

Blessed Sacrament Parish

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday, Thursday: 8:30am

Wednesday: 10:30am

Weekend Mass:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

PARISHIONER MEMBERSHIP

New members are always welcome to our Parish. Parishioner status is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and full participation in the parish stewardship program. All family members 18 years and older should be individually registered with the parish. Parish membership and participation is required of those desiring the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Matrimony.

**The next day
John was there
again with two of
his disciples, and
as he watched
Jesus walk by, he
said, "Behold,
the Lamb of
God."**

John 1:35-36

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30 pm or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parish registration of six months is required. Preparation session required.

Contact the parish office for details.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the parish office a minimum of six months prior to the preferred wedding date. Marriage preparation sessions are required.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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**ORDINARY
TIME**



Masses for the Week

Sat, Jan 16 4:30 pm	VIGIL: 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Jerry Zapolnik
Sun, Jan 17 9:00 am 11:00 am	2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Parish Family For the Sick
Mon, Jan 18	WEEKDAY **No Mass**
Tues, Jan 19 8:30 am	WEEKDAY Audrey Mohler
Wed, Jan 20 10:30 am	WEEKDAY Donald & Margaret Mrowinski
Thurs, Jan 21	WEEKDAY **No Mass**
Fri, Jan 22	WEEKDAY **No Mass**
Sat, Jan 23 4:30 pm	VIGIL: 3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Cheryl Bartosiewicz; Leo Boruta
Sun, Jan 24 9:00 am 11:00 am	3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Richard Baxter Parish Family



SACRED SCRIPTURE

Readings for the Week of January 17, 2021

Sunday	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42
Monday	Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10z; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 Ps 110:1-4; Mk3:1-6
Thursday	St. Agnes, Virgin Heb 7:25—8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Friday	Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10, 11-14; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Jon 3:1-4, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20



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BY GEORGE....

The question has been raised about whether or not we will be offering fish fries during Lent this year given the Covid-19 situation is still with us. Given that Lent begins in a month on February 17, this would be the time for all of the preparations - ordering food and supplies, lining up workers, etc. Given where we still are in the pandemic I don't see how it would be possible to have fish fries given restrictions on how many people can be in a room which would apply to the cooks in the kitchen not just the diners in the family center. So I know that some will be disappointed but I don't see that we have any other option than to forgo fish fries for the year and hope and pray that perhaps 2022 will be a better time for us all.

I mentioned last week that this year, given our experience of Covid-19, among other things, the schedule for Masses was a little different for Christmas. As hopefully you know, we changed the Mass schedule on Christmas Eve from having a 4:30pm and 10:00pm Mass to having a 4:30pm and a 6:30pm Mass — adding a second earlier Mass and eliminating the later Mass at 10:00pm. Now I have been asked if this is a change we could make every year - that is, having 4:30pm Mass and a 6:30pm Mass and eliminating the later 10:00pm Mass. If you have any thoughts on this possible change that you would like to or would be willing to share please just let them be known by either Lori in the Parish Office, or directly by me. We will then see what it is that you would prefer.

As December brought us to the end of the second quarter of the parish fiscal year 2020-21 it is time again to make the distribution of grants from parish tithe and the Deacon George Social Justice Fund. If you would like to nominate a charity to receive a grant remember that the charity has to be involved in the work of social justice, and not be involved in any activity that is contrary to the teaching or practices of the Roman Catholic Church. Nomination forms can be found on the parish web site, in the stewardship tower in the parish narthex, or contact Lori in the parish office and she can mail or email a form to you.

This week we are scheduled to have the inauguration of a new President and Vice-President for the country. Hopefully it will be a peaceful transition of power. How well this year has made a prophet of George Washington when in his farewell address he warned of the development of political parties stating that once political parties were formed it would be to the detriment of the nation as people's loyalty would be to their party and not to their nation. Perhaps our prayer could be that people on all sides of all of the issues might do some serious soul searching with regard to those words of Washington. That could then be followed by reflection on the words of Jesus when he asked "what does it profit a person to gain the world and lose their soul in the process."

~THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH~

Tues Jan 19: 9:15am-3pm Eucharistic Adoration, Church

Here is one more thank you letter from last quarter's Deacon George Fund distributions:

"Dear Friends,

North End Community Ministry provides quality programs and services on behalf of the clients we serve. We depend heavily upon your donations and volunteer support. On behalf of our clients, staff, volunteers and board members of North End Community Ministry, I would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for your generous donation to benefit our ministry.

We are constantly reminded that without the generosity and ongoing commitment from individuals, our supporting churches, schools, and other organization, we would be unable to continue to remain a beacon of hope for many in the northeast community. Again, thank you for your support of our ministry!

In Christ,
Laura Castle/Executive Director"

CATHOLIC INFORMATION WEBINAR

Give Up Worry for Lent : 40 Days to Finding Peace in Christ

With Guest Author, Gary Zimak
Catholic Speaker/Author/Radio Host
Wednesday, February 24, 7-8 p.m.
(RSVP by Feb. 20) Zoom Webinar

Worries! From relationships to health, and everything in-between...we all have them. The question is how do we deal with them? Gary Zimak's book holds the key! Zimak offers fellow worriers practical, scripture-centered advice on how to relinquish the need to control the uncontrollable—not just for Lent but for good—and how to find peace in Christ. Join us and learn how to give up "worry" this Lenten Season.

CFD: Spirituality (\$10 donation requested)

Call the Catholic Information Center to register at 616-459-7267, or visit their website, catholicinformationcenter.org.

STEWARDSHIP - Week of January 9 & 10

<u>Week 28/52</u>	
Adult Envelopes (128 used)	\$12,893.20
Automatic Envelopes (36 used)	1,456.00
Youth	3.25
Loose Stewardship	619.00
Total Stewardship this week	\$14,971.45
YTD	\$368,443.57
Budget YTD	\$368,846.15
Last YTD	\$401,711.48
5% Tithe this week	\$748.57
YTD Tithe	\$18,422.18

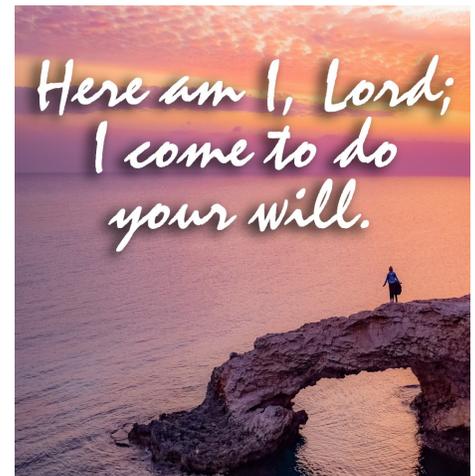
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All Saints Academy

No SCHOOL
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

There is no school for grades Pre-8 on Monday, January 18. Child Care is open with pre-registrations. The elementary office will be open that day 9am - 2pm. The middle school office will also be closed..

POSITION AVAILABLE

All Saints Academy is seeking an enthusiastic adult to join our Early Childhood Team as Early Childhood Assistant in one of our Toddler rooms. Ideally, we are in need of assistance Monday through Friday from 12:00-6:00pm; however, we do have some flexibility with these hours. This school calendar position requires working on non-school days including snow days. The option of summer employment would also be available if desired. Candidates must be at least 18 years of age. Interested candidates should email Beckie Patterson - bpatterson@asagr.org or call (616) 447-2997.



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~In Our Thoughts & Prayers~

Homebound Parishioner of the Week

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers our parishioner Dolores Falicki. Cards may be sent to 10823 Cora, Portage, MI 49002. Let Dolores know you are a parishioner and that you are thinking of her.

