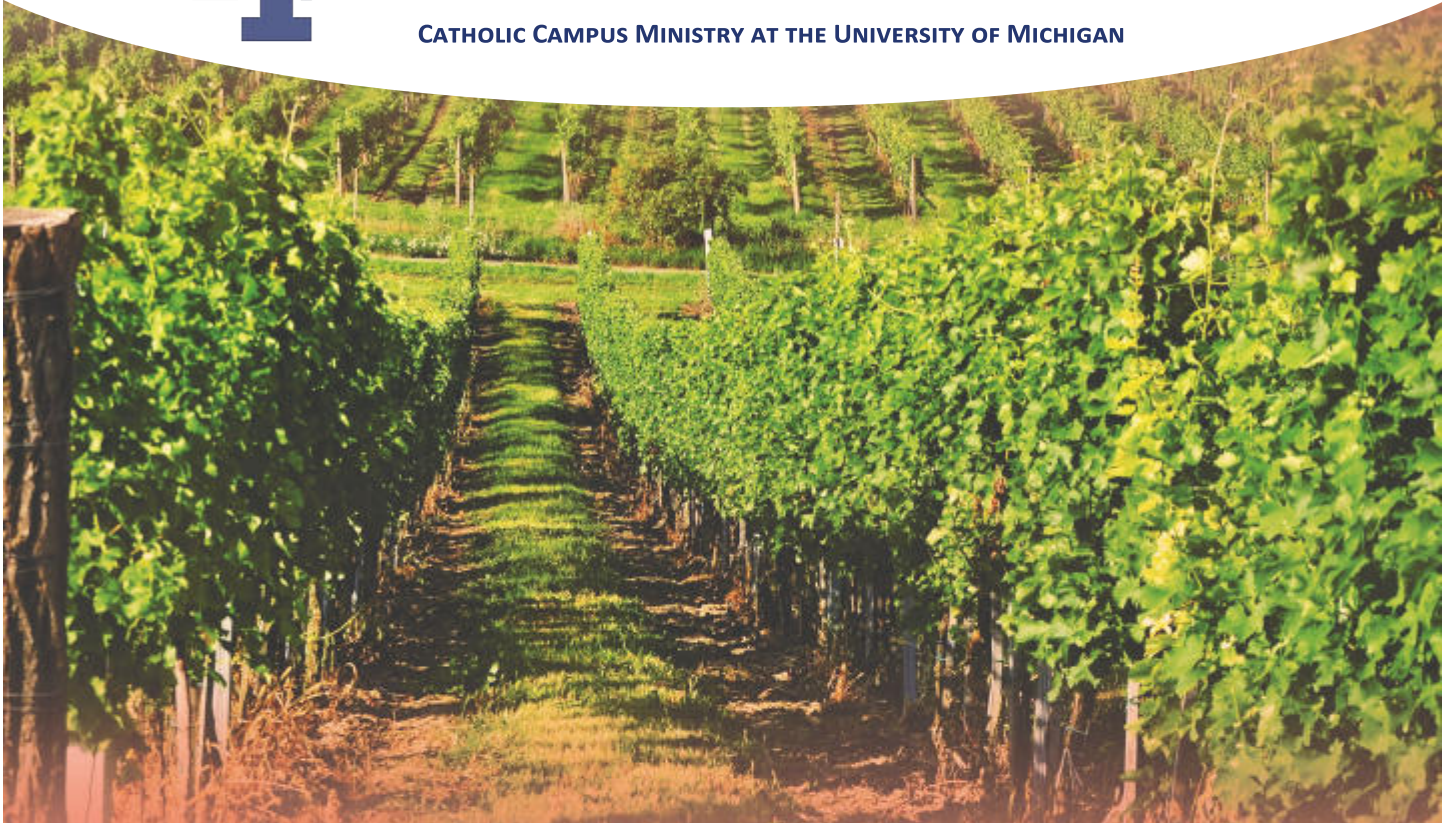




ST. MARY STUDENT PARISH

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

MAY 2, 2021
5th Sunday of Easter



5th Sunday OF EASTER 5^º DOMINGO DE PASCUA

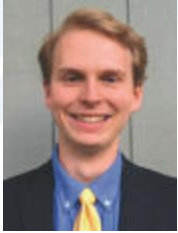
“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower.” - Jn 15:1A

“Yo soy la verdadera vid y mi Padre es el viñador.” - Jn 15, 1A

Pastoral Perspective

LOOKING BACK ON MY LONG EXPERIMENT

BY NATHANIEL CORTAS



On a few occasions, when talking with a student or a resident parishioner about my time here at St. Mary, they would mention to me, "I wish that you could experience St. Mary during a normal year." I heard about the usually vibrant and lively church that was now a quiet building, at best half-full. Looking back on my long experiment here, I realize that there were so many pieces of the community that I was not able to enjoy—playing euchre in the student lounge, attending Ig.Nite masses and dinners, or celebrating the joy of Easter morning in a church packed to the rafters. Instead, masses were socially distanced, event gatherings were over Zoom, as with everywhere else.

Early on, there was a temptation to think that I was missing the real St. Mary, to wonder what my experience would have been had I not come in the midst of a pandemic. In my ministry and in my prayer, it was easy for me to confuse these surface-level things for the essential thing, that "we are Christ-centered, with the Eucharist as the source of holiness in our vibrant liturgical life," as our parish mission statement says. I only had to show up to Eucharistic adoration on a Tuesday evening or communion distribution on a Sunday morning to see how Jesus's life-giving Spirit animates our community, even now.

I encountered that same Spirit many times over the course of the past few months, always working in new and surprising ways. In helping to coordinate the Big Read, I was amazed by people's willingness to vulnerably explore racial justice through the season of Lent. In accompanying the student interns, I was edified by their creativity and resilience in the midst of an especially difficult semester. As the Antiracism Working Group continues to grow in its mission and I hear exciting stories about what is in store for our graduating seniors, it is easy to see how the Eucharistic heart of this parish continues to fill our community with life.

It has been nothing but a gift to have participated in this, and I am grateful to have shared a bit of my time as a novice with each one of you. Thank you for your welcome, your generosity and, above all, your prayers. Next weekend I head back to the novitiate in St. Paul, MN to finish preparations to make first vows in August before heading to Fordham University to begin first studies, the next stage in Jesuit formation. Even after I move on, I would enjoy keeping touch, so please feel free to reach out. I will continue to hold all of St. Mary in prayer, that the Holy Spirit might continue to enliven our mission to become even more of a welcoming, inclusive, caring, and diverse Catholic community.



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

SUNDAY, MAY 2 AND MAY 16 AT 6:30 PM

Our final gatherings for the school year will be held in-person and outdoors on May 2 and May 16 at 6:30 p.m. We'll meet in the courtyard behind the parish to share some time together and talk about how we keep God in our lives, especially during these times of change and isolation. All area high school students and 8th graders are invited to these last two meetings. Masks are required and social distancing will be in place.

For information, contact rzyber@smspnewman.org.

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St. Mary Student Parish

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

- SUNDAY: 8:00 AM-6:30 PM
- MONDAY: 11:00 AM-6:00 PM
- TUESDAY: 11:00 AM-6:00 PM
- WEDNESDAY: 11:00 AM-6:45 PM
- THURSDAY: 11:00 AM-6:00 PM
- FRIDAY: 11:00 AM-2:00 PM
- SATURDAY: 4:30-6:00 PM

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 | 11:15 AM - 11:45 PM

Communion will be distributed on Sundays from 11:15-11:45 AM.

Masks and social distancing are required

CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDAYS | 5:45 PM - 6:45 PM

No reservation is required. Please enter through the doors on Thompson Street and follow the signs. Confessions will be offered in the church and downstairs in Donnelly Hall.

Masks and social distancing are required.

SANTO ROSARIO (ROSARY)

THURSDAYS | 8:00 AM

Todos están invitados a rezar el Santo Rosario con otros feligreses cada jueves a las 8:00am, virtualmente por Zoom. Para mas información o para recibir el enlace de zoom, favor de mandar un email a Amy Ketner aketner@smspnewman.org.

All are welcome to pray the Rosary in Spanish with other SMSP parishioners every Thursday at 8:00am, virtually on Zoom. For more information or to receive the Zoom link, please email Amy at aketner@smspnewman.org.



MASS SCHEDULE

Reservations, distancing and masks are required.

IN-PERSON MASSES

WEEKEND MASS:

SAT: 5:00 PM Vigil

SUN: 8:30 AM

10:00 AM *live-streamed also*

12:00 PM

2:00 PM (Spanish) *live-streamed also*

5:00 PM

DAILY MASS:

MON-THURS: 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 about 70 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.

Masses can be watched live or anytime after the mass:

<https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/category/live-mass/>

- **PARISHIONERS AND STUDENTS CAN SIT TOGETHER IN HOUSE-HOLD GROUPS WHEN ATTENDING MASS HERE.** Proper social distancing is still important so we ask everyone to please follow these instructions.
- Chairs are arranged in rows of 8 on each side of the main aisle with shorter rows on the sides of the altar.
- **SEATS ARE FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE. WHEN CHOOSING YOUR SEATS THERE MUST BE 4 EMPTY SEATS BETWEEN YOU AND ANYONE ELSE IN THE SAME ROW.**
- Mass will still end with Communion. Follow the celebrant's instructions for receiving Communion.
- Masks are required to be worn during the entire Mass and must cover both your nose and mouth.
- Reservations will be limited to registered parishioners and students.
- Seating will be about 70 individual chairs.
- We strongly discourage those with compromised immune systems from attending mass.

Masks and social distancing are required.

Grads & Young Professionals

IN-PERSON MASS & OUTDOOR SOCIAL

MON, MAY 10 | 6:30-8:30 PM

All Grad Students and Young Professionals are welcome to join us for our first in-person event in months! We'll celebrate mass in the Church at 6:30 and gather for a social outdoors in the parish courtyard afterward. You are welcome to attend either or both of these events. Jimmy John's sandwiches and chips will be available at the social, but please BYOB. Standard Covid precautions will be observed.

To help us with planning (and limit Church numbers), please let us know if you will join us.

REGISTER HERE BY MAY 8TH:

<https://tinyurl.com/s5rrx679>

VIRTUAL NIGHT PRAYER

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. 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.

*For more details and the Zoom link to join us, please see the *Grad/YP Newsletter.**

**To receive the Grad/YP Newsletter, please contact smssp.grads.lead@umich.edu.*

Blessing of Graduates

Let us unite our hearts in prayer and entrust to the hands of the Lord those who will be graduated tomorrow.

May God who began this good work in you carry it through to completion, enabling you to use your talents to the fullest.

May God give you the grace to make wise choices and to be faithful to your commitments, always confident in the support of those who love you.

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you will live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you will work for justice, equality, and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war, so that you will reach out your hand to comfort them and change their pain into joy.

May God bless you with the foolishness to think that you can make a difference in the world, so that you will do the things which others tell you cannot be done.

May your integrity be a gift to the world and may the Spirit of God be with you always.

*- Fr. Michael Graham SJ,
Offered at Baccalaureate Mass at Xavier University 2015*



*There's a Name for
the Blah You're
Feeling:
It's Called
Languishing.*

LANGUISHING

*The following is an excerpt from an article by Adam Grant, New York Times published on April 19, 2021
Updated April 20, 2021:*

The neglected middle child of mental health can dull your motivation and focus — and it may be the dominant emotion of 2021.

At first, I didn't recognize the symptoms that we all had in

common. Friends mentioned that they were having trouble concentrating. Colleagues reported that even with vaccines on the horizon, they weren't excited about 2021. A family member was staying up late to watch "National Treasure" again even though she knows the movie by heart. And instead of bouncing out of bed at 6 a.m., I was lying there until 7, playing Words with Friends.

It wasn't burnout — we still had energy. It wasn't depression — we didn't feel hopeless. We just felt somewhat joyless and aimless. It turns out there's a name for that: languishing.

Languishing is a sense of stagnation and emptiness. It feels as if you're muddling through your days, looking at your life through a foggy windshield. And it might be the dominant emotion of 2021.

As scientists and physicians work to treat and cure the physical symptoms of long-haul Covid, many people are struggling with the emotional long-haul of the pandemic. It hit some of us unprepared as the intense fear and grief of last year faded.

Even if you're not languishing, you probably know people who are. Understanding it better can help you help them.

Click here for the whole article from the New York Times: <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/04/19/well/mind/covid-mental-health-languishing.html?smid=url-share>

FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

MARRIED LIFE

Marriage is a vocation to holiness. From their first days as husband and wife through their golden years, married couples have the awesome task of witnessing to God's faithful love to each other, their children, and society.

No couple does this perfectly, and everyone needs help when love feels strained and the going gets tough. All marriages can grow in knowledge, faith, joy, and love.

Whether you are just starting out in marriage or have fifty years under your belt, the advice, real life stories, and Church teaching here can help strengthen and bless your marriage.

Check out the Four Your Marriage website for information for engaged couples, those thinking about getting engaged, married, and those who's marriage is troubled.

<https://www.foryourmarriage.org/married-life/>

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MAY 5, 12, 19 | 7-8:15 ET/4-5:15 PT

A BALM IN GILEAD

Register: igsol.net/balm

Deepening our Understanding & Conversation
about **Race through the Eyes of Faith**



Danielle Harrison

Co-Director, Slavery, History, Memory
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A BALM IN GILEAD

Led by Danielle Harrison and co-sponsored by the Ignatian Solidarity Network, Jesuit Commission on Social and International Ministries, Jesuit Committee of Spiritual and Pastoral Ministry, this three part virtual session will be an opportunity to deep dive into the topic of Race, Racism, and Faith through the lens of Ignatian spirituality. The world has been drawn into this conversation with a new urgency since the summer of 2020; the challenge now is to fully integrate this with our everyday life. What is our spiritual understanding of race and racism? What does our faith call us to do? And how do we enter into truly

transformative relationships with one another? As we break open scripture, read contemporary writings, and explore how St. Ignatius Loyola and Ignatian Spirituality contributes to the conversation, we will discover ways in which we ourselves are being called to enter into this work at this time-and what it means for ourselves, our country, and our world.

Registrants are asked to attend all three sessions:

- ◆ Wednesday, May 5 | 7-8:15PM ET
- ◆ Wednesday, May 12 | 7-8:15PM ET
- ◆ Wednesday, May 19 | 7-8:15PM ET

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

VIRTUAL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

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 Ellie efalahee@umich.edu.



INFANT BAPTISM AT SMSP

St. Mary Student Parish is grateful for the opportunity to celebrate the miracle of new life and welcome new members into our parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism. Currently, baptisms are held privately due to Covid.

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.

Baptism preparation classes are arranged by emailing Deacon Romolo Leone rleone@umich.edu or calling 734-663-0557 ext 233. 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.

To arrange a baptism and to begin the preparation, please contact Carol Konczal at ckonczal@umich.edu. Or call 734-663-0557 ext. 0.

VIRTUAL WOMEN OF THE HEART

“WOMEN - BEARERS OF HOPE”

THURS, MAY 13 | 10:15 AM *This is our last gathering of the year.*

Women of every age are invited to connect, be inspired, and celebrate our faith with one another. Using a virtual format, we will gather from 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

We continue to will explore 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 facilitate this gathering. Come and join us for what promises to be a rich and rewarding experience.

Please contact Julie Mussio at jmussio@smspnewman.org if you have any questions. She will be coordinating the Zoom gathering so please forward to her your email address if you are new to Women of the Heart or have an updated email address.

VIRTUAL LGBT OUTREACH MINISTRY

TUES, MAY 18 | 7-8:30 PM

Meetings are private and confidential and on the third Tuesday of the month. 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: Rodrigo rodri_cg@hotmail.com or Cynthia jcynthia@umich.edu



PART-TIME FACILITIES AND CUSTODIAL ASSISTANT(S)

Assist Building Manager and Custodian with simple indoor and outdoor maintenance and custodial tasks, including helping with external grounds work and snow removal as needed. Assist with inventorying, cleaning, organizing and labeling workshop and garage areas. Responsible for setting up tables, chairs and other small furniture items for parish activities, including breakdown and clean up after events. Must be comfortable with following directions and established cleaning and safety procedures and protocol. Basic computer skills required, including data entry in spreadsheets and email. Must be able to lift 50 lbs. and comfortable working on ladders. Up to 20 hours per week, including potential for some weekends or evenings.

Please send cover letter and resume outlining your work and volunteer experience to Lanette Mele at lmele@umich.edu

St. Mary Student Parish

MASS INTENTIONS: MAY 1– MAY 8

SATURDAY, MAY 1

5:00 PM Mass for +Fr. John Cochran OSB

SUNDAY, MAY 2

8:30 AM Mass for + Marjorie Patek

10:00 AM Mass for + Jon Stachowiak

12:00 PM Mass for People of the Parish

2:00 PM Mass for + Marcos Kieber Barboa Lopez

5:00 PM Mass for

MONDAY, MAY 3

5:10 PM Mass for +Donald Trizzino

TUESDAY, MAY 4

5:10 PM Mass for

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

5:10 PM Mass for

THURSDAY, MAY 6

5:10 PM Mass for

FRIDAY, MAY 7

12:10 PM Mass for + Fr. Charlie Irvin

SATURDAY, MAY 8

5:00 PM Mass for

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Orlando Averion, Zenaida Averion, Maryjo Lum, Ric Chapman, Nathalie Ertel, Therese Sheffield, Dan Karczewski, Brianna Liker, Elpido Adrian, Marcelo Alvarez, Eddie Smith, Joan Lesneski, Daniel Leung, Francyn Chomic, Mark Kintz, Benjamin Besa, Brian Weard, Joan Brown Alexander, Alicia Patterson, Shawn Brown, Jamie Ballew, Patrick Geary, Bob Schoeni, Ron Lesneski, Christopher Brown, Scott Alexander, Wilmer Zhinin, Juan Ibarra-Gonzalez, Adam Lesneski, Stacey Simpson Duke, Joanna Vuylsteke, Julia Zhinin, Wilmer Zhinin, Maria Ayauaca, Manuel Zhinin, Liz Groulx, Michael Patterson, Filiberto Zamorano, Nikolas Block, Rosemary Rodriguez, Cristina Magsino, Kate Hanson, Maria Delores Monicibas Aleman, Luis Mario Riano, Joesph Puttrich, Colin Beaumier, Monica Terhar, Senir Rivas, Maria Hernandez, Hilda & Henry Willis, Joan Benzie, Joe Ladago, Jan Buhler, Brent Horvath, Marianna Hann, John Burns, Pablo Angiano Flores, Christine Geoghegan, Laura Brown, Trinh Piper, Cindy McPherson, Gloria Grisales, Aurora Kobalz, Amaris Bolanos Luna, John Lanzatta, Curran Lawrence, Fred Metry, Tom Forner, Brian Cronin, Phil Simmons, Charlotte Jenkins, Theresa Bontekoe Deprest, Nancy Harknett, Matthew Casey, Amby Gallagher, John Dunne, Clifton Chippewa, Nic Steadman, Bonnie Dean, Debbie Nigh, Arthur O'Neil, Augusto Silvino Garduno Esquivel, Kaylah Misiuk, Paul McNamara, Rosemary Callahan, Terri White Kaufman, Joseph D. Schwartz, Annie & Justin Siciliano, Bryan Tucker, Cynthia Lear, Guillermo Foncerrada, Dianna Nati, Pedro Osorio Soriano, Maria Enriqueta Ramirez Flores, Donna Osborne, Ernie Jones, Tina Jones, Bernie Lamey, Jo Lamey, Flora Corrales, Juanita Esquivel, Julio Ramos, Hugo Lombardo, Sara Zuleta, Art Lamey, Jeanne McAree, Salvador Cuevas, Lou Terhar, Fr. Walter Moll, Jr, Helen Lucille Ceasar, Robert Hunter, Mary D'Souza, Robert Colby, Keisha Banks, Martha Leticia Garcia Guerra, Steiner Supphellen, Gerry Spencer, Mike Pearce, Norma Gonzalez, Marianne Roche, Philip Chan, Teresita Shah, Mercy Philomena Mascarenhas, Jose Luis Hernandez, Rick Dwyer, Sheri Wander, Kathleen Moore, Susan Meyer and Fr. Tim Dombrowski, Gerald Montry, Ed Zyniewicz, Katie Veilleux

To add or remove a name:

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St. Mary Student Parish

Fiscal Year 2020/2021

Year-to-Date Sunday Offering Report as of 04/25/2021

	\$0	\$250,000	\$500,000	\$750,000	\$1,000,000
Sunday Offerings Budget Goal					\$969,000
Year-to-Date (YTD) Goal					\$818,000
Amount Collected YTD					\$841,904
Above (Below) YTD Goal					\$23,904
Sunday Offering Report as of 4/25/2021					
April Sunday Offerings Weekly Budget Goal					\$20,000
Sunday 4/25/2021 (Week 43)					\$11,977
Above (Below) Weekly Goal					(\$8,023)

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 kgowman@smspnewman.org.

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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.

STUDENT STAFF

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Around the Diocese of Lansing



DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE

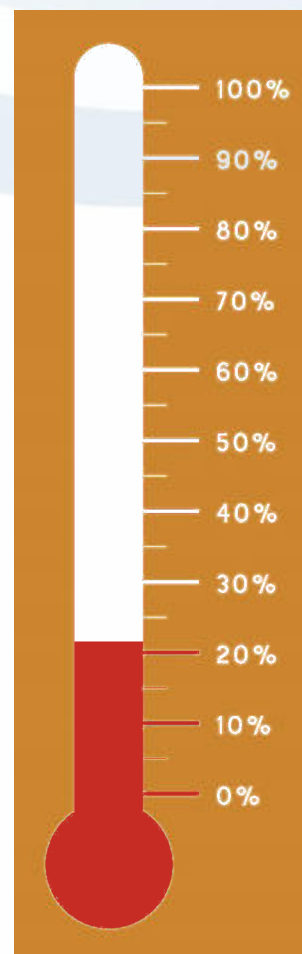
**WE REACHED OVER 21% OF OUR
DSA GOAL OF \$104,055.00.**

Thus far at least \$21,020 have been contributed to this year's appeal. We are grateful for these contributions and invite others to push us over goal for the benefit of our parish and the wider church.

Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or pledge commitment to our Diocesan Services Appeal. Our gifts to DSA enable our diocese to provide services crucial to our parish. The programs and services funded by DSA offer direct assistance to individuals and families, and to parishes, schools, and Catholic Charities agencies. "Every good work" of the Church occurs through dozens of ongoing ministries made possible by our contributions to DSA.

If you have not yet made a gift or a pledge, we invite you to do so today. Gift envelopes are available in church or the parish office. Or you may submit your gift online at www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa. Your DSA gift will support the vital services and ministries that help bring the love of Christ to all we encounter.

\$21,020 RAISED



HOW ARE DSA CONTRIBUTIONS USED?

Contributions are used to fund the ministries, programs, and services that offer direct assistance to individuals and families and to our parishes, schools, and affiliated Catholic organizations. These include, but are not limited to:

- Campus Ministry
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- Catholic Education
- Diaconate Formation and Support
- Diocesan Assemblies
- Evangelization Initiatives
- Faith-Based Counseling
- FAITH Magazine
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- Hospital Ministry
- Liturgy and Worship Services
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- Office of the Bishop
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- Professional Services for Parishes
- Religious Education
- Restorative Justice/Jail Ministry
- Retreats and Conferences
- Sacramental Records and Archives
- Seminarian Education and Formation
- St. Francis Retreat Center
- Vocational Discernment and Formation
- Youth Formation

Sunday Readings

MAY 2

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Reading I	Acts	9:26-31
Psalms	Ps	22:26-27,28,30,31-32
Reading II	1 John	3:18-24
Gospel	John	15:1-8

Saul witnesses the risen Jesus and boldly proclaims his Lordship. We proclaim our belief in Jesus by our love for one another. He is the vine and we the branches. Together let us praise his name in our assembly of worship.

MAY 9

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Reading I	Acts	10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Psalms	Ps	98: 1-4
Reading II	1 John	4: 7-10
Gospel	John	15: 9-17

Let us love one another as Christ has loved us by offering himself for our sins. His love is to be revealed to all the world, as Peter himself taught.

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