

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 - 10:15 am & 6:00 pm

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

PARISH LIFE DIRECTOR..... Cory Noeker, cnoeker@stmarycmu.org
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OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR..... Caleb Brereton, cbrereton@stmarycmu.org
MUSIC DIRECTOR..... Megan Conner, mconner@stmarycmu.org
PARISH BOOKKEEPER..... Anne Swift

Matrimony: Please contact the Parish Office before setting a wedding date.
Infant & Child Baptism: Preparation is required, please contact the Parish Office.
Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office for anointing.
Interested in Becoming Catholic? Contact Cory Noeker for more information.

AUGUST 18TH, 2019 • TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

August 11th, 2019.....\$414.50

YTD Budget.....\$4615.38

YTD Actual.....\$4785.12

Overage/(Shortfall).....\$169.74

Thank you for your stewardship!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about.”

- St. Francis de Sales

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

DAILY READINGS

MON (08/19)

Judges 2:11-19;

Matthew 19:16-22

TUE (08/20)

Judges 6:11-24A;

Matthew 19:23-30

WED (08/21)

Judges 9:6-15;

Matthew 20:1-16

THUR (08/22)

Judges 11:29-39A;

Matthew 22:1-14

FRI (08/23)

Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14B-16, 22;

Matthew 22:34-40

SAT (08/24)

Revelation 21:9B-14;

John 1:45-51

SUNDAY (08/25)

Isaiah 66:18-21;

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13;

Luke 13:22-30

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

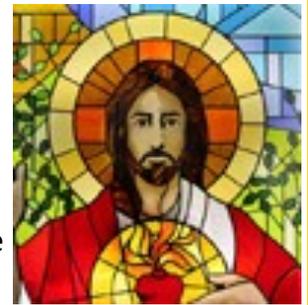
We are in need of volunteers to help count the Sunday Collection during the fall semester. Collection counters work in pairs and meet for about thirty minutes per week. If you are interested in helping, or if you have any questions, please contact Caleb Brereton by email at cbrereton@stmarycmu.org or give him a call at (989) 317-4674.



OPPORTUNITIES AT SACRED HEART ACADEMY

Sacred Heart Academy in Mt. Pleasant is seeking a temporary full-time janitor. The position is available immediately, pays a competitive wage, and has the potential to become a permanent position.

They are also in need of a food service worker in their school cafeteria. Duties may include food preparation, serving, and clean up in this part-time position.



For more information or to apply, please contact Cindy Kaliszewski in their parish office at (989) 772-1385 or ckaliszewski@sha.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mainstage

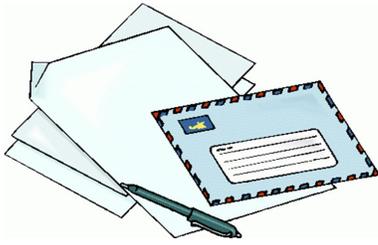
This is an event that is held for incoming and returning students to get introduced to all that Mount Pleasant and CMU has to offer. This year, it will take place on August 22nd in Finch Fieldhouse. St. Mary will have a table and will be giving out Rosaries and other Catholic items. Come by and say hello and learn more about what we are planning for the Fall and Spring semester.



Welcome Back Pizza Party

Our annual Welcome Back Pizza Party is scheduled for August 26th, from 5pm to 7pm. We'd like to thank everyone who contacted us with suggestions for caterers who could supply the pizzas for the party. You made our jobs so much easier and we can't thank you enough! Please make sure to come to the pizza party and bring your family & friends.





Clarifications and Leadership Safari:

I was asked, after last week's bulletin was published, to clarify the difference between the **Sacristy** and the **Sanctuary**. The sacristy is a room in a church where a priest prepares for a service, and where vestments and other things used in worship are kept. For St. Mary this is the room directly behind the tabernacle wall. For convenience purposes, the sacristy is usually attached to the sanctuary.

The sanctuary is defined as the inmost recess or holiest part of a temple or church, or the part of a church containing the high altar. At St. Mary our sanctuary begins where the marble starts. Many times, in years past, the sanctuary was outlined by the communion rail. Although I was born after many of the railings were removed, I was once told that the communion rail was a symbolic extension of the altar. The faithful received the Body of Christ from that extension. The point of distinction is not intended to make people upset about the separation, but rather to understand the symbolism and allow us to approach the King in a proper manner. We approach, but do not enter, the sanctuary as a community to partake in the Banquet Feast of the Bridegroom. We live in a symbolic world, and we should remember that God chose this way of communicating with us. "Therefore, the holy council teaches that this sacrifice is truly propitiatory, so that, if we draw near to God with an upright heart and true faith, **with fear and reverence**, with sorrow and repentance, through it we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." [Heb 4:16] (DS 1743, Council of Trent, Session 22, Ch. 2)



Another clarification may help answer some questions that will arise from our new procedures for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Although it is a holy practice to keep the sanctuary (bridal chamber of the Bridegroom) reserved for the Ordinary Ministers (Bishops, Priests and Deacons), we are now having our Extraordinary Ministers enter the sanctuary to assist Fr. McNamara in transferring the Precious Blood. This eliminates the trips up and down the steps for Father. After all, he did just have his 61st birthday (at least that is what he tells us... So wish him a happy birthday!), so we do want to look out for the health of our priest. We are also waiting till the priest receives Communion to approach the sanctuary in accordance with the General Instruction of the Roman Missal: "These ministers should not approach the altar before the priest has received Communion, and they are always to receive from the hands of the priest celebrant the vessel containing either species of the Most Holy Eucharist for distribution to the faithful." (GIRM #162).

I want to send out a big thank you for the help we received in locating a pizza baker for our Welcome Back Pizza Party. We will be having the event catered by John Reynolds' catering service and my good friend Nate Hop will DJ the event. My hope is to have many families and students attending this year.



Last but not least, I want to welcome all the returning and incoming freshmen for the Leadership Safari retreat. I mentioned to a few students last year that we need leaders to help boost our numbers for our parish activities. This means inviting our friends and family to attend. I want to ask all of those who are participating in the Leadership Safari to help us in doing just that. Many people just need an extra reminder, a friend, or an invite to let them know that they are not only welcome but needed in our parish community.



Cory Mosker