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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. & Thursday 11:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

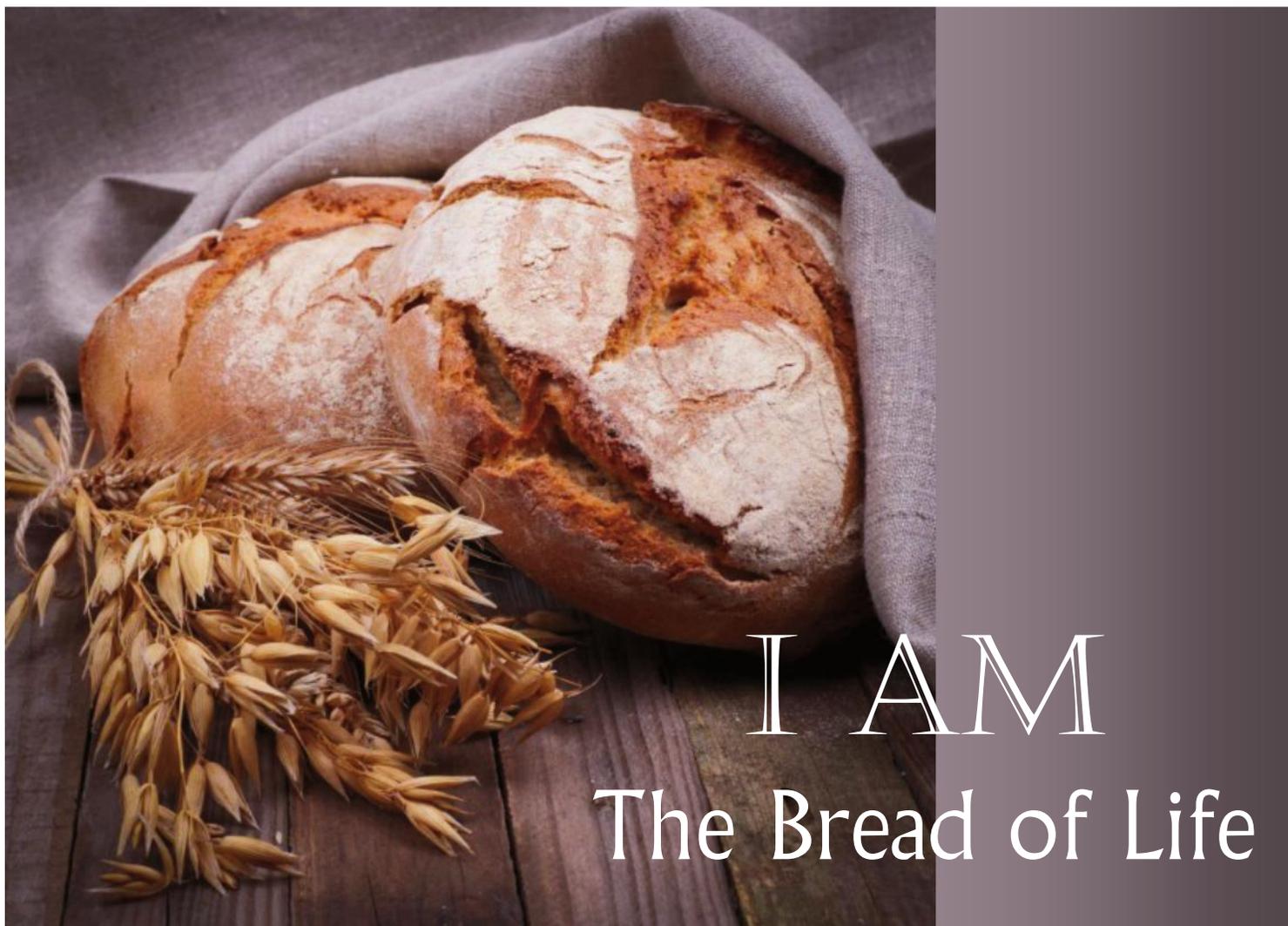
### Sacrament of Baptism

Make arrangements at Rectory in advance.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Make arrangements with priest at least nine months in advance.

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# The Bread of Life

**St. Casimir Parish Reunion (at St. Mary Cathedral)**

On Sunday, September 26, at 2:00 p.m. we will be hosting the St. Casimir Parish reunion. Their parish closed during Covid, and as a result numbers were limited for the final Mass and there was no dinner to follow. I decided that when it was safer we would have a reunion Mass and dinner. Now is the time. Fr. Bill Luggner will be presiding, with a dinner to follow in the Parish Hall.

RSVP's are not needed, but are welcome and can be sent to [kpung@stmarylansing.org](mailto:kpung@stmarylansing.org).

There is an organizational meeting on Wednesday, August 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. A number of people have already stepped up, and I can use more. Planning, setting up, hosting, cleaning up, and helping St. Casimir Parishioners know they have not been forgotten will be the priorities.

**St. Mary Cathedral Parish Picnic**

Our parish picnic is coming up in two weeks. On Sunday, August 22 at 4:00 we will be having our parish picnic in Grant Park. Hotdogs, burgers, drinks and table service will be provided. Bring a dish to pass and a smile. Looking forward to hanging out with all of you.

**Bible?**

How is the bible reading going? Have you noticed a change in your relationship with or awareness of God? Time spent with scripture is time spent with God. Reading scripture is similar to other spiritual disciplines in that there are off and on moments. Some days are full of zeal and God's closeness and others it seems like one is reading empty words. Rejoice and persevere in both types of experiences. In doing both it opens our hearts to a greater participation in the divine life.

If you are reading the whole bible, keep it up. We have had six people completely finish everything. Some you may have just gotten started and will be taking a few years to get through all the different books, others may be right on schedule, and still others may have taken a break and are getting ready to get back into. Wherever you are at, know the Lord is with you. Whenever you finish we will have certificate waiting for you. Completely reading the whole bible is a great accomplishment! Hang in there.

If you are reading along with Bishop Boyea or Fr. Mike Schmitz you are with a great number of people on that adventure. I am happy you are making the time of allow scripture to be part of your daily prayer life. Congratulations! What a great and good choice for yourself and for your relationship with God.

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For the rest....what's up? The bible is not going to read itself. ☺ Pray on it and give God's Word a place in your life. Maybe start by reading the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John) a couple of times each and then see where the Lord leads you from there. I believe that every Christian should have some part of the bible as part of his or her daily prayer life. You and your soul are worth making the effort. I am sure God is looking for more ways to spend time with you as well.

***Lord, give us a great love for the scriptures.***

You are in my prayers. Fr. Karl Pung

**PARISH PICNIC-- Sunday, August 22**

Join us for our Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 22nd from 4-8pm at Grand Woods Park (off of W. Willow, North of St. Gerard church.) All are welcome! Hot dogs, burgers, drinks and table service will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. If you have any questions, please contact Mike or Terri Hecksel at 517-482-3196.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS TRAINING (\*note changes)****Usher/Greeter**

Saturday, August 7th @ 9:00 a.m.

**Lector**

\*Tuesday, August 10 @ 7:00 p.m.

\*Note change of date

***Please register*** if you are planning on attending any of the trainings. Stop by the Parish Office or call or email

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**DID YOU KNOW?**

1st Saturday each month we pray the Fatima Devotions including the Diving Mercy Chaplet. Join us at 2:50pm in the main church.

**CENACLE OF DIVINE MERCY**

Excerpts from God in the Diary of Saint Sister Maria Faustina (1361): "If you do not succeed in taking advantage of an opportunity, do not lose your peace, but humble yourself profoundly before Me and, with great trust, immerse yourself completely in My mercy. In this way, you gain more than you have lost, because more favor is granted to a humble soul than the soul itself asks for ..."

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, August 9

(Daily Readings: Dt 10: 12-22/Mt 17: 22-27)

12:05 +Giuseppe Filice by Charles & Judith Filice

### Tuesday, August 10

(Daily Readings: 2 Cor 9: 6-10/Jn 12: 24-26)

12:05 +Larry Ebenkamp by Lisa Kutas

5:15 Catherine & Ken Erickson (45th Anniv.)  
by Penny Farhat Fletcher

### Wednesday, August 11

(Daily readings: Dt 34: 1-12/Mt 18: 15-20)

12:05 Dcn. Dave Drayton by Phil Wippel

### Thursday, August 12

(Daily Readings: Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18: 21—19: 1)

12:05 Sante Ippolito by Charles & Judith Filice

### Friday, August 13

(Daily Readings: Jos 24: 1-13/Mt 19: 3-12)

12:05 +Katherine Hufnagel by The Foundation Staff

### Saturday, August 14

(Daily Readings: Jos 24: 14-29/Mt 19: 13-15)

8:00 Celestina Umeana by Peter Umeana

4:00 +Celia & Eliel Gomez by Family

### Sunday, August 15

(Daily Readings: Rv 11: 19a, 12: 1-6a, 10ab/ 1Cor 15: 20-27/  
Lk 1: 39-56)

8:30 Memorial Mass Association

11:00 People of the Parish

## Music and the Funeral Liturgy

This week's article focuses on the role of music during funeral liturgies and offers suggestions for planning music for the funeral of a loved one, or even for yourself.

As an organist and music director, funerals are an important part of my ministry, and I am honored to share in these celebrations. Music can console and uplift the participants in their greatest moments of grief.

The *Order of Christian Funerals*, the book containing the rituals, prayers, and Scriptures used during funerals, describes how music "allows the community to express convictions and feelings that word alone may fail to convey." It also explains that songs should "express the paschal mystery of the Lord's suffering, death, and triumph over death" and remind participants of the Christian's share in this victory. (numbers 30-31)

Most often, the family meets with Fr. Karl or Fr. Bill in the days between their loved one's death and the funeral to select the readings and music. They receive a list of the most commonly requested selections, but they are not limited to this list. Most importantly, music should relate to the readings and to the occasion, and many hymns used during Mass are appropriate. Some families also request solo selections, such as "Ave Maria" and "Panis Angelicus," which can be included.

On occasion, I work with a family member who sings or plays with me at the funeral. This requires coordination and practice beforehand, so it is best to bring this up this during the initial funeral planning meeting to have enough time to make the arrangements.

As you've been reading, perhaps music came to mind that you or a loved one would want for their funeral. If so, I encourage you to write it down. Grieving family members can feel overwhelmed by decisions and wish they had more guidance. I would also be happy to provide you with the list of funeral music selections. Simply fill it out and let your family know where it is.

As always, feel free to reach out via email at: [tcostigan@stmarylansing.org](mailto:tcostigan@stmarylansing.org) if you have any questions or comments.

~Timothy Costigan

## COFFEE HOUR AFTER 8:30 MASS

Coffee hour after the 8:30 Mass continues! If you would like to join a team and be added to the rotation, please contact Terri Hecksel at 482-3196.

### WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

(Chapters, not verses)



Last week (Aug. 1) Daniel 1-14

This week (Aug. 8) Ezra 1-10

Next week (Aug. 15) Nehemiah 1-13



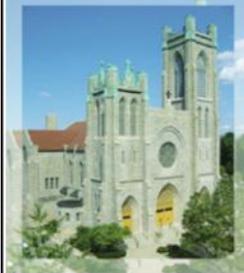
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| Budget <i>Weekly</i> Collection: | \$10,442.31          |
| <b>August 1, 2021</b>            |                      |
| Actual: Envelopes:               | \$ 7,651.91          |
| E-Giving:                        | \$ NA                |
| Non-Envelopes:                   | \$ 1,858.00          |
| ACH:                             | \$ 3,362.00          |
| Total:                           | \$ 12,871.91         |
| vs. Budget                       | Average \$ +2,429.60 |

Year to date (+/-) ( )

Candles \$ 154.00

Capital Improvement: \$ 528.00

- St. Mary Monthly Memorial & Intentions -



Mary Jo Mercer  
Clement Caron  
Joan Piersante Family  
VW Piersante  
B.J. Kalahiki  
Mullins/Flaga Family  
Charles & Sharon Dion  
Haun Family Intentions

Sanbajiroa & Saroj Pawar  
Michael & Nicholas Dion & Families  
Mother Teresa House Family  
† Friends & Relatives of RDJ  
Patrick & Erica Day Family  
Angelo & Lennie Alvarado Family  
† Robert & Gladys Stump  
Haun Family Intentions

Holy Souls in Purgatory  
L&D Davis Family  
† Jandron Family  
Robert Hecksel Family  
Bruce Brennan Family  
Melenece J. Fletcher  
Kacydopabele Family  
Arlene Woelfe Family

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Dummer Family  
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Roche Family  
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Bill Bourque  
Darren Kelly

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† = Deceased, L&D = Living & Deceased

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