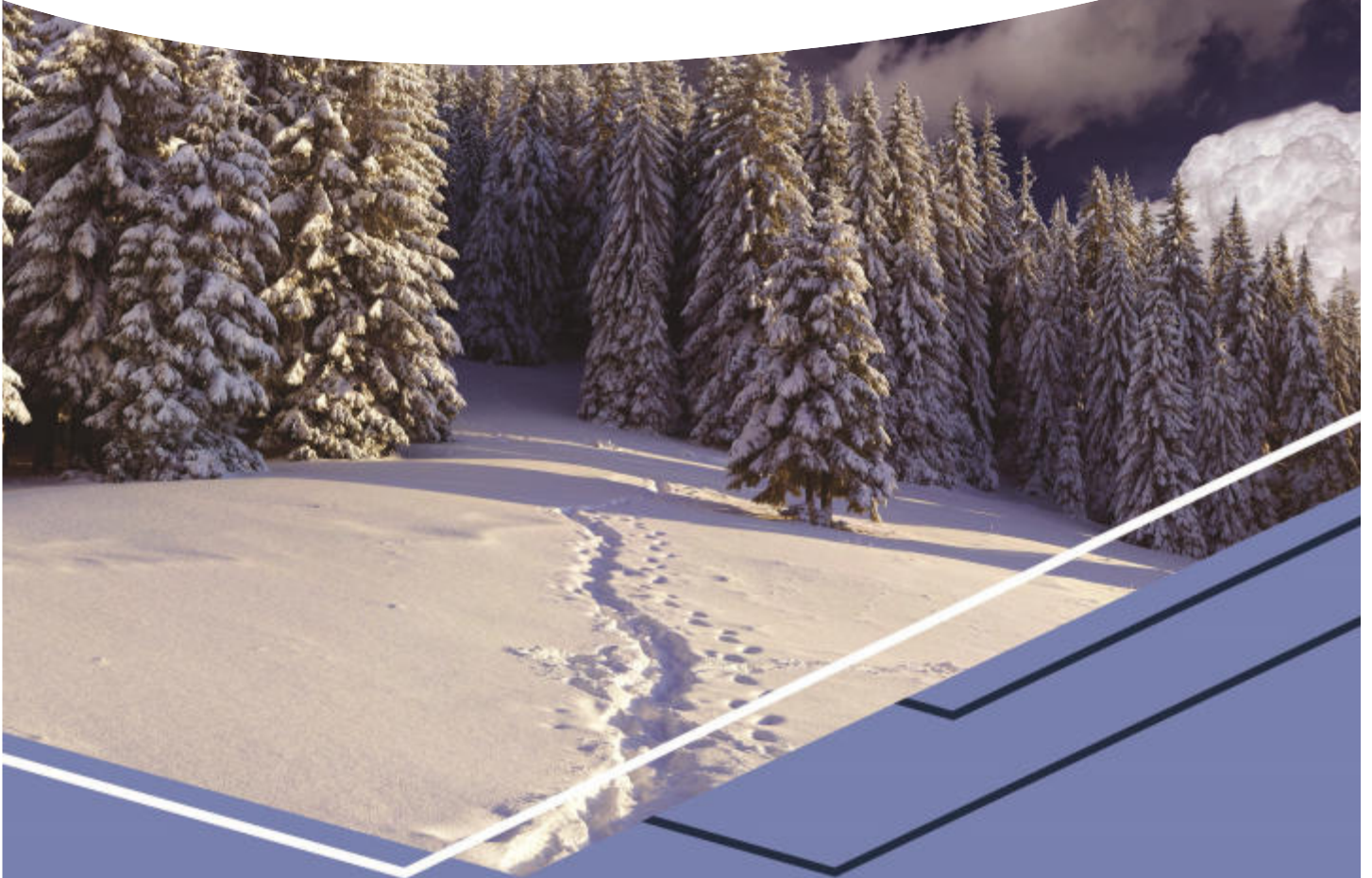


ST. MARY STUDENT PARISH

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

DEC 15, 2019

Third Sunday of Advent



3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.” - Mt 11:10

3^{er} DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

“Porque de él está escrito: He aquí que yo envío a mi mensajero para que vaya delante de ti y te prepare el camino”. - Mt 11, 10

Pastoral Perspective

BRING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

BY FR. JIM GARTLAND, S.J.



As the students were arriving to their Teen Confirmation Program, I was chatting with their catechists in Donnelly Hall. Our catechists are amazing people! One young man told me that in addition to his Sunday afternoons with us, he goes home each Saturday morning to teach first graders at his family's parish. After chatting with

them, I sauntered into our Hispanic Ministry Program where I met with another group of catechists. We have about 80 undergraduate and graduate catechists in our Family Faith Program. What a blessing! These young adults are passing on our Catholic faith to our children both in word and by example.

As we embrace this Advent season, I often think back to Mary and Joseph. They were simple people of faith who were chosen by God to bring Christ into the world. Not understanding all the implications of the mission God entrusted to them, they said, "yes, let God's will be done." Advent is a time to hear God asking us to do the same, to bring Christ into the world.

I am excited about our Campus Ministry Program and inspired by the synergy that exists between our parishioners and our college students. I pray that we live up to our mission of forming Catholic leaders, disciples of Jesus. I hope that St. Mary Student Parish is a place where we encounter God, and hear and accept his mission of bringing Christ to the world. May we live up to our mission of being an apostolic parish committed to the ongoing formation of Christian witness, discipleship, and leadership.

I find my prayer these days being of gratitude. I am thankful for being part of St. Mary Student Parish. There is always so much going on, all of you living a faith that does justice. We just had almost 200 hundred parishioners go out and serve on our feast day. Hundreds of gifts have come in these days for our Advent Giving Tree. We are preparing to welcome the homeless into our parish for the month of January. All of you make this possible. I am inspired each day by your faith and generosity. Thank you for saying yes to bringing Christ into the world. I thank God for leading me here.

As I mentioned in Masses a few weeks ago, our Annual Fund makes our Campus Ministry possible. Once a year, we reach

out to all of us and ask you to prayerfully consider what your family can give to our Annual Fund. So many of you have already generously given. Thank you! As we prepare for Christmas, please help us continue our mission of bringing Christ into the world and forming Catholic leaders for tomorrow with your gift to our Annual Fund. Thank you for your support and for being part of St. Mary Student Parish.



YEAR-END GIFTS TO THE ANNUAL FUND

Interested in giving a year-end gift to St. Mary? Visit our website to read more from Fr. Jim and to give your gift online: <https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/annual-fund-2019-year-end-appeal/>. You can also drop off a check at the parish office or give through Venmo @SMSPumich. Thank you for your support of our vibrant ministry!

OUR MISSION

St. Mary Student Parish is a welcoming, inclusive, caring, and diverse Catholic community, uniting residents and students.

We are Christ-centered with the Eucharist as the source of holiness in our vibrant liturgical life.

Inspired by Ignatian spirituality, we live a faith that does justice, reaching out to the marginalized.

As an apostolic parish, we are committed to ongoing formation of Christian witness, discipleship, and leadership.

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MASS INTENTIONS: DEC 15-20

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

8:30 AM	Mass for	Benefactors of SMSP & Campus Ministry
10:00 AM	Mass for	+ Ana Rodriguez
12:00 PM	Mass for	+Victoriano Go , +Anita T. Go
2:00 PM	Mass for	+Ortensia Rodriguez
5:00 PM	Mass for	+Eugene Joseph Schwartz
9:00 PM	Mass for	People of the Parish

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

5:10 PM	Mass for	Jose Antonio Puente
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

5:10 PM	Mass for	Altagracia Grimaldo
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

5:10 PM	Mass for	+Michele Morra
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

5:10 PM	Mass for	+Wilfred Nonnenmacher U of M class of 1987
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

10:00 AM	Mass for	Michael Patterson & Family
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MEETINGS & EVENTS: DEC 15-18

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

Children's Liturgy	10:15 AM	Newman Lounge
FFF 1st Communion Prep	11:15 AM	Newman Hall
ESL	12:45 PM	Donnelly Hall
Hispanic/Latino Children's Lit.	2:00 PM	Donnelly Hall
St. Mary Discussion Group	3:15 PM	Donnelly Hall
High School Youth Group	6:30 PM	Rectory Lounge
Reconciliation	7:30 PM	Church
Student Study Days	8:00 PM	Newman Lounge

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

Student Study Days	9:00 AM	Newman Lounge
SCC-Open	5:00 PM	Newman Room
Centering Prayer	6:30 PM	Richard Room
Bible Study	7:00 PM	Rectory Lounge
Born for Joy	7:00 PM	Monteith Room
PPC Meeting	7:00 PM	Newman Hall
Grad/YP Advent Prayer	7:00 PM	Donnelly Hall

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

Student Study Days	9:00 AM	Newman Lounge
Rosary	5:45 PM	Church
Immigration Team	6:30 PM	Monteith Room
X-Mas Eve Music Rehearsal	6:30 PM	Music Room
FFF Parent Team Meeting	6:30 PM	Rectory Lounge
LGBT Outreach Ministry	7:00 PM	Newman Room
Penance Service	7:00 PM	Church
Retreat Team Meeting	8:00 PM	Richard Room

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

Student Study Days	9:00 AM	Newman Lounge
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

Into the Light	9:00 AM	Newman Lounge
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CHRISTMAS BREAK SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 22 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Office Open 8:00 AM-6:30 PM
8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 NOON,
2:00 PM Spanish & 5:00 PM
NO CONFESSIONS

DECEMBER 23 Daily Mass 5:10 PM

Closed — Church Open at 4:40 PM for Mass

CHRISTMAS EVE

Office Open 12:00 PM-7:30 PM
3:00 PM Children's Pageant
3:30 PM Mass
5:30 PM Mass
7:30 PM Mass
11:30 PM Lessons & Carols
Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY

Closed — Church Open at 9:30 AM for Mass
10:00 AM Mass
2:00 PM Spanish Mass

DECEMBER 26-28

Closed for Christmas Break — No Mass

DECEMBER 29

Office Open 8:00 AM-6:30 PM
8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 NOON,
2:00 PM Spanish & 5:00 PM
NO CONFESSIONS

DECEMBER 30-31

Closed for Christmas Break — No Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY Mass 10:00 AM

Closed — Church Open at 9:30 AM for Mass
NO CONFESSIONS

JANUARY 2-4

Closed for Christmas Break — No Mass

JANUARY 5

Office Open 8:00 AM-6:30 PM
8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 NOON,
2:00 PM Spanish & 5:00 PM

Advent & Christmas Events

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Mon, 12/16 - 7:00 PM St. Thomas
Tues, 12/17 - 7:00 PM St. Mary Student Parish
Wed, 12/18 - 7:00 PM Old St. Pat's
No Confessions Wednesday at St. Mary
Thurs, 12/19 - 7:00 PM St. Francis of Assisi

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

3:00 PM Children's Pageant & Mass
5:30 PM Mass
7:30 PM Mass
11:30 PM Lessons & Carols
12:00 AM Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

10:00 AM Mass
2:00 PM Spanish Mass

YOUTH GROUP HOLIDAY GATHERING

SUN, DEC 15 | 6:30PM

Our final meeting for December will be this Sunday, December 15. We'll celebrate Christmas and have some fun and some good discussion. All area high school students are invited to join us from 6:30 to 8 p.m. This is the last gathering for December. Stay tuned for the January schedule when we return after the holiday break. For more information, contact rzyber@smspnewman.org

INTO THE LIGHT

SAT, DEC 21 | 9:00-10:30 AM

Into the Light is a fellowship group that meets for a communion service using the Sunday readings and distributed Host followed by a break fast with a potluck, and round-the-table sharing of brief reflections on the readings. We share our spiritual & life journeys towards the celebration of Christmas through prayer, the Eucharist, and companionship. All are welcome. This Advent group's final meeting will be on Dec 21. Contact Rainey at rlamey@umich.edu if you have any questions.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS THANK YOU!

Thank you to the generosity of those donors who have honored the true spirit of Christmas LOVE by remembering loved ones with a Christmas flowers offering. Your gift serves a dual purpose of helping defray the costs of decorating the church and of honoring those you love in your heart.

Please see the list below of those loved ones and remember them in your Christmas prayers:

Dr & Mrs William Weitzel

in memory of Eric Weitzel, Edward Muzyl,
Mary Lynn Muzyl

Mr & Mrs Lener Pacania

in memory of Doris Pacania, Lydia Ricketts

Mrs Rosemary Baldwin

in memory of Larry Baldwin, Margaret Vanderveer,
Wm. Vanderveer

Ms Lucille Jurson

in memory of Ed Jurson, John & Bernice Gac,
Dolores Karwowski, Richard Kosal

Mr & Mrs Erik Sheagren

in memory of Richard & Ann Kennedy

Mrs Sally Parrish

in memory of Donald Parrish

Mr & Mrs Anthony Push

in memory of Donald Parrish, David Parrish

Mr & Mrs Edd Snyder

in memory of Josephine Colatruglio

Mr & Mrs Michael Schork

in memory of Hely Merle, Bill & Joan Louwers

Mr Oscar Escobar & Mrs Edna Terraza

in memory of Irma Yolanda Villato, Mitz Escobar V,
Mauta Yolanda Quijon, Jose Maria Torres, Carlota
Zecua

Ms Corinne Grace

in memory of Bob Grace, Gerald Snyder,
Gwen & Stan Snyder

Mr & Mrs Dominic Kline Jr

in memory of Casimir & Regina Kaczmarezn,
Dominic & Rosemary Kline, Robert & Lillian Colembei

In honor of Lori Robinson, Donna Cook



JANUARY DAYTIME WARMING CENTER

JANUARY 1-31

MONDAY – FRIDAY FROM 8:30AM – 4:00PM

We are called to “love our neighbor”, but sometimes we don’t even know our neighbor or who they are. Start this new year by getting to know our community and the people in it. Here’s how: during the month of January in Newman Hall, our parish community provides a welcoming, safe, and warm environment where people experiencing homelessness can find companionship, food, and rest. We are inviting YOU to be a part of this incredible opportunity of solidarity.

Please consider signing up for one of the many volunteer slots on our website!

<https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/parish-life/faith-doing-justice/serve-at-our-parish/>

Questions? Contact Anna Boesch at aboesch@smspnewman.org

WARMING CENTER GIFT REGISTRY

Our warming center registry is back for its fifth year! We are collecting gently used (or new if you wish) items for those guests with us for the month of January. We would like to provide them with at least one of their two requested items before they move on to the February Warming Center. Visit our registry sign-up to view requested items and for more information. Right now, there are only general donation items listed, but the sign up will be updated throughout the first three weeks of January as we meet with guests to understand their specific needs.

More details here, <https://tinyurl.com/giftregistry2020>

Questions? Please contact Karen karenbthomas2@gmail.com or Rainey rlamey@umich.edu

THE 2020 CENSUS

HOW TO COUNT EVERY PERSON, ONCE, IN THE RIGHT PLACE

SUN, JAN 19 | 3:30 PM

The League of Women Voters of the Ann Arbor Area presents "The 2020 Census: Count Every Person. Once. In the Right Place" covers what the 2020 Census is, and why it matters.

It describes the What, Why, When, Who, Where, and How" of the census. The talk and PowerPoint presentation will take 25 minutes, followed by a short question and answer period. Attendees will receive several handouts, from the Census Bureau, including the actual Census questions.

NO ROOM AT THE INN

International Samaritan has partnered with Detroit-based artist Chazz Miller to create a nativity installation called No Room at the Inn. The installation highlights similarities between conditions that Jesus was born into and the conditions faced today by the world’s poorest people. The installation remains up for the public until Jan. 5 at International Samaritan, 803 N. Main Street in Ann Arbor.

International Samaritan helps people who live in garbage dumps, mostly in Central America, but also in Ethiopia. To schedule a private group tour, email michelle@intsam.org

Grad Students/Young Professionals

GRAD/YP ADVENT PRAYER & SOCIAL

MON, DEC 16 | 7:00 PM

Join your fellow grad students and young professionals to reflect on the Advent season as we approach Christmas. The night will begin with a prayer service at 7 pm at St. Mary's, after which we will head out to a local restaurant or bar to celebrate the upcoming holiday together.

GRAD/YP MASS & DINNER

MON, JAN 13 | 7:00 PM

Monthly Mass & Dinner for Grad/YP. Join us to worship, connect, and enjoy a delicious dinner with our Grad/YP community.

GRAD/YP WINTER RETREAT

SAT, FEB 1 - SUN, FEB 2

WEBER RETREAT CENTER (ADRIAN, MI)

All graduate students and young professionals are invited to join us for our Winter 2020 overnight retreat. This year's retreat will be led by Fr. Alan Zobler, OSFS, with the theme "Being Fully Alive." The theme is inspired by the famous words of St. Irenaeus: "The glory of God is man fully alive." As daughters and sons of our merciful and loving God, each one of us is called to be fully alive as followers of Christ. Maturing as a disciple requires times of reflection, conversation, and prayer to honestly take a spiritual inventory of our own faith journeys. This winter retreat will afford participants the opportunity to discern ways of becoming more intentional as disciples of Christ so as to become more fully alive for God!

The retreat includes opportunities for prayer, reflection, silence, Reconciliation, faith-sharing and building community, all on the beautiful grounds of the Weber Retreat Center.

Transportation: We will arrange carpools leaving from St. Mary's at 9:00am on Saturday and returning around 1:00pm on Sunday.

Cost: \$50.00 (double room), \$70.00 (single room); Financial assistance available.

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 15

<http://bit.ly/grad-yp-retreat-2020>

The retreat cost has been subsidized by the parish and includes Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast, overnight accommodations and reflection materials.

\$50 (double room) or \$70 (single room) payment in cash at the office, through Venmo, or through St. Mary's online giving system: <https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=583>

Payment deadline: January 15th

Undergrad Students

"BE NOT AFRAID"

WOMEN'S AND MEN'S UNDERGRAD RETREATS

"Be Not Afraid" is the theme of both our undergraduate women's and men's retreats this Winter semester. Join other women and men for a weekend of prayer and celebration of how our joys, hopes and faith give us courage in the face of the challenges and hardships of our lives. Start the coming semester fired up, refreshed, and unafraid!

- The women's retreat is January 17-19, 2020 at the Desales Center in Brooklyn, MI.
- The men's retreat is January 31-February 2, 2020 at Colombiere Retreat Center in Clarkston, MI.

Registration begins for both retreats on December 5, and continues through January 15 for the women's retreat, and January 27 for the men's retreat.

Sign up now to ensure your place!

- Mens: <http://bit.ly/mens-retreat-2020>
- Womens: <http://bit.ly/womens-retreat-2020>

Contact Ryan with any questions armbrusr@umich.edu

STUDENT STUDY DAYS

We're open extended hours for you to study for finals. We'll have snacks in quantities most can only dream of and study spaces of varying noise levels.

* Open until Midnight from Sunday-Thursday Dec 8-12, 15-18

* Open to 9:00 PM Fri & Sat Dec 13 & 14

Hispanic/Latino Ministry

ROSCA DE REYES

SUN, JAN 5 | 3:00PM

Rosca de Reyes is a traditional Mexican celebration of Epiphany. All are welcome to share the Rosca de Reyes cake after Spanish mass on January 5. Tradition has it that those who find the figurine of Baby Jesus inside their piece of cake then provide tamales for the February 2 celebration of La Candelaria. While we won't hold you to providing the tamales, we do hope you'll join us in this Rosca de Reyes celebration!

"MOVIES THAT MOVE US"

Join Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice's Latin America Task Force on select Tuesday evenings from January to May to share a delicious dinner and view a free film pertaining to current Latin American topics.

2020 Dinner & A Movie Series with Interfaith Council for Peace & Justice Latin America Caucus
Dinner at 6:30 p.m. and Film at 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 14th - Venezuelans Under Siege

Feb. 11th - Eternally Undocumented

Mar. 17th - Crying Forest

Apr. 14th - The Battle for Paradise

May 12th - The Witness

For more information: maperrone@ameritech.net
or https://www.facebook.com/events/582004422618015/?active_tab=about

HISPANIC/LATINO MINISTRY

Join us in our weekly Spanish mass and many other events and programs offered in Spanish! Our community is diverse, made up of students and resident parishioners hailing from all over the Americas and Spain. While many are fluent Spanish-speakers or bilingual, minimal Spanish is needed to participate in our Ministry.

We welcome you to participate in the Latinx young adults group, serve as a catechist, or help plan annual cultural celebrations, like Día de los Muertos and Our Lady of Guadalupe. Volunteers are also needed in our choir, Children's Liturgy, and in a number of other ways at Spanish Mass. We hope you join us!

Contact Amy aketner@smspnewman.org

IMMIGRATION SUPPORT

Rooted in Christ's call to recognize Him in one another, St. Mary loves and welcomes our immigrant brothers and sisters. We serve as a safe home and dynamic resource for our immigrant and non-immigrant communities by providing pastoral care, education, and advocacy opportunities all based in mutual companionship.

We invite you to "welcome the stranger" as Jesus has called us to do. Volunteers are needed to tutor at our English as a Second Language (ESL) conversation hours, accompany immigrant parishioners to court or ICE check-ins, and serve on our immigration team to plan educational events, advocacy campaigns, prayer opportunities and more.

Contact Amy aketner@smspnewman.org

ESL-ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

CALL FOR LEARNERS: Join us for free, personalized English conversation hours, Sundays from 12:45PM - 1:45PM

Acompañanos en clases de Inglés gratis y personalizadas, todos los domingos de 12:45 a 13:45 en la Parroquia Estudiantil de St Mary. ¿Preguntas? Contacta a Emily Wrobel ewrobel@umich.edu

CALL FOR TUTORS: Interested in tutoring English as a Second Language? Come join the ESL program at St. Mary's! The program provides a safe space for community members to practice English and receive personalized guidance in reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Join us each week 12:45 PM -1:45 PM (before Spanish mass).

Contact Emily ewrobel@umich.edu

OFFICE HOURS & MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, Noon, 2:00 PM (Spanish), 5:00 PM & 9:00 PM

DAILY MASSES Monday-Thursday 5:10 PM & Friday 12:10 PM

OFFICE HOURS Sunday 8:00 AM-9:00 PM Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM-9:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM & Saturday Varies

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Wednesday 6:00-6:45 PM, Sunday 7:30-8:15 PM or by appointment

Parish News & Events

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. 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 serena68@comcast.net

PRAY THE ROSARY

TUESDAYS AFTER THE 5:10 PM MASS

Reciting this ancient and powerful prayer with others can be a heart-opening experience and a way to promote peace in the world and in ourselves. We will provide you the texts of the prayers if needed. If you have intentions for which you'd like us to pray, or any questions, please send them to Toni weena@umich.edu

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

MONDAYS @ 7:00 PM MASS

One Old Testament book begins with a description so unearthly, some suggest the prophet who authored it saw a UFO! Want to learn more? St. Mary's Bible Study--after a brief comparison of the major prophets--is pursuing a deeper look at the strange book of Ezekiel. Please join us Mondays from 7-8:30pm. (We've already discussed how this prophet refers to his people as prostitutes in his effort to change their evil ways. Odd, very odd....) Questions? Call Kathy Ann at 734-668-7437. Hope to see you Dec.16 or Jan. 6! (NO CLASSES Dec. 23 or Dec. 30 during U of M's holiday break)

ST. MARY'S DISCUSSION GROUP

SUN, DEC 15 | 3:00-5:00PM

Heaven - paradise - demon - devil - angel - satan - purgatory - soul - apocalypse - prayer - hell - miracle. What do these words mean to you now? How do you define them? How has your understanding of these ideas / concepts changed over the years? Does prayer 'work'? One definition of paradise is "a heavenly beautiful place on this earth". What are places or moments of paradise for you? Come share your thoughts, reflections, and ideas on these concepts. We will meet in Donnelly Hall at 3pm for cookies and conversation and begin the discussion at 3:15.

For more information, contact Sherry Warden at sswarden@umich.edu or 734-646-0721

WOMEN OF THE HEART

THURS, JAN 16 | 10:15 AM-NOON

Guest speaker will be Mariane Fahlman, O.P. - Professor in Health Science - Wayne State University "*Hope for Personal Change, Healing and Happiness*"

Women of every age are invited to connect, be inspired, and celebrate their faith with one another. This year's theme: Journeying In Hope. Guest speakers will be providing their insights each month. We meet the second Thursday of each month through May.

- ◆ **Feb 13** - Barb Cervenka, O.P. / Marion Jackson - Art Educators "*Hope for Transformation through Creativity - Detroit*"
- ◆ **Mar 12** - Carleen Maly, O.P. Director - Dominican Literacy Center - Adrian "*Hope through Education*"
- ◆ **Apr 16** - Patricia Walter, O.P. - Theology Professor - Retired "*Hope for Eternal Life*"
- ◆ **May 14** - Sister Carol and Nancy *Closing Session*

Contact Phyllis pbmclaughlin@comcast.net or Patty pmmm@comcast.net

CATHOLIC THINKERS BOOK CLUB

2ND TUES OF THE MONTH | 7-8:30 PM

All are welcome and encouraged to participate. Below is list of the books we will be reading and discussing. The books will be available for purchase from Literati Bookstore.

JAN 14 - *Trent: What Happened at the Council*. John O'Malley.

FEB 11 - *Vatican I: The Council and the Making of the Ultra Montane Church*. Also by O'Malley.

MARCH 10 AND APRIL 14 - *Pope Francis: Untying the Knots*. The Struggle for the Soul of Catholicism. Paul Vallely.

Contact John Paglione jgpone@sbcglobal.net if you are not already on the Book Club e mail list and wish to be included please send an email to John.

Parish News & Events

CAREER MENTORING PROGRAM

The Parish Council is excited to announce a new program that will provide an opportunity for resident and student parish members to come together and discuss careers with a spiritual perspective. This month, we will invite resident parishioners to sign-up to serve as mentors. In January, we will register interested students. By February we plan to assign mentoring pairs. We anticipate mentors and students meeting three times over the course of the year. In addition to providing career guidance, we hope the mentoring pairs will explore questions such as:

- How should I prepare for the transition from school to professional life?
- How do you incorporate your spiritual beliefs into your career?
- How do you balance raising a family with work responsibilities, or when is the best time to start a family?

If you are a resident parishioner and would like the opportunity to mentor a student member of our parish, please visit our website to sign-up and submit your resume/CV: <https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/parish-life/career-mentoring-program/>

All vocations and levels of seniority are welcome, including retirees.

Please contact the Parish Council with any questions:
parishcouncil@smspnewman.org

EXPERIENCE ALPHA

St. Thomas the Apostle Church invites you to experience Alpha. Alpha is a wonderful opportunity to get together, enjoy a meal, watch a short film, and have great conversations that explore Christianity in a relaxed, friendly setting. There is no commitment, no pressure, no follow-up, no charge. Alpha is fun and the food is fabulous.

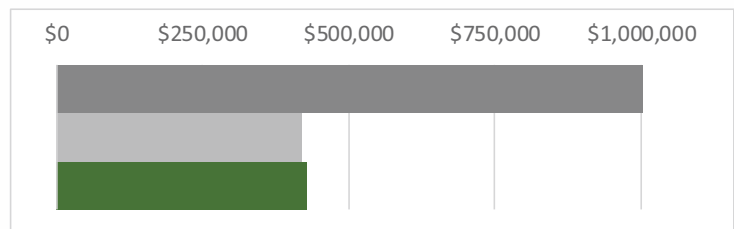
Alpha will meet once a week for 11 wks – beginning Tuesday, January 21 at SILVIOS Organic Restaurant/Pizzeria - 715 N. University from 6:30-8:30 pm.

Register online at stthomasannarbor.org/alpha
For more information on Alpha, please visit <https://alphausa.org/>

SMSP Financial Report

FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020

Year-to-Date Offering Report as of 12/08/2019



Annual Budget Goal	\$1,020,000
Year-to-Date (YTD) Goal	\$438,600
<u>Amount Collected YTD</u>	<u>\$449,299</u>
Above (Below) YTD Goal	\$10,699

Sunday Offering Report as of 12/08/2019

November Budget Goal	\$19,600
<u>Sunday 12/08/2019 (Week 23)</u>	<u>\$20,581</u>
Above (Below) Weekly Goal	\$981



Annual
Giving
Statements

YEAR-END STATEMENTS WILL BE MAILED
OUT MID-JANUARY.

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DEC 15 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Reading I Is 35:1-6a, 10
 Psalm Ps 146:6-10
 Reading II Jas 5:7-10
 Gospel Mt 11:2-11

In the person of Jesus, God has come to heal and save us. Patiently, yet joyfully, we await the fulfillment of his advent.

DEC 22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Reading I Is 7:10-14
 Psalm Ps 24:1-6
 Reading II Rom 1:1-7
 Gospel Mt 1:18-24

Jesus is Emmanuel. "God with us," risen from the dead. He is the king of glory.

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