

# 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### **Weekday Mass:**

Tuesday, Thursday: 8:30am

Wednesday: 10:30am

### **Weekend Mass:**

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9am & 11am



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### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday, 8:00am-4:30pm

Fr. George Darling, Pastor

## 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.

## 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.

## FINANCE COUNCIL

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"O you of little faith, why did  
you doubt?"

Matthew 14:31

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## MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sat, Aug 12</b> 4:30 pm	<b>VIGIL: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Dick Greenhoe
<b>Sun, Aug 13</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Parish Family Michael V. Doyle
<b>Mon, Aug 14</b>	<b>ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE, PRIEST</b> No Mass
<b>Tues, Aug 15</b> 8:30 am 7:00 pm	<b>THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> Parish Family Parish Family
<b>Wed, Aug 16</b> 8:30 am	<b>WEEKDAY</b> Luke Leonard
<b>Thurs, Aug 17</b> 8:30 am	<b>WEEKDAY</b> Mary Adams
<b>Fri, Aug 18</b>	<b>WEEKDAY</b> No Mass
<b>Sat, Aug 19</b> 4:30 pm	<b>VIGIL: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Parish Family
<b>Sun, Aug 20</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Bob & Liz Duffy Jeremy Waranica

## SACRED SCRIPTURE

<b>Readings for the Week of August 13, 2023</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-23
<b>Monday</b>	<b>St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr</b> Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
<b>Thursday</b>	Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21-19:1
<b>Friday</b>	Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
<b>Saturday</b>	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28



## PASTORAL TEAM

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## BY GEORGE....

Remember that Tuesday is a Holy Day of Obligation—the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass times are in the column to the left.

I would like to share the following letter that I recently sent out to the ASA school staff:

“August 8, 2023

Dear staff,

I write to inform you today of a change in leadership at All Saints Academy. Yesterday I accepted the resignation of Mr. Michael Debri as Executive Director/Principal of All Saints Academy. Michael has taken a new role with West Catholic High School as their Advancement Director. We should be grateful to Mr. Debri for his past 12 years of dedicated service to All Saints Academy.

With this transition, I have offered the position of Executive Director/Principal to Mr. Joseph Gietzen, who has accepted and will begin his new role effective immediately. Mr. Gietzen has served as the Upper Campus administrator for the past two years and I have every confidence that he will continue to lead All Saints Academy in the footsteps of those who have led these past 15 years. Let us keep both Mr. Debri and Mr. Gietzen in our prayers as they undertake the transition in their new roles.

**Fr. George Darling”**

## STEWARDSHIP - WEEK OF AUGUST 5 & 6

### Week 6/52

Adult Envelopes (104 used)	\$10,751.27
Automatic Envelopes (64 used)	5,171.00
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**Total Stewardship this week** \$16,236.27

<b>YTD</b>	\$72,495.02
<b>Budget YTD</b>	\$78,115.38
<b>Last YTD</b>	\$79,794.80
<b>5% Tithe this week</b>	\$811.81
<b>YTD Tithe</b>	\$3,624.75

## IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS HOMEBOUND PARISHIONER OF THE WEEK

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers our parishioner Jane Reus. Cards may be sent to MediLodge of Grand Rapids, 2000 Leonard NE #216, 49505. Let Jane know you are a parishioner and that you are thinking of her.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Mon Aug 14:** 1:00pm **Book Club**, MPR  
**Thurs Aug 17:** 6:30pm **Ladies Revive Basketball Group**, Family Center  
**Sat Aug 19:** 5:30pm **Coffee & Doughnuts**, Family Center  
**Sun Aug 20:** 10:00am & noon **Coffee & Doughnuts**, Family Center

## HAPPENING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

### 10 WEEK BIBLE STUDY – WHAT WE BELIEVE: THE BEAUTY OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The Catholic Church is extraordinary. Founded by Christ himself, the Catholic Church is where we encounter God in his Word, his Sacraments and his saints. The Church faithfully proclaims the fullness of faith, leaving no truth out. It proclaims the fullness of life, leaving no person out. It calls all to repent and to believe in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the source of all life and salvation.

Maybe you have been Catholic your entire life. Maybe you are just beginning to explore the Catholic Faith. Wherever you may be in your journey, you will be moved by the beauty and richness of the Catholic Church.

Written and presented by Marcellino D'Ambrosio and Sarah Swafford this series was filmed on location in Rome. In it you will discover:

- What Catholics truly believe.
- Who Catholics truly are and how we are called to live.
- The blessings of creation, redemption, and newness of life in the Holy Spirit.
- The profound gift of the sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist.
- How to imitate Christ through prayer, through personal conversion, and through love for others.

We are offering this study on Tuesday mornings beginning September 12th from 9:15am–10:45am and Wednesday evenings beginning September 13th from 6:30pm–7:45pm. If childcare is needed; contact the religious education office. Please RSVP by email to [jdegrow@bsacrament.net](mailto:jdegrow@bsacrament.net) or call 616-447-7554 ext 1254 so we are sure to have the correct amount of materials.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our Catechism classes for children attending public school are held on Thursday evenings from 6:30–7:45pm. We begin classes on Thursday, October 12th. Please call or email the Religious Ed office if you are new to the parish or new to the public school system to receive a packet to register.

**New First Graders:** In order to stay on track to receiving First Communion in second grade, children should be enrolled in Religious education during their first grade year.

### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation class meets on Sunday, September 17th at 10am in the Religious Education office. We will be discussing the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and discipleship. Your Service project reports and saint name paper are due. Please be sure to bring them with you.

### RCIA

Perhaps you know someone who is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or who would like to know more about what Catholics believe. Or perhaps you were baptized Catholic and never received your first Communion. If you or someone you know falls into one of these categories, contact Jody DeGraw at the Religious Ed. Office.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We could use a few more volunteers for Children's Liturgy of the Word. If you are interested in helping with this ministry please contact Vicki Glynn via email, [vglynn@bsacrament.net](mailto:vglynn@bsacrament.net) or call the Religious Ed. Office.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

We need help with our Children Liturgy of the Word and Religious Education programs, bible study and our RCIA process. If you are interested in knowing more about these opportunities, please contact Jody DeGraw for more information.

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## ASA BLOG

The ASA Today blog posts news and photos about campus life and events at least weekly during the school year. Our blog will begin weekly posts again on August 16! You can subscribe and follow our blog at [asatoday.blogspot.com](http://asatoday.blogspot.com).

## ASA'S CORE VALUE OF FAITH

Cardinal Dolan of New York and former President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) said in his blog: "There is no more tried-and-true way of passing on our Catholic faith to our kids than by sacrificing to put them in a Catholic school. Data proves they persevere in the faith at higher rates, pray better, are more faithful to Sunday Mass, live gospel values, are more generous to their parish, even have happier marriages, volunteer more, and transmit the faith to their own children, than those not in a Catholic school." All Saints Academy keeps prayer at the center of our school day: students start and end their day in prayer, pray before meals, attend weekly Mass, and learn many traditional Catholic prayers. Through these experiences, the witness of the faith from our teachers, and faithful reflections, our students continually are rooted in the Catholic faith and learn how to live out their faith daily. If you are interested in learning more on how your child could benefit from a Catholic education, reach out to us today to schedule a tour and learn more!

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