

# St. Mary University Parish

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**Office Hours:** Mon - Fri 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Mass Schedule:** Sunday 10:15 am & 6:00 pm  
Tuesday 9:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 6:00 p.m.  
1st Thursday of the Month 6:00 p.m.

**Confession:** Sunday 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm  
Weekdays 45 minutes before Mass

**Open Hours:** Sunday 9:00 am - Midnight  
Mon-Thur 8:00 am - Midnight  
Friday 8:00 am - 10:30 pm  
Saturday 9:00 am - 10:30 pm

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**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.

**SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2019 • TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

September 15th, 2019.....\$964.78

YTD Budget.....\$8461.54

YTD Actual.....\$8439.20

**Overage/(Shortfall).....(\$22.34)**

*Thank you for your stewardship!*

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Charity is the sweet and holy bond which links the soul with its Creator: it binds God with man and man with God.”

- St. Catherine of Sienna

## 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 (09/23)

Ezra 1:1-6;

Luke 8:16-18

### TUE (09/24)

Ezra 6:7-8, 12B, 14-20;

Luke 8:19-21

### WED (09/25)

Ezra 9:5-9;

Luke 9:1-6

### THUR (09/26)

Haggai 1:1-8;

Luke 9:7-9

### FRI (09/27)

Haggai 2:1-9;

Luke 9:18-22

### SAT (09/28)

Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15A;

Luke 9:43B-45

### SUNDAY (09/29)

Amos 6:1A, 4-7;

1 Timothy 6:11-16;

Luke 16:19-31

## MASS FIELD TRIPS!

Do you want to go to Daily Mass but can't make it to one of our evening Masses? Then join us for a weekly Mass Field Trip! Meet at St. Mary at 7:45am on Thursday morning to join your fellow students who will be attending Daily Mass at Sacred Heart Parish in Mt. Pleasant. Text Bridget Parker at (616) 765-2170 if you have any questions or to coordinate rides.



## KOINONIA RETREAT

The Koinonia Retreat at St. Mary University Parish will be held on Oct. 25th through Oct. 27th. The term “Koinonia” reflects the Church’s history, fellowship, and support for its members. This retreat is focused on living in Christian community based on the Paschal mystery of the Jesus Christ: His Life, Death, and Resurrection. Throughout the weekend, there will be student witnesses, discussions, reflections, prayer, time to get to know other students, as well as Confession and Adoration. Non-Catholics are welcome to attend! The cost for the retreat is \$35; no one is ever turned away because of inability to pay so please contact Cory Noeker if that is the case! Paper applications are in the parish lounge, or you can [click here](#) to sign up if viewing online. Please pray about attending, and say yes to God’s call! Hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact Bridget Parker or Jessica Schafer at [cmkteam@gmail.com](mailto:cmkteam@gmail.com).



## THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

- MON (09/23)** - Parish Library Reserved - 6pm-7pm  
- **Central Catholic RSO Meeting - Parish Library - 9pm-10pm**
- TUE (09/24)** - Parish Library Reserved - 5:30pm-6:30pm  
- **Praise and Worship in the Church - 8pm-8:45pm**  
- *Confession - 8:15pm-8:45pm*  
- *Daily Mass - 9pm*
- WED (09/25)** - **Weekly AA Meeting - Conference Room - 12pm-1pm**  
- **Apologetics - Parish Library - 4pm-5:30pm**  
- *Confession - 5:15pm-5:45pm*  
- *Daily Mass - 6pm*  
- Parish Library Reserved - 7pm-8pm  
- Parish Library Reserved - 9pm-10:30pm
- THU (09/26)** - Parish Library Reserved - 7pm-8pm
- FRI (09/27)** - **Student Sports - 1pm-3pm**
- SAT (09/28)** - No Activities Scheduled
- SUN (09/29)** - *Sunday Mass - 10:15am*  
- *Confession - 4:30pm-5:30pm*  
- *Sunday Mass - 6pm*  
- **Sunday Supper - Lounge - 7pm-8:30pm**



**RECTORY UPDATE & SPRING PLANS:**

I am happy to say we are moving forward with renting out the rectory! Our current plan is to rent the building to Catholic Family

Service, an organization that provides a wide variety of professional counseling and guardianship services to those in need. They are also working on re-establishing their adoption program. Sr. Mary Rebecca Koterba has big plans for CFS, and I truly believe that it will be a perfect fit for us and for them. We are looking forward to finalizing the partnership and to helping the students and community here in Mt. Pleasant! Not only will this help us out financially, but I know that their presence will provide spiritual benefits to those in the area as well. This is one step of many in our Five-Year Plan, and I am looking forward to working with all of you towards the rest of our goals! Once we complete the finishing touches, I will be able to share the full Five-Year Plan with all of you.



The staff and I have begun planning an event for next Spring that will bring our **alumni** and **students** together! We are tentatively planning for a weekend in April in hopes that we can have warmer weather and the ability to celebrate outside. This will be a time to connect the current students with alumni while enjoying good food, celebrating Mass, and sharing stories from the past and plans for the future.



In the Church, we have a beautiful process for anyone who wants to become Catholic. It's called the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA for short). If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or if you just want to learn more about the Church and her teachings, please let any of the staff members know.



We will be drawing our student book winner in about a week. One lucky student, who has filled out **a Student Affiliation Form THIS YEAR**, will be drawn for a donation from St. Mary for one textbook (up to \$300). Be sure to keep up to date on our weekly MailChimp emails as well. If you are not a student, we also have Community Affiliation Forms in the vestibule and in the lounge for anyone who would like to register with the parish. Please fill these out so we can keep everyone in the loop.

**HELP NEEDED!** We are looking at adding a few things to our 5-year plan. One of the projects planned is exploring the idea of adding some more parking. We have plenty of space around our property and would love to hear your input on possible contractors for the job. If you know of anyone who may be of help, please contact any of the staff members. In order to move forward on many of these plans, we need to have an established **Finance Council**. We are looking for anyone with a background in **Accounting and Finance** as well as any who are in **Math and Business**. We only need one more student member! Our first meeting will be on **October 7<sup>th</sup>**.

*Cory Mosker*