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Schedule of Masses

Saturday Night Vigil Mass	4:00p.m.
Sunday	8:30a.m., 11:00a.m.
Holydays	8:00a.m., 12:00 & 5:15p.m.
Weekdays & First Friday	See Inside

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism
Make arrangements at Rectory in advance.

Sacrament of Matrimony
Make arrangements with priest at least nine months in advance.

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Thank you!
The last of my Christmas thank you notes were sent out this week. Msgr. George and I are grateful for all the treats, snacks, prayers, and other gifts during the Christmas season. I apologize if you did not receive a note. I did not have a name to go with every tasty delight. I have been struck by our parish's thoughtfulness and generosity. It is a blessing to be assigned to St. Mary and I am looking forward to many more Christmases together.

Life Issues
This week we mark the anniversary of Roe v Wade. Our country continues to end nearly one million innocent lives every year. All life matters from conception until natural death. While we continue to make progress, there is still a long way to go. Please remember to say a prayer and to support prolife causes throughout the year.

40 Days for Life will be beginning again in conjunction with Lent. I would encourage your participation in any way that you can. Certainly having people to pray at the designated location is always welcome and needed, but we also simply need people praying wherever they are. Prayer moves hearts and opens the world to receive the power and presence of God.

If you have had an abortion or helped someone to procure an abortion—God's mercy is here and it is free. You are no different than the rest of the people who sit in our pews in need of God's healing and forgiveness. We are all sinners even though our sins may be different. St. Paul reminds us that we have all fallen short and are in need of God's mercy. We all need Jesus.

Men in particular, St. Paul knows your pain. He stood by while St. Stephen was stoned to death and had to live with that the rest of his Christian life. Ask St. Paul and Our Lady to help you receive the mercy that Jesus is holding out for you.

For everyone involved in abortions in any way, do not let guilt continue to separate yourself from whom God is calling you to be and to the beautiful future He holds out for you. God's mercy is here. Project Rachel is a healing ministry for women and men for this specific purpose, (517) 992-0291. I am also available at your convenience (517) 484-5331 x 15 or kpung@stmarylansing.org.

Parish Formation
Beginning this Lent we will be having an adult faith formation series on Tuesdays. At 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. we will be starting the Wild Goose is on the Loose series. It is a 14 part series on the Holy Spirit. (Ancient Kelts called the Holy Spirit the Wild Goose.) We will be starting with the first 6 episodes and will likely continue into the Easter season. There is a Journal with study questions available in the Office for $10 that accompanies all 14 episodes. I hope you will join us.

You are in my prayers. Fr. Karl Pung

MARDI GRAS

Saturday, February 10, 2018 from 6 to 10pm at St. Mary Cathedral Parish Hall. Bring your special appetizer for 12 to 15 or your favorite sweet. Come alone ~ Bring a Friend ~ Bring a Relative. Dance with Billy Gerard ~ visit with friends. Questions? Call or text Diane Arzberger 517-402-2880.

WINTER BIBLE STUDY BEGINS!

"King David and Our King Today". Two times available: Mondays 2:00 pm, beginning January 22; or Thursdays, 7:00 pm, beginning January 25; Parish Hall, 2nd Floor. Everyone welcome; no previous Bible knowledge necessary; no fees; bring your favorite Bible; drop in anytime to visit. More Info, Kris Robertson: 655-1220

KofC YOUTH FREE-THROW COMPETITION– DATE CHANGE*

The Knights of Columbus are having their annual Basketball Free-throw Competition for all youth ages 8-14, to be held at St. Therese Gymnasium *TODAY, January 21* at 2pm. Parents must be present and registration forms are to be filled out the day of event. For questions, please contact Brent T. at 528-6262.

KofC ESSAY CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus annual Essay Contest has begun. Open to all boys and girls in grades 8-12. Registration forms can be found at the church entrances. Essay is to be 500-750 words and the theme is "Role of a Catholic Citizen in Today's Society." Essays are to be turned in TODAY, January 21 at the Pancake Breakfast or in the Sacristy after Mass. Cash prizes will be awarded. For more info, please contact Brent T. at 528-6262.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 22
12:05 +Bridget Reynolds by Mom & Dad
Tuesday, January 23
8:00 +Jane T. Miller & Deceased Family Members
12:05 Volunteers at Angel Tree Ministries
5:15 +M.A. Kromenaker & Family
Wednesday, January 24
8:00 +Anthony LaForgia by Mary Beth LaForgia
12:05 Karen Constantine by Margaret Fisk
Thursday, January 25
8:00 +Rose Karn
12:05 Chet Tyrakowski
Friday, January 26
12:05 +Norm & Harriet Haskin by Children
Saturday, January 27
8:00 +Maxine Eyestone
4:00 +Richard Fox by Elizabeth & Mark Lenhard
Sunday, January 28
8:30 Ines Libiran by Family
11:00 People of the Parish

January 28, 2018
+4th Sunday in Ordinary Time+
Deuteronomy 18: 15-20
1 Corinthians 7: 32-35
Mark 1: 21-28

Remembrance

Remember your loved ones with a Sanctuary Candle. $10.00

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS
Weekends of 01/14

Envelopes	$4,618.43
E-Giving	$532.00+ $2,020.00
Non Envelopes	$1,602.00
Candle	$NA
Youth	$4.00
Total	$8,776.43
Capital Improvements	$25.00

KofC PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us after the 8:30 and 111am Masses for a pancake breakfast, TODAY, January 21, 2018.

ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

This year's theme is "Entering the Heart of God: Praying the Lord's Prayer in our Day", based on the book by Fr. Charlie Irvin. We will be delving into the richness that lies within the Our Father prayer. Retreat weekend is February 9-11, 2018 held at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt. To register, contact John B. at 517-243-7677 or St. Francis Retreat Center at 517-669-8321. Registration can also be done at www.stfrancis.ws

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Considering more involvement in the parish as your New Year's Resolution? Training is now being scheduled for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and Servers. Call Fr. Pung or Sr. Joan this week if you are interested in any of the above. Call 517-484-5331.

OLD PALM BRANCHES

Ash Wednesday is February 14 this year. Beginning NEXT WEEKEND, we will be collecting old palms to be burned for Ash Wednesday ashes. Place palms in marked boxes at church entrances.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS 2018

Wedding Anniversary Celebration February 11, 2018

_____
Name

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Address

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Phone number

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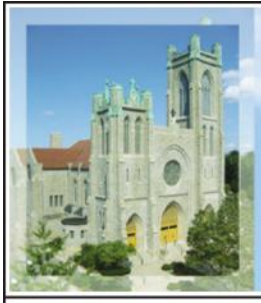
Actual Wedding Date

**Please return to Parish Office by*
Monday, February 5, 2018



~ St. Mary Monthly Memorial & Intentions ~

Marshall E. Davis Family
Zipple Family
Alvarado Family
Joseph H. White
Joe & Eliane Reynolds Family
Bruce Brennan Family

Howard Kane Familiy
Marie Bourque
William Bourque
Darren Kelly
Albert Debnar
Mildred Debnar

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