

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, September 18: Noon
Tuesday, September 19: 9 pm

Wednesday, September 20: 9 am
Thursday, September 21: 6 pm
Saturday, September 23: NO MASS—Football Game
Sunday, September 24: 10:15 am, 6 pm, and 9 pm Masses

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER T.J.

Get Involved: Volunteer as Liturgical Ministers for Masses

St. Mary University Parish invites all students and others in the parish to serve as liturgical ministers for Masses: (1) Altar Servers; (2) Cantors and Choir Members; (3) Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion; (4) Lectors; (5) Sacristans; and (6) Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality. Both women and men can serve in all of these roles.

- **Altar Servers:** They assist the priest at the altar during the celebration of Mass.
- **Cantors and Choir Members:** Cantors lead the singing, especially the Responsorial Psalm, and the choir helps all at Mass to praise God in song.
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** They assist the priest in the distribution of Holy Communion.
- **Lectors:** They proclaim God's Word through the readings and also present our petitions after the Creed.
- **Sacristans:** They help to set-up for and clean-up after Mass (e.g., the sacred vessels).
- **Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality:** They welcome Mass participants as they enter Church, providing them with hymnals, and offer the parish bulletin to them as they depart. As ushers, they also help with the collection and bring it to the sanctuary.

Please prayerfully consider serving in one of these roles and **sign-up in the parish center lounge**. We shall contact you about training/formation sessions.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

On Saturday, September 30 from 1:30-3:30 pm, St. Mary University Parish shall host a diocesan training session in the parish center lounge for those interested in serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

The term "extraordinary" is used because those who are ordained—bishops, priests, and deacons—are the Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. When there are not enough Ordinary Ministers at Mass, Extraordinary Ministers may assist with the distribution of Holy Communion. Our parish needs more persons trained as Extraordinary Ministers, so please pray and discern about serving and let me know if you would like to attend the training (fr.tjfleming@stmarycmu.org). If you cannot attend this training, do not panic! The Diocese of Saginaw offers further sessions elsewhere about which I can let you know.

Blessing Apartments and Dorm Rooms

If you would like your apartment or dorm room blessed for this academic year, please contact me via email with your address, directions to your residence, and possible days and times that work for you: fr.tjfleming@stmarycmu.org.

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).

New Bulletin Next Week

Beginning next Sunday, our parish bulletin will be published by Diocesan from Grand Rapids. THERE IS NO COST TO THE PARISH. Diocesan finds advertisers who pays for it fully. If you would like something published in the bulletin, the new deadline will be on Mondays at 5 pm. Please contact Scott Opperman at sopperman@stmarycmu.org.

COLLECTION

September 10, 2017: \$999.67
Thank you for your generosity.

PRAISE & WORSHIP BAND FOR 6 PM MASS: MEMBERS NEEDED

If you play bass, percussion, or sing, please contact Kathryn Brown at brown22k@cmich.edu or (906)282-8848.

September 17, 2017 • Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass readings: *Journeysongs* #1017

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, September 19; 7:30 - 8:45 pm

CORPUS CHRISTI: SOCIAL & PRESENTATION

This Tuesday, Fr. T.J. and Scott Opperman will lead an interactive discernment session on the needs of students in the parish.

Wednesday, September 20; 9:30 am - 9 pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND HOLY HOUR

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration beginning after 9 am Mass until 9 pm. There will be a Holy Hour with praise and worship and benediction from 8 pm to 9 pm.

Wednesday, September 20; Noon - 6 pm

BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. MARY CMU—PARISH CENTER LOUNGE

Everyone who signs in to donate receives a coupon for FREE PIZZA!

Thursday, September 21; 7:30 - 9 pm

ALPHA: AN INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIANITY

The FOCUS missionaries are excited to be offering Alpha this year and invite you to come and bring others—they need not be Catholic, religious, or even have faith in God. Alpha explores a different aspect of the Christian faith each week. A typical night of Alpha consists of a meal, a video, and a small group discussion. It will take place on Thursdays this semester starting on September 21. The location is to be determined. For more information about Alpha, contact Carrie at carrie.schmidt@focus.org.

Friday, September 22; 1 pm

SOCCER

Meet in the parish center lounge to play soccer with other students.

Friday, September 22; 1-3 pm

SELF DEFENSE SEMINAR

Meet in the parish center lounge to learn self-defense, free of charge. Joshua Brereton, who has five years of martial arts experience (i.e., Karate, Judo, TKD, Tang Soo Do, and Hapkido), will be the instructor. Those 18 years old and older can learn how to recognize potential violence, how to avoid it, how to defend themselves, and the Church's teaching on the use of force.

Friday, September 22; 7 pm

MEN'S NIGHT AT DAN FLEMING'S APARTMENT (senior student)

All male undergraduate students are invited to hang out, watch a game, play poker, etc. at Dan Fleming's apartment: Lexington Ridge Apartments, 3700 E. Deerfield Rd., Apt. A4, Mount Pleasant, MI 48858.

Friday, September 22; 7 pm

WOMEN'S NIGHT: SIPS AND STROKES

Please join us at the female FOCUS missionaries' house for a fun night of painting canvases! All supplies will be provided. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share, if you would like. Our address is 216 South Kinney Ave., next to Sacred Heart Church. Call or text Carrie with questions: (612)651-0902.

Saturday, September 23; 9-11 am and 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

SERVICE: MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Join other students from St. Mary CMU and help the mobile food pantry serve the community. Meet at the parish a half hour before each shift to carpool. Sign-up at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4aaef2ca0fc1-ccnfeedsorg>

Saturday, September 23; 11:30 am-3:30 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 (look for the Vatican flag). Food, beverages, music, and games will be provided. Others are welcome to bring food and beverages to share.

Sunday, September 14; 7 pm

SUNDAY SUPPER

Come to the parish center lounge after the 6 pm Mass for a free supper to catch-up with old friends and to make new ones.