

Catholic Schools

The beginning of wisdom is fear of the Lord,
and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

Proverbs 9:10

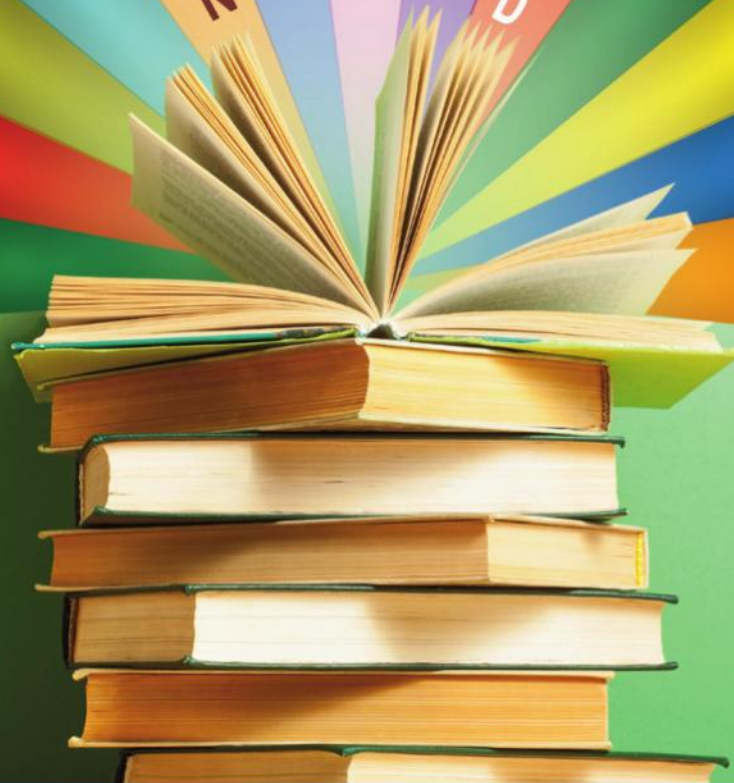


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January 30, 2022



With Mary, we bring people to Christ to live the love of God

mass times & information

SAT 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)
SUN 8:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.
MON 7:30 a.m.
TUE 7:30 a.m.
WED 7:30 a.m.
THU 7:30 a.m.
FRI 8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MON 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
TUE 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
WED 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
THU 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
FRI 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
SAT Closed
SUN Closed
Holidays — Closed

BAPTISMS

Please call the Faith Formation Office (313-884-7407) during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for Baptism classes and schedule the Sacrament. Everyone has a right to their own sacramental certificate. No one has the right to another person's certificate, except: the parent/guardian of a minor child. (Archdiocese of Detroit)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Church strongly encourages people to receive the Sacrament (Anointing) of the Sick at the early stages of serious sickness or before serious surgeries.

In emergency situations needing the prompt attention of a priest, please call the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office during regular office hours. Others, please notify the Parish Office of address changes. **Adults over 21** need to be registered as an individual member to be considered a Catholic in Good Standing.

Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Half and Half from Msgr. Gary Smetanka

else!

Today we celebrate the start of Catholic Schools Week. For many, many years, Catholic schools were in relative abundance, especially in the Archdiocese of Detroit. It seems almost every parish had their own school and there was great competition between them. Now, of course, there are few Catholic schools and still some competition, however the competition might be more for existence than anything else!

So many thousands of people are products of Catholic schools. When you get them talking, they usually focus on the treatment some received from "the nuns" in elementary school. There certainly are some pretty good stories out there! The stories you hear about the treatment from some of the religious brothers or priests in high school were also frightening and comical. Nonetheless, you also had many testimonies about the formation, above and beyond the education, they received in Catholic school. The dedicated and passionate teachers in Catholic schools were always seeking to provide much more than the mere academic aspect of school for they were concerned about all aspects of life in our current world. They were concerned about a respectful social life, a life of service to others, a healthy lifestyle and certainly a solid life not only knowing the faith but especially in the living it out.

Do Catholic schools still have a place in the educational system? Absolutely. They are still generally known and respected for their discipline, some higher standards in education and of course the passing on of the faith and its integration in life. Are they perfect? No. No school or school system is. Are they still important in the formation of future vocations for the Church? Absolutely. Even with the decline of religious sisters, brother and priests teaching in the schools, the Catholic mission and philosophy continues and generates vocations for the Church. There are so many wonderful aspects of Catholic schools, it is no wonder why many, many people who are products of them will say in a heartbeat, "I'd choose them again."

Our school has a long history of excellence in a solid education as well as faith formation. Thanks to all of you who are so supportive of Catholic schools in general and certainly our own parish school. Yes, parish schools are expensive to the parish as well as to the school families, but they are priceless in the formation of the students and the community.

** Thanks again for your faithful stewardship to the parish. Remember your Sunday envelope each and every Sunday. A very easy and helpful way to steady stewardship to the parish is through FaithDirect. (You can get more information by visiting www.faith.direct/MI1044 or text "ENROLL" to 313-887-6612)

** Thursday is the Feast of St. Blaise. Blessing of throats will take place after the homily at the 7:30 am Mass.

Have a great week in the Lord's peace. Continue to pray for one another.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
 I believe that you are present
 in the Most Holy Sacrament.
 I love you above all things
 and I desire to receive you in my soul.
 Since I cannot at this moment
 receive you sacramentally,
 come at least spiritually into my heart.
 I embrace you as if
 you were already there
 and unite myself wholly to you.
 Never permit me to be
 separated from you.
 Amen.

Thursday, February 3rd

SAINT BLAISE

Pray For Us

Blessing of throats will take
 place *after the homily*
 at the **7:30 am Mass.**



Scripture Readings

Readings for the Week of January 30, 2022

Sunday	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 1: 4-5, 17-19/ Ps 71: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17/ 1 Cor 12: 31-13: 13 or 1 Cor 13:4-13/ Lk 4: 21- 30
Monday	Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest 2 Sm 15: 13-14, 30; 16:5-13/ Ps 3:2, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/ Ps 86: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1-4/ Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
Thursday	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/ 1 Chr 29:10, 11 ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/ Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 & 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr 1 Kgs 3:4-13/ Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13,14/ Mk 6:30-34
Sunday	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/ Ps 138: 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8/ 1 Cor 15:1-11/ Lk 5:1-11

2021 Contribution Statements were mailed out last week. If you did not receive one, and made a contribution, please contact the Parish office.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 31

7:30 a.m. +Bettejean Ahee
 Fran Bauer

Tuesday, February 1

7:30 a.m. +Edmund Ahee, Jr.
 +Keith Underwood

Wednesday, February 2

7:30 a.m. +Robert J. Cerwin

Thursday, February 3

7:30 a.m. +Kevin Collins

Friday, February 4

8:30 a.m. +Catherine Smetanka

Saturday, February 5

4:00 p.m. +Estelle Gudenau
 +Joseph Neuwirth
 +Eugene Ignasiak
 OLSOS Parishioners
 +Lynda Bucciero
 +Joseph Drader

Sunday, February 6

8:00 a.m. +Art & Dorothy Spindler
 Increase in Vocations

9:30 a.m. +Marilyn Bourgoin
 +Catherine Jaboro
 +Arthur Molitor
 +Rafael Almaguer

11:30 a.m. +Aaron Blair
 +John Ahee
 +William Collins
 +Virginia Mushenski
 +Eugene Ignasiak



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Stewardship Thoughts

The shared topic in today's Scripture readings is one of prophets and prophecy. From his consecration in the womb, the prophet Jeremiah is summoned to prophecy to the nations. In St. Luke's Gospel, Jesus professes that the messianic prophecy from Isaiah is completed in Him; enraged, His hometown community rejects His message. St. Paul confirms to the Corinthian community (see: long version) that prophecy given as a gift is ineffective unless done with love. Are we, as Christian stewards, listening to Jesus as prophet through His teachings of Truth? Through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, do we have the courage to defend, with love, the Church's stance against abortion, euthanasia, same-sex unions, and other moral challenges presented by today's secular culture? Reference the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* for insight into Catholic teaching.



Thursday Morning Men's Fellowship

**Start your day with the Word of God
and the fellowship of other Catholic men**

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- The AMen

Seaside Resort



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For decades, businesses of our community have graciously supported Our Lady Star of the Sea and many other organizations. We are grateful for their generosity and recognize the impact it has made. In the spirit of unity, in 2021, the "commUNITY outreach" campaign was created to support our local businesses during difficult times. This initiative was so popular that it is returning this year! In partnership with Henry Ford Health System, we invite you to join us in support of the businesses of our community by purchasing a resort themed, UNITY Gift Bag.

The specially curated items were purchased from each store and used to assemble 100 UNITY gift bags which are available for purchase as part of this year's Seaside Resort Auction. The contents of each bag are a surprise for the recipient to discover! We promise there is something for everyone and you will be excited to unpack the items with a value exceeding \$200! UNITY bags are available for purchase by anyone who wishes to support local business and Our Lady Star of the Sea! Pre-ordered bags will be delivered during the week of February 28th.

Thank You "Seaside Resort Patrons!"

The list below reflects contributions received by January 22nd. Patron donations are gratefully accepted through March 5, 2022. Those received before February 5th will be recognized in the printed event program.

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FORMING OUR FAITH

"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life." — 1 John 1:1

Adult Faith Formation



Explore with Discovering Catholicism

Come join us on Thursday nights with *Explore with Discovering Catholicism*, as we unpack the Church that Jesus founded. *The Good News and the "Kerygma."*

The next session is on Thursday, February 3rd beginning at 7PM. We will watch a video on the topic, "What are the Sacraments?" Come and find out more about these incredible gifts of Christ to His Church. The video will be followed by discussion and group participation.

If you've ever struggled to answer a pointed question about the Catholic Church from a friend or family member, or your own questions, this is the place to ask.

If you have any questions, contact Judy Zedan, jl.zedan@gmail.com.

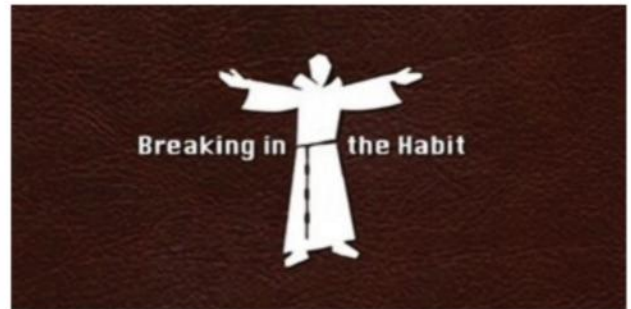
Upcoming Sessions

Thursday, Feb. 3rd: "What are the Sacraments?"

Feb. 10th: "What's Wrong with *Sola Scriptura*: Scripture, Tradition, Magisterium"

Feb. 17th: "Catholic Social Teaching: Building a Culture of Love"

Thursday, Feb. 24th: "The Last Things: What Happens when We Die?"



Why do we confess our sins to a priest? Can Church doctrine ever change? What makes Catholics different from Protestants?



If you've ever wondered about questions like these, check out Fr. Casey Cole on his YouTube channel: *Breaking in the Habit*. Fr. Casey, a Franciscan friar, delves into all kinds of different topics in a personable, understandable way.

Visit his channel at: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLIEHvf1_M4UuA0RA03q6AIQf7oxbbEzIK



Faith Formation Office Hours

Monday: 8 AM — 2PM

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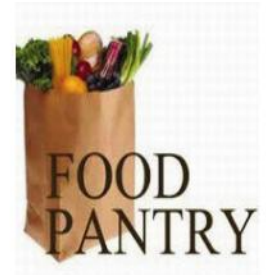


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- cereal—pasta and sauce—mac and cheese
- Soup-canned tuna- canned chicken
- canned fruit - canned vegetables
- canned pasta - peanut butter and jelly
- crackers (Saltines, Ritz, Townhouse)
- personal care (soap, toothpaste, deodorant)

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Spend an hour per week in the Eucharistic Presence of Our Lord by your own personal commitment of the day and the hour.



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Music Notes from Glenn Miller

Some thoughts about hymn singing

Recently an article about hymn singing came across my desk containing plenty of practical tips for everyone – both singers and those who would classify themselves as being non-singers.

The psalmist reminds and commends us to “sing unto the Lord,” and St Paul likewise extols us to “sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in our hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.” References to singing around the heavenly throne in the book of Revelation abound; our singing in worship at Mass unites us with the saints and angels worshipping the Lord in heaven and with the faithful across thousands of years, so regardless of one’s individual skills and abilities, joining in the singing of the hymns and liturgy gives glory and honor to the Lord and unites us all in community.

There was certainly a time when group singing was very much a part of life, back in the days when it was simply something one did in the home for entertainment with their families, with all gathered around the piano, long before the days of television and social media. Those days are long past, so when it comes to singing in church there is naturally a sense of discomfort and self-consciousness that is keenly felt.

These helpful hints were written by Helen Kemp, who was regarded as the foremost leader in the children’s choir movement of the twentieth century in the United States. She and her husband John served for many years on the church music faculty at Westminster Choir College, in addition to their work as ministers of music in leading churches. They also served as directors of Choristers’ Guild, a national organization dedicated to the training of church musicians and the fostering of church music programs on a practical level.

Hints for hearty hymn singing - How to beat the hymn singing blahs

While you are preparing yourself for worship, look at the hymn number boards and bulletin with expectation. Anticipate being a participant in the drama. Be ready for the opening hymn. Be involved! Pay attention! Be engaged!

When you are preparing for worship, read and pray the hymn texts and ask yourself why it was chosen – praise? season of the Christian year? Scripture connection? homily? Every hymn that is chosen has been chosen for a reason.

If you don’t read music, take a guess at the tune by the ups and downs of the notes. Imagine the sounds.

While the hymn is being introduced by the organist, get into a “readiness” attitude for standing and singing. Lead the crowd with your attention and eagerness! Not to worry if your pew partners don’t make it until the fourth or fifth word.

Hold the hymnal so that the top of the book is about shoulder height, and at least twelve inches in front of your face. This way the sound of your voice can sail over the book instead of falling limply to the floor. (The distance from your face is adjustable according to your latest eyeglass prescription.)

If you have to “fall out” to recover after a real vocal challenge, don’t just stand there feeling guilty – read the text silently as the assembly is singing. Many of our hymns (not all) are truly great poetry and statements of faith that can be appreciated without a tune.

Be aware of the various sounds the organist is using to accompany the singing. If the text is one of praise, the organist will use the more jubilant and vibrant sounds of the organ; if the text is more prayerful and meditative, the sounds will reflect this. The organ is actually an orchestra played by one person, and its job is to encourage and support the congregation in singing, not to overwhelm.

Make sure you take in good, deep breath before you sing, as your breath is the fuel that makes your voice work. The high the notes, the deeper your breath needs to be.

Don’t be afraid – put your whole heart into your singing, put on an inside smile, and go for it with divine courage! Everyone has a voice!

The hymns are for you, the congregation. To make a joyful noise is your special assignment, your important part in the drama of worship. You might be surprised at how beautiful that can be. Use the talents you possess, for the world would be very silent if no bird sang except the best. *Let all that hath life and breath sing praise to the Lord!*

In memoriam

1/31/1976 Ann Marie Peters
 1/31/1983 William Arpino
 1/31/1986 Frank Ryan
 1/31/2001 Philomene Moran
 2/1/1978 James Bretz
 2/1/1979 Richard Bruneau
 2/1/1981 John Bennett
 2/1/1987 Walter Wyrod
 2/1/1991 Adele Giuliani
 2/1/1997 Alice DeSmet
 2/1/1999 Carl Scott
 2/2/1978 Ruetta DeBaeke
 2/2/1989 Josephine Nash
 2/2/1991 Anthony Joseph Quasarano
 2/2/1992 Eleanore Gorka
 2/2/2009 Victor Czerny
 2/2/2012 Edwin Gaynor
 2/3/1955 Thomas Michael Burke
 2/3/1986 Anna Bogdanski
 2/3/1989 Alfred Greulich
 2/3/1990 Antonette Slubowski
 2/3/1992 Mary Bartone
 2/3/1993 Frank Kowalski
 2/3/1994 Marie Louise Vier
 2/3/2010 Joan Kaiser
 2/4/1957 Hulda Maesenich
 2/4/1963 Edith Woodfill
 2/4/1972 Elizabeth Doll
 2/4/1984 Cora Doetsch
 2/4/1986 Cecilia Buyssee
 2/4/2004 William Berry
 2/4/2008 Joseph Baldyga
 2/4/2011 Catherine Smetanka
 2/5/1971 John Clark
 2/5/1977 Louis Casinelli
 2/5/1994 Edna Schwartz
 2/5/1995 Michael Slusarick
 2/5/1995 Helena Monacelli
 2/5/2009 Patricia Rahaim
 2/5/2016 Marianna Tringale
 2/6/1966 Gwendolyne Elsey
 2/6/1968 John DeYonker



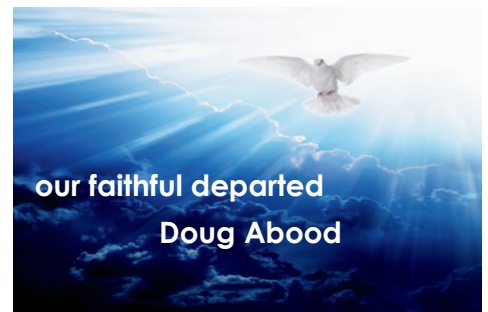
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 Angela Harris
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 Catherine Pentis
 Bill Scholtz
 Cathy Spindler
 Charlotte Weekes
 Fr. Francis Weingartz
 Barbara Weiss

those in the military

Joshua Bielak
 Dylan Goitz
 Richard Shetler, III



PLEASE NOTE

Names will remain on the sick list for one (1) month unless the parish is notified otherwise.

For those in Military, we would like to pray for those who are active, Please contact us to add names to our list.

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