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Parish Insight



COME, LET US ADORE HIM! WHY ADORATION?

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a gift that has offered countless souls over the centuries—in both private and communal settings and regardless of culture, class, rank, or esteem—intimacy and companionship, comfort and security, assurance and peace. Jesus Christ is present to us in a unique and tangible way; he is accessible and available to adore.

At Mass we are transported to the upper room of Holy Thursday and to the foot of the cross on Good Friday. Christ's once-and-for-all sacrifice is made present. At Mass we consume and are consumed by the Lord's grace.

In Adoration we are afforded a different opportunity for intimacy. We can dwell in his holy presence as he enters ours. We gaze upon him as he gazes back at us. We "draw near to God," as St. James recommended, and have tangible evidence that he draws near to us (James 4:8).

While there is no form of prayer higher or greater than the Mass, Adoration offers us something a little different. The opportunity to just "sit with" the Lord, outside of the liturgy, is a chance like no other on the planet. God is available to us—fully present—in an alternative way.

In fact, the Church is so adamant that we do not "miss" this gift that she alerts us to God's unique Eucharistic presence in every chapel in every corner of the world by a visual reminder. The Eucharist (the consecrated host) is reserved in the tabernacle, which is Latin for "dwelling place" or, more specifically, "tent." Beside every tabernacle in the world burns a candle, most often encased in red. When one candle burns out, it is replaced with another. Thus a light offers an enduring reminder of Christ's perpetual presence not only among us— for he is Emmanuel, which means "God is with us" (Matthew 1:23)—but, even more specifically, in the sanctuary or chapel.

What I find amazing is that the eternal flame was not a Catholic idea. This is a tradition that hearkens all the way back to the time of Moses. The Book of Exodus tells us of God's prescription of a flame as a reminder of his dwelling among his people as they ventured into (and wandered in) the desert following their enslavement and escape from Egypt. You see, God's presence was in and with the ark of the covenant, which held the Ten Commandments, a pot of manna, and the priestly staff of Moses' brother, Aaron (see Hebrews 9:3-4). Since the ark "contained" the presence of God, his people placed it in a special tent (or tabernacle) that was flanked on all sides by God's priests. As a reminder to his people that he was indeed with them and would not abanthem. prescribed don God the following: And you shall command the sons of Israel that they bring to you pure beaten olive oil for the light, that a lamp may be set up to burn continually. In the tent of meeting, outside the veil . . ., Aaron and his sons shall tend it from evening to morning before the Lord. It shall be a statute for ever to be observed throughout their generations by the sons of Israel. (Exodus 27:20-21, RSVCE)

Isn't that amazing? God "dreamt up," well over three thousand years ago, that little red candle that alerts us to Christ's true presence in our churches. Which begs the question, why did God feel it would be necessary to remind his people of his presence? Quite simply, because he knows people better than we know ourselves, and he must have known they would need reminding! Life gets busy. Sin distracts us. We are fallen and human and oftentimes self-focused. God loves us enough to call us out of ourselves and put a constant reminder, burning in our parishes, that we might seek and invite the Lord to burn (again) in our hearts! Give the Holy Spirit permission to open the eyes of your heart to the great gift of adoring the Eucharist. Ask him to reveal himself and his love in a new way while you are in his sacred presence.

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Guatemala Service Immersion May 8-15, 2023

- Learn about the history, struggles, and resilience of people in trash-dump communities
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- Participate in meaningful service opportunities and relationship building with locals
- Excursion day of the colonial city of Antigua, a UN World Heritage Site
- Enjoy the cultural and environmental beauty of Guatemala

Program leaders: Agnes Resto-Irizarry and Fr. Bobby Karle, SJ

Information Session : Monday, February 6 at 7:30 pm in Donnelly Hall

Application deadline: Friday, February 10, 2023

Information about IntSam & Guatemala: intsam.org

Application & details: QR code or michigancatholics.org/parish-life/faith-doing-justice



BUSY PERSON'S RETREAT

🛛 FOR LENT

Participate in a retreat experience in your daily life.

All undergrads, grad students and young adults are invited to join as a way to

enhance your prayer life and draw closer to God during Lent. Participants commit to praying regularly each day, then meeting once a week with a trained Spiritual Companion from the parish who will help and encourage you in your prayer.

Begins the week of February 12 and runs through April 2 (The week of Palm Sunday).

Sign up for the BPR here: shorturl.at/tzGT1

For questions, contact rzyber@smspnewman.org



FEBRUARY DAYTIME WARMING CENTER

During the month of February, St. Mary Student Parish is hosting the Daytime Warming Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The First Congregational Church will host Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in February.

Volunteers can sign up to bring breakfast, lunch, snacks, or volunteer to serve at the Center.

You are welcome to drop off winter clothes and boots (new or in good condition) for the donation room during our open hours. Sign up : <u>shorturl.at/efgk9</u>

Thank you for your support! Questions? Contact Fr. Bobby at <u>bkarle@smspnewman.org</u>



Undergraduate and Graduate/Young Professionals



Emmous Walking with Christ





EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

WEDNESDAYS I 5:45 PM

"One cannot know the Lord without this habit of adoring, of adoring in silence. I believe, if I am not mistaken, this prayer of adoration is the prayer least known by us, it is the one we do the least", as if it were a "waste of time before the Lord, before the mystery of Jesus Christ". Instead, we should rediscover "the silence of Adoration: he is the Lord and I adore him."-Pope Francis

Eucharistic Adoration will be available each Wednesday in the Church from 5:45pm-9:00pm.

Please sign up as we are in need of 2 adorers per time slot. Thank you for supporting this ministry!

shorturl.at/moSX7

GRAD/YP SPIRITUAL DIRECTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20 | 6:30 PM

All Grad Students and Young Professionals are welcome to join us for our February Spiritual Directions event: Personal Reflections on Christian Marriage.

This month we welcome three married couples within our parish who will speak on their personal experience of living their faith as a married couple across the years.

Join us to meet these couples of varying ages, to hear their individual and cumulative wisdom, and to enjoy some snacks and time to socialize with other grad students and young professionals.

For more information contact <u>iwagner@smspnewman.org</u> or <u>andrewtm@umich.edu</u>

> FOOD, FAITH, FRIENDSHIP EVERY THURSDAY FOR UNDERGRADS

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THURSDAYS AT 5:10 PM

All undergrads are invited to join us for mass followed by dinner and a short talk! This student-led space each week encourages community and fellowship through sharing a meal together. We will have a variety of speakers share brief talks connected to faith. All are welcome to come any time throughout the semester!

Contact Fr Kyle kshinseki@smspnewman.org

LATINO COLLEGE STUDENT GROUP FOR UNDERGRADS & GRADUATE STUDENTS

We are organizing a new group for Latino college students at St Mary, both undergraduate and graduate students. We will be meeting every other week to share about our faith and nuestra cultura. Upcoming meetings are on Sundays from 3:00 to 4:00 PM on the following dates : 02/12, 03/13, 04/03.

For more information, contact Esmeralda Orozco at esmeoro@umich.edu.

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

✤ 5:00 PM

SUNDAY

- ✤ 8:30 AM
- ✤ 10:00 AM
- Watch live or anytime after the mass https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/category/live-mass/
- 🕆 Noon
- 2:00 PM (Spanish)
 Watch live or anytime after the mass https://www.stmarystudentparish.org/category/live-mass/
- ✤ 5:00 PM & 8:00 PM

DAILY

- Monday-Thursday 5:10 PM
- Friday 12:10 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Wednesday 5:45 PM 6:45 PM
- Sunday 6:15 PM- 7:00 PM or by appointment 734-663-0557

INFANT BAPTISM CLASS AT SMSP

Baptism preparation class is required to be taken for your first child. If you've taken the class elsewhere, proof of that will be necessary to schedule a baptism. Upcoming classes are on Monday 6:30-7:30 PM on the following dates: **02/06**, **03/06**, **04/03** and **05/01**. Please pick up a baptism class packet from the Parish Office at least one week prior to the class. You will need to bring this to class.

Please contact Carol ckonczal@umich.edu or 734-663-0557 ext. 0 to register for a class.

We also offer the class in Spanish at the same time in a different room. Contact Rosa Luz for more information on Spanish Baptisms rpostigo@smspnewman.org



JOIN A SMALL GROUP FOR LENT!

If you generally give up something for Lent, you may also consider adding something too. Our Small Church Communities (SCCs) are a good way to share about God with others, and at the same time, gain a better understanding of scripture. SCC groups meet for seven weeks during Lent to look at the upcoming Sunday readings. Materials are provided with reflections and questions for thought and discussion. Groups meet at various times so you can pick one that fits your schedule. There are also some special topic groups, including one exploring Racial Justice using the "Just Faith" program.

Getting the chance to share, pray and reflect together can help you to see how the Word of God applies uniquely to your life. Groups begin meeting the week of Feb. 12 through April 2.

Questions? Contact rzyber@smspnewman.org

Please sign up by Feb. 7 at this link: shorturl.at/rwIP4



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, Sunday at 12:45 pm.

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 (<u>ejmorg@umich.edu</u>) or Rosa Luz (<u>rpostigo@smspnewman.org</u>).

Mass Intentions, Meetings & Events

MASS INTENTIONS:

FEBRUARY 4-12

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

5:00 PM Mass for

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Mass for

8:30 AM

10:00 AM	Mass for	+Fung-Oi Wong
12:00 PM	Mass for	+Scott Cahil & Family
2:00 PM	Mass for	+Agustin Ronquillo,
		Francisca Bolanos
5:00 PM	Mass for	+Evelyn Thompson
8:00 PM	Mass for	

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

5:10 PM Mass for

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

5:10 PM Mass for

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

5:10 PM Mass for

THURSDAY,FEBRUARY 95:10 PMMass for

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

12:10 PM Mass for

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

5:00 PM Mass for +Gary Richardson

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

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10:00 AM	Mass for	+Carole Crovella
12:00 PM	Mass for	Benefactors of SMSP
2:00 PM	Mass for	+Arturo Garcia Ortega
5:00 PM	Mass for	+Darlene Williams
8:00 PM	Mass for	People of the Parish

MEETINGS & EVENTS: FEBRUARY 5-12

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Grad/YP Overnight Retreat-Off-Site		
3:15 PM	ESL—Whitman Room	
6:00 PM	Undergraduate Intern meeting—Rectory Lounge	
6:15 PM	Reconciliation—Monteith Room	

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

5:00 PM	Finance Council Meeting—Loyola Room, Zoom
5:45 PM	Rosary for Peace—Church
6:00 PM	Ignatian Spirituality & Yoga — Donnelly Hall
6:30 PM	Baptism Class in English and Spanish—Newman Hall/Room
7:00PM	ASB Participant Formation—Rectory Dinning Room
7:00 PM	Born for Joy—Whitman Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- 8:30 AM Daytime Warming Center—Newman Hall+
- 6:00 PM Catechist Planning Session—Donnelly Hall
- 7:00 PM LGBT Outreach Ministry—Loyola Room
- 7:00 PM Men's Connect Group Newman Hall
- 7:00 PM Women's Connect Group Rectory Dining Room, Lounge

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 5:45 PM Reconciliation—Donnelly Hall, Monteith Room
- 5:45 PM Eucharistic Adoration—Church
- 6:00 PM Rosary for Life during Adoration Church
- 6:00 PM Rosary for Life Student Ministry—Loyola Room
- 7:00PM RCIA—Donnelly Hall
- 8:00PM Praise and Worship during Adoration—Church

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 8:30 AM Santo Rosario (Rosary in Spanish)—VIRTUAL
- 8:30 AM Daytime Warming Center—Newman Hall+
- 10:15 AM Women of the Heart—Donnelly Hall
- 5:10 PM Ig.Nite!—Church, Newman Hall
- 7:00 PM Chaldean Mass & Reception—Church , Loyola Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Ignatian Spirituality & Yoga Retreat-Off-Site

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Ignatian Spirituality & Yoga Retreat-Off-Site 10:00 AM Saturday Baptisms—Church

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:30 AM FFF Sunday—Newman Hall+
11:15 AM FFF Sunday—Newman Hall+
3:00 PM H/L Sacramental Prep—Newman Hall+
3:15 PM ESL—Whitman Room
3:15 PM Teen Confirmation—Donnelly Hall
6:00 PM Undergraduate Intern meeting—Rectory Lounge
6:15 PM Reconciliation—Monteith Room

HELP WANTED

- We are looking for volunteer USHERS to help during masses. For more information please contact <u>cheskia@smspnewman.org</u>
- We are looking for an organist and a pianist to join our staff of musicians. Requirements:
 - Proficient on organ and/or piano
 - Familiarity with the structure of the liturgy
 - Practicing Christian

- Able to accompany one rehearsal and Mass at least 3 weekends per month

Prior experience accompanying liturgies is not necessary.

Please contact Travis Dantzer with 2-3 recordings and availability for an audition.

Contact tdantzer@smspnewman.org

We are looking for an electrician or electrical contractor to convert approximately 200 fluorescent light fixtures to LED's. The electricians must be licensed and be able to provide a Certificate of Insurance to the parish. If you or a family member are qualified and interested in this type of work, please contact Kris Kolevar at (734) 663-0557 x231 or kkolevar@smspnewman.org.

MESSAGE TO OUR PARISHIONERS

Here is the New address of Fr. Terry Dumas : 5620 South Old Mill Road Port Angeles, WA 98362-1968

CHALDEAN MASS AND RECEPTION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9 | 7:00 PM

Join us for a Chaldean mass on Thursday February 9 at 7 pm. After mass, there will be a reception. All are welcome!



WOMEN OF THE HEART

Women of every age are invited to connect, be inspired, and celebrate our faith with one another. We gather monthly, mainly the 2nd Thursday of each month, from September

through May, from 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Theme for the year is: "Affirming and Celebrating Women: Creativity, Gifts, and Charisms. " Our next meeting is Thursday, February 9 and you are warmly invited!

If you would like to be added to the email list, contact Julie Mussio jmussio@smspnewman.org.

BRING JESUS!

Churches in the Washtenaw Vicariate are working together to bring our Eucharistic Lord to residential care, assisted living, and correctional facilities. We are excited to announce that UM Hospital has recently opened up once again to volunteer EMs visiting every day of the week and will be working with our team leaders to organize the effort!

This ministry is a beautiful way to share the consoling presence of Jesus with those who might otherwise have no opportunity to receive him. If you join the team, you will receive training and support.

To learn more, come join the regional ministry team for our winter meeting at St. Thomas Apostle in Ann Arbor on Saturday, **February 11**. We'll start by attending the 9:00 AM Mass together, and then enjoy a delicious brunch while we connect, learn, pray, and find out more about needs and opportunities for visiting the isolated with Holy Communion.

To RSVP contact Michelle Kazanjian: 734.761.8606 X 1008 or mkazanjian@sta2.org.

(If you're interested in the ministry but can't attend the meeting, contact Michelle anyway!)

DRIVE SAFE BILLS RESTORE HUMAN DIGNITYby allowing driver's licenses for ALL MI residents!

Imagine your driver's license is taken away tomorrow because of a change of law. How would you get to work, get your kids to school, or buy groceries? This is exactly what happened to thousands of undocumented immigrants in Michigan since 2008.

Since then, many of these community residents were stopped by police for minor traffic violations, and lacking a driver's license, placed in detention with the possibility of deportation, with devastating effects on families! These are the same 1000's of folks in our state whose often low-paying essential jobs keep our businesses going.

Drive SAFE (Safety, Access, Freedom, and the Economy) bills, if passed, would make driver's licenses and state ID's available to all MI residents, regardless of immigration status, which 18 other states already allow. No federal privileges or right to vote, just to drive legally!

Michigan Catholic Conference, and 60+ other organizations led by **Drive MI Forward**, a statewide, multi-organizational, interfaith, and immigrant-led coalition, strongly support the Drive SAFE bills. MCC supports them as a matter of compassion, human dignity and safety. MI public policy experts estimate that the bills would generate increased state revenues due to all the new drivers. Plus, our roads would be safer by ensuring that the new drivers are tested and insured.

<u>Please call your State legislators</u> and spread the word about this issue to others! For Information Handouts (English/Sp) see this link:<u>https://tinyurl.com/3hhjjxch</u> or QR Code:



Contact your State Reps and Senators to support Drive SAFE!

Find your Senator

https://senate.michigan.gov/FindYourSenator

Find your Representative https://house.mi.gov/#findarepresentative

Sample script: "Hi, my name is _____ and I live in _____ (town/city). I'm calling to urge you to support the Drive SAFE bills in the first 100 days of the 2023 legislative term. Your vote and support are key to restoring the right of all Michiganders to access a state ID or driver's license, with proof of identity and residency, regardless of citizenship status. Please make this your top priority."

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Year-to-	Date Sunda	y Offering I	Report as o	of 01/29/2023
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Sunday Readings

FEBRUARY 5 — Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I	ls	58:7-10
Psalm	Ps	112:4-9
Reading II	1 Cor	2:1-5
Gospel	Mt	5:13-16

Through the power of God, we can be a light to the world by our loving concern for others, especially the poor and the oppressed.

Reading I	Sir	15:15-20
Psalm	Ps	119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34
Reading II	1 Cor	2:6-10
Gospel	Mt	5:17-37

FEBRUARY 12 — Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Jesus is revealed a new wisdom, a new law, a new way of living. Happy are they who choose to keep his commandments and follow his ways.

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