

## **AUGUST 16, 2020 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

We continue the work of Jesus Christ, to Unleash the Gospel and help everyone seek and experience the love and mercy of God.

## Father Bogdan's Corner

We are living in the most beautiful season of the year – summer and this year has been a very ugly time – COVID-19 that affects our lives, creates fear and uncertainty. In previous articles, I wrote about coping with fear. Today I want to assure you that we are slowly creating plans for our Religious Education Program for the families that want to help their children to grow spiritually. We all know that as responsible parents you are taking care of your children for physical, biological, educational and spiritual growth to have fully integrated your son or daughter. Since we are talking about: "Family of Parishes" (FOP), it will be appropriate to combine certain parish activities or programs. I think that neighboring parishes can offer, in one location, religious programs for a large number of students and the next year another parish will be the place for Religious Education and over time each parish would be in charge of education and formation for the children of our FOP. We must think globally, for the good of the families and parishes that are forming our FOP. Besides all the planning for FOPs, we are ready to have classes for the next school year. We will be able to do it in-person in a classroom setting or from distance learning online. Everything depends on the rules given by the AoD and our Governor.

As you can see progress on the roof is being made. A few more days and the over half million-dollar project will be done. Another project is the painting of the church inside and replacing the carpet. Thank you to all who are concerned and sharing with me, parish staff and members of Finance and Parish Councils your ideas regarding color. Besides sharing your ideas and suggestions, please be more generous to your parish, especially at this time. Thank you. As you can see your sacrificial giving is spent wisely. Continue to enjoy your summer.

God Bless,

Fr. Bogdan

# **This Week:**

Monday, August 17th

9:00 a.m.—No Mass

Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Wednesday, August 19th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m.- No Mass

Friday, August 21st

9:00 a.m.- No Mass

Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>

3:00 p.m. - Confession

4:00 p.m. - Mass

Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 a.m. - Mass

11:00 a.m. - Mass



During the week of

August 16, 2020

the candle next to the Tabernacle will burn in memory of

Mary Ann Zarb (4th Anniversary)

req by Rosemary Konwerskį



Father Bogdan and the parish of St. Faustina offer sincere sympathy to the families of

Gary Robert Lee, Sr. and Mary Cloutier

We commend them to the Lord. May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Mass / Presider	Intentions
Saturday, August 22 <sup>nd</sup> 4:00 p.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Laurie Loiacano req by Husband Sam ⊕Gerald Labiak req by Wife & Children ⊕Walter Krawczyk req by Sister-in-Law ⊕Jeff Loiacano req by Father
Sunday, August 23 <sup>rd</sup> 8:30 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Al, Dave & Dan Schilkey req by Family
11:00 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Our St. Faustina Family

## **Daily Mass Readings**

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Readings for the week of August 16, 2020

**Sunday**: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

**Monday**: Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday**: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday**: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday**: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14

**Friday**: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6 -7, 8-9 [1]/Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday**: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

**Next Sunday**: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Observances for the week of August 16, 2020

**Sunday:** 20th Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Monday: Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Thursday: St. Bernard, Abbot and

Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Pius X, Pope

Saturday: The Queenship of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordi-

nary Time

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# St. Vincent de Paul PANTRY UPDATE



We hope and pray that all parishioners are staying safe and healthy during this pandemic. While our office has been closed during this pandemic, St. Vincent de Paul has been delivering food along with gas cards to families in need. As we look forward to starting up shortly, we need the following: canned tuna, canned chicken, canned soups, peanut butter- 16 oz. (please no large ones), jam, rice sides, toothpaste, laundry detergent, hand soap, deodorant, and toilet tissue. When we are able to reopen our office, food distribution will be by **appointment only**. Also, the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift stores are now open. Thank you for your continued support and pray for peace in our country.

## New Members Welcome!

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#### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Challenge of Stewardship

Every day we are called by Christ to respond in some way. The more practice we have at giving of ourselves freely and living in His presence, the easier it is to discern that call. Once we hear the call, the choice is ours: will we respond with yes or no? We could say that we are not required to say yes because God has given us free will. However, our response speaks much to where we are in our maturity of faith. When we were children, the word "no" used to be one of our favorites. If we continue to say that as we get older, well, that says something about where we are in our walk with the Lord. If we truly are disciples of Jesus Christ and are serious about growing in our faith, we will say "yes." We are not required to say yes, but we say yes because that is who we have become.

This is the challenge of a stewardship way of life. Have we matured enough to say yes when God calls, regardless of how much our answer may cost us? What matters more to us: what it will cost us or our relationship with Jesus? Some days we will easily be able to say yes. The grace and love he gives us will be plenty to see us through whatever situation in which we find ourselves. However, we are imperfect beings and there will be days when we are more into ourselves than him. It is on those days that we find ourselves at a true crossroads of a challenge. The choice is always ours. Hopefully, our faith will be strong enough. His call is never for his own sake. He calls us because the world he created and the Church he instituted need us. They wait just as he does for our response.

-Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPi



As you are all aware, our monthly living rosary has been cancelled since March.

Unfortunately we do not when or if we will be able yo get together again, In the meantime, I am asking all parishoners to keep saying the rosary every day. It is important to keep Our Lady in our thoughts, She has Jesus's ear. We all need her at this time.

I am still providing rosaries that have been blessed and sanitized. They are available in the front of church. The bowl for special intentions is also and is checked every week.

Thanks,

Mary Zebula



## **Excerpts from St. Faustina's Diary**

St. Faustina's Diary is a compilation of her personal spiritual journey: how she encountered Jesus and what He said directly to her. It's a beautiful testimony of faith, showing how trust in the Lord, especially in times of uncertainty and doubt is absolutely essential.

O Jesus, have mercy! Embrace the whole world and press me to Your Heart...O Lord, let my soul expose in the sea of Your unfathomable mercy. 869, page 341

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, take me under Your special protection and guard the purity of my soul, heart and body. You are the model and star of my life. 874 page 342

Today, I experienced a great suffering during the visit of our sisters. I learned of something that hurt me terribly, but I controlled myself so that the sisters didn't notice anything. For some time, the pain was tearing my heart apart, but all that is for the sake of poor sinners...O Jesus, for poor sinners...Jesus, my strength, stay close to me, help me.... 875. page 342

O Jesus concealed in the Host, my sweet Master and faithful Friend, how happy my soul is to have such a Friend who always keeps me company. I do not feel lonely even though I am in isolation. Jesus-Host, we know each other—that is enough for me. 877 page 343

## Jesus I Trust in You

### **Parish Registration**

### Why is it important to be registered in a parish?

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times young adults who have moved away for years think they are still registered under their parents. But membership requires signing up - formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses and programs are planned and scheduled. Registration shows you belong! It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for tax purposes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.

Taken from 2009 Liturgical Publications Inc.

### **Updating Parish Records**

We have found, during this time of the pandemic, that our parish records need to be updated. Even though many of you may have belonged to St. Edmund or St. Sylvester for many years prior to the opening of St. Faustina your record may be missing vital information. Many calls were made during this time to update you with information. If you did not receive a phone call from a team of our parishioners or a robo call from Fr. Bogdan, then we do not have a current phone number for you. Many of you now only have cell phones and no longer have a home phone. Please take a few minutes and fill out the form below. We are also asking for an email address. We have no plans at this time to use it, however, we never know what tomorrow will bring. Our robo calls are sent out using the parish phone number. Hopefully, we will never encounter a situation like we have for the past several months again.

Thank you for your time.
Name:
Address:
City:
Zip Code:
Phone:
Email:
Please write legible.

This form can be mailed, dropped in the collection or returned to the office when we reopen or if you would like send us an email at stfaustina@comcast.net

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - August 16, 2020

#### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are hardwired for wholeness and crave it. When something is broken, we want it fixed. If a part of our body is not working properly, we want it healed. How often do we find ourselves saying, "I'm tired of struggling with this cold, I can't wait for my surgery to heal, or I want my treatments to make me better." Wholeness and healing restore our relationships and make us free to love as we desire. We know very well how our limitations, imperfections, and brokenness really limit us. They can easily prevent us from being and doing what we want to do. Our physical and emotional wounds and maladies are easier to identify. If my back hurts, I feel it and know what part of my body needs attention. If I am feeling intense anger, I can identify the emotion and take necessary steps to uncover its cause. Being persistent often brings greater and quicker results. But will pursuing and even achieving our physical and emotional healings really be enough? We forget that there is a deeper healing that we seek and desperately need. As we look around at humanity, there are some physical and emotional wounds and scars that cannot be made whole. They are limitations that must remain and, for one reason or another, cannot be rectified. Does this mean that the wholeness and healing that my being longs for is not possible for me? Must I settle with less than what God promises?

The answer is no. Ultimately, there is a desire that goes deeper than the physical and emotional. It is a desire that resides in our soul. What we really seek and thirst for is healing and wholeness for our soul. Inner strength, conviction, focus, grounding, love, hope, faith, courage, determination, peace, and connectedness are all words that center us on eternity. They direct us to a presence we discover in our core, which is none other than the presence of God. In God, we are healed. When we are persistent in reaching out to and establishing our relationship with God, real healing and wholeness begin to happen.

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## The Convenience of Automated Tithing

Many families have already chosen to give one-time or recurring donations through our website. Explore the convenience of online giving at **stfaustinawarren.org/give**, and be one of the families who set their tithe to automatically occur when, how often, and in the amount they'd like to give. And always have access to update your information, change gift amounts, enter new payment methods, or pause/cancel a gift at any time. With online giving, you can forget about writing checks or swinging by the ATM.

#### St. Faustina

### Please pray for those in our parish family in prolonged sickness:

Norma Angeleri Samantha Beattie Ray Dominic **Dorothy Gietzen** Norm Laprise Jim Lewis Chris Liebetreu Francine Lorentz Kerry Markiewicz Patrick Martin Ellen Nawrocki Luciana Purtill Ed Ryntz Mary Ryntz Gloria Sadocha Cyndy Vitale Fred Walny Magdalen Webster Gary Whyte



## Report Abuse

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others - no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or by emailing vac@aod.org. In addition, the Michigan Attorney General's Office can be contacted at its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 or by email at aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

More information about the Archdiocese's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect.aod.org.

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#### **PARISH STAFF**

Pastor.....Rev. Bogdan Milosz

Office Mgr/Secretary.....Linda Reiterman

Director of Music Matthew Zinser mzinsermusicdir@gmail.com Phone: 772-2720 Ext. 106

#### **MASSES**

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Holy Days: 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday - 3:00 p.m.
Or by appointment

#### Registration

Parishioners may register in person, by phone, or online.

#### **Baptism**

At least one parent needs to be registered, active and a practicing Catholic for at least six months. A Baptismal Preparation Class is required for both parents and godparents. The church requires that at least one of the godparents be an active and practicing Catholic. For more information call the Parish Office.

#### **Marriages**

Arrange at least six months in advance.

#### **Communion Calls**

Pastoral Staff members visit the sick in the hospital when possible and take Communion to the sick and homebound regularly. Names of the sick should be reported to the Parish Office.

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

(586) 219-5040 Recording Sec......Vacant

#### Members-at-Large

Sandra Schramm.....(586) 776-4092 Edward Ryntz......(586) 573-3849 George Eichorn.....(586) 596-1282 Renee Warrick......(586) 939-4746

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## Education Chair

Open

#### **Worship Chair**

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#### Non-Voting Representatives Vicariate Representatives

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## Evangelization Chair

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#### Parish Organizations & Ministers (St. Faustina)

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If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the Parish Office or send an email to stfaustina@comcast.net

St. Faustina is extending a personal invitation to you so that we can help with your spiritual needs.

If you have been baptized and have made your First Holy Communion, please contact Fr. Bogdan to inquire about Confirmation.



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