

# 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 6:30 pm  
Wednesday 6:00 pm  
1st Thursday of the Month 6:00 pm

**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.

**FEBRUARY 2ND, 2020 • FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

January 26th, 2020.....\$633.32

YTD Budget.....\$23,076.91

YTD Actual.....\$24,310.02

**Overage/(Shortfall).....\$1,233.11**

*Thank you for your stewardship!*  
**Visit [stmarycmu.org](http://stmarycmu.org) to give online.**

## 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](mailto:cbrereton@stmarycmu.org)

## DAILY READINGS

### MON (02/03)

2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13;  
 Mark 5:1-20

### TUE (02/04)

2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14B,  
 24-25A, 30-19:3;  
 Mark 5:21-43

### WED (02/05)

2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17;  
 Mark 6:1-6

### THUR (02/06)

1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12;  
 Mark 6:7-13

### FRI (02/07)

Sirach 47:2-11;  
 Mark 6:14-29

### SAT (02/08)

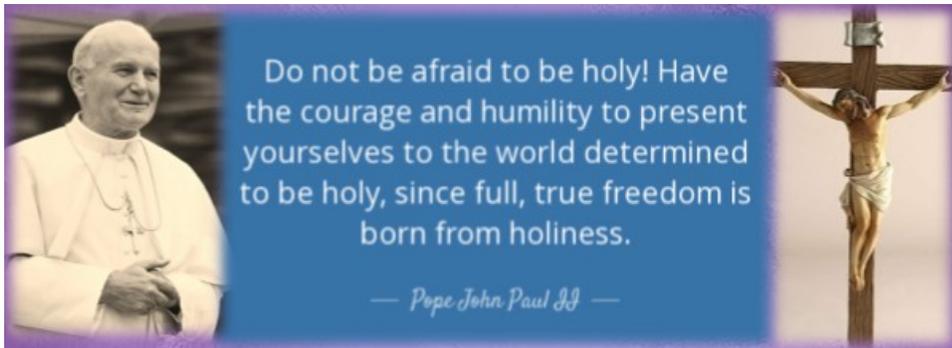
1 Kings 3:4-13;  
 Mark 6:30-34

### SUNDAY (02/09)

Isaiah 58:7-10;  
 1 Corinthians 2:1-5;  
 Matthew 5:13-16

## SISTERS OF MERCY RETREAT

The Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma is offering a Women's Lenten Retreat for all women between the ages of 18 and 35. The retreat will be held on Friday, February 28th to Sunday, March 1st and will be a weekend of catechesis on and in preparation for the Lenten season. Retreat accommodations and meals are included in the \$15 registration fee.



## CORPUS CHRISTI TALK & SOCIAL

Our first Corpus Christi Talk & Social of the semester will be next Thursday, 02/06/2020. David Marchinda, from the Diocese of Grand Rapids, will be presenting on the importance of embracing simplicity and silence to strengthen our relationships with God and each other.



## THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

### MON (02/03)

- Servitio Semper Women's Bible Study - Parish Library - 6pm-7pm
- Parish Library Reserved - 7pm-8pm
- Parish Library Reserved - 8pm-9pm
- **Game Night - Parish Lounge - 9pm-10pm**

### TUE (02/04)

- *Confession - 5:45pm-6:15pm*
- *Daily Mass - 6:30pm*
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 7pm-8pm**
- **Praise & Worship in the Church - 8pm-8:45pm**

### WED (02/05)

- **Weekly AA Meeting - Conference Room - 12pm-1pm**
- *Confession - 5:15pm-5:45pm*
- *Daily Mass - 6pm*
- Parish Library Reserved - 9pm-10pm

### THU (02/06)

- *Confession - 5:15pm-5:45pm*
- *Daily Mass - 6pm*
- **Corpus Christi Talk & Social: Simplicity & Silence - 7pm-8:30pm**

### FRI (02/07)

- **Student Sports - 1pm-3pm**

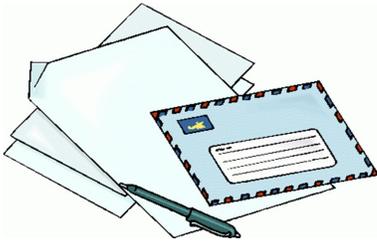
### SAT (02/08)

- No Activities Scheduled

### SUN (02/09)

- *Sunday Mass - 10:15am*
- *Confession - 4:30pm-5:30pm*
- *Sunday Mass - 6pm*
- **Sunday Supper - Parish Lounge - 7pm-8:30pm**

February 2nd, 2020



**Dear Students, Parishioners, & Friends of St. Mary University Parish:**

A one-day student retreat is being planned for Saturday, March 21st here at St. Mary University Parish. Mass will be celebrated in the morning, followed by speakers and presentations from students and friends of our student body. Meals will be supplied during the day. In the evening, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession will be available, and more presenters. This all take place the week after the end of Spring Break. We hope that many will mark this on their calendar as a wonderful way to grow in the Faith. I encourage you to give it some thought.

This past weekend, three new freshmen here at CMU introduced themselves to me. They attended school at community colleges and then transferred here for the second semester. Another new student from Ghana introduced himself and told me that he will be completing his college education in another two years. I am told that many new students have enrolled for this semester. We welcome all of you to CMU and to St. Mary University Parish and are happy that you have joined our community.

Our Parish Council meeting is planned for tomorrow evening at 8 p.m. We appreciate the fact that so many students and community members who already have demanding schedules, have taken time to serve the church in this way. Thanks to all who are discerning helping their parish in so many ways.

Lent is less than a month away! Ash Wednesday is February 26th. Here at St. Mary we will have two Masses on that day with the distribution of ashes, one at 11 a.m. and one at 6 p.m. As you leave the Masses on Ash Wednesday, a Lenten button will be given to you to wear during that holy season. It is a reminder to you and to all who see it on your clothing and bags that a very holy season of faith has begun.

Every few years, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is celebrated on a Sunday. That is the case today, February 2nd, 2020. The readings for the 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time are set aside in honor of this feast. 40 days after the birth of Christ, Joseph and Mary presented their Son in the Temple. In doing so, they were dedicating their Son to God. Two others were there that day: a man named Simeon and a woman named Anna. Simeon prophesized that Jesus would be a stumbling block for some who would find His teachings too much for them and that He would be a stepping stone for others who would do their best to live the life He demanded. For them, it would lead to Salvation. A good question for us to ask ourselves this weekend is, "How do you and I present Him to others by how we live our lives each day?"

May all of us walk with the Lord this week.

— Fr. Tom McNamara

**Sacramental Minister**

