



July 16, 2023

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SOWN



“The seed sown on rich soil is
the one who hears the word
and understands it.”

MATTHEW 13:23

Welcome HVM Sisters

HVM Sisters in Detroit minister in city parishes, serve in food pantries and soup kitchens, organize retreats and discussion groups, particularly for the marginalized, assist with couples who marry at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, coach reading to adults and youths, work in adult care facilities, operate a second-hand thrift store for neighborhood purchases, and sing in a metropolitan choir.

WELCOME

Thoughts from Fr. John July 16, 2023

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Jesus' parables in Matthew 13 are in response to the increased opposition to God's Kingdom. Matthew chapter 11—the imprisonment of John the Baptist and ignoring the signs of God's mercy—already indicated that worldly-minded people are ever more hostile to Jesus and his message. The parables then are intended to reveal the truths of the Kingdom to his disciples but to conceal them from those opposing Christ. Therefore, parables vividly capture varied responses to Jesus' preaching of God's Kingdom. Sadly, even those who initially accept the word of God may still lose out on bearing abundant fruits.

Now, let us open the ears of our hearts and the eyes of our minds to the word of God. Let the seeds of God's love bear many fruits in our lives. Constantly ask God's grace and mercy to fertilize the soil, our hearts. Be grateful for the bountiful blessings.

Catechism of the Catholic Church 546

Jesus' invitation to enter his Kingdom comes in the form of parables, a characteristic feature of his teaching. Through his parables, he invites people to the feast of the Kingdom, but he also asks for a radical choice: to gain the Kingdom, one must give everything. Words are not enough, deeds are required. The parables are like mirrors for man: will he be hard soil or good earth for the word? What use has he made of the talents he has received? Jesus and the presence of the Kingdom in this world are secretly at the heart of the parables. One must enter the Kingdom, that is, become a disciple of Christ, in order to "know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven". For those who stay "outside", everything remains enigmatic.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses

9:00 AM, 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Private adoration during regular business hours Please enter through the Parish office

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 PM or by appointment

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should contact Julie Neal at ext. 107 in the Parish Office at least six months before the marriage.

Infant Baptisms

Second Sunday of the month, please contact Julie, ext. 107 in the Parish Office

Mission Support Director

Maureen Burton (248) 623-0274 x125

PARISH STAFF

Moderator

Rev. Scott Thibodeau

Associate Priest

Rev. John Chen

Director of Religious Education

Marianne Boesch 131

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Evangelizing Charities

Karyn Milligan 103

Music Ministry

Laura Knaack, Director 121

Denise Arpke-Accompanist

Accountant

Cheryl Yuhas 106

Administrative Assistant

Anne Schulz 100

Building Maintenance

Steve Szach 100

OUR MISSION

"We, the people of St. Anne, are a growing Catholic Community with various gifts and talents, and we are open to the Spirit among us. Rooting ourselves in The Word of God, we reach out to all in loving service, witnessing, and celebrating the life of Jesus Christ in our midst."



PARISH OFFICE

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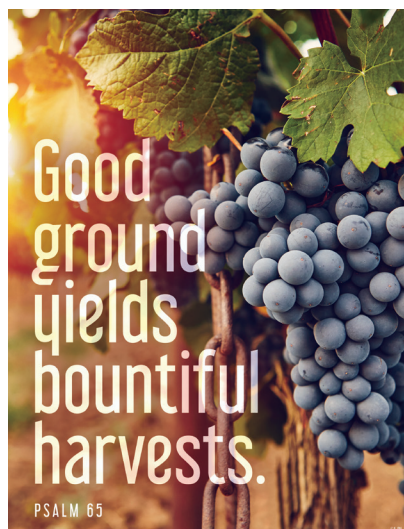
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Office Hours Mon, Tu, Wed, Fri
9:00 am to Noon, 1:00 to
4:00 pm, Closed Thursdays

Bulletin Deadline:
Noon Monday

Bulletin article submission:
If your organization is holding an event, we are happy to post it in the bulletin as space allows. Writing, proofreading, and submitting an announcement is the responsibility of the sponsoring group. All bulletin content is subject to review by the pastor and/or parish staff and content may be edited or declined.

WORSHIP



Isaiah speaks of God's Word and action among the Israelites: God's Word goes forth and creates the deeds that he speaks, and all creation yields to God's intention. Our knowledge of the kingdom of heaven gives us hope in God's promise.

Prayer for Good Fruit

Dear Lord,
Grow your word, truth, identity,
and mission in us.
Inspire us with the fruit
you would have us produce.
Help us to stay close to you.
Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 07/15/23 at 4:00 pm

Lillian Fetzter, by Ruth Rogan
Rev. Bernie Mullen, by Parishioners -
Birthday Remembrance

Sunday, 07/16/2023

8:30 am: Richard Moon, by wife,
Audrey

Norman DeHaven, by
Mike & Ellen Johnson & Family
Monica Wen (grandmother of
Dcn. Tommy by Mike & Ellen Johnson

10:30 am: Mary Huot, by Julie & Jean
Deceased members of Friends of
Bethany North Oakland, by present
members

Lorraine Hund, by daughter,
Kathy Wojtalewicz (32 Anniversary)
Fr. Bernie Mullen, by Parish

Monday, 07/17/2023 at 8:30am

Mass at St. Daniel.

Weekend of July 22nd & 23rd , 2023

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
4:00 pm Todd Patterson	Kevin Travis	Ruth Rogan Cindy Travix
8:30 am Denise Nowakowski	KGerard Schmid Carol Klenner	Cathy Genovese Marianne Boesch
10:30 am Connie Marshall	Rick Steenson Cynthia Potts	Stephanie Mackey Beth Eschmann

READING REFLECTIONS

First Reading: The prophet Isaiah assured the Israelites who were exiled in Babylon that God's word is reliable and purposeful. How might you help friends or family trust more in God?

Second Reading: Paul sees creation itself sharing in the redemption and future glory that awaits all believers — "For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God." What do you imagine earth would look like filled with God's glory, absent any "corruption?"

Gospel: Over the next few Sundays, we will be hearing many parables from Jesus. Today's parable of the sower and the seeds speaks to how people react differently to the Good News of the kingdom of heaven. How would you describe your reaction to Jesus's parables of the kingdom?

ALTAR LINEN SCHEDULE

7-16-2023- Ruth Rogan
7-23-2023- Marilyn Bornais

ALTAR CARE

7-31-2023- Julie Neal

RECYCLING MINISTRY

July 15/16-29/20- Pat Bardel
August 12/13-26/27- Kathy
Wojtalewicz

IN OUR PRAYERS

Elizabeth Phipps	Mark Norman
Betty DeFever	Donald Umalah
Jess Singer	Carmody Family
Dennis Wiegand	John Noble
John Candiloro	Bob Lee
Ida Saroli	Susan Peloquin
Amy Rubin	Steve Clifton
Kelsey Thurk	Patrick Lamb
Jack Little	Marge Park
Cathy Richard	Darlene Gray
Sue Rubin	KC
Kylie Nelson	Stan Wensley
Dave Wilcox	Elaine Corkins
Diane O'Bierne	Landon Morrison
Elaine Kalinin	Walter Talley
Dominic Gagliardi	Tom Boesch
Maddie Katchka	Gloria Boesch
Bob Mihos	Joan Ball
Aiden McClaren	Abby Gels
Kirk Mcoy	Barbara Pica
Andrea Matusik	Frank Vella
Colette Genovese	James Howard
Monica Geisler	Gladys Johnson
Kallie Moshier	Kevin Petrusa
Thomas Latowski	Catherine Konen
Bill Knight	Perry McConkey
Mary Siring	Tom Tennant
Patricia Claya	Ed Funke
Margaret Davidson	James Howard
Bill Bayley	Herman Greif
Susan Peloquin	

Catechetical Sunday September 17, 2023

Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity to thank Catechists for their ministry. It is also an opportunity for Catechists to reflect on their call to share and live out their faith. Parents who teach their children our Catholic faith at home are also Catechists. On this day we thank all who help teach our youth by passing along our faith.

Catechist Meeting September 17 12noon

A Catechists Prayer

Loving Father,
Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon our Catechists, that they will be good to your Word, your Son, Jesus Christ.

Help their minds and hearts be open, receptive and responsive to your Holy Spirit that, like Mary, they may become a living instruments of your Word to others. Help them to be faithful witnesses to Gospel life so that your Church may become ever more alive.

Let the fire of your love so enkindle their hearts that they may be an instrument of drawing others to love of you in the Church of your Son.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

HOW DO WE ENTER THE CHURCH?

Actually, there are several ways people enter the Church. Many of us were born into a Christian family and began our entry by receiving Baptism as an infant. We then spent many years coming to know Jesus until we could "confirm" our own personal faith in the Trinity.

But some of us have reached adulthood before seeking a personal relationship with Jesus. For un-baptized adults, we bring them through a process we call the OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults). We also use this same process for those baptized in another faith and seeking to join the Catholic Church. In this instance we catechize and then one makes a profession of faith.

ARE YOU AN ADULT SEEKING BAPTISM?

If you would like to learn more about how you might be baptized, please give us a call so we can begin your journey with Christ.

ARE YOU AN UN-CONFIRMED ADULT?

Have you been baptized, catechized to the point of receiving your First Holy Communion, but for some reason, have never been Confirmed? Give us a call so that we can help you along your journey into full initiation.

Whatever your circumstance may be, we begin by making an appointment for a simple interview. This interview will help us know how to best serve you and help you along on your personal journey. Please call Marianne Boesch at 248-625-1750 or email: MBoesch@stdanielclarkston.org



Faith Formation Registration is Open

Register on our parish website:

<https://www.churchofstanne.org/class-registration>

2023-2024 Program Offerings

Grades 1-6 Monday Family Program

Grades 1-6 Saturday Family Program

Confirmation Classes Monthly Sundays

Grades 2+ First Communion Preparation





EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Soil Conditions

I am a hopeless gardener. I never met a plant I couldn't swiftly kill with good intentions and poor understanding of soil conditions.

Because really, it's all about the soil conditions — at least, that's what Google tells me when I helplessly search phrases like "Why aren't any of my seeds sprouting? Please, I tried so hard." I can never seem to match the right type of soil offering the right type of drainage and texture with the right plant. I can't understand why it's not enough to bury the seed in whatever ground is available, sprinkle some water and ask it, very nicely, to grow.

This is also a quality that makes me a poor evangelist to people who do not share my beliefs. How many times have I encountered a friend or loved one who left the faith, and I tried to coax them back by hurling Catechism passages in their direction, offering advice they never asked for and are ill-equipped to understand? I sow these seeds of witness and bang my fists in frustration that they rot where I plant them, never realizing that it's all about the soil.

It is Christ, and Christ alone, who works within the heart. It is Christ who is the sower of the seed, not me. When I leave him out of the equation, when I fail to offer the Person and instead only offer the teaching, I can anticipate that any witness I have to offer will rot where it is planted just as sure as a tulip bulb in a bed of clay.

"...my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it." — Isaiah 55:11



Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question: Why do we use incense at Mass?

Answer:

The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today. Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives. The use of incense in the Church's liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, "Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering" (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant.

Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it's because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during eucharistic adoration and benediction, and the body of the deceased at the end of the Mass of the Resurrection (the Funeral Mass).

ITEMS OF INTEREST



Children's Village Summer Service

Teens in 8th grade and older are invited to play softball, kickball, volleyball, and basketball, and have lunch with the teens living at Children's Village this summer. Please email Julie Cavanaugh at jcavanaugh@stpwl.org to participate with other parishes in our Lakes Vicariate. Parents are welcome to attend with their teens.

The picnics at Children's Village in Waterford will take place from 11 am – 2 pm on Saturday, August 12.

World Youth Day Campout

The Archdiocese of Detroit is hosting an overnight event on Aug. 5-6 at our Lady of the Fields Retreat Center in Brighton. The campout will include activities similar to what participants will experience at the Catholic festival being held in Lisbon, Portugal.

Our Lady of the Fields Retreat Center, 1391 Kellogg Road, Brighton, MI 48114
Check-in is Saturday, Aug 5, 9:30 am Check out Sunday, Aug 6, 10 am.
Registration fee of \$60/pp includes 3 meals, activities, overnight stay, and Mass with Archbishop Vigneron.

Register online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/world-youth-day-home-tickets-537721919737>

MONTHLY

STEWARDSHIP

JUNE 2023

Year to Date- \$458,145

Budgeted- \$470,000

Under Budget- \$11,855



Sisters, Home Visitors of Mary

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Visiting St. Anne Parish

July 15 & 16

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8 Parish Religion Classes

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*The Home Visitors' Mission is to
bring Good News through respect
for each person and culture.*

VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTION

Week of July 14-20

In Memory of Ed Valverde,
requested by wife,
Donna Valverde



St Anne Book Club Fall 2023

7:00 pm In Hardy Hall

August 28:" I am Not Your
Perfect Mexican Daughter," by
Erika Sanchez

September 25: "Band of Sisters"
by Lauren Willig

October 30:" The Secret Chord"
by Geraldine Brooks

November 27: "Rules of Civility"
by Amor Towles

Food Pantry Needs Canned Pasta Spaghetti O's Ravioli Laundry Soap



