

FEBRUARY 18, 2024 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

With the reception of the Ashes last Wednesday we began the Season of Lent. It is a period of 40 days and nights before Easter to fast, to pray and do penance. This is exactly what Jesus did before His public ministry. He was tempted, trapped, and misled. Being influenced by these powers He did not stop His mission. For Him it was the time of fulfillment and the time to discover the presence of the Kingdom of God and call the nations for repentance and have faith in the wisdom of the Gospels. As your pastor, encouraged by the teaching and examples of Jesus, I am inviting you to participate in Lent more actively by fasting, praying and doing penance. Fasting is voluntarily abstaining from food or certain foods, like meat on Fridays for the purpose of reparation for wrong doing and sins. Life and culture provides us with many opportunities to do evil and sinful things, that hurt Jesus and His brothers and sisters. Prayer is a spiritual practice involving communication with God, His Son Jesus and The Blessed Virgin Mary. During that prayer we are expressing gratitude, seeking guidance or asking for blessings. At this time of our life, it is necessary to pray for guidance. Please join us for prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Another type of prayer is the Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent at 6:30 p.m.

Penance refers to voluntary self-punishment, examination of the conscious and confession, to show remorse for wrongdoing and sins. Lent is a great occasion to do penance. I am available for confession every Saturday at 3:00 p.m. For the last two weeks of Lent I will be available on Fridays at 6:00 p.m.

Last Monday evening the Pastors and three delegates from our Family of Parishes met in our Activity Center to continue the process of forming a strong and integrated "Next Generation Parish". Our parish was represented by Mr. Jim McKnight, Mr. Richard Rosati, Mrs. Linda Reiterman and myself. The meeting was conducted by Scott Staelgraeve from Catholic Leadership Institute and Wade Richards from AoD. These meetings will continue monthly for the next six months.

May God Bless You, Fr. Bogdan



Wednesday, February 21st 9:00 a.m.

⊕ Keith Barsheff req by Mr. & Mrs. G. Zilli⊕ Albina Prisbe req by Daughter

Friday, February 23rd 9:00 a.m.

⊕AI, Dave & Dan Schilkey req by Family
 ⊕Maria Hopkins (Anniv Rem) req by
 Maria Lucia



It's time to reserve the Perpetual Candle for 2024. Suggested donation is \$15.00.

Please check with the parish office to see availability for this year.

Thank you, Linda



Monday, February 19th

6:00 p.m. - No Religious Education

Tuesday, February 20th

Wednesday, February 21st

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Thursday, February 22nd

6:30 p.m. - Rosary & Devotion

Friday, February 23rd

9:00 a.m. - Mass

6:30 p.m.—Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 24th

3:00 p.m. - Confession

4:00 p.m. - Mass

Sunday, February 25th

8:30 a.m. - Mass

11:00 a.m. - Mass



During the week of

February 18, 2024

the candle next to the Tabernacle will burn in memory of

> Jenny Elias req by

Alfred & Shirley Rusenstrom



Fr. Bogdan and the parish of
St. Faustina offer sincere sympathy to the family of

Dominic DeMaria

We commend him to the Lord.

May he rest in peace.

Amen



Eucharistic Minister Volunteers Wanted for Ascension Macomb-Oakland Hospital in Warren

When Catholic patients are in the hospital, reception of the Eucharist and a visit from someone who cares is one of the most beautiful ways to enliven their faith, bring healing and connection with God. Ascension Macomb/Oakland Hospital is in need of Eucharistic Ministers to ensure opportunities for admitted patients to regularly receive the Eucharist. If interested, please reach out to Kirsten Kyle, Board Certified Chaplain, at 586-576-4338, or kirsten.kyle@ascension.org

Thank you for considering sharing your gifts in this way.



Friday—February 23rd 6:30 p.m.

Mass / Presider	Intentions
Saturday, February 24 th 4:00 p.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Poor Souls in Purgatory req by Maria Lucia ⊕Carl Endres (Birthday Rem) req by Maria Lucia ⊕Maria Hopkins req by Maria Lucia ⊕Fernanda Hopkins req by Maria Lucia ⊕Lawrence Webster (1st Anniv) req by Family ⊕Gerald Labiak req by Wife Geri ⊕Loraine Dyrval req by Sister Geri ⊕Ray Skinner req by Wife
Sunday, February 25 th 8:30 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Arnel Rebogio req by Family ⊕Al Anderson req by Friend ⊕Cecelia Lipinski (Birthday Rem) Daughters Barb & Sue
11:00 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Battista Rossit req by Mr. & Mrs. G. Zilli

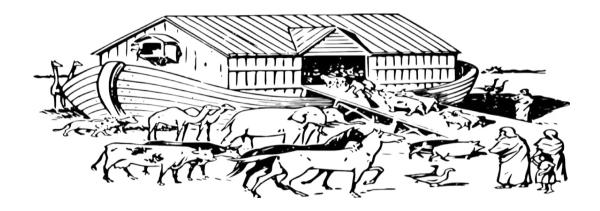
Religious Education

GENESIS 6-8

Because of sin, the world got worse and worse. One day, God saw that there was only one man who still loved Him, and his name was Noah. God told Noah to build an ark, a big boat, because God was going to flood the world and destroy all the evil people. He sent two of every kind of animal to Noah to keep them safe from the flood in the ark.

Noah did what God told him. When Noah's family and the animals were all in the ark, God sent the flood. It rained and rained until the tallest mountains were covered. Noah, his family, and the animals stayed in the ark until all the water had dried up again.

When Noah came out of the ark, he thanked God for protecting his family. God put a rainbow in the sky after forty days of rain and flooding, as a promise that He would never flood the whole earth again.



God kept His promise never to flood the earth again.

God then sent His only Son, Jesus. Jesus spread the Word of God but many religious leaders did not believe that Jesus was the Son of God. Jesus performed many miracles that showed the people His power of Healing. One of the miracles Jesus did was show He has power over nature. The fishermen had not caught any fish, Jesus said to them drop your nets. The Fishermen said but we have been here all day and caught not even one fish. So they dropped their nets. When they brought up the nets, they were so full of fish it almost sunk the boats. Jesus told Simon Peter to tell people about Jesus and the miracle of the Fish. Simon Peter told the people and they too believed and worshiped Jesus.



Jesus showed people He has the power of God and is God's son. Jesus had the power over sickness, evil spirits, and death. The people began to follow Jesus and believe He was the Son of God. On their journey they came across a man with Leprosy, the man said, "Lord, will you please heal me and make me clean". Jesus touched the Leper and made him clean. Jesus did this because the Leper believed in Jesus as the Son of God. You can read further Luke 5:1-16.

Jesus heals a paralyzed man. Jesus was preaching in a house. Some men had carried their paralyzed friend to see Jesus, but there were so many people listening to Jesus they could not get in. So the men cut a hole in the roof and lowered their friend down to Jesus. Jesus saw how hard they worked to bring their friend to Jesus to be healed. Jesus saw the great faith they had in Him; Jesus healed the paralyzed man and he walked home. You can read Luke 5:18-26.

First Reading:

Gn 9:8-15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him:

"See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you: all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals

that were with you and came out of the ark.

I will establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed

by the waters of a flood;

there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth."

God added:

"This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come,

of the covenant between me and you and every living creature with you:

I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds,

I will recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings,

so that the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9.

R. (cf. 10) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Remember that your compassion, O LORD, and your love are from of old. In your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Good and upright is the LORD, thus he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice, and he teaches the humble his way.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Second Reading:

1 Pt 3:18-22

Beloved:

Christ suffered for sins once,

the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous,

that he might lead you to God.

Put to death in the flesh,

he was brought to life in the Spirit.

In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison,

who had once been disobedient

while God patiently waited in the days of Noah

during the building of the ark,

in which a few persons, eight in all,

were saved through water.

This prefigured baptism, which saves you now.

It is not a removal of dirt from the body

but an appeal to God for a clear conscience,

through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

who has gone into heaven

and is at the right hand of God,

with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

Verse Before the Gospel

Mt 4:4b

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Gospel

Mk 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan.

He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested,

Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God:

"This is the time of fulfillment.

The kingdom of God is at hand.

Repent, and believe in the gospel."

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I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.



There are two relics of Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey that are touring parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit. One of them will be at St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families and we have the great blessing of having the other one here at St. Faustina Church. The relic will be available for veneration from Tuesday, February 20th, through Monday, February 26th. Please see below for more details.

St. Faustina Church

Tues., Feb. 20	6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.	
Wed., Feb. 21	8:30 A.M. to 10 A.M. (before and after Holy Mass)	
Thu., Feb. 22	6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.	
Fri., Feb. 23	8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. (before and after Holy Mass) 6:00 P.M. to 7:15 P.M. (before and after Stations of the Cross)	
Sat., Feb. 24	3:00 P.M. to 5:15 P.M. (before and after Holy Mass)	
Sun., Feb. 25	8:00 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. (before and after Holy Mass)	
Mon., Feb. 26	12 Noon to 1:00 P.M.	



SVdP PANTRY UPDATE



In December and January combined, we provided food to 112 families, totaling 314 individuals. In February, we are asking for items for our Easter Bags. We will hand out the Easter bags beginning in March because Easter is early, March 31. Please keep these items in mind as you do your grocery shopping. Gift cards from Kroger or Meijer for \$20.00, and \$25.00. Coffee cake mixes, quick bread mixes, blueberry or banana muffin mixes, canned yams, canned pineapple, canned fruits, brown sugar, pudding, canned tuna, canned chicken, manwich, soups, canned vegetables, boxed potatoes, rice mixes, cereal, peanut butter, jam/ iellies, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, dish soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and laundry detergent. We are always in need of brown grocery bags. We thank you and are very grateful for your continued support, as you are helping us to help our "Neighbors In Need."

God Bless St. Faustina Parishioners

St. Faustina Church 2023 Financial Contribution

Statements will be mailed to you after you request them. You can call the parish office and leave a message or you can drop this form in the collection during Mass or drop it off at the mailbox outside the parish office.

The contribution statements will be available after January 25, 2024.

Address:	
City/Zip Code:	

Thank you for your cooperation.



Name:

First Class Relic of Blessed Solanus Casey



St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families is pleased to offer you the opportunity to venerate before a first-class relic of the Blessed Solanus Casey.

After the Beatification of Father Solanus, the Capuchins gave the Archdiocese of Detroit a relic of Father Solanus—a bone from his right hand.

It was with this hand that Father Solanus would open the doors of the monastery to those who came to encounter Christ.

The relic will be on display at

St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Church, 25320 Van Dyke, Center Line

~Saturday, February 17, 2024 12:00pm—3:00pm

~Sunday, February, 18, 2024 12:30pm-3:00pm

~Wednesday, February 21, 2024 6:00pm—8:00pm (after Soup Supper)

St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families is hosting...



Join us for Lenten Simple Suppers (Soup, Bread & Beverage) and an inspiring speaker!

> February 21 (Bl. Solanus Casey Relic) February 28 (Patricia Breen)

March 6 (Fr Bruno Piccolo) March 13 (Peggy Aoun) March 20 (Taize Prayer)

Serving begins at 5:30pm, speaker at 6:00pm Doors open at 5:00pm

A free-will offering will be accepted at the door (proceeds will benefit our St. Vincent de Paul) Soup will be served at St. Mary, OLQ of Families Hall (behind the church)

Tom Gelardi Carol Kucharek Jim Lewis Lawrence Mallet Linda Pickornik Ron Radue Sharon Stawski





Representatives from Bethlehem Christian Families (wafa AlSahouri) will be with us on March 2&3, 2024, to ask for your help and blessing for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. These families, sixty years ago, made up 18% of the population. Due to recent events in the Middle East, it has caused these families to face devastating economical strain, and caused the population to decrease to less than 2% in the Holy Land. These families have relied on the income from their religious hand carved olive wood artifacts to tourist. So we have come to the USA to try to help support these families by bringing their artifacts here to sell in the USA. All the proceed from sales will be send back to the families of the Holy Land so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide their families. The last few years were very tough for the Christian families, and this is the only source of income.

Report Abuse

The Archdiocese of Detroit ages 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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Daily Masses

Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.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.

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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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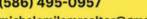


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