

# St. Mary University Parish

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**Summer Open Hours:** Sunday - Saturday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

**Summer Office Hours:** Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Summer Mass Schedule:** Sunday - 6:00 pm

**Summer Reconciliation:** Saturday 11:00 am until all are heard  
Sunday 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

**PASTOR**.....Fr. Patrick M. Jankowiak, [frpmj@stmarycmu.org](mailto:frpmj@stmarycmu.org)  
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**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.

**MAY 26TH, 2019 • SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

May 5th, 2019:

Total..... \$760.00

May 12th, 2019:

Total..... \$428.00

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

*Thank you for your stewardship!*

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If you do not behave as you believe, you will end by believing as you behave."

- Ven. Archbishop Fulton Sheen

## 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)

## DAILY READINGS

**MON (05/27)**

Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4A

**TUE (05/28)**

Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11

**WED (05/29)**

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15

**THUR (05/30)**

Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20

**FRI (05/31)**

Zephaniah 3:14-18A or

Romans 12:9-16; Luke 1:39-56

**SAT (06/01)**

Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23B-28

**SUNDAY (06/02)**

Acts 1:1-11;

Ephesians 1:17-23 or

Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23;

Luke 24:46-53

## HOW HIRING!



Position: Maintenance Specialist

Status: Part-time, Hourly, Non-Exempt

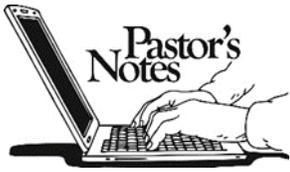
Reports To: Pastor

The parish's Maintenance Specialist position has recently opened up, and we are looking to hire a new person for the position. The job is part-time, hourly, and will involve providing general maintenance and repair work for the buildings and grounds of the parish. We already have a lawn care business contracted to handle mowing the grass, so the job wouldn't involve a lot of mowing. Copies of the complete job description are available in both vestibules. If you are interested, please take a copy home, and if you'd like to apply you can either email a resume to Fr. Patrick at [FrPMJ@stmarycmu.org](mailto:FrPMJ@stmarycmu.org) or drop it off at the parish office.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Have you ever heard someone say that St. Christopher, the patron saint of travelers, is no longer recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church? This myth began after the Second Vatican Council when the Church removed St. Christopher's feast day from the worldwide liturgical calendar. The reason for this was not because St. Christopher is not a real saint, but because the Council wanted to revise the calendar to focus on saints that are known by the faithful throughout the world. However, individuals, as well as communities and countries, are still encouraged to honor the saints who are not listed on the universal calendar. In fact, with an estimated 10,000 Catholic saints, only a very small number of them are able to be celebrated on the worldwide calendar.





### Official Commitment to

**Ministry:** On May 15<sup>th</sup>, at St. Brigid of Kildare Parish in Midland, 18 men and women from all over the Diocese of Saginaw were part of a “Commitment Ceremony.” They publicly committed themselves to move forward on the path to become Commissioned Lay Ministers. One of them was Cory Noeker of our parish. Cory currently works for the parish as the Director of Student Outreach, but not everyone knows that he is also halfway through the 4-year-long lay ministry formation program. He goes to Saginaw and takes classes in Scripture, Sacraments, Church history, morality, etc. Lay Ministers are “commissioned” by the Bishop at the end of the program and become official ministers of the Church. At the Commitment Ceremony, each of the 18 candidates was formally introduced and then asked to state publicly what they’re asking for from God and the Church as they continue on the way to be Commissioned Lay Ministers. I introduced Cory and he has my full support in this special endeavor. (In this picture, Cory is in the upper left corner.)



**It’s Not Health Care:** As our country more deeply debates the practice of abortion, we need to make clear that Catholic morality does not consider the term “health care” to be in any way appropriate to refer to the intentional killing of innocent human life. To speak intelligently about this issue, people are going to have to call it something else besides “health care” if they want to be taken seriously in the field of ethics and morality. Health care is about healing, well-being, treatment for illness and diseases, and alleviating pain; abortion is about intentionally destroying innocent human life. To employ the term health care as a euphemism for abortion in order to soften its ghastly truth is a sick form of deception.



In the United States there are only two sources for nationwide abortion statistics: the Guttmacher Institute and the Centers for Disease Control. The Guttmacher Institute’s numbers on abortion are published every three years and come from direct surveys from known (and suspected) abortion providers. The CDC’s numbers are derived from actual counts of every abortion reported to state health departments. These two agencies have determined that from 1973 to 2018 there have been roughly 59 million abortions in our country. (Of those, 99% were done simply for birth control and 1% for cases of rape.) If a memorial wall were built to hold all the names of American children lost to abortion, the wall would be 43 *miles* long.

I recently saw a Facebook post from a friend of mine who is Catholic. His post was: “*Just because I am pro-choice does not mean I am in favor of abortion. It means I understand that your choice is none of my business, and I will always fight for your right to choose.*” Now let’s insert into that sentence the real truth of abortion to see how bizarre his position becomes: “*Just because I am pro-choice does not mean I am in favor of deliberately killing innocent human life. It means I understand that your choice to kill innocent human life on purpose is none of my business, and I will always fight for your right to choose to intentionally kill innocent children.*” Ethically, such a statement is depraved.

*Fa. Peth*