



# ST. MARY STUDENT PARISH

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

OCTOBER 11, 2020

28th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

# FEAST



“Come to the feast.”

MATTHEW 22:4BC

“‘Vengan a la boda’.”

MATEO 22, 4

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## Pastoral Perspective

### REMEMBERING STEVE

BY JOSEPH F. WAGNER, SJ



In a few weeks, it will be seven years since my friend Steve died. Anyone who knew him knew at least two things about him: he was extraordinarily generous and kind, and he loved good food and fine wines. I'm thinking of him today because he chose today's first reading from Isaiah for his funeral mass. Isaiah assures us that "the Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines." Steve asked me to preside at his funeral, and when I saw the reading he chose, I laughed out loud. Of course! How appropriate, Steve.


In a few more weeks, we will be approaching the fall and winter holidays, celebrations on which we are so accustomed to rich foods and (perhaps) fine wines in the presence of family and friends (and, if we're blessed, maybe even some strangers). But I'm guessing that many of us are looking at these holidays differently this year. In many cases we can't celebrate them as we usually would. Apart from the cautions surrounding the pandemic, we're living at a time of a good deal of anxiety for all that's going on in our country and in our world. If the pandemic isn't keeping families apart, I hear more and more that political differences are. It's a strange contrast to hear Isaiah's message of God's great banquet celebration at a time when such celebrations are so much more difficult for us.

But, of course, these celebrations that we might be missing are not the Great Banquet that Isaiah foretold. God's banquet is different. Rich food and choice wines are not the only nourishment we need, and in fact, they

are not necessarily even the nourishment *we need*. I hear the voice of St. Paul in the middle of today's readings saying, "In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need." The nourishment Paul finds in Jesus has nothing to do with his immediate circumstances; it comes rather from his ability to see about him and within him the grace of God at work even when he was imprisoned and his life seemed near its end. He found the grace of God at work through the support of the Philippian community, in their love and care for him, even when they could not be together. He insisted that somehow, he could see God's banquet spread out before him, even in his lonely prison cell. It comes, I think, from his commitment to believing that God's love and the way Jesus calls us to live that love are constant, unchanging, despite any and all change in the world around us. Are we committed to the same belief?

We buried Steve on my birthday that year. (I'll never forgive him for that.) Isaiah's reading always takes me back to Steve's funeral, a gathering with Maria, his wife, and his family, and with friends who traveled across the country to be present. We all shared a common experience of our memories of food and wine with Steve, and the extraordinarily gentle yet faith-filled-ly determined soul that he was. But as we chuckled about his choice of the first reading, and as we remembered all those meals and toasts we shared over the years, we all agreed on one thing: our time with Steve was never really about the rich food and fine wine. It was about the love. It was always about the love.

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# On-Going Parish Events

## MASS INTENTIONS: OCTOBER 10-17

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

5:00 PM Mass for Maurine Dailey

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

9:00 AM Mass for

10:10 AM Mass for People of the Parish

2:00 PM Mass for +Marco Alocer

5:00 PM Mass for +Budi Dharmakusume

8:00 PM Mass for Andrew Carey

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

5:10 PM Mass for

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

5:10 PM Mass for

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

12:10 PM Mass for

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

5:00 PM Mass for +Kay Masini

## IN-PERSON BAPTISM CLASS—ENGLISH

CLASS DATES ARE: OCT 19 AND NOV 2

*Pre-registration is required. Please email Carol ckonczal@umich.edu or call the parish office to register for class: 734-663-0557 x 0.*

A baptism preparation class will be held once or twice a month. Classes are limited to 4 families, masks and proper social distancing is required. If you are able, we ask that you pick up a baptism preparation packet from the Parish Office at least one week prior to the class. The packet contains articles and discussion questions for parents and godparents. During the class there is an opportunity to ask questions and schedule the baptism date.

The class is required to be taken only once. It does not need to be repeated for additional children. Those wishing to have their children baptized at St. Mary Student Parish should be **registered members here for at least three months and active, contributing members of the parish.**

To arrange a baptism and to begin the preparation, please email Carol [ckonczal@umich.edu](mailto:ckonczal@umich.edu) or call the parish office.

## WEDDING BANNES

Caitlin Millis & Alex LaFontaine - October 17, 2020

## VIRTUAL WOMEN OF THE HEART

### “CONTINUING THE JOURNEY IN HOPE”

THURS, NOV 12 | 10:15 AM

Women of every age are invited to connect, be inspired, and celebrate our faith with one another. Using a virtual format, we'll gather the second Thursday of each month through May, from 10:15 AM to 12:00 noon.

Given the state of our world at this time, and also because we had to abruptly bring last spring's program to a halt because of Covid-19, we will return to last year's theme entitled, "Continuing the Journey in Hope."

Our first semester will explore echoes of hope in Scripture and in Christology. Our presenters will be Sister Maribeth Howell, O.P., Professor Emeritus of Aquinas Institute of Theology, and Sister Patricia Walter, O.P., retired Theology Professor of Siena Heights University.

We will devote the second semester to exploring the theme: "Women - Bearers of Hope," using Sister Barbara Reid's book, "Wisdom's Feast: An Invitation to Feminist Interpretation of the Scriptures." Sister Carol Johannes, O.P. and Nancy Bordley will be facilitating these gatherings.

Come and join us for what promises to be a rich and rewarding experience. We will be gathering via Zoom on the following dates. Please feel free to join us for as many sessions as your schedule allows.

- November 12
- December 10
- January 14
- February 11
- March 11
- April 8
- May 13

Julie Mussio [jmussio@smspnewman.org](mailto:jmussio@smspnewman.org) with any questions. She will be coordinating the Zoom gatherings so please forward to her your email address if you are new to Women of the Heart or have an updated email address.

## VIRTUAL EXPLORING THE FAITH THRU RCIA

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), helps those who are considering adult baptism into the Catholic faith, those who may want to convert from another Christian faith, and those adult Catholics who want to complete their Confirmation.

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Fr. Joe Wagner, SJ, RCIA Director, [jwagner@smspnewman.org](mailto:jwagner@smspnewman.org)  
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## Undergraduate Students

### VIRTUAL ASB INFO NIGHT

MON, OCT 12 | 7:00 PM

Undergrads, yeah, we know there is no Spring Break! But, we will still be offering our Alternative Spring Break trips (if they can be done safely) in May 2021. Join us for an Alternative Spring Break (ASB) Information Night on October 12th at 7pm on Zoom!

We will have several former participants and site leaders who will share their stories and experiences with the Alternative Spring Break Program at St. Mary and answer any questions you all have. If you are even a little bit interested in attending an ASB trip you are encouraged to come and get more information. ASB trips are a wonderful opportunity to make new friends, serve the poor and marginalized, deepen your faith, and see new and exciting places! The info night will also be recorded if you cannot attend.

Please reach out to our ASB Intern Will at [willover@umich.edu](mailto:willover@umich.edu) if you have any questions.



THURSDAY, OCT 15 AT 5:10 PM

Undergraduates are welcome to join us virtually for a live-streamed mass at 5:10pm. Watch the Ig.nite mass: <https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/ig-nite-mass/>

**Once a month, mass is followed by a live broadcast that will begin at 6:30pm.**

**OCTOBER 15 SPEAKER:** Join us as we talk with Paul Stankewitz, a Policy Advocate at Michigan Catholic Conference. We will discuss the election, voting, and how to engage in political conversations this year! All are welcome to join the first half of the conversation. You can watch the broadcast here: <https://event.webinarjam.com/login/ox08puvawapa0sk>

### IN-PERSON FALL RETREATS

SAT, OCT 31

Join us for our Undergraduate Fall Retreats! This year our Fall Retreat is a day-long retreat, at two locations.

FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES will gather at SMSP from 9:30am-3:30pm.

JUNIORS & SENIORS will travel to Manresa Jesuit Retreat House in Bloomfield Hills, leaving from Ann Arbor at 8:30am, and returning at 4:30pm. Lunch will be provided.

Come join us for an exciting day of prayer, reflection, fellowship and worship! Since we can only accommodate about half as many students as usual, please only sign up if you are committed to being there, and do so soon! The cost of the retreat is \$15.

Sign up: <https://docs.google.com/forms/de/1FAIpQLSeYWxl1CcNEGIL8tuNSkSo91Q172TtLMWDuJJ-TTVs-DIT1w/viewform>

### IN-PERSON SUNDAY NIGHT STUDY BREAK

Undergraduates, come join fellow students between the 5:00 and 8:00 pm masses on Sunday night for socially-distanced fellowship in the St. Mary Courtyard. As with all St. Mary events, masks are required.

## Undergrads/Grads & Young Professionals

### RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

Make time for God in the midst of your regular hectic schedule. Bring the joys and concerns of your daily life into conversation with Jesus and a spiritual companion. Invite the Holy Spirit into your decision making and all aspects of your life. Retreatants (undergrads and grad/young professionals) commit to 15 minutes of individual daily prayer and 40-45 minutes of conversation each week with a provided spiritual companion.

The Campus Ministry team will use the preferences you indicate on your registration form to prayerfully match you with a spiritual companion who best meets your needs and desires. Click on the following link to learn more about spiritual companionship (often called spiritual direction): <http://www.ignatianspirituality.com/making-good-decisions/spiritual-direction/>

The deadline to register is Friday, October 16.

If you have any questions, contact Fr. Mark Mossa, SJ [mmossa@smspnewman.org](mailto:mmossa@smspnewman.org)

### VIRTUAL THE FOUNDATION

#### MEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP

Any adult man over the age of 18 from the Diocese of Lansing who has graduated from high school and desires to join a group of men who are not afraid to talk about priesthood and be open to God's call - whatever it is.

Peer support and prayer are the main focus of the group, along with diving into topics surrounding priestly discernment and Catholic identity.

All meetings are centered around a discussion about the chapter of the day from the book *To Save a Thousand Souls*. Books will be mailed to you.

The Group meets virtually Saturdays from 11:00 am-12 noon on the following dates: Nov. 7, Dec. 5, Jan. 9, Feb. 6, Mar. 6, Apr. 3 Contact Fr. Whitlock [jwhitlock@dioceseoflansing.org](mailto:jwhitlock@dioceseoflansing.org).



46TH ANNUAL ANN ARBOR

### VIRTUAL CROP HUNGER WALK-VIRTUAL

SUN, OCT 11 | 2:00 PM

During these next few weeks, more than 100,000 individuals in 800 walks nationwide will come together to raise funds to assist the world's hungry people through Church World Service (CWS) hunger inequality programs and local food insecurity programs. In January 2020, the number of food insecure people in the U.S. was at its lowest (37 million) since the Great Depression, but this number is estimated to have grown by half to 54 million in these six months of the Covid-19 pandemic. It is estimated 18 million children are now food insecure.

Please join us in raising awareness and funds! Church World Service invites you to join us in the 46th annual Ann Arbor CROP Hunger Walk on October 11, 2020 at 2PM. Walk anywhere you want, e.g., your neighborhood, your home, a park, in a safe and physically distant manner. You can walk solo or in a small groups in a physically distant manner. You can even walk on Saturday.

#### WALK, DONATE, OR BOTH:

##### WALK

- Please contact Alex Nemmers 808-330-6403 or [avpjn42@gmail.com](mailto:avpjn42@gmail.com), if you'd like to walk.

##### DONATE

- Go to our St. Mary Student Parish team page on the CROP Walk website <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/annarbormi/StMaryStudentParish> and donate online.
- **Mail a check payable to "CWS"** to St. Mary Student Parish, 331 Thompson Street, A2, 48104. These will be collected and turned over to Ann Arbor CROP Walk after October 11.
- Go to <https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/about/give/> and select SMSP Ann Arbor CROP Walk from the dropdown item list.

##### BOTH

- Please contact Alex Nemmers 808-330-6403 or [avpjn42@gmail.com](mailto:avpjn42@gmail.com), if you'd like to walk and/or donate.

## Graduate Student/Young Professionals

### VIRTUAL NIGHT PRAYER (COMPLINE)

THURSDAYS AT 10:00 PM

Take a break and end your week with a brief time of prayer shared with other young adults. We will host a virtual Night Prayer every Thursday at 10:00 PM on Zoom, beginning on September 17th. We will pray Night Prayer (Compline) from the Liturgy of the Hours, perhaps alternating with the Rosary, if the group chooses. No prior knowledge of either of these forms of prayer is needed, and each takes no more than about fifteen minutes.

*The Zoom link for Night Prayer can be found in the Grad/YP Newsletter\*.*

### VIRTUAL MASS & DINNER

MON, OCT 12 | 7:00 PM

All grad students and young professionals are welcome to join us for our monthly mass and dinner gathering—Covid style. We will stream mass on Monday at 7:00 PM. Shortly after mass, we will switch to a Zoom room for an opportunity to eat "together" and share both social and spiritual conversation.

*Links to both the streaming mass and the social afterward can be found in the Grad/YP Newsletter\*.*

### VIRTUAL SPIRITUAL DIRECTIONS

MON, OCT 26 | 7:00 PM

Our monthly Spiritual Directions evening is an opportunity to gather for socializing, conversation, and to hear a speaker or share in some form of prayer. Currently, these gatherings will take place virtually.

Our speaker of this month is Cathy Selin, a Umich alum, retired attorney, and currently a spiritual director and chocolatiere. She will speak on "Connection in the Time of Covid."

*For more details on Cathy Selin's talk, and for the Zoom link to join us, please see the Grad/YP Newsletter\*.*

*\*If you are a grad student or young professional, but are not receiving our Grad/YP Newsletter, please contact us at [smsp.grads.lead@umich.edu](mailto:smsp.grads.lead@umich.edu).*

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

- SUNDAY: 1:30 PM - 5:00 PM
- MONDAY: CLOSED
- TUESDAY: 11:00 AM–6:00 PM
- WEDNESDAY: 11:00 AM–6:00 PM
- THURSDAY: 11:00 AM–6:00 PM
- FRIDAY: 11:00 AM–2:00 PM
- SATURDAY: CLOSED

During our office hours, the office will be staffed to assist with scheduling, questions, donations, etc. You may also enter the church for individual prayer. Please enter through the main doors on Thompson Street.

*Masks and social distancing are required.*

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

SUNDAYS | 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Communion will be distributed on Sundays from 11:30 AM-12:00 PM. If you arrive early, please wait in your car. The parish will remain locked until 11:30 AM. Enter through the William Street doors unless you require handicap accessibility through the Thompson side.

*Masks and social distancing are required.*

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

TUESDAYS | 6:00 PM



Everyone is invited to Eucharistic Adoration every Tuesday after daily Mass until 8:00 pm. The third Tuesday of every month adoration will include the Divine Chaplet. Come spend as much time as you wish. All are welcome. Please allow mass-goers to leave the church before entering.

*Masks and social distancing are required.*

## CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDAYS | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

No reservation is required. Please enter through the main doors on Thompson Street and follow the signs.

Confessions will be offered both in the church and outside in the courtyard, weather permitting, or in Donnelly Hall.

## MASS ADDITION

We have added a little music into our live Masses. There will be an opening, responsorial and Communion/closing song. These songs will be sung only by the cantor. To continue to keep everyone safe and per the Diocesan guidelines there is to be no congregational singing. Thank you.

## VIRTUAL LIVE-STREAMED MASS

We continue to live-stream masses as follows:

### SUNDAYS:

- 9:00 AM (English)
- 10:10 AM (Spanish)

### THURSDAYS:

- 5:10 PM Student-Led Ig.nite Mass

Masses can be watched live on our website:

<https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/>. You may also watch a recording of mass anytime after the mass has finished.

## PUBLIC MASS RESERVATIONS

### WEEKEND MASS:

SAT: 5:00 PM Vigil

SUN: 2:00 PM (Spanish)

5:00 PM

8:00 PM

### DAILY MASS:

TUE: 5:10 PM

FRI: 12:10 PM

St. Mary is open to the public for mass per the schedule above. **Our capacity is limited to 50 seats.** Reservations are required. Click here to reserve your seat:

<https://bit.ly/smsp-public-mass-reservation>

*Please note, there are tabs at the top of the webpage for Sunday mass and daily mass.*

To protect the health and safety of everyone at the mass, please note the following:

- Reservations will be limited to registered parishioners and students.
- Since we do not have pews, seating will be 50 individual chairs.
- If you make a reservation for more than one seat, you will be sitting alone and you may not be sitting near anybody else on your reservation.
- The moving of chairs will not be permitted.
- We strongly discourage those with compromised immune systems or families with small children from attending mass.

*Masks and social distancing are required.*

# Hispanic/Latino Ministry

## VIRTUAL VIGILIA POR LA PAZ, LA RECONCILIACIÓN Y LA JUSTICIA

THURS, OCT 29 | 7:30 PM

All are welcome to join us for a Prayer Vigil for Peace, Reconciliation and Justice, in Spanish.

The Vigil is organized by the Ignatian Hispanic Communities of the Office of Ignatian Spirituality in the Eastern Province of the Society of Jesus.

The vigil will be shown on YouTube live. No registration required, but for more information, please see: <https://comunidadesignacianas.org/salyluz>

## LATINX YOUNG ADULT

### VIRTUAL PEQUEÑA COMUNIDAD DE LA IGLESIA (SPANISH SCC)

MONDAYS | 5:00 PM

This Small Church Community (SCC) is for Latinx young adults interested in growing in faith and building community with other Latinx young adults. Each Monday from 5-6pm, we gather to pray with the Scripture passages for the following Sunday and reflect on God's presence in our lives.

Our meetings are co-facilitated bilingually (English and Spanish) by two Latinx young adults. We meet primarily via Zoom, due to COVID-19 health concerns.

For more information or to sign up, please email please email Amy Ketner at [aketner@smspnewman.org](mailto:aketner@smspnewman.org) or Rita Zyber [rzyber@smspnewman.org](mailto:rzyber@smspnewman.org)

## VIRTUAL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

Despite the pandemic, our English as a Second Language Program (ESL) continues (virtually).

Whether you are an English-learner or want to help someone improve their language skills, we welcome you!

Tutors and learners meet individually or in small groups each week for 45-60 minutes over zoom. Meetings can be at a time that is convenient for you.

For tutors, no language or teaching experience is required - just an interest in helping others practice English!

All levels of English learners are welcome, and the program is free. For more information or to sign up, email Emily [ewrobel@umich.edu](mailto:ewrobel@umich.edu) or Ellie [efalahee@umich.edu](mailto:efalahee@umich.edu)



## 106<sup>TH</sup> WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

September 27<sup>th</sup> was the 106<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Pope Francis's theme this year was: *Like Jesus Christ, forced to flee*. So often we look at migrants, refugees and displaced persons as statistics, but they are real people! Once we get to know them and hear their stories, we are able to understand their precariousness that we have come to experience ourselves as a result of this current pandemic. This is a constant in the lives of displaced people.

The United States has a long history of welcoming and resettling refugees from around the world. Each year, the president is required by law to consult with Congress to determine the number of refugees allowed to be admitted to the U.S., a process known as the "Presidential Determination" (PD). This year, the Administration has only sent recommendations to Congress for a PD of 15,000. They must still consult with Congress about the recommendation and set the final number.

If the PD for FY2021 is finalized at 15,000 refugees, it will be the fourth consecutive year that our country will have the lowest refugee admissions goal in the program's history. Meanwhile, there are over 26 million refugees worldwide with over 1.44 million in need of resettlement. These decreases have already meant lost protection for religious minorities; for example, in 2016, 1,524 Iraqi Christians received refuge in the United States compared with only 86 in 2019- a 94% decrease.

As Catholics, we affirm the inherent dignity of every person and the ability of refugees to seek security and safety for themselves and family members. Further reducing refugee resettlement numbers mean that refugees fleeing persecution are left in harm's way, that refugee families are left separated across the continents and that the U.S. retreats in its global leadership position.

You can learn more about this issue and contact the administration directly by e-mail to urge them to increase the number of refugees resettled in the U.S. for FY2021 here: <https://justiceforimmigrants.org/action-alerts/5072/>

*"The immigrant who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the immigrant as yourself, for you were immigrants in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God."* – Leviticus 19:34

*Please keep them in your prayers and for more merciful policies in the days ahead.*

## Around The Diocese

FATHER GABRIEL RICHARD HIGH SCHOOL

### FALL OPEN HOUSE

Father Gabriel Richard High School invites all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade families to our fall Open House on **Nov 12 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.** Tour the school, learn about our excellent academic and faith filled community!

For those who are unable to attend, FGR will also host **two virtual evenings on Oct 8 from 7:00 – 7:30 pm and Oct 13 from 5:30 - 6:00 pm.** A link will be provided on our website at [fgrhs.org](http://fgrhs.org)

# FGR



### ST. LUKE NEW LIFE CENTER VIRTUAL OCTOBERFEST FUNDRAISER

From Oct. 10 to 25, St Luke NEW Life Center in Flint will host its annual Octoberfest fundraiser virtually. To help support their job training, social enterprise, literacy, food pantry and other programs, please participate in the Octoberfest Auction and Impact Giving campaigns.

Find out how to participate here: [slnlc.betterworld.org](http://slnlc.betterworld.org)  
For more information about the Center, visit [stlukenewlife.com](http://stlukenewlife.com). Questions - contact Lisa Hirsch at [lisahirsch38@gmail.com](mailto:lisahirsch38@gmail.com).

Thank you for your support!

## Election Resources



The Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States reflects on our Gospel call to promote the common good in the public square.

While the document's authors know that many Catholics are reluctant to mix faith and politics, they hope that its approach will resonate with that audience. The guide does not include lists of political positions to take as a Catholic, but it suggests opportunities for personal engagement through reflection questions, prayer prompts and anecdotes.

Contributor Father Penton explains that "faithful Catholics support different candidates and policies. To us, that's not a reason to not engage in politics. That's a reason to be more reflective, to be more prayerful, to enter into dialogue about how our faith informs our politics. It is not a reason to retreat from politics."

Click here to download the guide: <https://www.jesuits.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/CivicEngagement-v10.pdf>

### CALL FOR CIVIL DIALOGUE: JOIN CIVILIZE IT

*Civilize It* is about making room in your heart for those with whom you disagree. We are called to recognize that each person is a beloved child of God and should be treated with respect because of our inherent human dignity. *Civilize It* is a Catholic, non-partisan call to focus on the dignity of all people, even when we disagree, and to put faith in action by bearing witness to compassion and civility. Take the pledge and find helpful resources at <https://www.wearesaltandlight.org/civilize-it>

In their statement on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, the U.S. Catholic bishops remind Catholics about the call to participate in political life. "In the Catholic tradition," they write, "responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation" (no. 13). Visit <https://www.usccb.org/offices/justice-peace-human-development/forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship> today to read the statement, along with a new letter, watch new videos, and access other great resources.

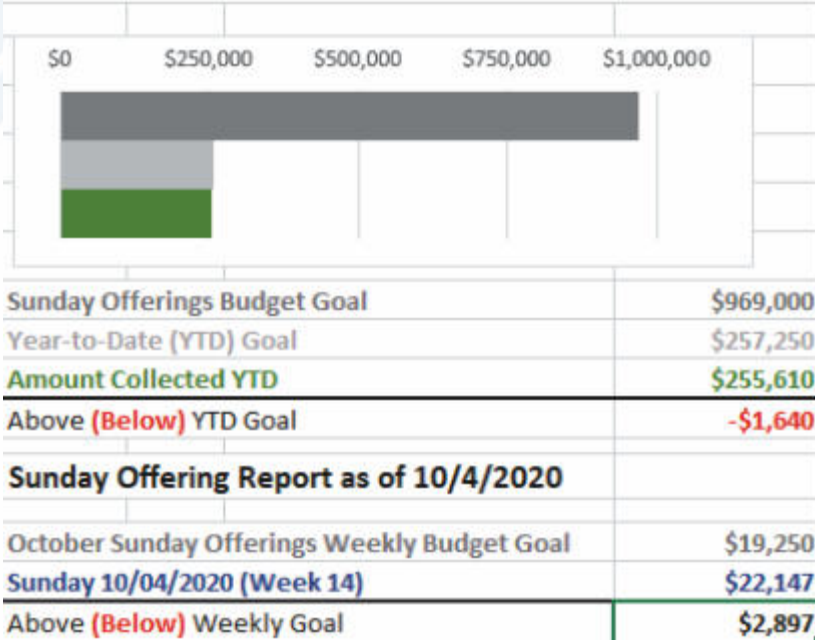




# Financial Update

## Fiscal Year 2020/2021

### Year-to-Date Sunday Offering Report as of 10/04/2020



## ONLINE GIVING

Many of you have signed up for online giving, which is a great help to us. Thank you. Some of you may be open to doing so. We recently introduced a new "online giving portal" through ParishSoft. This will eventually be the only online giving program that we will use. You can sign up and allocate gifts to particular funds here: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/smsp>.

Contact Kristen Gowman with any questions about the new online portal [kgowman@smspnewman.org](mailto:kgowman@smspnewman.org).

## DONATE USING VENMO

Give like students give - straight from their smartphone. Venmo is a secure platform designed to allow you to make payments, transfer money, and donate quickly and easily to friends, groups, and businesses. Link your bank account (or debit card), choose the recipient of your choice, and hit pay. It's that easy!

Our Venmo username is @SMSPumich.

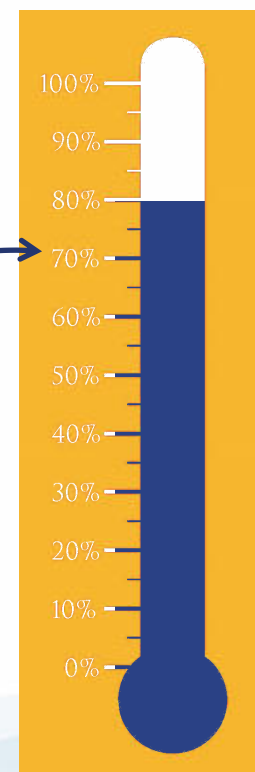


## 2020 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

As Christian stewards we recognize Christ as the source of all our many gifts. As grateful stewards, we are happy to embrace the Diocesan Services Appeal as a way to faithfully participate in the good works of our Holy Catholic Church. Please prayerfully consider a gift, appropriate to your means, in support of efforts in our parish and across the wider church.

Thank you to those who have already contributed! Our parish goal for 2020 is **\$97,785**. If you are still prayerfully considering your contribution, more information can be found online at <https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/DSA>.

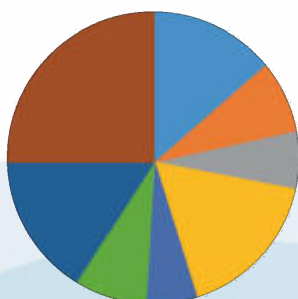
**\$77,297 RAISED**



**WE'VE RAISED ALMOST 80% THANK YOU!**

## HOW ARE DSA CONTRIBUTIONS USED?

DSA contributions are the primary source of income for the Central Services Fund of the Diocese of Lansing. A report of the Central Services Fund expenses in fiscal year 2019 is provided below:



- Ministry Grants, Service Agreements, Subsidies 25.1%
- Vocations 13.2%
- Catholic Charities 8.3%
- New Evangelization 6.7%
- Chancery Services 16.8%
- Education 4.9%
- Formation 9.1%
- Diocesan and Parish Financial Services, Stewardship and Human Resources 16.0%

# St. Mary Student Parish Staff

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# Sunday Readings

## OCTOBER 11, 2020

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I	Is	25:6-10a
Psalm	Ps	23:1-6
Reading II	Phil	4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel	Mt	22:1-14

The Lord invites us to a banquet, one of the favorite images of messianic times. This banquet is spread before us and can fully satisfy our needs, yet how often have we refused the Lord's invitation to share in the riches prepared for us?

## OCTOBER 18, 2020

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I	Is	45:1, 4-6
Psalm	Ps	96:1, 3-5, 7-10
Reading II	1 Thes	1:1-5b
Gospel	Mt	22:15-21

The Lord is king and there is no other. We are to render to God, therefore, fitting praise and service, as is, as God's due. God's word to us, in turn, is a matter of power and strength, to be lived with conviction of heart.

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