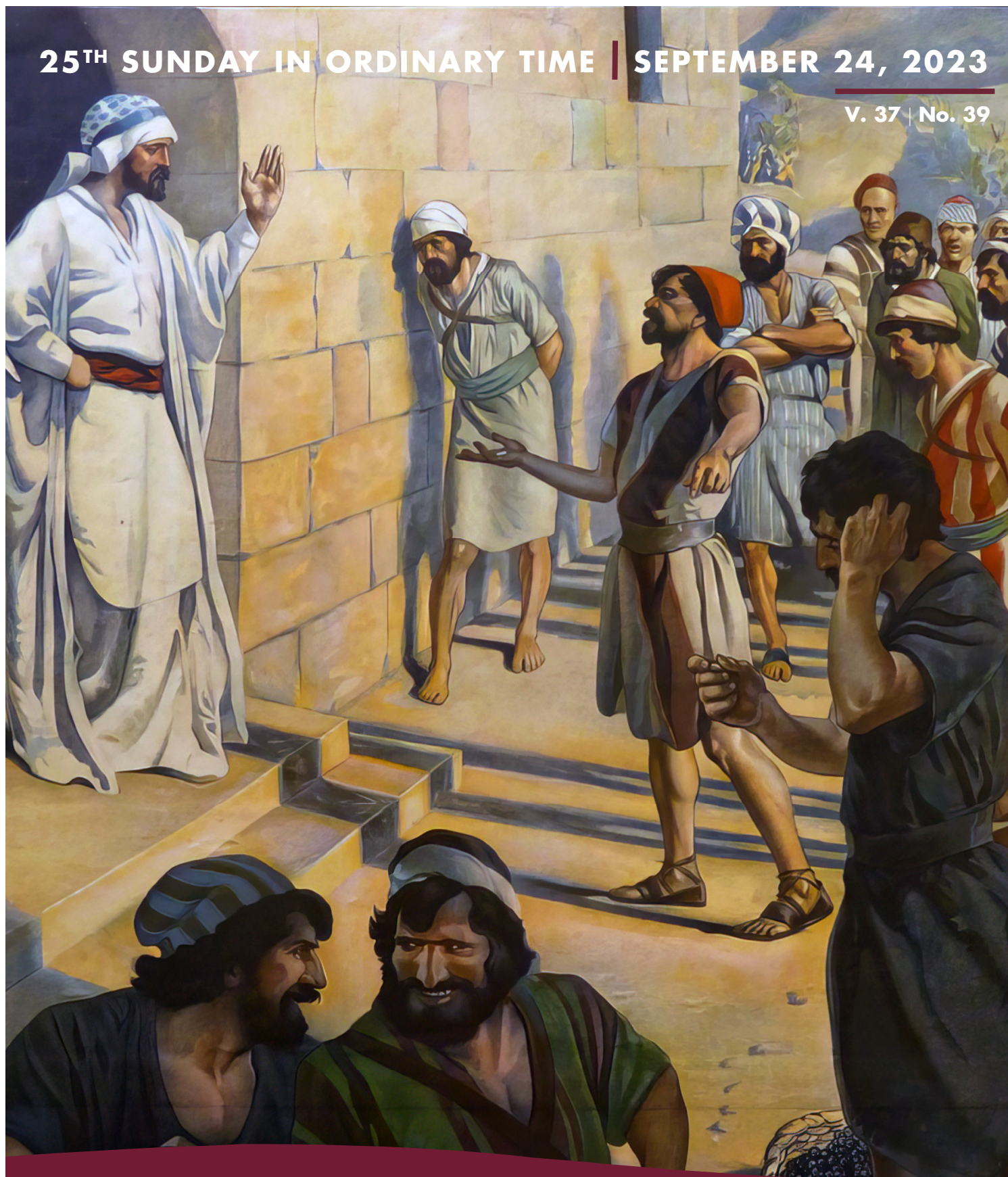


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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Come, You Thankful People, Come

*Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871,
alt. | Tune: ST. GEORGE'S
WINDSOR, 77 77 D;
George J. Elvey, 1816-1893*



1. Come, you thank - ful peo - ple, come; Raise the song of
2. All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to his
3. For the Lord our God shall come And shall take his
4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To your fi - nal

har - vest home. All is safe - ly gath - ered in
praise to yield; Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown,
har - vest home; From his field shall in that day
har - vest home. Gath - er all your peo - ple in,

Ere the win - ter storms be - gin. God, our Mak - er,
Un - to joy or sor - row grown. First the blade, and
All of - fens - es purge a - way, Giv - ing an - gels
Free from sor - row, free from sin, There, for ev - er

does pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied.
then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear.
charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
pu - ri - fied, In your pres - ence to a - bide.

Come to God's own tem - ple, come.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we
But the fruit - ful ears to store
Come with all your an - gels, come!

Raise the song of har - vest home.
Whole - some grain and pure may be.
In God's gar - ner ev - er - more.
Raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the Lord for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145

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1. Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.
2. The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.
3. The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works.
The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit.

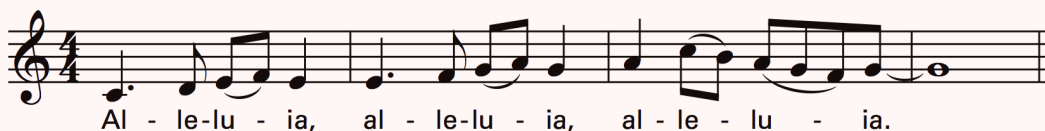
Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16a

Deacon/Priest: The Lord be with you.

R And with your spirit.

Deacon/Priest: A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

R Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Deacon/Priest: The gospel of the Lord.

R Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREED

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,
at the words that follow, all bow until 'and became man'

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 sin,
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

We Bring Our Gifts

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Tune: Brian Flynn; acc. by Ed
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1. We bring our gifts to your al - tar, O Lord God of
2. We bring our hearts to your al - tar, O Lord God of
3. Pre - pare our hearts to re - ceive you, O Lord God of



hosts; We lay them at the foot of your throne.
hosts; U - nite them with the heart of your Son.
hosts; ♪ Cleanse us and wash a - way our sins.



Verse 4:

We bring our gifts
to your altar,
O Lord God of hosts;
May our sacrifice
be pleasing in your
sight.

Fruit of the earth
and work of human
hands,

Which will become for us
the Bread of Life.

We bring our gifts to your
altar, O Lord.

We bring our gifts to your
altar, O Lord.

We bring our gifts to your al - tar, O Lord God of
♪ For he of - fered his life as a ran - som for
We sing your praise with the an - gels and saints at your



hosts; We of - fer them to praise you a - lone.
sin; ♪ By his death the vic - t'ry is won.
throne, For this is where heav'n en - ters in.



We bring our gifts to your al - tar, O Lord.
We bring our hearts to your al - tar, O Lord.
Pre - pare our hearts to re - ceive you, O

SANCTUS

Mass of Redemption

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

**MEMORIAL
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Mass of Redemption

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Save us, Savior of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

GREAT AMEN

Mass of Redemption

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Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

AGNUS DEI

Mass of Redemption

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

℟: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION HYMN

Bread of Angels

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Latin text, Panis angelicus by
St. Thomas Aquinas, 1227-1274 |
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1. Bread of an - gels, we re - ceive you; with us
2. Cup of Mer - cy o - ver - flow - ing, fill us
3. Word in - car - nate, dwell with - in us; pierce our
4. Though un - wor - thy, we re - ceive you, sac - ra -

1. now a - bide. Pre - cious Je - sus, man - na of
2. with your grace; wine of pas - sion, O Son be -
3. hard - ened hearts. Ten - der Je - sus, Love so
4. ment di - vine. Bread of an - gels, ac - cept our

1. a - ges, with us now re - side.
2. got - ten, we flee to your em - brace.
3. gen - tle, nev - er let us part.
4. prais - es, let your glo - ry shine!

1. Pa - nis an - gé - li - cus fit pa - nis hó - mi - num,
2. O res mi - rá - bi - lis man - dú - cat Dó - mi - num,
3. Te, tri - na Dé - i - tas ú - na - que, pó - sci - mus,
4. Per tu - as sé - mi - tas duc nos quo tén - di - mus,

1. 3

1. Dat pa - nis cáe - li - cus fi - gú - ris tér - mi - num.
3. Sic nos tu ví - si - ta, si - cut te có - li - mus.

2, Final

2. Pau - per, Pau - per, ser - vus, et hú - mi - lis.
4. lu - cem, Ad lu - cem quam in - há - bi - tas.

1. Blessed are the poor, the kingdom is theirs, alive in the promise to be dead to the world.
Blessed are the meek, in awe of you, Father; the Word at your right hand, the Spirit of truth.
2. Blessed are the righteous on bended knee, bound in this freedom, committed to you.
Blest are those who see the heights of glory found in the valley, in suffering for you.

COMMUNION HYMN

Unwavering

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Refrain

Un-wav-er-ing is your voice, un-wav-er-ing is your
hand; un-wav-er-ing is the heart that bled for the sins of man.
Un-wav-er-ing is your will, un-wav-er-ing is your
plan; the fount of sal - va - tion on which we will stand.

ST. MICHAEL PRAYER

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Let All Things Now Living

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Tune: ASH GROVE,
66 11 66 11 D; Welsh melody

1. Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks-giv - ing
2. The Law God en - forc-es, The stars in their cours-es,
To God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
The sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;
Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
The hills and the moun-tains, The riv - ers and foun-tains,
By guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
The depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.
God's ban - ners are o'er us, Pure light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic-ing;
A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
With glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise
Till shad - ows have van - ished And dark - ness is ban - ished,
Till all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks-giv - ing:
As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
"To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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From the Pastor's Desk

Gregg Alchin

Please welcome Mr. Gregg Alchin to our parish! Gregg has been hired as our Director of Facilities and Maintenance. Gregg comes to us with a wealth of experience and knowledge in mechanical engineering, construction management, and plumbing. I am so happy that he is now part of the team! He and Don Morgan know each other very well. Don continues to work with Gregg in consultation and on bigger projects.

Convocation

The priests of the Diocese of Lansing will be away on our annual convocation with Bishop Boyea next week. Masses on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday will be prayed as scheduled. Tuesday we will have a communion service and no confessions.

Gospel Reflection

Obviously, Jesus would not have made a good businessman! It would make no sense to pay an employee a full day's wage for time not worked. This would negatively affect the bottom line. Not only that, those who worked longer received an equal amount of pay as those who worked less - much less. This seems unjust. This would be absurd! The absurdity in today's Gospel is precisely the point.

Justice was certainly upheld as each of the contracted laborers received the negotiated payment for their work. The

rub of the parable is that those who worked less received the same daily wage as those who worked more. Today's first reading gives us this insight, "...our God who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways..." God cannot be outdone in generosity. And, thank God for that!

How many of us really deserve forgiveness? How many of us find it difficult to forgive those who have wronged us? Yet, every time we break the commandments, every time we hurt our relationship with the Lord, He lavishes his mercy upon those who seek him. It makes no sense to us because, more often than not, we want to lean into justice bordering on revenge. But, God's thoughts are not our thoughts nor are His ways our ways. Thank God that we have a God who is both just and generous in mercy. We do not deserve his mercy, but thank God He chooses to lavish mercy upon us.

Take time today to reflect on the myriad of ways in which you have received God's generosity. As you reflect on that, pray for the grace to offer the same generosity to someone who, perhaps, has wronged you. Or, if you have not sought reconciliation with God, pray for the courage to make a good confession where you will receive nothing but God's forgiveness and generosity.

Know of my prayers!

Fr. Ryan

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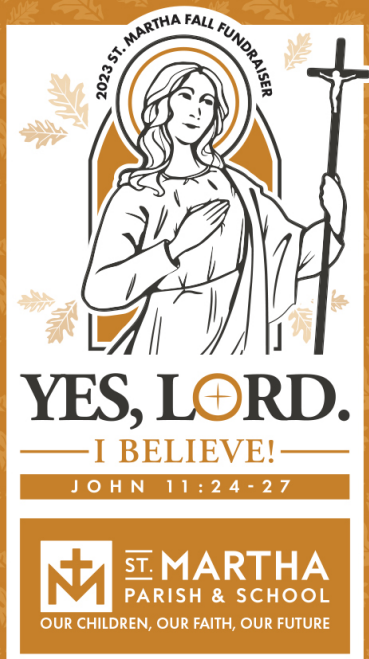
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Mass Intentions

Monday, September 25
8:30 am Intentions of David & Tyller Joy Fortune
by *Olson Family*

Tuesday, September 26
8:30 am Communion Service Only
NOT FULL MASS DUE TO PRIEST CONVACATION

Wednesday, September 27
6:00 pm † Susan Punch by *H. Donnelly*

Thursday, September 28
8:30 am † Joseph Grill by *P. Kazmierski*

Friday, September 29
8:30 am † Emil R. VanSteel by *E. and L. VanSteel*

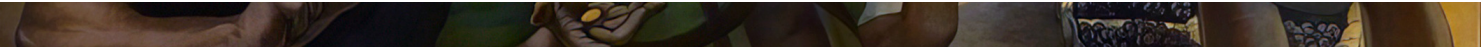
Saturday, September 30
5:00 pm † Bruce Everett by *MG. Everett*

Sunday, October 1
8:00 am People of St. Martha Parish
10:00 am † Marge Rice by *J. Asmann*
5:00 pm † Marie Perazza by *S. and A. Readett*

Scripture Readings

For the Week of September 25, 2023

Monday	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Memorial of Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday	Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest Ezr 9:5-9; Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Wencelaus, Martyr and Saint Lawrence Ruiz, and Companions, Martyrs Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32



Altar Flowers

September 23
In memory of Dean Bachelor
by *M. and M. Jackman*



Rest in Peace

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.
May the souls of all the
faithful departed, through the
mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.*



Dennis Pelon

Intercessory Prayers

**St. Martha Parish
prays for our
brothers and
sisters who need
physical or
spiritual healing,
especially:**

Watson Ferreri
Andrea Tanner
Ken Malkowski
Paul Loconto
Ann Patton
Linda Felice
John Ziemba
Noah Jungwirth
John Ruh

Steve Kelly
John Paul Erford
Jackie Fortier
Jeffrey Rostek
Art Johnson
Freda Winegar
Ronnie Patoprsty
Jeffrey Rostek
Matthew Boersma
Donald Trentel

**For those serving
in our Armed
Forces.**

**For † those who
have gone before
us, especially:**

† Tim Wolff
† Dennis Pelon
† Toni Kolb
† Msgr. Richard
Groshek
† Jan Vermeesch

**We offer these
prayers in the
name of Your Son,
our Lord, Jesus
Christ.**

Amen.

This Week at St. Martha

Monday, September 25

9:00 am Reconciliation *Fr. Mike*
6:00 pm Medicare Presentation - *Bl. Solanus Casey Room*

**Join Michelle Sanchagrin
for a Frank Discussion About Medicare**

**Monday, September 25
6:00pm | St. Martha | Solanus Casey Room**

Topics to be discussed and hopefully
anxieties dispelled about:

- enrollment timelines to apply or change
- applying for Medicare
- opportunities to change policies
- an outlined definition of Medicare coverage
- drugs plans
- and much, much more.

Michelle Sanchagrin is a multi-licensed producer and Medicare specialist.
She is not employed by Medicare.

This will be interactive so
bring your questions
and your interested friends
and neighbors.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

THERE IS NO CHARGE.

Tuesday, September 26

No Reconciliation - Priest Convocation

9:15 am Women's Bible Study - *Bl. Solanus Casey Room*
6:30 pm GriefShare - *Bl. Solanus Casey Room*
7:30 pm Men's Pick-Up B-Ball

Wednesday, September 27

6:30 pm Reconciliation *Fr. Ryan*
6:30 pm Adoration
7:20 pm Benediction

Thursday, September 28

9:00 am Reconciliation *Fr. Ryan*
6:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Grades 3-8) - *Choir Loft*

Friday, September 29

9:00 am Reconciliation *Fr. Ryan*

Saturday, September 30

7:30 am Upper Room Men's Prayer Group - *Bl. Solanus Casey Room*
1:00 pm Family Hay Ride - *Tannenbaum Farms*
** Registration information on Page 11*
3:30 pm Reconciliation *Fr. Mike*
6:30 pm Middle School Hay Ride - *Tannenbaum Farms*
** Registration information on Page 11*

Sunday, October 1

11:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Open Meeting
- *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Hall*
6:00 pm High School Youth Group - *Bl. Solanus Casey Room*

Sacristans & Lectors

Saturday, September 30 | 5:00 pm

S. D. and L. McAlvey
L. 1 - J. Matuszak **W/2** - M. Loughlin-Krusky

Sunday, October 1 | 8:00 am

S. T. and S. O'Dea
L. 1 - S. O'Dea **W/2** - S. Zayko

Sunday, October 1 | 10:00 am

S. J. and K. Ault
L. 1 - T. Muncie **W/2** - B. Martell

Sunday, October 1 | 5:00 pm

S. **Volunteers Needed**
L. 1 - M. Werner **W/2** - J. Hessinger

Eucharist to Care Homes

October 1, 2023

Willows of Okemos R. Salyers

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ICMCF K. Frost and D. Stevens

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September 17\$12,479

YTD In-Person

Weekly Average.....\$8,701



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Registration Now Open for Faith Formation

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for Ages 3-6
Sunday or Wednesday Classes for Grades 1-6
Sunday Night Confirmation Classes for Grades 7-9

SCAN ME



Preschool and Kindergarten (ages 3-6) meet on Sunday mornings during the 10 am Mass for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

Grades 1-6 can choose to attend either Sunday mornings from 9-9:55 am or Wednesday evenings from 6-7 pm.

Grades 7-9 meet twice a month on Sunday evenings from 6-8 pm; this session includes Confirmation Prep.

Classes have started; not too late to join!
Register at st-martha.org/registration

Jackie Rosalez | Faith Formation
jrosalez@st-martha.org



In a loving, nurturing, Christ-like environment, **Saint Martha School** guides each student to develop his or her unique ability and potential through prayer, study, and service.

Andrea Patton | Principal
apatton@st-martha.org

Cynthia Farnsworth | Secretary
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The Marching Cougars visit St. Martha School

The Lansing Catholic Marching Band visited eight local Catholic schools this past Monday, including St. Martha. Our students were excited to see Kyle the Cougar and were treated to a few songs from the band. The band did a great job!





Family Fall Hayride, Bonfire, and Hotdogs

Saturday, September 30
1-3 pm @ Tannenbaum Farms

2515 Sandhill Dr, Mason, MI 48854

\$20 per family

Register online by scanning
the QR Code or visit

st-martha.org/events/hayride2023



Middle School Hayride and Bonfire

Saturday, September 30
6:30 - 8 pm @ Tannenbaum Farms

2515 Sandhill Dr, Mason, MI 48854

\$10 per teen and includes hayride, bonfire,
s'mores, and a pumpkin. Register online
by scanning the QR Code or visit

st-martha.org/events/middleschoolhayride2023



"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you..." Jer. 1:5



Life Chain 2023

Sunday, October 1

2:30-3:30 pm on Grand River Avenue
by St. Martha Church

The Lansing Area Life Chain provides a powerful witness to the sanctity of human life. Join us for an hour of prayer for hearts to change and abortion to end in our state, our nation and around the world.

Rosary Congress

Monday, October 8 | 3 - 9:30 pm

Adoration from 3 pm until 9:24 pm Benediction
Rosary will be said at the top of each hour
Divine Mercy Chaplet on the half-hour

Sign up for an adoration slot at
st-martha.org/events/rosary23
or scan the QR code.



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ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE

Arm of St. Jude

Thursday, October 12

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, East Lansing

Public veneration of Saint Jude relics begins: 1:00 PM
Special Mass celebrated in Saint Jude's honor: 7:00 PM
Public veneration ends: 10:00 PM

Visit apostleoftheimpossible.com for all dates in Michigan



Knights of Columbus Family of the Month

Each month, the St. Martha Knights of Columbus Council 10006 recognizes a family that exemplifies the core values and beliefs of the Knights and the Catholic Church. For September, we are recognizing the Williams

family! Nathaniel Williams III became a council officer in July. Jennifer Williams has been serving the parish on the Education Commission for more than a year. The Williams have two children, Alexander and Eric, attending St. Martha School. Please join our council and thank the Williams family for being the Family of the Month for September!

Save the Dates

Sunday, October 22

Installation Mass of Fr. Ryan Riley as Pastor

10 am Mass will be celebrated with
Bishop Earl Boyea to formally install
Fr. Ryan Riley as Pastor of St. Martha

Saturday, October 28

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

9 am - 5 pm in Bl. Solanus Casey Room

Sr. Pat's 65 Anniversary Reception

Celebrate after 5 pm Mass with Sr. Pat and
honor her 65 years with the Sisters of Charity





Join us Saturday, November 18 from 6 - 10 pm as

ST. MARTHA CELEBRATES

the conclusion of our Fall Fundraiser!

21+ | Semi-Formal Attire | Desserts
Hors D'Oeuvres | Silent Auction | Cash Bar

Tickets are \$40, scan the QR Code below

2023 Fall Fundraising Campaign Sponsorship

In support of our youth at St. Martha Parish and School

To become a sponsor for our 2023 St. Martha Parish and School Fundraiser, please scan our QR code or return payment to: St. Martha Parish and School - Attention: Cynthia Farnsworth

For more information and to email your family name or business logo (PNG) as it should appear on signage. Please contact: Cynthia Farnsworth | cfarnsworth@st-martha.org

No political links permitted.

<p><i>\$3000</i> <i>Platinum Sponsor</i></p>	<p><i>\$2000</i> <i>Gold Sponsor</i></p>	<p><i>\$1000</i> <i>Silver Sponsor</i></p>	<p><i>\$300</i> <i>Honor Roll</i></p> <p><i>Current St. Martha School families</i> <i>Alumni Legacy</i> <i>Alumni students and Families</i> <i>Friends of St. Martha</i> <i>Faith Formation and Parishioner</i> <i>Supporters</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two event admission tickets • Platinum Sponsor Social media recognition post • Platinum Sponsor recognition of your business logo or family name in our weekly Parish Bulletin throughout our fundraising campaign • Platinum Sponsor recognition on St. Martha video monitors leading up to St. Martha CELEBRATES event • Platinum Sponsor recognition on signage at St. Martha CELEBRATES event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two event admission tickets • Gold Sponsor Social media recognition post • Gold Sponsor recognition of your business logo or family name in our weekly Parish Bulletin throughout our fundraising campaign • Gold Sponsor recognition on St. Martha video monitors leading up to St. Martha CELEBRATES event • Gold Sponsor recognition on signage at St. Martha CELEBRATES event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two event admission tickets • Silver Sponsor Social media recognition post • Silver Sponsor recognition of your business logo or family name in our weekly Parish Bulletin throughout our fundraising campaign • Silver Sponsor recognition on St. Martha video monitors leading up to St. Martha CELEBRATES event • Silver Sponsor recognition on signage at St. Martha CELEBRATES event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two event admission tickets • Social media recognition • Recognition on signage at St. Martha Celebrates event <div data-bbox="1235 1493 1414 1671"> </div> <p>Scan this QR code with your phone or camera to pay online</p> <p>Checks may be made to St. Martha Parish and School with Sponsorship written on the memo line</p>





ST. MARTHA PARISH & SCHOOL

1100 West Grand River
Okemos, MI 48864

Parish Mission Statement

Walking together in Word and Sacrament, the Catholic Community of Saint Martha shares the redeeming love of Christ through acts of faith, hope, and charity

www.st-martha.org



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Parish Office

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Parish & School Staff

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St. Martha Parish School (Preschool - Grade 8)

Phone517-349-3322
Office HoursMonday - Friday 7:45 am - 3:45 pm

Lansing Catholic High School (Grades 9-12)

Phone517-267-2100
Office HoursMonday - Friday 7:30 am - 3:30 pm
Websitelansingcatholic.org

Mass Opportunities

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday 8:30 am

Wednesday 6:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am
at St. Mary Church, Williamston

Reconciliation Opportunities

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Fridayafter 8:30 am Mass
until all are heard

Wednesday 6:45 to 7:15 pm

Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Other times by appointment

Prayer/Adoration Opportunities

Monday

International Rosaryafter 8:30 am Mass

Wednesday

Rosary for the Unborn 5:30 pm

Our Mother of Perpetual

Help Devotions 5:45 pm

Adoration after 6:00 pm Mass
until 7:20 pm Benediction

Thursday

Rosary for Peace and

Those Suffering From War 8:00 am

Friday

Rosary after 8:30 am Mass

First Friday Adorationafter 8:30 am Mass
until 3:00 pm Benediction



Ministry Leaders

Parish Pastoral Council

John Saltzgaber, Chair

Finance Council

Gigi Matias, Chair

Communication Committee

Judi Smelser and Dave Maluchnik, Chairs
communication@st-martha.org

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Service/Outreach Ministry

Renee Salyers, Coordinator

Upper Room Men's Prayer Group

Michael Siminski and Frank Fortier

Bulletin & Announcement Deadlines

Bulletin Articles Must Be Emailed to cboomer@st-martha.org by Monday at noon ahead the weekend requested.

Mass Announcements Must Be Emailed to cboomer@st-martha.org by Wednesday at noon ahead of the weekend requested.

Intercessory Prayer List in the bulletin includes sick individuals for 6 weeks (unless specified for a longer time), deceased individuals for 3 weeks, and military individuals until we are notified they are home. Please contact the parish office to add a name.

Sacramental Information

Baptism Parents who are baptizing their first child will need to attend a preparation class. Please visit st-martha.org/baptism to complete the registration form.

First Reconciliation/First Communion and Confirmation for non-school students is completed as part of our Faith Formation program. Please email Jackie Rosalez at jrosalez@st-martha.org.

Marriage Preparation begins with a meeting with the priest at least 9 months in advance of your ideal wedding date. Please email Fr. Ryan frryan@st-martha.org to schedule an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick can be arranged by contacting the parish office.

Want to become Catholic as an adult? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for older teens or adults who are considering becoming Catholic or just want to learn more about our Faith. Please email Deacon Carl Boehlert cboehlert@st-martha.org.