

December 15, 2024 — Third Sunday of Advent



ST. MARY STUDENT PARISH

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

- Lk 3:16

3^{er} DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Juan los sacó de dudas, diciéndoles: "Es cierto que yo bautizo con agua, pero ya viene otro más poderoso que yo, a quien no merezco desatarle las correas de sus sandalias. El los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego".

- Lc 3, 16

Parish Insight

MY VISIT TO OUR LADY OF MANAOAG

By Gloria Lorenzana Agas from the Filipino Community of St. Mary Student Parish

My only visit to the Our Lady of Manaoag Church in Manaoag, Pangasinan in Northern Philippines in 1998 was out of curiosity, not as a devotee. The shrine is now called Minor Basilica of the Most Holy Rosary of Manaoag after Pope Francis raised its status via his decree *Spiritualem Fidelium Progressium* on October 11, 2014. It is an affiliate of the Papal Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome.

When I was growing up in our hometown Tagudin, Ilocos Sur, also in Northern Philippines a maternal grandaunt regularly went to Manaoag to attend Mass, leaving at dawn and returning after lunch. I never asked why she went to Manaoag to attend Mass there when we have our town church, St. Augustine Church, founded by the Augustinians in 1568.

Years later, our neighbor-friends, home on vacation from Maui, Hawaii, never failed to go to Manaoag to attend Mass. They, too, had to leave at dawn. After Mass, they would proceed to Dagupan City, Pangasinan, center of the bangus [milkfish (Chanos chanos)] culture industry in the Philippines, to buy the ubiquitous “boneless” bangus. In our town, going to Manaoag is synonymous to attending Mass at the Our Lady of Manaoag Church.

My curiosity was aroused so I asked our 81-year-old mother if she had been to Manaoag. She said “no” and recalled my grandaunt (her mother’s younger sister named after Santa Monica, the old name of Manaoag) going to Manaoag, as a vow.

She readily agreed to go to Manaoag. One morning, my mother and I along with her three-year-old granddaughter boarded a bus headed for Manila since Pangasinan is on the bus route. We told the bus conductor that we would like to attend Mass in Manaoag. He gave us instructions on how to get there since Manaoag is not on their route.

Alongside the Our Lady of Manaoag Church were vendors of statues and images of saints and other souvenirs and herbalists selling leaves, barks and roots of plants and coconut oil prepared on Good Friday, believed to cure all sorts of ailments.

The church facade was simple and unassuming. We missed the morning masses. There were few people inside, kneeling and praying. We knelt, prayed and thanked Our Lady of Manaoag

for the opportunity to come and venerate her.

We were awed and mesmerized as we looked inside the church and admired the statue of Our Lady of Manaoag on the high altar with her resplendent crown and elaborate vestment. Solemnity, joy, and peace overcame us.

We took pictures of Our Lady of Manaoag and of ourselves. At the churchyard were cars waiting to be blessed. It is a tradition among the Catholics in the Philippines to have their homes, cars, and religious articles blessed.

We went home, feeling blessed and fulfilled.

(For information on the Minor Basilica of the Most Holy Rosary of Manaoag, please visit: www.manaoagminorbasilica.org)

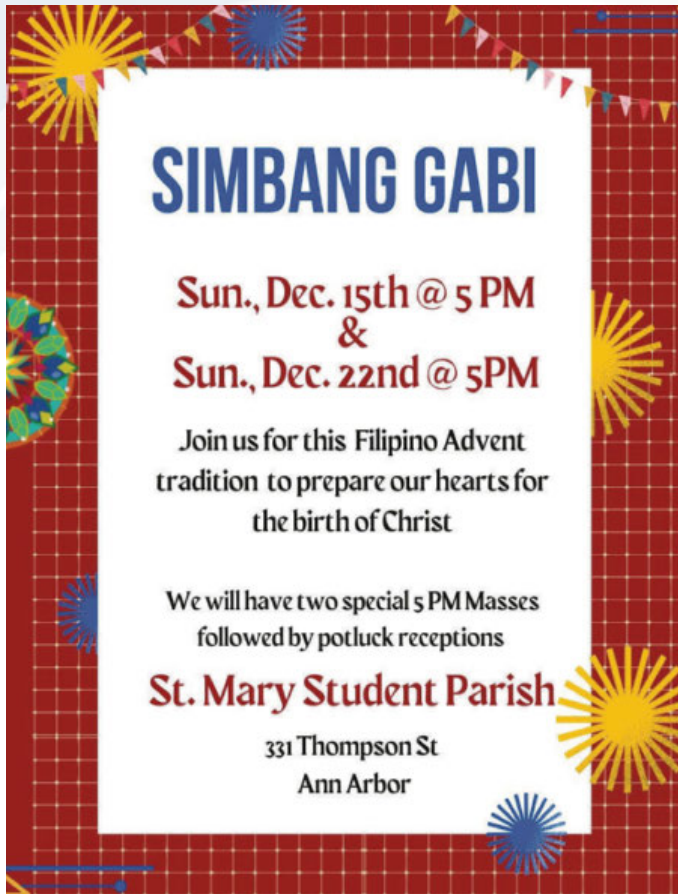


Our parish will celebrate Simbang Gabi, a Filipino Advent tradition, as part of the 5 p.m. Masses on December 15th and 22nd. Both masses will be followed by potluck receptions. All are welcome.

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CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT REHEARSAL - DECEMBER 21, 2024

The children’s Christmas Pageant Rehearsal (including musicians) will be on Saturday morning, December 21, 2024 between approximately 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Your child’s specific rehearsal time will be emailed to you.

Note: Rehearsal attendance is required as there is only one practice. The children will leave the rehearsal with their costume and bring/wear it back for the actual pageant on Dec. 24, 2024.

If you have questions, please contact Tish Lehman at pvl@umich.edu or Karen Foster at kfoster@smspnewman.org.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

There will be Advent Penance Services with the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at Saint Thomas The Apostle on Monday, December 16th at 7 pm and at St. Francis of Assisi Wednesday, December 18th at 7 pm.

GREETERS NEEDED

We are looking for greeters for Christmas masses, please contact Julie Mussio jmussio@smspnewman.org if you would like to help.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE– UPDATE : We will not have a 7 PM Spanish Mass on December 24. Instead, the 10 AM Mass on December 25 will be bilingual. Kindly refer to page 8 for our full Christmas schedule .

THANK YOU!

We are deeply grateful for all your generous donations to the Advent Giving Tree—thank you so much for your kindness! Additionally, during the Feast Day Service, around 130 people dedicated their time to support a variety of organizations who serve those most in need in our area. It’s truly inspiring to see how our community grows stronger together through these opportunities for service.

Thank you for being part of this journey!



Donations received for the Advent Giving Tree initiative.



Volunteers made fleece blankets for children receiving hospital treatments.



Volunteers packed donations to be delivered to refugees.



Volunteers sorted rescued foods at Food Gatherers.

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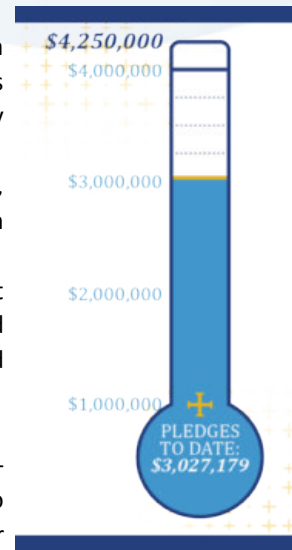


CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PLEDGE UPDATE

As of Friday, Dec. 6, our parish community has generously pledged and gifted an **extraordinary \$3.03 million!** This milestone represents a significant achievement as we surpass the \$3 million mark, reaching 71% of our \$4.25 million goal. Last weekend, the Blessing of the Gifts provided a sacred opportunity for our parish family to come together in gratitude. More than 175 families have joined this campaign, making meaningful commitments inspired by the vital mission we carry out each day.

While we celebrate the progress made in a short time, our journey is not yet complete. To date, fewer than 10% of our parish community has participated in the campaign, presenting an even greater opportunity to reach—and perhaps exceed—our goal. Participation is not required but serves as an invitation to join in the transformative work to which we are called. Your support directly addresses critical needs: renovating the church interior, improving building functions and infrastructure and expanding financial resources to support the growth of Campus Ministry and outreach initiatives of our resident parishioners. With God's grace, we trust that we will achieve our vision for the future.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who has supported this effort. As you consider your contribution, please remember that 100% of all new gifts will directly support St. Mary and every gift, no matter the amount, makes a meaningful difference. To make a pledge, contact the parish office or visit michigancatholics.org/capitalcampaigndonate.



Catholic Youth Group
"Be Bold"
(Open to all teens 13 to 17 years old)
Come and meet new friends!
Ven y conoce a nuevos amigos!
Sundays 3 pm to 4:30 pm
December 22nd
January 19th
February 16th
@St. Mary Student Parish
331 Thompson St., Ann Arbor
Contact: rpostigo@smspnewman.org



LGBT OUTREACH MINISTRY

7:00 PM ON THE 3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

Meetings are private and confidential. As a diverse community of believers, we respect each person as a unique reflection of God's presence in our midst. We commit ourselves to being a community of care, support, formation, reconciliation, and witness to justice with and among gay and lesbian persons, parents, family members, and friends. We provide a safe space for discussion, healing, and prayer. **Next meeting : Tuesday December 17.**

Contact group members Rodrigo rodri_cg@hotmail.com or Cynthia jcynthia@umich.edu

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12PM

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Undergrads & Grad/YP

GRAD/YP MASS & DINNER

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16 @ 6:30 PM

All graduate students and young professionals are invited to join the Grad/YP Group at St. Mary .

Our next mass and dinner will be on Monday, December 16, 2024, at 6:30 pm .

If you have any questions, please email us (smsp.grads.lead@umich.edu) and someone will be happy to help out!

UNDERGRAD ADVENT PRAYER GROUP

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16 @ 6:30 PM

Join our Advent scripture-based prayer group, led by Liturgy and Prayer Intern Paul Ciaravino. The group will explore and practice different forms of prayer.

Contact paulciar@umich.edu

CHRISTMAS BREAK--Please note there will be no 8 pm Mass on Sunday, December 22 and Sunday December 29. The next 8 pm Sunday Mass will be on January 5.



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Meetings & Events

MEETINGS & EVENTS: DECEMBER 15 — DECEMBER 22

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

- 10:00 AM **Children's Liturgy of the Word** — Newman Hall, Newman Lounge
12:45 PM **ESL** — Loyola Room
1:00 PM **Spanish Reconciliation** — Spiritual Direction Room
3:15 PM **H/L Sacrament Prep** — Newman Hall, +
4:00 PM **Reconciliation** — Spiritual Direction Room
5:00 PM **Simbang Gabi Mass & Reception** — Church, Newman Hall
7:00 PM **Reconciliation** — Spiritual Direction Room

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

- 10:00 AM **Eucharistic Adoration** — Church
5:45 PM **Rosary for Peace** — Church
6:30 PM **Grad/YP Mass and Dinner** — Church, Newman Hall
6:30 PM **Undergrad Advent Prayer Group** — Donnelly Hall
7:00 PM **Born for Joy** — Whitman Room
7:30 PM **Catholic Student Evangelization** — Rectory Lounge
7:30 PM **Rosary in Spanish** — Church

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

- 10:00 AM **Eucharistic Adoration** — Church
7:00 PM **Just Faith SCC** — Donnelly Hall
7:00 PM **LGBT Outreach Ministry** — Loyola Room

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

- 6:30 PM **SCC Grad/YP** — Whitman Room

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

- 7:15 PM **Mary Bible Study** — Donnelly Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

- 8:15 AM **Rosary in Spanish** — Zoom
5:30 PM **Into the Light** — Zoom

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

- 1:00 PM **Spanish Reconciliation** — Spiritual Direction Room
3:00 PM **Posada Pastorela** — Newman Hall
3:00 PM **Be Bold** — Rectory
4:00 PM **Reconciliation** — Spiritual Direction Room
5:00 PM **Simbang Gabi Mass & Reception** — Church, Newman

MASS INTENTIONS: DECEMBER 14 — DECEMBER 22

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

- 5:00 PM Mass for + Claire Bryant White

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

- 8:30 AM Mass for People of the Parish
10:00 AM Mass for Borys Family
12:00 PM Mass for + Anita Go
2:00 PM Mass for + Victor Raul Becerra Pena
5:00 PM Mass for
8:00 PM Mass for Grace Cecily Choi

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

- 5:10 PM Mass for + Mildred Elane Miliken

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

- 5:10 PM Mass for Pope Francis
88th Birthday

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

- 5:10 PM Mass for Romulo & Necitas Aquino
50th Wedding Anniversary

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

- 7:00 PM Mass for + Alexander Valenzuela Lora

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

- 12:10 PM Mass for + Burolette Banks

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

- 5:00 PM Mass for + GianCarlo Rosanigo

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

- 8:30 AM Mass for
10:00 AM Mass for Brian Anderson
12:00 PM Mass for People of the Parish
2:00 PM Mass for +Hector Galvez and Family
5:00 PM Mass for
8:00 PM **No Mass** **No Mass**

St. Mary Student Parish– Around the Deanery and Beyond



Fall Schedule

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Monday– Thursday 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Friday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Saturday 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL

5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASSES

8:30 AM

10:00 AM

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Noon

2:00 PM (Spanish)

Watch live or anytime after the mass

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5:00 PM

8:00PM

DAILY MASSES

Monday-Thursday 5:10 PM

Friday 12:10 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday 4: 00 PM - 4:30 PM & 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Wednesday 5:45 PM - 6:30 PM

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Wednesday 5:45 PM - 9:00 PM

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- What should I do after college?
- How do I know if I am ready to marry my girlfriend/boyfriend?
- What if God is calling me to priesthood or a religious vocation?
- Should I volunteer or take a gap year?
- How do I invite God into the "big decisions" in my life?



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Questions: Contact Katie Gleason at kgleason@dioceseoflansing.org
for more information.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Thursday December 19	DAILY MASS AT 5:10 PM OFFICE CLOSES AT 6 PM
Friday December 20	DAILY MASS AT 12:10 PM, OFFICE OPENS 10 AM TO 1 PM
Saturday December 21	MASS AT 5 PM, OFFICE OPENS 4 TO 6 PM
Sunday December 22	NO 8 PM MASS & NO 7 PM CONFESSION OFFICE CLOSES AT 6 PM
Monday December 23	MASS AT 5:10 PM, OFFICE OPENS 10 AM TO 6 PM
Tuesday December 24	CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT 3:15 PM CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES AT 4:00 PM (FAMILY MASS), 5:30 PM, MIDNIGHT (11:30 PM LESSONS & CAROLS) OFFICE OPENS 2 PM TO 6 PM
Wednesday December 25	BILINGUAL MASS AT 10 AM, OFFICE IS CLOSED
Thursday Dec.26 and Friday Dec.27	CHURCH AND OFFICE ARE CLOSED. NO MASSES OR CONFESSIONS.
Saturday December 28	MASS AT 5 PM, OFFICE CLOSED.
Sunday December 29	NO 8 PM MASS & NO 7 PM CONFESSION OFFICE CLOSES AT 6 PM
Monday December 30 and Tuesday December 31	CHURCH AND OFFICE ARE CLOSED. NO MASSES OR CONFESSIONS.
Wednesday January 1st	"SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD" (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION THIS YEAR) MASS AT 10:00 AM, OFFICE IS CLOSED
Thursday January 2	MASS AT 5:10 PM. OFFICE CLOSED.
Friday January 3	MASS AT 12:10 PM. OFFICE CLOSED.
Saturday January 4	MASS AT 5 PM, OFFICE OPENS 4 TO 6 PM
Sunday January 5	REGULAR SCHEDULE (8PM MASS AND 7 PM CONFESSIONS) OFFICE CLOSES AT 10 pm

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LOOKING FOR SOMETHING???

If you have misplaced items while at church, we may have them waiting for you in the parish office! Please stop by the office to check the Lost & Found box.

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Sunday Readings

DECEMBER 15 – Third Sunday of Advent

Reading I Zep 3:14-18a
 Psalm (Ps) Is 12:2-6
 Reading II Phil 4:4-7
 Gospel Lk 3:10-18

Rejoice in the Lord always! Great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel, a mighty savior. It is he whom John foretold; it is he who will baptize in the Holy Spirit.

DECEMBER 22 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Reading I Mi 5:1-4a
 Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
 Reading II Heb 10:5-10
 Gospel Lk 1:39-45

From Bethlehem shall come one who will rule Israel. Born of Mary, the servant of the Lord, he will protect and save us, offering himself once and for all in doing the Father's will.

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