

Saint Mary University Parish @

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Office Hours: Mondays - Fridays, 9 am - 5 pm

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER T.J.

Welcome!

To all who are freshmen or otherwise new to CMU or the parish, welcome to St. Mary! You are a member of our family—this is your home!

New Mass and Confession Schedule

This year, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated for the same duration for both Sunday and weekday Masses: Confessions will start 45 minutes before Mass and be heard for 30 minutes. If you are like me, I am an image-type of person. In order to understand things, I need to see the exact times; so here they are:

Sundays	Confessions:	9:30-10 am 5:15-5:45 pm 8:15-8:45 pm	Masses:	10:15 am 6 pm 9 pm
Mondays	Confessions:	11:15-11:45 am	Masses:	Noon
Tuesdays		8:15-8:45 pm		9 pm
Wednesdays		8:15-8:45 am		9 am
Thursdays		5:15-5:45 am		6 pm
Saturdays		11:15-11:45 am		Noon

Blessing Apartments and Dorm Rooms

If you would like your apartment or dorm room blessed for this academic year, please contact me via email: fr.tjfleming@stmarycmu.org. When you contact me, please let me know your address and directions to your residence, along with two or three dates and times that work for you. I'll look at my calendar and get back to you.

Stewardship

Over the next several weeks, I'll offer a reflection each week on stewardship. We'll begin this week with a simple definition of the word from Our Sunday Visitor's Catholic Encyclopedia:

Stewardship: A biblically-based concept which implores Christians to use what they have—money, time, talent, and service—in such a way that it honors God as the Creator of all things visible and invisible and contributes in a conscious way to the building of God's kingdom on earth.

Interested in becoming Catholic?

Those who are interested in becoming Catholic or those whom you know are interested in becoming Catholic, please email your/their name(s), email address(es), and phone number(s) to Fr. T. J. (fr.tjfleming@stmarycmu.org).

COLLECTION for August 20, 2017: \$773.31

Thank you for your generosity.

CHURCH & PARISH CENTER OPEN HOURS

Sundays - Thursdays: 8 am - 9:30 pm
Fridays and Saturdays: 9 am - 5 pm

LABOR DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE

- Saturday, September 2: **NO NOON MASS**
- Sunday, September 3: **NO 10:15 am or 9 pm MASS;**
Mass at 6 pm
- Monday, September 4: **NO NOON MASS**

August 27, 2017 • Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass readings: *Journeysongs* #1008

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WEEKLY MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Monday, August 28

Mass: Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 11:15 - 11:45 am

Tuesday, August 29

Mass: 9 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 8:15 - 8:45 pm

Wednesday, August 30

Mass: 9 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 8:15 - 8:45 pm

Thursday, August 31

Mass: 6 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 5:15 - 5:45 pm

Sunday, September 3

Masses: 6 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 5:15 - 5:45 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, August 28; 5 - 7 pm

BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ @ ST. MARY CMU

All are invited to St. Mary University Parish's BBQ, which will feature a pig roast and artisanal Italian pizzas made in a brick oven on the parish's back lawn (by the Rectory). Beverages, sides, and deserts will be provided, as well as music, corn hole, Bocce Ball, and more!

Thursday, August 31; 4 - 7 pm

ST. MARY CMU TAILGATE

Join fellow students at our tailgate before the first football game of the season! We shall be located in Lot 63W near Kelly/Shorts Stadium.

Saturday, September 2; 8 am - ??

Day Trip to Sleeping Bear Dunes

All students are invited to a day trip to Sleeping Bear Dunes. We shall depart St. Mary at 8 am. Please bring snacks and spending money. To help organize rides, please RSVP at sopperman@stmarycmu.org.

STUDENT OUTREACH—AND FACULTY & STAFF, TOO!

My name is Scott Opperman, and I now serve the parish as Director of Student Outreach. I am elated to be back in Michigan and on the campus of CMU. I look forward to meeting students, whether in groups or individually. Please drop by or call me in the office (989-317-4680), send me an email (sopperman@stmarycmu.org), or call or text me on my cell phone (734-735-7133) to set-up a time to meet. We can get together at St. Mary or elsewhere for coffee/other beverage or a meal. The offer is the same for CMU employees. I welcome the opportunity to meet faculty and staff, regardless if they are parishioners at St. Mary.

FELLOWSHIP OF CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Please connect with one of our FOCUS missionaries—Carrie, Andy, Dan, or Megan—if you would like more information on how to join a bible study; participating in Alpha on Thursday evenings; going on a mission trip over spring break or next summer; how you can join us in Chicago in in January for a leadership conference; or if you'd just like to grab a drink or coffee and get to know us better. If you have questions, contact Carrie at carrie.schmidt@focus.org or 651-323-0902