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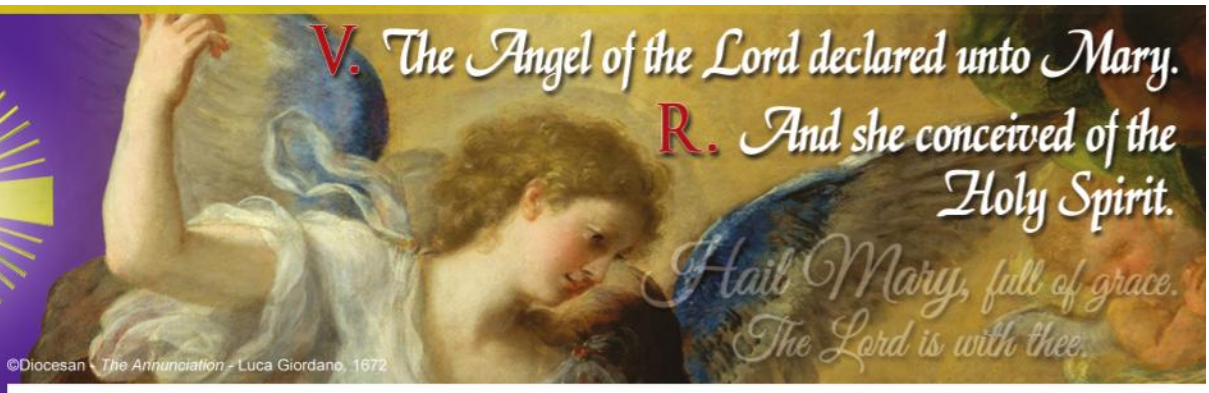

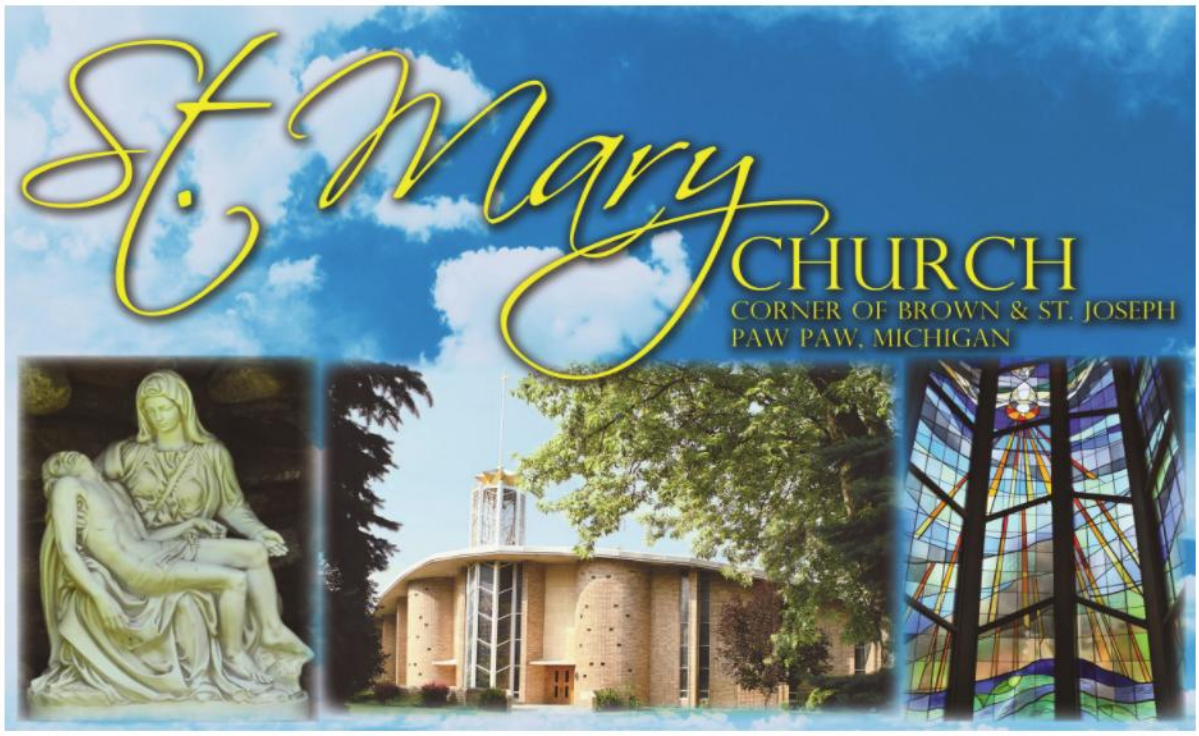

Parish Mission Statement
To enrich and inspire the spiritual growth of our parish community through the Word, worship and service to all God's people.

Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil……4:30 p.m.
Sunday……..8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Weekdays - Tuesday through Friday...8:00 a.m.

Confessions
1st and 3rd Sundays of the of the Month after the 11AM Mass or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration
1st Friday of the Month after morning Mass.

Pastoral Staff
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Monday ……..8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Thursday……..8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
(Closed for lunch……..12:00 to 1:00 p.m.)

Religious Education Classes
Sunday……..9:30 a.m. to 12:00p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
Every Tuesday morning after 8:00 a.m. Mass

Rosary
Thursday……7:00 p.m.

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Sacramental Life
Baptism
Call parish office to make arrangements.

Matrimony
Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick
Please inform us of parishioners who are seriously ill at home or in the hospital.

Holy Orders and Consecrated Religious Life
Everyone has a vocation. If God is calling you to the priesthood or religious life, contact Rev. Fr. Alan P. Jorgensen for assistance.

Mass Intentions and Scripture Readings

Saturday November 27 • Vigil: First Sunday of Advent
Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87; Lk 21:34-36
4:30 p.m. †Ed & Catherine Sitar req. Martha (Sitar) Black
†Dorothy Juriga (100th Birthday Remembrance) req. Ray & Carol Scotese

Sunday November 28 • First Sunday of Advent
Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
8:00 a.m. *Pro Populo*
11:00 a.m. †Guy, Donna, Paul, Steve & Ron Jach & Genevieve Wesaw req. Glenna Jach

Monday November 29
Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday November 30 • St. Andrew
Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22
8:00 a.m. †Ted Felcyn req. Cheryl & Al Sprandel
7:00 p.m. Mass for Protection of the Unborn

Wednesday December 1
Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37
8:00 a.m. †Dick Pfister req. Phillip & Mary Arbanas
10:30 a.m. †Neal Piecyk req. Mom & Dad

Thursday December 2
Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
8:00 a.m. †Patricia Wincek req. Mary & Dave Wincek
7:00 p.m. Rosary

First Friday December 3 • St. Francis Xavier
Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
8:00 a.m. †Patricia Wincek req. Mary & Dave Wincek
Adoration Following Mass

Saturday December 4 • Vigil: Second Sunday of Advent
Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
4:30 p.m. †Ted Felcyn req. Marvin & Roberta Ives

Sunday December 5 • Second Sunday of Advent
Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6
8:00 a.m. †Lena Grzebyk (Birthday Remembrance) req. Mary Colone
11:00 a.m. *Pro Populo*

Lectors

December 4/5

4:30 p.m. Rosie Grzebyk
8:00 a.m. Michael Austermann
11:00 a.m. Tom Stanek

Jubilee Year of the Holy Spirit—Prayer of the Month

Heavenly Father, you have given your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ reign over your Kingdom, through his intercession you have sent forth your Spirit through Mary and the Apostles to begin the work of your Church and to renew the face of the earth.
Through that same Spirit, we ask you to renew the Church throughout the world, but especially in our own diocese of Kalamazoo.
In this month, we are especially call to mind and ask your Spirit to activate and increase within us the fruit of peace and activate within us the gift of Understanding. reminded of your Divine Mercy especially ask that your Spirit bear to fullness in us, the fruit of peace in our hearts and the gift of understanding that we may more deeply understand the mysteries of your Kingdom, and your will for our lives that we more effectively and fruitfully bring the Good News of your love, mercy, and forgiveness to all whom we meet. We ask this through the same Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Prayer Requests

Arnie
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Lynn Szumylo
Dani
Don T
Barry
Anna Urquieta
Patti S.
Jetti O'Connell
Jim Thomas
Alexander Buiwitt
MAC
Braelyn Boyer
Paula & Carl Leedy
Dorothy Dietz
David Marshall
Ryan
Chad
Theresa Andrle
Kenny
Brian Gottschall
Paul Juriga
Cade S.
Mike Johnston
Willie
Betty
Janet Wartman
Jerry & Jane
Maria Pach
Mark Kovach
Ryan Yaran
Larry Carpenter
Shannon
Gayle Wiggins
Dale & Dorothy Kemp
Dr. Greg
Dennis & Grace
Marie Wyszynski
Janet Hamay
Todd Sikkema
William Rios
Mary Nash
David Koppers
Tammy Hawes
Ellie D.
Nicole Middaugh
Chris Nash
Theron Mosey

The residents of Bronson Commons and White Oaks.

Call the parish office if you are in need of prayer help.

First Saturday Public Rosary

The 1st Saturday Public Rosary will be prayed on December 4, 2021 at 11:30 AM
K of C Parking Lot on Red Arrow, Paw Paw, MI
Bring a chair if you have a need. Dress warm!

Advent Family Gathering for persons with disabilities and their families

Join us on **Saturday, Dec 4th from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m**. at the Crowley Center Gym at St. Augustine Cathedral, 542 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo. Enjoy Advent activities, music, fun and friendship. A simple lunch will be provided. There is no cost for this event. Masks are encouraged. Please register by Nov. 27th to Lisa Irwin at lisairwin@ccdok.org or 269-381-9800 x227.

RCIA

Sessions continue on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. The St. Mary RCIA program welcomes adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and guides them towards the celebration of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. RCIA is more than a course of instruction; it encourages a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church He founded. The RCIA program also offers participants an opportunity to experience our parish community life as Catholics. Join us in the school library to discover what the Catholic Faith has to offer! For more information, contact Jackie Marshall 269-657-4459 ext. 223 or drestmarypawpaw@bloomingdalecom.net

St. Mary School Candle Fundraiser

Help support St. Mary School through our Nichols & Scents handcrafted all natural soy candles and wax melts fundraiser. These candles make perfect holiday gifts. Go to: NicholsandScents.com. Select your items and use Promo/Coupon Code STMARY at checkout now through December 3, 2021. Thank you for support.

Diocese of Kalamazoo Caregivers Connection

Are you a caregiver for someone with a disability? Do you sometimes feel alone or overwhelmed? You are invited to a virtual gathering on the first Sunday of the month (when date falls on a holiday weekend we move to the following Sunday) from 1:00 – 2:00p.m. on Zoom. The focus is to build relationships, share faith and experiences, and create a supportive community. To learn more or to register go to https://diokzoo.org/caregivers or contact Lisa Irwin at the Catholic Charities Diocese of Kalamazoo 269-381-9800 x227 or by email at lisairwin@ccdok.org. Zoom link will be sent to those who register. Upcoming dates: Dec 5, Jan. 9.

The **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR)** To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: (**844) 324-3374.**

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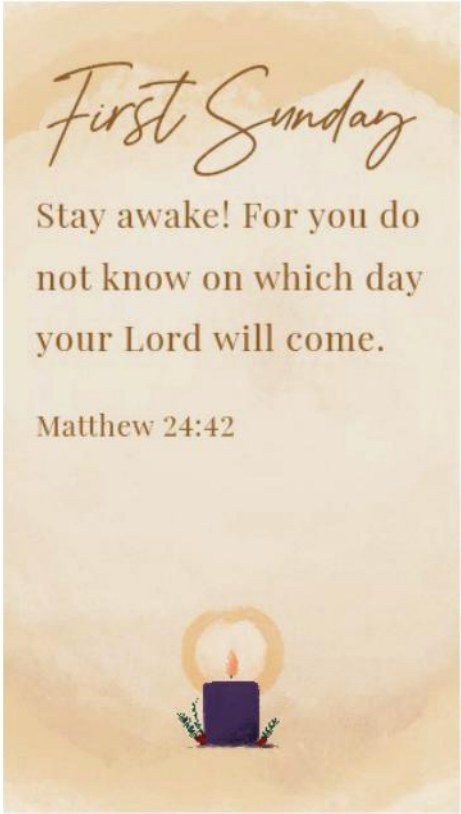

Religious Education News

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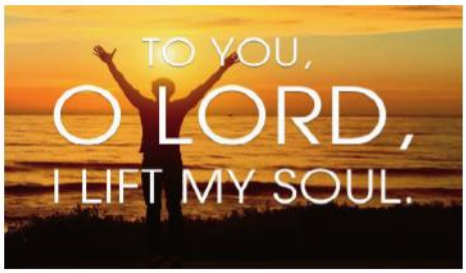

Home Heating Assistance Program

The collection for the Diocese of Kalamazoo Home Heating Assistance Program is today! The Diocesan Home Heating Assistance Program provides heating assistance to anyone in the nine counties of the Diocese of Kalamazoo. The program is integral in helping at need households in our community defray heating expenses. Please consider making a donation anytime at www.ccdok.org/donate. Thank you for making a difference to those in need in our community.

Jubilee Year of the Holy Spirit – Fruit of the Month: Patience

During the month of November, our focus is on the Spirit's Fruit of patience and gift of Counsel.

In St. Paul's famous teaching on love in 1 Cor 13:1-13, he lists patience as loves first attribute. If we cannot be patient with others, we fail in love as the Holy Spirit gives it. The Greek word St. Paul uses for love is "agape" (A'-ga-pay) which is sacrificial in nature. It is the willingness to give completely of one's self for the sake of the beloved. This is the love Christ had for us. It is characterized first and foremost by patience.

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