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The Rev. Craig Lusk, Pastor of the Collaborative ***Mother, behold your son. Son, behold your mother.***

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptism preparation class is required. Call the Parish Office for an appointment. No date can be set until after the appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Call the Parish Office 8 months in advance of desired date. No dates are reserved for weddings until the couple has met the requirements for marriage. Appointments are scheduled during the week only and are not available on the weekends. Must be a registered parishioner at least one year.

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call the Parish Office for emergencies at any time. Notify the parish priest of anyone who is scheduled for a hospital stay or surgery and anyone who is a shut-in.

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: See below for the scheduled dates and times.

Bulletin Deadline: Friday of prior week by the end of office hours. Email: stmarymarshall@aol.com

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Collaborative BAA Coordinator: Barb Hoffman

Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Reconciliation/Adoration: Saturday 3:30 pm

Parish Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am-12:00 pm, 1:00-3:00 pm

ST. JOHN STAFF

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Deacon: Ken Snyder

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Director of Maintenance: Tracy Markovich

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Mass Schedule: Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 9:00 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 2:30 pm

Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 am-3:00 pm



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SEEING GOD IN EVERYTHING & EVERYONE by Deacon Ken Snyder

Several years ago I read a book by Father Richard Rohr that talked about Christians needing to develop what he called a 'third eye'. Fr. Rohr used the example of a sunset to explain what he meant. Through our 'first eye', we see and appreciate the beauty of the sunset. Through our 'second eye' we see the natural laws that govern the sunset: the earth's rotation and orbit, the particles in the atmosphere, the sun's rays that create those vivid colors, and so on. And what we should see in that sunset through our 'third eye' is God's hand, God's creating power, God's providence and purpose, God's love in the beauty and life-giving energy that sun provides to us and all life on earth.

I was thinking about this 'third eye' concept a few weeks ago when I had the privilege of seeing several spectacular sunsets while vacationing on the shore of Lake Michigan. But what I came to realize was how easy it is to see God's presence in the warm breezes and golden sunsets of a Michigan summer, and how difficult it is to see those same things in the crown of creation, in God's masterpiece, the human person who has been created in God's image and likeness.

'People are the worst'. We've all heard this or something similar—we may have even said it. And who can blame us? Each day's news cycle brings stories about shootings, stabbings, senseless violence, and unimaginable cruelty—all committed by living, breathing, sentient humans, just like us. And beyond that we have our own interactions and experiences with the nosey neighbor, the needy co-worker, the selfish friend, the rude cashier, and countless others who annoy us, who let us down time after time.

But while all that may be true, we are Christians: we are followers of Jesus, who we call Lord. And when it came to this topic, our Lord was very clear: **'This I command you: love one another' (Jn 15:17)**. There are no 'excepts' in those words, as in, except when they are annoying or rude, or when they have done evil things. In fact, there are no exceptions at all to this command of Jesus.

Love one another, as Christians, this is our call; this is the work of our lives. And so, one way to become a little better is to try to see our brothers and sisters in Christ with our 'third eye' - to see God's creating power, God's providence and plan, and God's love in everyone we meet during our time on this Earth. May God's grace open our eyes and awareness of the divine providence, purpose, and love that is present in the world He has created, and in our brothers and sisters, who we are called to see and to love as Jesus did.

Holy Land Carvings Group Visiting St. Mary & St. John on August 15



We are the Holy Land Carvings group, and we are proud to represent the Christian woodcarvers of Bethlehem. These artisans rely on tourism, but due to the war in Israel, they have lost their jobs and are unable to provide for their families.

Our goal is to sell beautiful hand-carved Olive Wood religious items, including Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, Statues, Pictures of the Last Supper, and many other religious items, to Catholic Churches in the United States. By purchasing one of these exquisite items, you will be supporting the Christian families in the Holy Land and helping them provide for their families and maintain their jobs.

We invite you to take a moment to browse through the carvings that will be available on **Thursday, August 15 at both St. Mary & St. John**. By supporting this project, you are making a significant contribution towards keeping the Christian community present in the Holy Land. Please join us in this worthy cause and help us make a difference. We deeply appreciate your support!

Holy Land Carvings, (810) 247-3903, www.holylandcarvings.com

St. Mary Church

Mass Intentions

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 10

5:00 pm ✠ Sandra McAuliffe (Booton Family)

Sunday, August 11

9:00 am For the People of St. Mary Parish

11:00 am ✠ Elizabeth DiBiaggio (St. Mary Friends)

**Tuesday, August 13 - Opt. - SS. Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus,
Priest, Martyrs**

4:00 pm ✠ Harriet Giesen (Judy Beneker)

**Thursday, August 15 - THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY (~A Holy Day of Obligation~)**

7:30 am For the People of St. Mary Parish

4:00 pm ✠ Kenneth & Dorothy Grenquist (Family)

Friday, August 16 - Opt. - St. Stephen of Hungary

7:30 am ✠ Elizabeth DiBiaggio (Rodgers Family)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 17

5:00 pm ✠ Anthony Maza (Family)

Sunday, August 18

9:00 am ✠ Harriet Giesen (Karyna, Deedee & Olsen Family)

11:00 am For the People of St. Mary Parish

Calendar of Events

Saturday, August 10

7:00 am Men's Bible Study - St. James Room

3:30 pm *Confession/Adoration*

Monday, August 12

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting - St. James Room

Tuesday, August 13

7:00 pm Bible Study - St. James Room

Thursday, August 15 - Holy Day

7:30 am Mass - Church

4:00 pm Mass - Church

5:00 pm Parish Pizza Picnic - Parish Hall

Saturday, August 17

7:00 am Men's Bible Study - St. James Room

3:30 pm *Confession/Adoration*

Christoph Hintermueller Resignation

Effective August 5, 2024, Christoph Hintermueller has resigned his position. St. Mary has begun the search for a new music director/organist.

Serve St. Mary As An Usher

St. Mary is currently seeking new ushers to fill 5pm & 11am openings. Please call the office at 269-781-3949 if you'd like to serve one Mass or many. Training provided.

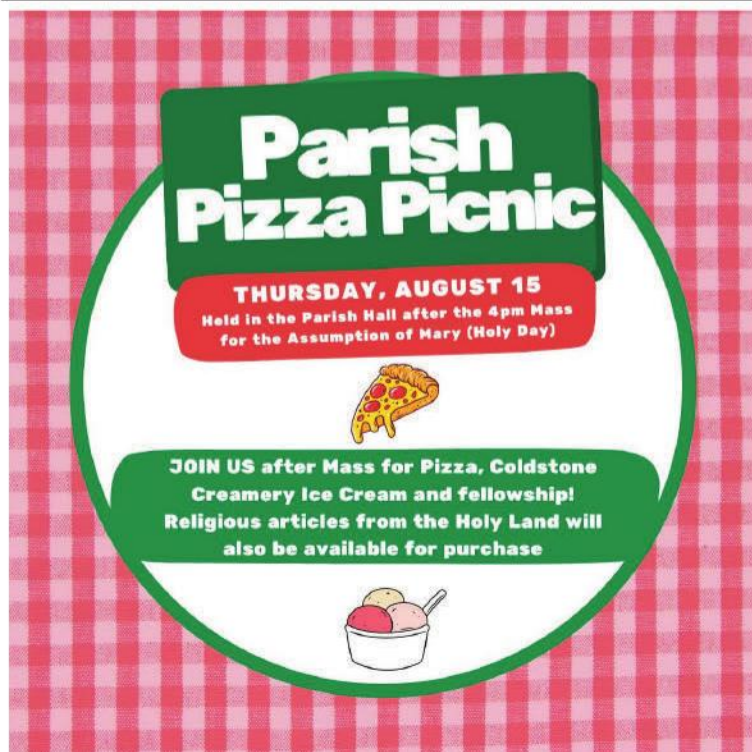


Save The Dates

Retirement/Going Away Parties are being planned for Deacon Mike & Teresa Moreno after all Masses October 26-27. Please save these dates!

Thank You Melliush Family!

Thank you to the Melliush family, owners of Coldstone Creamery in Portage, for their donation of ice cream for the Priest Picnic and the Parish Pizza Picnic!



St. John Church

Mass Intentions

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 10

4:00 pm ✠ Deceased Children of Walter & Mary Konkle
(Bernie & Katie Konkle)

Sunday, August 11

9:00 am For the People of St. John Parish

**Monday, August 12 - Opt. - St. Jane Frances de Chantal,
Religious**

9:00 am ✠ Marjorie King (People of St. John Parish)

**Tuesday, August 13 - Opt. - SS. Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus,
Priest, Martyrs**

9:00 am ✠ Maxine Marzic (People of St. John Parish)

**Thursday, August 15 - THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY
(~A Holy Day of Obligation~)**

12:00 pm ✠ Chris Tanner (Ken & Sue Blight)

6:00 pm For the People of St. John Parish

Friday, August 16 - Opt. - St. Stephen of Hungary

9:00 am ✠ Victoria Altine (Fr. Richard Altine)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 17

4:00 pm For the People of St. John Parish

Sunday, August 18

9:00 am ✠ Maria Garza (Juan Garza Sr. & Ophelia Garza)

Calendar of Events

Saturday, August 10

2:30 pm *Confession*

3:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, August 11

8:15 am Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 15 - Holy Day

12:00 pm Mass - Church

6:00 pm Mass - Church

7:00 pm Refreshments - Gym

Saturday, August 17

2:30 pm *Confession*

3:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

3:30 pm Rosary - Chapel

Sunday, August 18

8:15 am Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am Rosary - Chapel

Bishop Lohse to Celebrate Mass

Bishop Lohse will celebrate Mass at St. John on **Sunday, August 25 at 9am**. Please save the date and plan to attend. A reception will follow Mass in the Gym.



Halloween Carnival Assistance

If you were unable to attend the July 14 planning meeting for the carnival, we still need volunteers and donations of cash or candy. Please call Al Lake (517-630-6045) or Tom Hickey (517-494-0270). If you're interested in baking for the cake walk, please contact Celeste Connamacher (517-629-3276).

Happy Birthday!

Birthday blessings to Fr. Richard, who will celebrate on August 17, and Fr. Joe, who will celebrate on August 23!

Pizza Hut Fundraiser

The August Altar and Rosary Society Fundraiser at Pizza Hut of Albion will be held **Wednesday, August 14** all day. Please use the **special donation coupon** provided in this weekend's Bulletin. Directions for use and exceptions are noted on the flyer. Pizza Hut will be giving St. John 20% of your total bill minus taxes, alcoholic beverages, \$5 Line-up items, and delivery Charges.

You must have a coupon if you wish to participate. Remember this is not a percent off coupon but a **donation coupon** provided by Pizza Hut for the Albion Restaurant **only**. We are grateful to Pizza Hut for giving us this opportunity!

Collaborative Prayer Lists & Financials

St. Mary Parish Stewardship - thank you!

As of August 3, 2024

Budget year-to-date.....\$47,596.15

Collection year-to-date.....\$43,789.42

2024-25 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal.....\$68,691.00

Pledged....\$64,471.46

Paid.....\$54,062.46

St. John Parish Stewardship - thank you!

As of August 3, 2024

Budget year-to-date.....\$25,480.80

Collection year-to-date.....\$28,320.17

2024-25 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal.....\$51,464.00

Pledged...\$22,032.00

Paid.....\$15,810.87

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Upcoming Holy Day Mass Schedule

Thursday, August 15 is a Holy Day of Obligation for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our Collaborative will have Masses as follows:

† 7:30am Mass at St. Mary

† 12:00pm Mass at St. John

† 4:00pm Mass at St. Mary

† 6:00pm Mass at St. John



The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Please Pray For Those Listed Below...

Barb Aaron	Tatiana Khurgel
Ann Acker	Kathy Kopitzke
Nita Meek Armstrong	Stephanie Lafferty
Mike & Louann Atkins	Lautzenheiser Family
Wayne Booton	Mari Leamy
Carol Buchner	Andres Lerma
Judith Calderone	Arminda Lerma
Kaylie Carl	Dale Linderbaum
Robert Carl	Elizabeth London
Pixie Coats	Callum MacCannell
Nancy Crapo	Dave Mannes
Jean Delaney	Tracy Mannes
Kay Eagen	Jim Maynard
Richard Engblom	Barb McAuliffe
Kim Fisher	Michael McAuliffe
Stacie Garcia-Moon	Aidan McPartlin
Sharon Hanna	Madilyn Jo Mains
Dawnelle Hayes	John Meek
Paul Hickey	Dottie Monk
Chuck Huggett	Megan Moon
Christopher Jones	Linda Muellerberg
Jeanni Kaminski	Cynthia Peters
Julia Keen	Judy Platek

Cam Ragan
Theresa Ramelb
Joe Rewa
Karen Reynolds
Laurene Schmehl
Patty Srinivasan
Luann Stringham
Steven Taylor
Mary Thick
Rosanne Toney
Mike & Kimberly
VanWormer
Collin Vervaraf
Jack & Doreen Woods
Karen Zblewski
Julie Zink

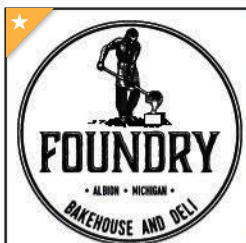
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Cameron Cook
Brody Fitzgerald
Jackson Friend
Jacob Konkol
Deon Williams Lerma
Jacob Lewis
Monica Lubis
McClure Family
Christian Sabados
Cody Sabados
Paul Shen
Rick Spells II
Ethan Twiss

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ed Kinish, brother of Angie Booton, who recently passed away. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may his soul rest in peace. Amen.





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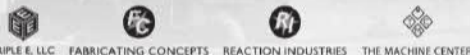
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