

# Saint Mary University Parish

## Central Michigan University



### FROM THE DESK OF FATHER T.J.

#### Meet the Candidates of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Six persons inquired about the RCIA process; four have attended our last two sessions: Lane Dubes, Cooper Kelley, Celeste Potter-Zimmerman, and Tim Seleska. Three of them have never been baptized and the other one will make his Profession of Faith and be received into the Catholic Church. Please keep them in your prayers.

We are two weeks into our Pre-Catechumenate or Inquiry Period. Around the beginning of Advent, if they choose, they will go through the Rite of Acceptance where they will enter into the Catechumenate Period. They will enter into a more intense instruction period which will take them to the beginning of Lent. During the weekend of the First Sunday of Lent, they will go to the Cathedral where Bishop Cistone will call them to the Easter Sacraments through the Rite of Election. The six weeks of Lent will be their third RCIA period. The six weeks of Lent will be similar to a retreat where they will spend much time in prayer preparing to be received into the Church as full members. After Easter, they will enter the final period called Mystagogy, which comes from the word "mystery." This period is the end our time formally meeting but the process of growing in our faith is on-going. This should be a challenge to all of us who have born and raised Catholic. We are never finished learning about our God, faith, and Church. Let us all recommit ourselves to further faith formation.

#### Looking Ahead to November

Catholics especially remember and pray for the dead during the month of November. November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Feast of All Souls, which begins the process of praying for the dead, particularly those who have died during the past twelve months. We shall place a new candle stand under the statue of Mary for the month. During our 6 pm Mass on Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, I shall lead us through a litany of names of those who have died during this past year and will invite members of their families and friends to light a candle in their honor. These candles will burn for the month as we continue praying for them. So if you have a friend or relative that died during the last twelve months, please let me know their name and I shall place them on the list I shall use during this Mass of Remembers on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### Interested in Becoming Catholic?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process that welcomes and forms prospective members in the faith of the Catholic Church. Its stages and rites culminate at the Easter Vigil with the celebration of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation in the church of St. Mary University Parish. We began the pre-Catechumenate with five inquirers this past week; however, it is not too late to join! Weekly meetings include community-building, faith formation (or catechesis), pastoral conversations, and prayer to help participants better understand and integrate Catholic beliefs and practices that concretely express the faith. Those who are interested, please contact Fr. T. J. (fr.tjflaming@stmarycmu.org).

**OCTOBER 15, 2017 • TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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## REGISTER FOR THE KOINONIA RETREAT



The student-led Koinonia Retreat is a weekend experience of living in Christian community based on the Paschal Mystery of Christ Jesus: His life, death, and Resurrection. The retreat will be held in our parish center and church from 4 pm on Friday, November 3 to 4:30 pm on Sunday, November 5. Though this retreat is offered from a Catholic perspective, non-Catholics are most welcome!

There is a \$35 retreat fee that helps the parish to pay for retreatants' accommodation, all meals, and retreat materials. If you would like to participate in the retreat but the fee is a financial burden, please contact Scott Opperman, Director of Student Outreach (sopperman@stmarycmu.org) for assistance or a scholarship.

For more information and to register, please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/koinonia-retreat-registration-38205958049>

## SAVE THE DATE, MEN: PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE TOURNAMENT CASK ROOM OF HUNTER'S ALE HOUSE

St. Mary University Parish

Progressive Euchre Tournament for Men

- Saturday, October 21, 2017
- 7 - 10 pm
- Hunter's Ale House, Cask Room (4855 E. Blue Grass Rd.)
- Free food and soft drinks; Cash bar for those 21 and over



## CHURCH & PARISH CENTER OPEN HOURS

Sundays - Thursdays: 8 am - 9:30 pm

Fridays and Saturdays: 9 am - 5 pm

The parish center includes a lounge, a library, a kitchen, two conference rooms, a work room for student groups, and staff offices. **Students, faculty, and staff are invited to use the facilities to reflect, pray, relax, study, eat, socialize, and more.**

## SUNDAY MASS COLLECTION

October 8, 2017:  
\$1,145.00

Thank you for your generosity.

## WEEKLY MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

### Monday, October 16

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

### Tuesday, October 17

Mass: 9:00 p.m.  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 8:15 - 8:45 pm

### Wednesday, October 18

Mass: 9:00 am  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 8:15 - 8:45 am

### Thursday, October 19

Mass: 6:00 pm  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 5:15 - 5:45 pm

### Saturday, October 21

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

### Sunday, October 22

Masses: 10:15 am, 6:00 pm, and 9:00 pm  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 9:30 - 10:00 am, 5:15 - 5:45 pm, and 7:15 - 7:45 pm

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

### Monday

**Saint Hedwig, Religious; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin**  
Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 11:29-32

### Tuesday

**Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr**  
Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41

### Wednesday

**Saint Luke, Evangelist**  
2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

### Thursday

**Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs**  
Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Lk 11:47-54

### Friday

**Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest**  
Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

### Saturday

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12

### Sunday

**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### EXPOSITION WITH PRAISE & WORSHIP & BENEDICTION

Wed., Oct. 18; 9:30 am - 9:00 pm  
Church

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration beginning after the 9 am Mass until 8 pm., which will be followed by Praise & Worship and Benediction.

### CORPUS CHRISTI: SOCIAL & PRESENTATION

Thurs., Oct. 19; 6:30 - 8:00 pm  
Parish Center Lounge

### SPORTS

Fri., Oct. 20; 1 pm  
Parish Center Lounge

### MOVIE NIGHT

Fri., Oct. 20; 7 pm  
Parish Center Lounge  
*Lilo & Stitch* will be shown. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

### MEN'S EUCHRE NIGHT

Sat., Oct. 21; 7 pm  
Hunter's Ale House, Cask Room

### WOMEN'S NIGHT

Sat., Oct. 21; 7 pm  
Parish Center Lounge

### SUNDAY SUPPER

Sun., Oct. 22; 7:00 p.m.  
Parish Center Lounge

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22—LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	SACRISTAN	GREETERS/ USHERS	ALTAR SERVER	LECTORS	EXTRAORDI- NARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
<b>10:15 AM</b>	Daniela Richter	Isabella Staltari, Captain	Bridget Parker	1: Vicky Brickner 2: Brendan Hagan	Ethan Hall Daniela Richter Kendal Schrauben
<b>6 PM</b>	Brin Forlenza	Thomas McWilliams, Captain	Caleb Brereton	1: Rita Asuquo 2: Jacob Paige	Ingrid Boley Kayla Brower Kenzie Weiber
<b>9 PM</b>	David Ackuaku	Thomas Jury, Captain	Jacob Pennington	1: Kwyn Trevino 2: Drew Schwandt	Vince Lograsso Mary Stasa