

# St. Mary University Parish

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**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday 9 am to 5 pm

**Mass Schedule:** Sunday - 10:15 am and 6:00 pm  
Weekday - Tuesday 9:00 pm  
Wednesday 6:00 pm  
Thursday 6:00 pm

**Reconciliation:** Wednesdays 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm  
Saturdays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Sundays 4:30 p. - 5:30 pm

**PASTOR.....**Fr. Patrick M. Jankowiak, [frpmj@stmarycmu.org](mailto:frpmj@stmarycmu.org)  
**DIRECTOR OF STUDENT OUTREACH...** Cory Noeker, [cnoeker@stmarycmu.org](mailto:cnoeker@stmarycmu.org)  
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**MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST.....** Lucas Felton

**Matrimony:** Please contact Fr. Patrick before setting a wedding date.

**Infant & Child Baptism:** Preparation is required. Contact Fr. Patrick.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Parish Office or Fr. Patrick for anointing.

**Interested in Becoming Catholic?** Contact Fr. Patrick for more information.

**DECEMBER 9TH, 2018 • 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

November 18th, 2018 (correction):

Total..... \$570.25

December 2nd, 2018:

Total..... \$744.91

We need volunteers to help count the Sunday collections. If you are available to help, please speak to Caleb Brereton or contact the parish office.

*Thank you for your stewardship!*

## MUSIC DIRECTOR

Applicants should be active, practicing Catholics, have quality keyboard skills, and be committed to the liturgical vision of the Second Vatican Council. Approximately 19 hours per week. Resumes may be sent to Fr. Patrick or Cory Noeker. Applications can be found in the vestibules of the church.

## ROOMS AVAILABLE

If you would like to reserve a room for an activity, please speak to Caleb Brereton at the parish office. He can be reached by phone at (989) 317-4674 or by email at [cbrereton@stmarycmu.org](mailto:cbrereton@stmarycmu.org)



## GRADUATION MASS

Congratulations to our graduating seniors:

Angela Distelrath

Brooke Bengel

Caleb Brereton

Michael Angelo Quiroz

## UPCOMING DATES & ROOM RESERVATIONS

Please pay close attention to the calendar as we are transitioning into a different schedule for Winter Break.

**12/10** - No scheduled activities

**12/11** - **Rock Climbing - Finch 112 - 7pm-8:30pm**

- *Daily Mass - 9pm*

**12/12** - **Weekly AA Meeting - 12pm**

- *Daily Mass - 6pm*

- *Confession - 7pm-8:30pm*

**12/13** - *Daily Mass - 6pm*

**12/14** - **No Daily Mass Today**

**12/15** - *Confession - 11am until all are heard*

**12/16** - *Sunday Mass - 6pm*

## WINTER RETREAT

Your long awaited retreat has been planned for the weekend of January 4th-5th. Join us for a 2 day retreat filled with time to relax, grow in faith, meet new students, and enjoy what Cran-Hill Ranch has to offer. This will be free of charge, but there are only 5 spots remaining. First come first served. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Cory Noeker. He can be reached at (989) 317-4680 or at [cnoeker@stmarycmu.org](mailto:cnoeker@stmarycmu.org)

## CLOTHING DRIVE

The clothing drive hosted by Servitio Semper and Central Catholic ends tomorrow. Bring any clothing items to Caleb Brereton at the parish office by the end of the day. If he is not there, the items can be left outside his door. All items will be donated to Clothing, Inc. in Mt. Pleasant.



Sunday December 9th, 2018



**Parish Schedule, Dec. 14 – Jan. 6:**

December 16: 6 pm Mass  
December 23: 6 pm Mass  
Christmas Eve: 8 pm Mass  
Christmas Day: 9 am Mass  
December 30: 6 pm Mass  
January 1: 9 am Mass  
January 6: 6 pm Mass

Note that there is no 10:15 Sunday Mass in this period.

Confessions: Saturdays at 11 am until all are heard.

We won't be having daily Mass during CMU's break. I'll be taking some time away from the parish to visit family.

**Decorating the church for Christmas:** We'll start decorating the church on Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 am if you would like to come and help.

**Helping Distribute the Eucharist:** As you know, sometimes we don't have enough Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Mass. If you've been certified in the Diocese of Saginaw as an Extraordinary Minister, and you're wondering if it's okay to come up and help... it'd be great. Please feel free. When the second semester starts, we're hoping to have this situation resolved and have all those who have volunteered for this ministry receive the formation and training required.

**Illness and Coming to Church:** We're in that time of year when all sorts of bugs and viruses are floating around. Consequently, you may want to exercise caution regarding coming to Mass when you're sick. If you have the flu, or strep throat, or a stomach virus, etc., it's a good idea to stay home instead of coming to church. When people who are sick decide to spend an hour in an enclosed space with 150 other people, illness spreads like you wouldn't believe. Please don't think that God threatens sick people with sin when it comes to Mass attendance.

**Halfway Through Advent Prayer:** "Lord, it's halfway through Advent and I'm not sure where it went. I really did want to make this season calm and reflective: preparing for your coming and marveling at how you entered into the world. But I always feel so busy, and even impatient. As I think about your first coming in Bethlehem: on a pile of straw, mingled with the smell of animals... such a mess, then it hits me.



My life is messy, too.

I get it now. It wasn't just into the mess of the stable, but also into my mess that you enter the world. You came into a lowly place then. And come into my lowliness now."

*Fr. Poth*