

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 9:30 am - 10:00 am & 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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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 23RD, 2020 • SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

February 16th, 2020.....\$813.00

YTD Budget.....\$25,384.60

YTD Actual.....\$26,141.73

Overage/(Shortfall).....\$757.13

Thank you for your stewardship!

Visit stmarycmu.org to give online.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"It is not hard to obey, when we love the One Whom we obey."

- St. Ignatius Loyola

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 (02/24)

James 3:13-18;

Mark 9:14-29

TUE (02/25)

James 4:1-10;

Mark 9:30-37

WED (02/26)

Joel 2:12-18;

2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2;

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

THUR (02/27)

Deuteronomy 30:15-20;

Luke 9:22-25

FRI (02/28)

Isaiah 58:1-9A;

Matthew 9:14-15

SAT (02/29)

Isaiah 58:9B-14;

Luke 5:27-32

SUNDAY (02/30)

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7;

Romans 5:12-19 or

Romans 5:12, 17-19;

Matthew 4:1-11

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday (02/26/2020) will begin the Lenten Season as we prepare ourselves for Christ's death and resurrection. We will have two Masses at St. Mary on Ash Wednesday: One at 11:00 am and the other at 6:00 pm. The season of Lent is a time for us to reflect on our need for Christ's mercy and love and to grow closer to Him through acts of service, making personal sacrifices, and by spending time with Him in prayer.



FIAT STUDENT RETREAT

"Fiat" means "let it be done" in Latin, and it is the answer Mary gave when asked to bear the Son of God. This retreat is about giving your own "fiat" to the Lord, and saying YES to Him in every way He asks of you, particularly within the university and young adult setting. The retreat consists of talks, discussions, reflections, prayer, community-building, and celebrations of the Sacraments of Confession and the Eucharist. If you are interested in signing up, or if you have questions, please contact Bridget Bevins at bevin1bk@cmich.edu.



THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

MON (02/24)

- Parish Library Reserved - 6pm-7pm

- Parish Library Reserved - 8pm-9pm

- **Central Catholic Meeting - Parish Library - 9pm-10pm**

TUE (02/25)

- *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 (02/26)

- *Ash Wednesday Mass - 11am*

- **Weekly AA Meeting - Conference Room - 12pm-1pm**

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

- *Ash Wednesday Mass - 6pm*

- Parish Library Reserved - 9pm-10pm

THU (02/27)

- No Activities Scheduled

FRI (02/28)

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

SAT (02/29)

- No Activities Scheduled

SUN (02/30)

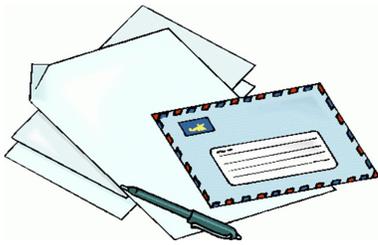
- *Sunday Mass - 10:15am*

- **Coffee & Donuts - Parish Lounge - 11:15am-11:45am**

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

- *Sunday Mass - 6pm*

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



Spring Break Update, Lounge, Kitchen, and Library Updates:

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel our trip down south to the Appalachian region of Kentucky that we were planning for spring break. Our deadline came up this past Wednesday and we were unable to have enough students registered to make the trip. In addition to that, we have also had a few scheduling conflicts arise that have impacted our ability to travel for the entire spring break trip that CAP had planned for us. I told the coordinator that we are planning on taking a group next year, so if anyone is interested in learning more about this particular trip, please contact myself or Caleb. Signing up for the 2021 Spring Break trip will begin in the fall.

ALTERNATIVE Spring Break

In the meantime, the staff and I are working on making alternative plans for this year's Spring Break. One of our options includes taking students on a trip throughout Michigan to visit some seminaries and convents. If you have never been to one of these locations, it would be a great opportunity to experience the history, and rich culture that surrounds religious life. If possible, we will plan to stay over at least one night. We will then wake up and follow their schedule for the day: Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer, Daytime Prayer etc), Mass, Breakfast, Lunch, and any other plans that they have. If you are interested in learning more about our Catholic faith, this would be one of the best ways to do so.

As many of you already know through announcements and our Five-Year Plan, we are updating our lounge, library, and kitchen. We have received many generous donations to help us begin our remodeling. The furniture for our lounge and library should be arriving over the next few weeks with the remainder showing up in about a month. In addition to our furniture being updated, we just had a few very kind community members check out our kitchen to see what it is we can do to update our kitchen. We are planning on getting new ovens, a new range top, new countertops, a new fridge, and new flooring! We are excited and very thankful for the response to the Alumni and Parent Newsletter so far, and we hope it continues. We won't be able to complete our goals without all of your help, and we appreciate all that the parish has done for St. Mary over this past school year.



We are establishing a monthly Adult Formation session in cooperation with neighboring parishes and the first class to take place at St. Mary is currently being scheduled. We are waiting to hear back from the diocese on when they can send their speakers over to our parish. I plan on having the first session be on Discipleship, Evangelization, and Mary, Mother of the Church. Participants will engage with art, Scripture, Church teaching, and popular devotions as we consider how Our Lady continues to be the model of discipleship and evangelization. I would like to encourage all of you, both students and community members, to consider taking part in these classes. It is never too late to learn about our Catholic Faith, and this will provide a safe, community-oriented environment to dialogue and explore the depths and mysteries of our tradition.



Cory Mosker