

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30am
Wednesday: 10:30am

Weekend Mass:

Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY—THURSDAY, 8:30AM—4:00PM

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parish registration of six months is required. Preparation session required. Contact the parish office for details.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the parish office a minimum of six months prior to the preferred wedding date. Marriage preparation sessions are required.

PARISHIONER MEMBERSHIP

New members are always welcome to our Parish. Parishioner status is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and full participation in the parish stewardship program. All family members 18 years and older should be individually registered with the parish. Parish membership and participation is required of those desiring the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Matrimony.



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FR. GEORGE DARLING, PASTOR

Liturgies  For The Week

Sat, July 8 4:30 pm	VIGIL: 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Richard Prince; Steve Amato
Sun, July 9 9:00 am 11:00 am	14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Parish Family Theresa Keegan; Noreen Umlor
Mon, July 10	WEEKDAY **No Mass**
Tues, July 11 8:30 am	ST. BENEDICT, ABBOT Helen Banka
Wed, July 12 8:30 am	WEEKDAY Steve Amato
Thurs, July 13 8:30 am	WEEKDAY Harold Parkins
Fri, July 14 8:30 am	ST. KATERI TEKAKWITH, VIRGIN Tony Hehl Jr.
Sat, July 15 4:30 pm	VIGIL: 15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Joe & Josephine Kozarski; Leo Antor
Sun, July 16 9:00 am 11:00 am	15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Eleanor Anteckci Parish Family

SACRED SCRIPTURE

Readings for the Week of July 9, 2017

Sunday	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30
Monday	Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15; Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday	St. Benedict, Abbott Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1-3, 6-08, 15; Mr 9:32-38
Wednesday	Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33_2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday	Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:16-23
Friday	St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23
Saturday	St. Bonaventure, Bishop Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

~In Our Thoughts & Prayers~
Homebound Parishioner of the Week

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers our parishioner Pat Wisneski. Cards may be sent to Vista Springs, 3740 Vista Springs Ave NE, 49525. Let Pat know you are a parishioner and that you are thinking of her.

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BY GEORGE....

You may remember that every other year we are assigned a missionary to come and talk with us and to solicit funds as a reminder of our responsibility to promote the faith and to assist those around the world who work in the mission fields. This is our year again to host a missionary and so next weekend we will be joined by Bishop Jaya Rao Polimera, the Bishop of the Diocese of Eluru in India.

Before he was ordained a Bishop, Fr. Jay worked for five years from 1998 to June of 2003 as the Associate Pastor of St. Philip Church in Battle Creek. He then returned to his home Diocese of Warangal in India where he was appointed the rector of the Cathedral Parish. Six years later he was named the Director of Youth Ministry for the Diocese. Then in May of 2013 he was appointed the Bishop of the Diocese of Eluru, and was ordained Bishop on July 25, 2013. This Diocese has been a separate diocese only since 1997, and Bishop Jay is only the second Bishop that the Diocese has had.

The Diocese of Eluru has about 8.8 million people living in it, of which about 320,000 are Catholic. (There are roughly 150,000 Catholics in the Diocese of Grand Rapids and perhaps 8.8 million people in the whole state of Michigan). In the Diocese of Eluru there are about 120 diocesan priests, 80 religious order priests, and nearly 800 religious sisters. There are around 100 parishes plus hundreds of mission stations and schools. The literacy rate of the Diocese of Eluru is listed at 58% which is a little bit higher than the literacy rate in the nation of India as a whole. The average income is reported as 13,000 rupees per year, or about \$300 US dollars. The geographical size of the Diocese is 10,775 sq. kilometers, or 4,159 sq. miles (compared to 6,795 square miles in the Diocese of Grand Rapids). Consider what it would be like to squeeze all of the people in Michigan into Ottawa, Kent, Ionia, Muskegon, Newago, and Montcalm counties. That perhaps would be what it would be like to be living in the Diocese of Eluru.

Coming with Bishop Jay next weekend will be Fr. Chuck Fischer, a retired priest from the Diocese of Kalamazoo, who was Fr. Jay's Pastor at St. Philip's Parish in Battle Creek from July 2001 to June of 2003. Fr. Chuck and I have known of each other for years so don't believe everything he says about me and be sure to wear your blue and maize as he is a die hard Wolverine fan.

STEWARDSHIP - Week ending July 2

<u>Week 1/52</u>	
Adult Envelopes (159 used)	\$10,607.16
Automatic Envelopes (27 used)	1,275.00
Youth	23.51
Loose Stewardship	919.95
Total Stewardship this week	\$12,825.62
YTD	\$12,825.62
Budget YTD	\$14,903.85
Last YTD	\$11,039.64
5% Tithe this week	\$641.28
YTD Tithe	\$641.28

~THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH~

Sun/July 9: 10am & noon **Coffee & donuts**, Church garden
 Mon/July 10: 11:00am **Book Club**, Church MPR
 7:00pm **Knights of Columbus**, Church MPR
 Thurs/July 13: after 8:30am Mass **Coffee & Donuts**, Church MPR
 1:00pm **Prayer Blanket Ministry**, Church MPR

PAPERGATOR

Just a reminder to use our papergator. All money received goes toward the Blessed Sacrament Scholarship Fund. It's located to the right of the garage behind the school building. We raise approximately \$500 a year. Every little bit helps!



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You can make your CSA donation online by visiting our parish website. On the main page there is a link to the Diocese of Grand Rapids website. Go to that link and it will tell you how to make your donation. Don't forget to reference Blessed Sacrament when filling out the form.

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~OUTSIDE THE PARISH~

IMPACT THE NEXT GENERATION

Do you ever feel like you hardly recognize our world anymore? It's important to remember that no matter how times and trends change, we can take hope in knowing spiritual truths and values won't — *they just need to be shared. Here are two questions to ask yourself:*

1. **What values do I want to pass along?** What makes your heart beat? Are there any important experiences or life lessons you've never shared with those you love? You can help build a framework for what *really matters simply by sharing the passions and beliefs you hold most dear.*

2. **How can I best share my values?** Communicating your values doesn't have to feel intimidating. Many Catholics are choosing to create or update their Will so it aligns with their values — taking care of loved ones first and then including a gift to support a charity they care about like your Parish or the Roman Catholic Diocese. This is a creative way to share values *and change lives.*

Trends don't have the final word. You can positively impact the next generation simply by sharing from your heart.

For the full version of this article, request a FREE copy of "Impact the Next Generation in 3 Questions" by contacting Mark Morrow, Executive Director, The Catholic Foundation of West Michigan, at 616 475-1251 or mmorrow@catholicfoundationwm.org - or bless your family today with a Christ-centered will at www.catholicwills.org/diocese.

MONTHLY LUNCHEON AT ST. MARY'S

Thursday, July 27, at noon in the St. Mary Activities Center, 420 2nd St. NW. Only \$8 gets you a great meal (by Billy K Catering) and great company to hang out with. Stay a little bit and play Bingo with us after the meal! Please call in your reservation to tel.616.459.7390 by noon on Monday, July 24.

AQUINAS COLLEGE
 8TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Friday, July 28th at Boulder Creek Golf Club. Registration opens at 8am, shotgun starts at 9am, scramble format. Cost is \$90 per person/\$360 per team. Dinner to follow, with opportunities to win cash and other prizes. Wonderful door prizes for all golfers. Any questions please contact Coach Joe Powers; cell 517-862-4299 or email jrp003@aquinas.edu.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH
 ANNUAL FESTIVAL 2017

On Saturday July 22nd and Sunday July 23rd, you are invited to the St. Joseph the Worker Parish Annual Festival, at Lamar Park. Family and community members are welcome to attend. For a full description of the event, you can visit their facebook page, st.joseph.the.worker.parish-wyoming.mi. You can also contact Mr. Antonio Temaj, tel.: 616-821-6407 or Mr. Ottoniel Orozco, tel.: 616-437-9620 for more information.