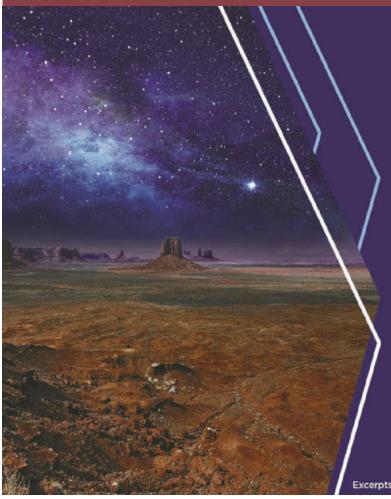


St. Perpetua CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 7, 2024 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



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When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." - Mt 2:1-2

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Fr. David Cybulski, Moderator Fr. Paul Graney Deacon Robert Gajda

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00pm
	9:30am & 11:30am
	9:00am
Thursday	7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday.....4:00pm-4:30pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

3rd Sunday of the Month following the 11:30am Mass

OUR MISSION

We, the people of St. Perpetua Parish of Waterford, serve the needs of one another by forming an active community to continue God's work. Our parish family believes in the Christian principles of family life, social justice, ecumenical activity, spiritual growth, and Catholic education. Reaching out to young and old alike, we strive to keep alive our rich tradition of active faith, revealing to others the love which God has shown us.





2023 Pledge Drive is Underway!

Our Parish Target: \$49,416.00

Amount Paid: \$39,795.84 (as of November 30, 2023)

Amount Owed: \$9,620.16

(does not include recent payments)

Thank you for your generosity!

Checks should be made out to:

Archdiocese of Detroit-CSA with St. Perpetua on the memo line.

You may put the checks in the weekly offertory.

† MASS INTENTIONS



MONDAY, JANUARY 8, NO Mass
The Baptism of the Lord

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 Weekday 9:00 AM

Spec. Int. for Fr. Jack, req. by the Prayer Warriors

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, NO Mass Weekday

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11 Weekday 7:00 PM

† Fr. Tim Shepherd, req. by the Uicker Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, NO Mass Weekday

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13
Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

5:00 PM

† Debbie Gajda, req. by Deacon Bob

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14
Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

9:30 AM

† Tim Tenbusch req. by the Uicker Family

11:30 AM

Spec. Int. for the West Oakland Family of Parishes



Dear Lord Jesus and Mary, Mother of God, hold all these brave souls in the palm of your hand; comfort them and their families. Send angels of protection, love, and comfort to all the services men and women still at war; bring them home safely and comfort their families. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Luke Anderson, Army Ally A. Bergeron, Coast Guard Jeff Bersch, Coast Guard Brian Biggs, Army Aron Blandf, Army Cody Border, Army Yelosis Dixon, Army Devon Drake, Marines Melody Howley, Air Force

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If you have a loved one called to active military service, whom you would like included on our military prayer list, please call the Parish Office: inform us of his/her name and branch of military service. Likewise, when any of our listed military personnel returns home, please share that good news with us as well.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 7

9:30 am - Mass

Rosary for Fr. Jack to follow 9:30 a.m. Mass

11:30 am - Mass

Monday, January 8

6:00 pm - Rosary for Life and Devine Mercy Chaplet

10:00 am - Mass

7:30 pm - D of I Meeting

Rosary for Fr. Jack at home

Tuesday, January 9

9:00 am - Mass

6:00 pm - Rosary for Fr. Jack

Wednesday, January 10

7:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm - K of C Officer Meeting

Thursday, January 11

5:00 -7:00 p.m. Adoration

7:00 pm - Mass

Rosary for Fr. Jack at home

Friday, January 12

Rosary for Fr. Jack at home

Saturday, January 13

4:00 pm - Confessions in the Chapel

5:00 pm - Mass Rosary for Fr. Jack at home

Bulletin information should be submitted two weeks in advance of publication date and is subject to availability.



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Dean Ilich
Michael McNulty
Cheryl Pearce

We need to pray daily to be in union with Fr. Jack as it gives him great consolation.

Oh My God, you have created me to do some definite service. You have committed some work to me that You have not committed to another.

I have my mission, I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.

I will trust You, whatever, wherever I am.

If I am in sickness, my sickness will serve You.

If I am in perplexity, my perplexity may serve You.

If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve You.

You do nothing in vain. You know what you are about.

Though friends be taken away, though I feel desolate, though my spirits sink, though my future is hidden from me, yet I will trust You, for You know what You are about.

Lask not so much to see as to be used: through Christ our Lord, Amen

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

Monday, January 8

Catherine Aidoo Jacob Jimenez

Gloria Keglovitz

Fidelia Nkwantabisah

Michele Rapal

Katiera Uicker

Tuesday, January 9

Stella Kishell Alexis O'Neill

Alice Sheehan

Wednesday, January 10

Erika Elkins

Alfredo Estrada

Kathleen Fitzgerald

Mark Inglsbee

Cathy Sanchez

Thursday, January 11

Joseph Laflamme

Ghada Swidan

Michael Uicker

Friday, January 12

Ma Guadalupe Macias-

Guzman

Ewa Pluszczyk

Saturday, January 13

Duane Alexander

Susan Dannenberg

Lois Duff

Cynthia Fisher

Daniel Macias, II

Joseph Mierzejewski

Kelly Trudell

Kenneth Wionwiecki

Sunday, January 14

Maria Teresa Bancolita-

Cook

Rosa Flores

TILL I II

Elicia Henry

Elizabeth Napier

Norma Kirk Amanda Trimark Marge Tenbusch Dana Houle Sandy Trebonik Connie Brown Al Thomas Ann Spina

Gil Wilson Michael Syron Joe Junglas

Megan Poplaskie Laurie Robertson David Russell Andy Snook Fr. Jim Strasz Chuck & Mary Spadafore Brittney Kelley Al Fiori Michael McInally David Biggs Emily Velandia

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Upcoming Events for Council 13600

Grand Knight: Dennis Hogan

Deputy Grand Knight: Gino Simiele

Officers Meeting: January 10 @ 7:00 pm
General Meeting: January 17 @ 7:30 pm
4th Degree Meeting: January 25 @ 7:30 pm

Contact Information:

Ph: 248.330.9959 or email: dennishogan@comcast.net

Knight of the Month for November: Sr. Leonard Poplaskie
Family of the Month for November: Sir Richard & Debbie

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Fr. Vincent Capodanno Assembly 3392

Faithful Navigator: Michael McBride Faithful Captain: Leonard Poplaskie

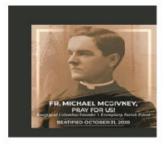
12 Month Raffle Winners for November:

\$100 Vic Neely
\$60 Pat Guellec
\$40 Gianna Catanzarite
Seller: SK Vic Neely
Seller: SK John Scott
Seller: SK Edgar Tarchalski

Tickets are now available for the 2024, 12 Month Raffle

First drawing: January 25, 2024

Contact Information: Sir Knight Sean Kecskes at e-mail: sean.kecskes@gmail.com. Proceeds go to help Veterans.



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ALHAMBRA is the only charitable Catholic organization at St. Perpetua that is co-ed. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month right after the 7:00 pm Mass.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Regent: Janice Scroczynski

E-mail: jssmile89@aol.com

Cell: (248) 770-2089

Our next meeting is on:

Monday, January 8th at 7:30 p.m.

The Daughters of Isabella is a charitable organization of Catholic women founded on March 29, 1897 with the principle moto of: Unity, Friendship and Charity.

All women over the age 18 are welcome to join.

We will see you at our next meeting!



Altar Linen Care Ministry

St. Perpetua is looking for several parishioners to launder the altar linens. With deep love and reverence for the Holy Eucharist, **The Altar Linen Care Ministry** cares for the sacred linens on a rotating schedule. Training is provided on how to care for these special linens that contain the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. This ministry is made up of team members who, behind the scenes in their own homes, reverently launder and care for the linens on the altar at Mass.

Please contact: Linda Reising at 248.797.6737 or lareising @comcast.net to volunteer for this very important ministry.













The Sacrament of Matrimony and the Sacrament of Confirmation

One of my challenges is that the articles for the bulletin are due a week or two in advance at this time of year. What do I write? These are my thoughts well in advance, and I have some invitations that might be applicable for you for the new year.

I happened to be talking to Charlie, our St. Patrick Principal. Pastors of souls have an obligation to preach, catechize to children, young people, and adults, and use social communication so that the Christian faithful are instructed on the meaning of Christian Marriage and the role of Christian spouses and parents. That instruction to children and young people we call remote preparation. We are gradually forming them for the great vocation of Marriage.

One of the ideas that I want to impress upon young minds is that by our Baptism, we have an obligation to marry in front of a priest or deacon in church.

"Only those marriages are valid which are contracted before the local ordinary, pastor, or a priest or deacon delegated by either of them..." (Code of Canon Law, can. 1108, §1).

"Marriages are to be celebrated in a parish where either of the contracting parties has a domicile, quasidomicile, or month long residence..." (Code of Canon law, can. 1115).

I write this because I realize that we have a variety of circumstances and stages in life. If your Marriage was not in a church, please let me know. You may have heard the word convalidation. A convalidation is the act of exchanging the marital consent anew in the church in front of a priest or deacon. At that point the Marriage becomes sacramental, and you receive from God all the graces associated with the sacrament of Matrimony.

Here is another interesting piece of preparation for the

sacrament of Matrimony. Catholics who have not received the sacrament of Confirmation are to receive it before Marriage if it can be done so without inconvenience.

I remember years ago Fr. Jack discussing with me that there are probably people more than I would think that due to different circumstances missed the sacrament of Confirmation as a young person. Here then is another offer. The sacrament of Confirmation completes and seals all of our baptismal graces. It is an important sacrament of initiation. If you somehow missed your Confirmation, again, please let me know so that you can receive the grace of this sacrament.

Let me conclude with one more invitation, and I will return to the sacrament of Matrimony. It is the consent between the two couples on the wedding day that is essential for the sacrament. I tell the couples that I prepare, you are the ministers; I am a witness. I have found people have on their mind that they should pursue an annulment, which is the official statement of the Church that the wedding was not valid from the beginning. I realize there is some work to apply for an annulment, but I have experienced it is a healing and reconciling moment. Once again, I offer my assistance to talk to you if you wish.

May God bless you,

Fr. David Cybulski

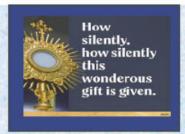


~Eucharistic Adoration Times and Places~

St. Perpetua, Waterford: Thursdays, 5-7 p.m.

St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows, Milford: Fridays, 1-5 p.m.

Holy Spirit, Highland: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday Saturday, hours needed 1 a.m.-5 p.m. *Holy Spirt has a 24 hour Adoration Chapel





CSA Article for St. Patrick and St. Perpetua Bulletins

Contributing to CSA is better for St. Patrick and St. Perpetua than making a Christmas contribution.

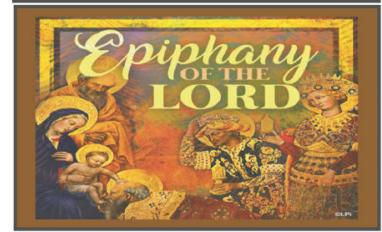
But, let me explain why. CSA contribution is similar to a Christmas contribution in that both contributions are free of the usual 7% Diocesan Tax assessment. However, while an increasing Christmas contribution will result in a higher CSA target for the following year, an increasing CSA contribution has no impact on next year's CSA target.

Also, any money collected above the CSA target stays with the parish. Any shortfall in meeting the target must be made up by the parish, paying back the Archdiocese of Detroit with funds which have already been assessed the 7% Diocesan tax.

So, if you were planning to give something more for Christmas this year, think of giving that same money to the CSA. Your parish will be better off for it.

I once again thank you for your generosity to your parish.

Fr. David Cybulski



~Retrouvaille~

Are you a couple that is struggling in your marriage? Are you considering divorce or separation? There is hope through the Retrouvaille program! Retrouvaille is a spiritual weekend designed specifically for couples who feel their marriage is in trouble. Please visit helpourmarriage.org for more information about the program.

The next weekend is scheduled for January 12-14, 2024.

Future dates are:

May 3-5, 2024 August 16-18, 2024 October 11-13, 2024

If you would like to speak directly to a couple that has benefited from the Retrouvaille program, please call Gino or Christi Simiele at 248-790-0726.





Join Widowed Friends a peer support group hosting Monday, January 8 & February 12,10:30 a.m. - Breakfast, Big Boy (2nd Monday of the month) 16880 Hall Road at Garfield, Clinton Township.

Event Coordinator: Gerry 586.556.9471

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call Jillian Peck 248-887-1634 (Holy Spirit, Highland) or Gino Simiele: 248-802-2627 (St. Perpetua, Waterford)

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* No meal at 11 am

MINISTERS OF THE WORD AND SACRAMENT: JANUARY 13-14, 2024

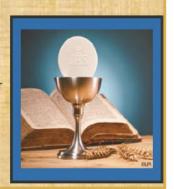
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11:30 AM

Kent Dow Mario Guerra Rob Seeterlin Deacon Bob Donna Metz Maureen Przybylowicz

David Uicker

Steve Weber - Lector Angela Lesner - Commentator



CHRISTIAN SERVICE NEWS

~Christian Service Coordinator, Shannon Pryce, ph: 1-248-698-3103 ext. 215, E-m: spryce@stpwl.org~





"In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, "it is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35

Looking for a way to get involved?

We need you!!

Join us for a Christian Service Meeting on

January 10th at 2:00pm

in the Carpeted Meeting Room

Bring your ideas and enthusiasm!

An "act of Christian service" is defined as any time served modeling the attitude of Jesus in service to God's creation without receiving reward or payment. The goal of the act should be to help build up another and/or make our world a more loving, happier, safer, cleaner, holier place.

All members of the parish are welcomed and encourage to join any of the upcoming events!

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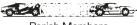
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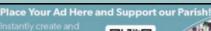
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