

# 20TH 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, Aug 19** 4:30 pm **VIGIL: 20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Jeremy & Harry Waranica  
**Sun, Aug 20** 9:00 am **20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Parish Family  
 11:00 am L/D members Byrne/Banka families  
**Mon, Aug 21** **ST. PIUS X, POPE**  
**\*\*No Mass\*\***  
**Tues, Aug 22** **THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**  
 8:30 am Charlene Ryan  
**Wed, Aug 23** **WEEKDAY**  
 8:30 am Robert Duffy  
**Thurs, Aug 24** **ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE**  
 8:30 am Jack Covey  
**Fri, Aug 25** **WEEKDAY**  
 8:30 am Margaret Adams  
**Sat, Aug 26** 4:30 pm **VIGIL: 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Edward Koren  
**Sun, Aug 27** 9:00 am **21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Leonard Radecki Sr.  
 11:00 am Parish Family

**SACRED SCRIPTURE**

**Readings for the Week of August 20, 2017**  
**Sunday** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-18  
**Monday** **St. Pius X, Pope**  
 Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22  
**Tuesday** **The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30  
**Wednesday** Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-6  
**Thursday** **St. Bartholomew, Apostle**  
 Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51  
**Friday** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40  
**Saturday** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 23:1-2  
**Sunday** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 6:13-20

**PASTORAL TEAM**

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

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers our parishioner Mildred Prince. Cards may be sent to St. Ann's Home, 2161 Leonard St NW, 49504. Let Mildred know you are a parishioner and that you are thinking of her.

**BY GEORGE....**

If anyone is looking for an employment position we have an opening for a secretary for the Religious Education department here at the Parish. The job entails probably 15-20 hours of work each week mostly during the school year. During the summer not much seems to happen presently other than the week of Vacation Bible School. Skills needed would be a knowledge of parishioners and their families, good public relations skills, and a working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Publisher programs on the computer. The individual would work under the direction of Jody DeGraw given that she is the Director of the Religious Education department. If you think you might be interested you could chat with Jody or forward your resume to me here at the Parish Office.

I would like to share with you the following letter that I recently received:

"Dear Father George,

On behalf of Bishop Jay and myself, I want to thank you, some members of your staff, and your parishioners for your warm welcome when we visited four weeks ago for a Mission Appeal on behalf of the Diocese of Eluru. It was wonderful for us to meet so many of the Blessed Sacrament faithful. And thank you for the coffee and snacks between the Sunday morning Masses.

It was a treat that we could meet many of the folks who assist with the weekend liturgies. I am glad we could give people a glimpse of this large Mission Diocese in southeastern India, especially the situation of the Catholic Church there at this time. The daily life of the Church there has so many critical challenges which we don't face in the same way here in the states. Yet the growth of the Church there is encouraging for us to hear about.

On Tuesday afternoon, August 1st, Bishop Jay did make his flight from the Gerald Ford Airport, and he was able to attend, as the chair, his regional meeting in Hyderabad on Thursday afternoon, after which he was driven down to his diocese for a Prayer Day with his priests on Friday. So very abruptly he was back to his very demanding schedule.

Thank you again for your gracious hospitality and your people's response. Sharing the call to spread of the blessing of the Good News, in the Lord's peace,  
 Fr. Chuck Fischer"

**STEWARDSHIP - Week ending August 12 & 13**

<b>Week 7/52</b>	
Adult Envelopes (158 used)	\$9,200.76
Automatic Envelopes (29 used)	1,325.00
Youth	21.70
Loose Stewardship	728.80
<b>Total Stewardship this week</b>	<b>\$11,276.26</b>
<b>YTD</b>	<b>\$97,538.21</b>
<b>Budget YTD</b>	<b>\$104,326.92</b>
<b>Last YTD</b>	<b>\$99,571.33</b>
<b>5% Tithe this week</b>	<b>\$563.81</b>
<b>YTD Tithe</b>	<b>\$5,876.91</b>

## ~THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH~

**Wed/Aug 23:** 7:00pm **Finance Council Meeting**, Rector's conference room  
**Thurs/Aug 24:** after 8:30am **Mass Coffee & Donuts**, Church MPR  
**Sun/Aug 27:** after Masses **Coffee & donuts**, Church garden

### NEWS FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

#### CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Candidates! We meet on Sunday, September 10th in the church basement from 6:30p.m. – 8:00p.m. Be sure to hand in your service project assignments at this time.

Don't forget to call your sponsors and remind them that we meet on September 17th at the 11:00am Mass. We gather for lunch and presenting projects until about 2:00pm.

Our Confirmation Retreat has been rescheduled. The retreat will be Sunday, October 8th from 6pm. -8pm.

We are celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, October 11th at the Cathedral of St. Andrew at 7:00p.m. Candidates and Sponsors are asked to meet in the church at 6:15pm.

#### TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Morning Bible Study begins September 19th in the church basement from 9:15am -10:45am. Fellowship at 9:15am. Bible class at 9:30am. Join us as we study the Gospel of Mark.

#### RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an opportunity for those who are thinking about becoming Catholic to learn about the Catholic Church. Inquirers have an opportunity to study the Church with a team of experienced Catholics, in an informal setting through Scripture, Catechism, tradition and personal stories. If you are interested in learning more about this process or know of someone who may be interested please contact Jody, [jdegrow@bsacrament.net](mailto:jdegrow@bsacrament.net) or call or text 616-340-9041

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

It is time to register for Religious Education classes! Instruction begins Thursday, October 5th at 6:30pm. A packet of information will be mailed to families who attended last year. If you are new to the parish or to our program, please give us a call so we can get the materials to you.

Some of our parish children have special educational needs. If parents make our office aware of those needs, proper placement can be determined which will most benefit the child. In some cases regular religious education teachers simply need to be appraised of reading difficulties, medical problem, or behavioral techniques that are more effective than others.

#### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are looking for a few people to share their faith with our children in the Religious Education program, Children Liturgy of the Word and the RCIA process. All materials and support are provided. Please give me a call or an email if you are interested. If you wish to get involved but not sure of where you fit, please come and talk with me. I know there is a place for you.

For more information about anything mentioned here, please contact Jody DeGraw at [jdegrow@bsacrament.net](mailto:jdegrow@bsacrament.net), text 616-340-9041 or call 616-361-7339 ext. 1253.

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 Turning Point Builders  
 Van Andel & Flikkema Chrysler/Jeep  
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 Weatherhead & Sons  
 West Michigan Band & Instruments  
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#### WELCOME ALL SINGERS!

Our Adult Choir will hold its first rehearsal on Tues., Sept. 5 at 7:30pm in the multi-purpose room of the church. We practice every Tuesday and generally sing at the 11am Mass - September through May.

Join us! Bring a love for singing and enthusiasm! Ability to read music not required. We welcome new singers as we begin the new singing season. Please give it a try. It's a great way to meet new parishioners and at the same time share your time and talent with our Church. High school students may receive community service hours for their involvement.

If you or someone you know would like information about joining the Adult Choir, please contact Katie Jandernoa (616) 460-8835. All are welcome!

