

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

DIRECTOR OF PARISH LIFE.....Cory Noeker, cnoeker@stmarycmu.org
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MUSIC DIRECTOR.....Megan Conner, mconner@stmarycmu.org
PARISH BOOKKEEPER.....Anne Swift, aswift@stmarycmu.org

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 29TH, 2019 • TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

September 22nd, 2019.....\$644.00

YTD Budget.....\$9230.77

YTD Actual.....\$9083.20

Overage/(Shortfall).....(\$147.57)

Thank you for your stewardship!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Virtue is nothing without the trial of temptation, for there is no conflict without an enemy, no victory without strife.”

- Pope St. Leo the Great

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 (09/30)

Zechariah 8:1-8;

Luke 9:46-50

TUE (10/01)

Zechariah 8:20-23;

Luke 9:51-56

WED (10/02)

Nehemiah 2:1-8;

Matthew 18:1-5, 10

THUR (10/03)

Nehemiah 8:1-4A, 5-6, 7B-12;

Luke 10:1-12

FRI (10/04)

Baruch 1:15-22;

Luke 10:13-16

SAT (10/05)

Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29;

Luke 10:17-24

SUNDAY (10/06)

Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4;

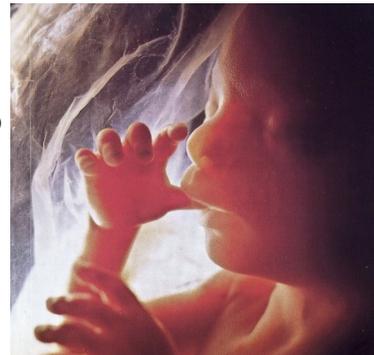
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14;

Luke 17:5-10

CATHOLIC TEACHING ON ABORTION

From paragraph 2322 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

“From its conception, the child has the right to life. Direct abortion, that is, abortion willed as an end or as a means, is a ‘criminal’ practice (GS 27 § 3), gravely contrary to the moral law. The Church imposes the canonical penalty of excommunication for this crime against human life.”



In addition to ending an innocent human life, abortion is also often a traumatic experience for the mother, father, and others involved. For those looking for healing from this experience, Rachel's Vineyard provides a weekend retreat designed to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God's love. The retreat is designed for both women and men and more information can be found by contacting the Diocese of Saginaw at projectrachel@dioceseofsaginaw.org or at (989) 797-6652. You can also visit rachelsvineyard.org. All inquiries will be answered confidentially.

PARISH CLOSED FOR RETREAT

The parish will be closed from 3pm on Friday (10/04/19) to 12pm on Saturday (10/05/19) for the Koinonia Team Retreat. Please keep the student leaders in your prayers as they prepare to lead the Koinonia Student Retreat on the weekend of October 25th-27th. If you have any questions, or would like to sign up, please contact Bridget Parker or Jessica Schafer at cmkteam@gmail.com.



THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

MON (09/30)

- Parish Library Reserved - 6pm-7pm

TUE (10/01)

- 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 (10/02)

- **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

THU (10/03)

- *Confession - 5:15pm-5:45pm*

- *Daily Mass - 6pm*

- **Corpus Christi Talk & Social: Difficult Topics with Love - 7pm-9pm**

FRI (10/04)

- No Student Sports this Week

- **Parish Closed for Koinonia Team Retreat - 3pm**

SAT (10/05)

- **Parish Opens after Koinonia Team Retreat - 12pm**

SUN (10/06)

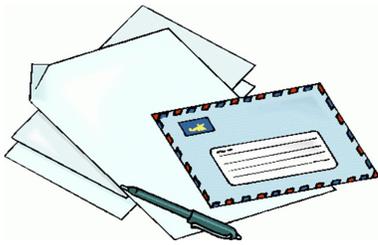
- *Sunday Mass - 10:15am*

- *Confession - 4:30pm-5:30pm*

- *Sunday Mass - 6pm*

- **Sunday Supper - Lounge - 7pm-8:30pm**

September 29th, 2019



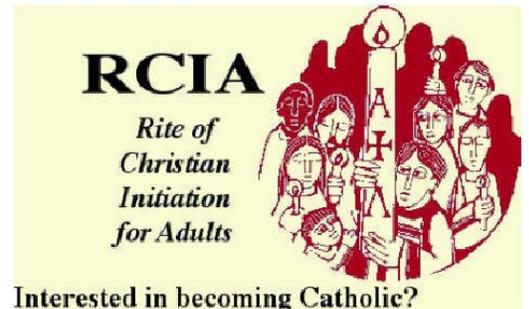
Respect Life Sunday & Upcoming Five-Year Plan:

Respect Life Sunday is October 6th and the Diocese is encouraging all parishes to collect signatures for the Dismemberment Abortion Ban in Michigan. Respect Life Sunday reminds us that we believe in the respect and dignity of all life, especially for the unborn. Nearly all of the parishes within the Diocese of Saginaw are actively participating and it is estimated that the 400,000 required signatures will be received by early November. We, as a parish, are planning on hosting this petition drive on two consecutive Sundays - Oct. 6th and Oct. 13th. We need volunteers to help collect signatures after each of the Sunday Masses. If you are interested in helping us in this capacity, please contact myself or Caleb Brereton. We need a little bit of time to walk you through the procedure for obtaining signatures, so please let us know as soon as you can.



We have included the petition statement in the bulletin for your education. Please do your research to know what you are supporting. It is very important to trust those in authority, but it is also important to verify what they say is true! There are two abortion ban petition drives that have recently been approved in the State of Michigan. It is vital that we know and understand the differences between the two initiatives as we begin this petition drive. Additional information may be found on the MCC website, micatholic.org. The petition drive that has the full support of MCC and the Diocese of Saginaw is the Dismemberment Abortion Ban sponsored by Right to Life of Michigan (RTL).

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.



Next week we will be sharing with the entire parish and extended community outside of Mount Pleasant our Five-Year Plan. Please be sure to pick one up in the vestibule throughout the week to see the plans we have laid out for the parish.

We will be drawing our student book winner this week. If you have not filled out a form this year, you have one more chance. One lucky student, who has filled out **an 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! 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 7th**.

Cory Mosker