

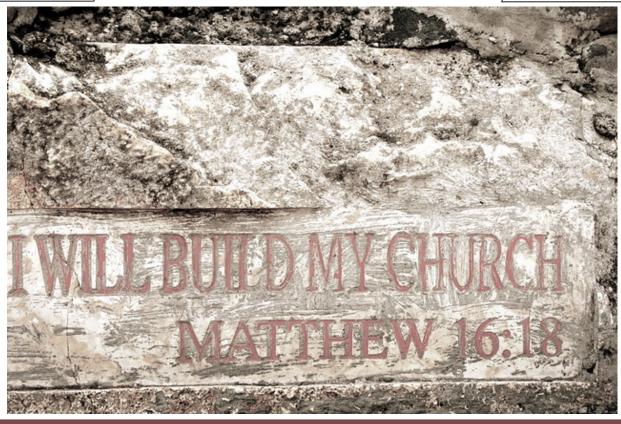
# Benedictine

## TWENTY - FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAINT BENEDICT

**AUGUST 23, 2020** 

SAINT SCHOLASTICA



St. Scholastica Parish 17320 Rosemont Detroit, Michigan 48219

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Fr. James W. Lowe CC, Administrator

### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday through Friday
Saturday
Sunday
Holydays
S:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
10:00 a.m.
8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Parish priest must be contacted six months prior to date of intended marriage.

BAPTISMS Contact Fr. James W. Lowe, CC

#### CONFESSIONS

Tuesday-Saturday Mornings: Immediately Following Mass Saturday Evening Mass: 3:45 p.m. until 4:15 p.m. Sunday: 9:15 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. All other times - Call Parish Office For Appointment

### ROSARY Sunday 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

#### PHONE NUMBERS

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| Parish Office(313)   | 531-0140 |
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### **REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD**

Certain questions change lives, depending on our answer: "Do you take this person to be your husband/wife?" "Do you want this job?" "Can you forgive me?" The question Jesus asks today is one that certainly changes lives. Our response is not simply an academic exercise, a matter of knowing the right answer we learned from a book. Our answer must lead to a commitment that is to be lived out each day of our lives.

Peter's answer certainly changed the course of his life. Jesus recognized that it was not Peter's innate knowledge, or that of any other person, that had given Peter his response: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." It was the Father. And so Jesus declares that Peter will be the one to lead the other disciples and all who would come after. Simon, son of John, fisherman, husband, brother—and one who would deny he ever knew Christ!—he was to be the rock on which Jesus would build the church. His response was life-changing.

Peter's answer was not a perfect one, as we shall see next week. Even so, Jesus accepts it as an indication that his Father is at work in those called to be with him who would continue his work. The Father chose to work in fallible human beings. We may not think of ourselves as rocks, but the future of the church depends on how well each one of us lives out the answer to this question, "Who do you say that I am?"

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### **LIVING GOD'S WORD**

We pray that our loving Father will bring us to a deeper knowledge and understanding of his Son Jesus. We ask that this understanding will lead to a deeper commitment on our part to the work of Jesus to bring about in our own day the reign of God in our world.

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### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

### THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The image of a key indicating authority is prevalent in today's Scripture readings from the Prophet Isaiah and the Gospel from the evangelist St. Matthew. Through Isaiah, God chooses Eliakim to be the new authority of the Jerusalem palace, putting the key of the House of David upon his shoulder. In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims: And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. Jesus then gives Peter the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven. Both men accept God's call as well as the responsibility that follows. We, as faithful stewards, are commissioned at Baptism to work in the Lord's vineyard — to advance His Kingdom through our God-given gifts. St. Paul reminds us in his Letter to the Roman community that these blessings are all from God. Are our hearts open and ready to the challenge of using these gifts to answer His call? We should pray daily, not only to discern our own vocation in life, but also for an increase in commitment to vocations of married life, the priesthood, consecrated life, the permanent diaconate, and all other ministries to the Church.

.From the AOD of Detroit Bulletin Announcements

### **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**

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Isaiah 22:19-23

Psalm 138

Romans 11:33-36

Matthew 16:13-20



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Tuesday, August 25, 2020

8:00 a.m. † Pansy Woodward by Her Children

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

8.00 a.m. I James Woodward by the Marine Family

**Thursday, August 27, 2020** 8:00 a.m.

Friday, August 28, 2020 8:00 a.m.

**Saturday, August 29, 2020** 8:00 a. m. 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 30, 2020 10:00 a.m. For Parishioners

### LITURGY OF THE DAY

We are the Church, the universal assembly of believers, the Body of Christ, called to build he kingdom of God. Each of us is part of this institution that can be traced back nearly two thousand years to Saint Peter, the rock on whom we are built. As we celebrate the Eucharist here today, let us reflect on this awesome privilege of being a part of this two-thousand-year-old mission and contemplate what we are called to do to bring it closer to perfection.

Jesus poses a question to his disciples today: "Who do you say that I am?" Throughout our lives we have learned about Jesus from parents and teachers, from the word of God we hear proclaimed each week, from those in whom we see the face of Christ in our world. Peter's answer is that Jesus is the Christ (literally, the Messiah), the Son of the living God. Let us contemplate our own answer as e listen to today's readings.

From Pastoral Patterns

### SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE

To watch Sunday, Saturday, or Daily Mass from home, click the links below at the corresponding Mass times. These services are available online or televised by <u>Catholic Television Network of Detroit (CTND)</u>, the Solanus Casey Center, EWTN, and Fox 2 in English and Spanish.

The Archdiocese of Detroit will broadcast a private (closed-door) Mass celebrated by Archbishop Vigneron from the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament at noon Sunday. The faithful can watch and participate in real time below and on the <u>Archdiocese of Detroit's Facebook page</u>.

### Understanding Families of Parishes

Families of Parishes are groups of parishes, generally three to six, in close proximity to each other, served by multiple priests and deacons, and sharing resources to advance the mission. Key elements related to Families of Parishes and Parishioners are:

- This new model will allow the priests, deacons, and lay staff associated with a single parish to better share their gifts and talents with the whole family of parishes.
- Forming "Families of Parishes" is our way to answer the Spirit's call we heard at Synod 16: for a complete renewal of structures to make them radically missionoriented and Spirit- filled
- The new structure calls parishes to be communal. Families of Parishes enable us to establish and nurture new relationships. We are no longer isolated parishes; rather, we will become one complementary family.
- "God relates to his people not as isolated individuals but as a people, a family, united with one another in deep bonds of love" (Eph 4:1-6). The Church is communal. Parishes are communal.
- "We learn to give and receive God's love in and through our relationships with one another" (Unleash The Gospel Marker 3.1).





We continue to pray for our sick and homebound parish members, Bruce Henderson, Elma Thorpe, Annie Laurie Shannan, Courtney Atlas, Eileen Clark, Sandra Moulton, Christopher Staff, Margaret Porath, Drew Lund, Roland Martin, Marian Hubbard, Jean Geran, Betty Kell, Gloria Seacord, Fermon Sanders, Diverna Stephenson, William Walker, Albert Jackson, Daisy Allen, Victoria Crowe, Dennis Lund, Matthew Onwudingo, Irma Gisstennar, Justin Doucette, Ellen Casey, Denise Goodine, Jonathan Jackson, Gwendolyn Dickerson, Yolanda Stephens, Suzanne Ross, Thomas Norfolk, Bennie Bailey, Julie Hacker, Michele Mooney, Robert Weed, Jerome Bies and Annie Stacherski.



### PRAYER for the NEXT PHASE of UNLEASH THE GOSPEL

MEAVENLY FATHER.

Thank you for the abundant graces of Synod 16: for awakening in us the vision and resolve to become again your Church on mission, eagerly working together to "make disciples of all nations,"according to our commission from the Lord Jesus.

Pour out upon us your Holy Spirit, as a new Pentecost, to guide us in our next phase in our movement to Unleash the Gospel. By his power at work in us, transform our parishes into bands of joyful missionary disciples.

### **COME HOLY SPIRIT:**

Set our hearts on fire to share the Good News of Jesus with all those who stumble in darkness, who hunger for hope, who thirst for eternal life. Above all, grant us the boldness and courage of the apostles to put the mission above all else, so that our community becomes the spark to ignite the fire of divine love that transforms this time and this place into the Kingdom of Heaven.

We pray through the intercession of Our Lady, Star of the New Evangelization, and her mother, our Patron, St. Anne; and in the spirit of Blessed Solanus we thank you ahead of time for "accomplishing in us far more than all we ask or imagine."

We ask all of this in the all-powerful name of the Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever.

#### **AMEN**

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That the Lord will show great kindness to the leaders of the Church and sustain them in their call to service. We pray to the Lord.

That the Lord will show great kindness to the rulers of nations and strengthen them in their commitment to justice. We pray to the Lord.

That the Lord will show great kindness to the victims of poverty and prejudice and answer their cries for help. We pray to the Lord.

That the Lord will show great kindness to our parish and all gathered here and guide us to do God's will. We pray to the Lord.

That the Lord will show great kindness to our world, stricken by illness, polarization, and discord and heal us of every division. We pray to the Lord

That the Lord will show great kindness to all those who are sick and bring them to wholeness of body, mind, or spirit. We pray to the Lord.

That the Lord will show great kindness to those who have died, We pray to the lord.

For the special intention of this Mass: We pray to the Lord