

# St. Mary's Parísh Apríl 9, 2023

"Do not be afraid!

I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said."

Matthew 28: 5-6

Alleluía!



## Liturgy Schedule

Monday within the Octave of Easter, April 10 (MHT)

8:15 AM †Chuck Miller, Marvin & Julia Miller, including

living & deceased family members

†Adeline Thelen, including deceased family

members

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter, April 11th (MHT)

**8:15 AM** The intentions of the People of the parish

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter, April 12th (MHT)

7:00 PM †Paul & Helen Fox, including living & deceased

family members

Thursday within the Octave of Easter, April 13th (St. Mary's)

8:15 AM †Hilary & David Kolp, including Joseph &

**Catherine Theis** 

Friday within the Octave of Easter, April 14th (St. Mary's)

8:15 AM †Donald & Jeanette Weber, including living &

deceased family members

Saturday within the Octave of Easter, April 15th

4:30 PM (St. Mary's) †Gary Miller

Sunday, April 16th • Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00 AM (St. Mary's) †Rita Irrer, including living &

deceased family members

8:30 AM (MHT) Intentions of Linda & Jerome Thelen

**10:00 AM (St. Mary's)** †Vern & Adeline Schneider, including

living & deceased family members

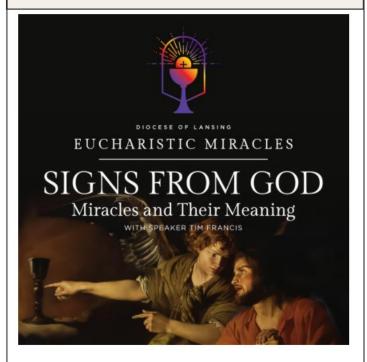
**10:30 AM (MHT)** Clem & Pauline Armbrustmacher,

including living & deceased family members

6:00 PM (MHT) †The People of Most Holy Trinity &

St. Mary's Parishes

## **Upcoming Spiritual Opportunities**



Renowned Catholic speaker, Tim Francis, will be visiting the Diocese of Lansing this month with his powerful presentation exploring the meaning of Eucharistic miracles throughout history.

- Monday, April 17: Lansing Catholic High School, Lansing;
- Tuesday, April 18: Saint Joseph Church, Howell, Holy Mass, 6pm. Presentation, 6:45pm;
- Wednesday, April 19: Lumen Christi Catholic High School, Jackson;
- Thursday, April 20: Father Gabriel Richard Catholic High School, Ann Arbor;
- Friday, April 21: Powers Catholic High School, Flint.

Entitled Signs from God: Miracles and Their Meaning, each presentation is free and open to all. Unless otherwise stated, doors open at 5 PM and the experience concludes at 8:30 PM.

Bishop Boyes states: "Tim's 90 minute presentation on Eucharistic miracles as signs from God has brought many to a greater belief in, and love for, Our Lord truly present in the Holy Eucharist. His work is as fascinating as it is inspiring. Therefore, it is my prayer that you too, along with many others, will be similarly inspired by Tim's presentation of these science defying miracles such that every soul in our diocese will one day echo the words of St. Ignatius of Antioch: 'I hunger for the bread of God, the flesh of Jesus Christ; I long to drink of his blood, the gift of unending love'."



## Weekend Ministry Schedule

#### April 15th • Divine Mercy Sunday

4:30 PM Mass

**Rosary** Tim Hengesbach

Readers Glenn Simon, Gail Spitzley

**EMC** Ken & Janice Schafer, Janice Spitzley

Servers Alyssa Kramer, Jenna Kramer

**Ushers** Tory Schneider, Ryan Schneider, Bruce Spitzley,

1 volunteer

#### **April 16th • Divine Mercy Sunday**

8:00 AM Mass

**Rosary** Dave Nurenberg

Readers Kristi Thelen, Mitchell Feldpausch

**EMC** Bernie Lehman, Shirley Manning, Wanda Martin

Servers Damon Huhn, Tyler Huhn

**Ushers** Rick Martin, Joe Schueller, Dan Schueller,

David M. Smith

#### 10:00 AM Mass

**Rosary** Gary Schafer

**Readers** Ryan Pung, Gary Schafer

**EMC** Cindy Birchmeier, Charlene Keilen, Paul Wohlfert

**Servers** Joslyn Smith, Grant Thelen

**Ushers** Brian Kowatch, Brett Thelen, Lee Schrauben,

Jason Fox

Cemetery clean-up is scheduled for this Monday, April 10th at 6:00 PM with a rain date for Tuesday, April 11th. We appreciate all the help that keeps our cemetery beautiful. We are also looking for some additional volunteers for our trimming crews. Please call Paul 517-285-3205 or Stan 989-292-2531 with any



questions or would like more information on trimming crews.

#### Wedding Reception Coordinator Needed

St. Mary's is looking for someone to assist families on the weekend of their weddings. This role includes meeting couples and their families at the Parish Hall on the morning before the wedding, communicating the expectations regarding Hall usage, answering questions, providing assistance regarding Hall set-up, and helping the family to clean up after the reception has occurred. The position requires availability to the renters during the weekend of the rental. If interested in this position or if you have more questions, please contact the Parish Office.

## **Weekly Contribution Totals**

Due to an early Easter publishing date, the contribution totals for April 2nd will be published in the April 16th bulletin.



#### **DSA Collections Received**

Total Gifts received	277
Amount received to date	\$92,723.89
Parish Goal	\$122,497.00
Percentage of Goal reached	d75.7%

Please make your checks payable to St. Mary Parish/DSA.

We thank you for your generosity not only to DSA but your contributions of time and talent to our parish!

#### FSU Omega Project Readings for April 10

Joshua 1: 1-9 Joshua chapter 3 Joshua 6: 1-16 and v 20 Joshua 21:43

Joshua chapter 24 Judges chapter 6 and 7 1 Peter 2:11 2 Corinthians 10:3-4

**Book of Ruth** 

## Week at a Glance

#### Monday, April 10th

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5:45 AM Eucharistic Adoration (Until 6:45 AM)

5:30 PM Reconciliation

**6:00 PM 7:00 PM Holy Hour with Rosary FSU/Omega Project/ARK** 

**7:15 PM** The Well

Tuesday, April 11th

7:00 PM Lost Sheep Holy Hour

6:00 PM COF/Hall B

**7:30 PM** AA (Office Basement)

Wednesday, April 12th

5:45 AM Eucharistic Adoration (Until 6:45 AM)

Thursday, April 13th

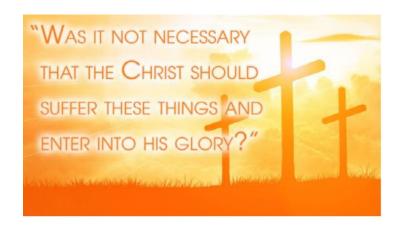
5:45 AM Eucharistic Adoration (Until 6:45 AM)

Friday, April 14th

9:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration (Until 6:00 PM)

Saturday, April 15th

8:15 AM Marian Devotions 3:00 PM Reconciliation



#### Scripture Readings for the Week of April 9, 2023

Monday Monday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 & 22; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday In the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48

Friday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday Saturday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 & 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31



#### 2023/24 CHRISTMAS PARTY RENTALS

Parish Hall & Cafeteria rentals for Christmas 2023 will take place on **Thursday, April 27th in Hall B starting at 1:00 PM.** You will need to pay the **security deposit of \$250.00** at that time with checks payable to: **St. Mary's Parish**. Special Christmas rates apply from Thanksgiving, 2023 through January 7th, 2024. We will continue to use a lottery system. The gym will no longer be available to rent.

#### School News

Grandparent/Special Person Day: Wednesday, April 19th.

Students and grandparents/ special persons will start with a 1:00 PM Mass. After Mass, everyone is invited back to school to visit in the classrooms. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us!

#### Featured on Formed.org



An inspired retelling of the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena-Orvieto, "Faith Prevails" follows the journey of Fr. Peter of Prague, a priest doubtful of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. When the Host begins to bleed during Mass, he must come to terms with his own disbelief while the witnesses of the miracle experience changes in their own faith.

The film is based on the real event of the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena-Orvieto, which was was the catalyst for the institution of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (commonly known as the Feast of Corpus Christi). To read more, visit <a href="https://faithprevailsmovie.com">https://faithprevailsmovie.com</a>

This film was produced entirely by volunteers during the summer of 2020 by Solenne Santiago for her American Heritage Girls Stars & Stripes project. Over 1800 service hours went into the making of this film, in the hopes that it would allow more Catholics to come to believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

#### To sign up for Formed.org:

- Go to: <a href="https://stmarychurch.formed.org">https://stmarychurch.formed.org</a>
- Click on Get a parish subscription
- search for St. Mary Westphalia
- type in your name and email address and then submit
- You should be able to access the website at that point or they may send you a link in your email

## Lord Hear Our Prayer

#### For the Sick

This week we pray for the people who are on the list for our prayer network, those listed in our bulletin and those included in The Book of Intentions located near Our Lady of Westphalia.

If you would like your name or a loved one's name added to our bulletin for prayer please call the parish office at 989.587.4201





## Prayer Network members will pray for your intentions:

If you or a loved one are in need of prayer please call the prayer network: 587-4132 • 587-6624 • 517-285-3783 or email <a href="mailto:btrierweiler@gmail.com">btrierweiler@gmail.com</a>

\*\*Welcome to the new Prayer Network members! A big "thank you" to all our participants: past, present, and new. May God bless you all! Elaine & Brenda

#### **Healing Prayer Ministry**

The healing prayer team will be available after the 10:00 mass on the following dates:

May 7, June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, & December 10.

If you would like to make an appointment please call Vicki Noeker at 587.4211



The Sanctuary Lamp for this week is in loving memory of Bev Nurenberg

#### **Baptism Preparations**

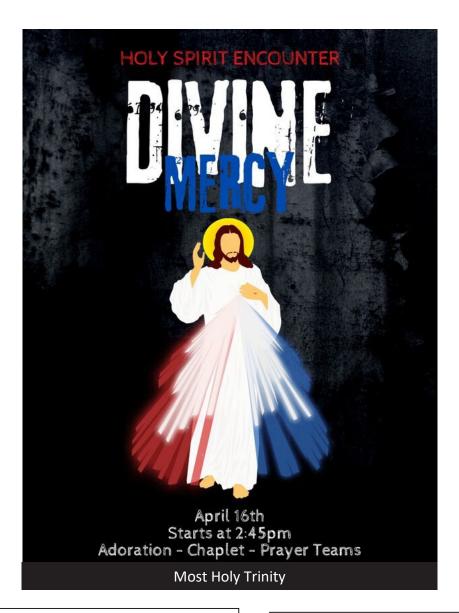


When you are ready to announce your pregnancy to family and friends, please also include the parish office! We have Baptism Packets for the expectant parents which explains everything you need to know about planning your child's Baptism Day. This packet includes guidelines for choosing Godparents, class dates and all forms necessary to fulfill the Baptism requirements. Just contact the parish office (989.587.4201) to begin the process.

As some of these forms are time sensitive, please don't delay in picking up your packet!

Baptism Classes are held every other month.

The next class is Tuesday, May 16th at 7:00 PM in the school library. Please call the parish office (989-587-4201) to register.



The Fowler Knights of Columbus is hosting a basketball tournament with the Pewamo, Westphalia, and Portland councils on **Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup> at the Fowler Athletic Center.** Games start at 9:00 AM with a round-robin and a single elimination tournament starting at 1:00 PM with the championship game at 2:30. Please come out and show your support for these teams. **There will be a good-will offering for any spectators with all proceeds going to No More Sidelines.** 

St. Joseph Parish in Pewamo is seeking qualified applicants to fill our open Facility Manager position. Please visit stjosephpewamo.org for a complete job description and means to apply.

Please email:

<u>parishoffice@stjosephpewamo.org</u> with any questions.



Silent Ignatian Retreats at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt 3-Day Ignatian Retreat: (May 26-28, 2023) or 5-Day Ignatian Retreat: (May 26-31 2023)

Come away from the noise of the world for a three or five day silent retreat to learn more about how God talks to you through the

Scriptures and in the movement of your own heart. Expect daily talks, time for silent and guided prayer, opportunities for Mass, confession and meetings with spiritual directors. The retreat will be facilitated by Dawn Hausmann and Karen Ervin.

Cost of the 3-Day Retreat is \$225 and cost of the 5-Day Retreat is \$575. To register or find more information, visit <a href="https://www.stfrancis.ws/ignatianretreats">https://www.stfrancis.ws/ignatianretreats</a>.

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#### **Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM—3:00 PM Closed for lunch: 12:30-1:00 PM

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#### **Bulletin article information:**

Please send your bulletin article as an attachment to:

office@stmarychurch.net by Monday morning - 9:00 AM.

### Please pray for them this week

Heavenly Father, we give you thanks and praise for Your Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit to inspire holy, faithful men to minister as priests. Lord, we pray for your grace to encourage and support our seminarians as they endeavor to become priests. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



Josh Luttig, Most Holy Trinity
Diocese of Lansing Seminarian

Randy Koenigsknecht, Most Holy Trinity
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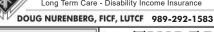


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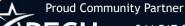


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