

# Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021

Wed. May 5th 11:30am St. John

Thur. May 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm St. Columbkille

Fri. May 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00am St. John (Adoration following Mass until 11:00am)

(First Friday of the month adoration until 4:00pm)

Sat. May 8<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm St. John Sun. May 9<sup>th</sup> 8:30am St. Joseph

Sun. May 9<sup>th</sup> 10:30am St. Columbkille

## Confessions

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John Thursdays after 7pm Mass St Columbkille No Saturday 11:00am St Columbkille Confessions on the weekend of May 8<sup>th</sup>

## Readings for the Week

Monday, May 3rd

1 Corinthians 15: 1-8 John 14:6-14

Tuesday, May 4h

Acts 14:19-28 John 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 5th

Acts 15:1-6 John 15:1-8

Thursday, May 6th

Acts 15:7-21 John 15:9-11

Friday, May 7th

Acts 15:22-31 John 15:12-17

Saturday, May 8th

Acts 16:1-10 John 15:18-21

Sunday, May 9th

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17 Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$4916.00 Loose - \$239.76 Building Fund - \$50.00 650 Parish Families (297 Family envelope holders) 104 Envelopes used

#### Donations:

In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by Thomas & Linda O'Henly

In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by Carol Desimpelare

In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by Deb Zimmer In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by Karl & Marilyn Desimpelare

In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by Louise Cluckey In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by W. Donald Duggar Sr.

## Mass Intentions for Weekend of May 1 & 2

Saturday St John: + Fran Meier Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners St. Columbkille: ~ Jeremy & Dana

## In this Sunday's Reading

"Children, let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth." - 1 JOHN 3:18

What do people observe when they see you? Do they see you living as God calls us to live by your actions, not just your words? Are you actively being a servant of God in what you do for others? Being a good disciple doesn't only mean praying or talking about loving one another, it means taking action. It is in the "doing" that we spread the love of Christ.

Congratulations and best wishes goes out to the newly married Matthew and Marisa (Guza) Brown!

May your life together be filled with faith, peace, and happiness.





## Religious Education/Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together for our programs. Have a great summer and we'll see you in the fall

Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### Youth Group

Youth Group will be meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Parish Center. Meeting will be from @ 5:00-7:30pm.

Youth group is for all 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders.

All are welcome and there is no charge.

### Rosaries

At 4:30 starting on May 1<sup>st</sup> at St. John Church At St. Joseph Church @ 8:10am before Mass and prior to 10:30 Mass at St Columbkille on Sundays.

#### Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:45 pm at St John Church, Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> before Benediction



## Drive thru Breakfast

Sunday, May 2 at the TVO hall, Ubly. Serving from 8am-noon Only \$5 Menu includes: pancakes, eggs, hashbrowns, Link sausage and Helena rope sausage. No phone in orders. Proceeds to support area veterans. "Help us help them"

## National Abuse Prevention Month If you are a victim/survivor of clergy abuse or know of

someone who is, you are urged to make direct contact with local law enforcement and the Michigan Attorney General's investigation hotline at 844-324-3374. You are also welcome to contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 989-797-6682 or victim.assistance@dioceseofsaginaw.org. The Victim Assistance Coordinator can assist victims in obtaining counseling services. If you have cause to suspect a child or young person is being neglected or abused by anyone, immediately contact the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services at is 24/7 hotline number: 855-444-3911. If you are currently witnessing child abuse or neglect, call 911.

## **VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:**

#### Counters:

May 3: Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski, Geraldine Peruski May 10: Judy Messing, Ann Ympa, Marge Briolat May 17: Barb Roggenbuck, Charlotte Baker, Shirley

Piontkowski

5:00pm Saturday May 8th St. John

Lector: Del Czewski
EMHC: Del Czewski

Ushers: Jim Czewski, Tom Murray, Glen Peruski

8:30am Sunday May 9<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph

Lector: Paul Guza EMHC: Paul Guza

Ushers: Bill Izydorek, Kevin Hessling, Gordon Farrelly

10:30am Sunday May 9th St Columbkille

Lector: Kevin Romzek EMHC: Kevin Romzek

Ushers: Matthew Kubacki, Rob Kubacki

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

This Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, there will be adoration following 9am Mass until 4:00pm. at St. John.



Congratulations to our children and their families who celebrate the joyous sacrament of First Holy Communion. May the Life of Christ always grow within you.

Brynnleigh Jane-Ellen Bambach
Blake William Franzel
Roman Stanley Heleski
Ryan Thomas Kempisty
Addyson Grace Kubik
Lily Marie Laming
Broden Louis Peruski
Kinlee Taylor Susalla
Paige Elizabeth Sweeney
Myla Ann Walsh

## **Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!**

Will you quench His thirst? --- Fr. Nate's Update

(I had another new "thumb experience!" I was able to feed two baby lambs with Allen and Carolyn Peruski, at Dave and Rhonda Maurer's place. I'm grateful to all of them. Those lambs really fought over the bottle! FYI this is a random internet photo)

Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**, Happy May, the month of MARY! *Next weekend, we'll celebrate Mother's Day with a May Crowning at each Mass*.



**First, some humor:** The hospital nurse was filling out the paperwork to admit an 87-year-old Catholic churchgoer who had taken ill. "Has your diet changed?" she asked. "Yes," the woman said. "For Lent, I gave up whipped cream on my Jell-O, hard candy, and my two beers a night." She paused, then added with a sigh, "And look where it's gotten me!"

Catholic Church Tour: The Fish: "One of the oldest Christian symbols is the fish. It was used by Christians to identify themselves and each other, often in times of persecution. It is often found in the Roman catacombs, a secret meeting place during the time when the Christians were persecuted for their faith by the Romans. What Is the Meaning of the Fish? The fish is based on an acrostic of the initial letters of the Greek words for Jesus Christ. To understand this symbol, you need to know the meaning of the acronym. The Greek word for fish is "Ichthus," which is also an acronym for Jesus. The Latin, "lesous Christos Theou Uios Soter" translates in English to, "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour." Christ also referred to his apostles as "Fishers of Men," while the early Christian fathers called the faithful "pisculi," which means "fish""

-https://owlcation.com/humanities/catholic-symbols

Praise Report: This past week I went to Medilodge at Cass City to pray with a sick resident from another parish. I went through the prayers from the Church's prayer book for the sick, called Pastoral Care of the Sick, which contains prayers and scriptures for pastors and others to use with the sick. At one point I had a choice of which psalm to read. For some reason, I skipped the first one and went to the second one, Psalm 27, and began, "The Lord is my light and my salvation". The sick man interrupted me and said that recently he had flipped open his bible, and it opened right up to that psalm! Thank you Jesus for reminding us that You are with this man and You have a plan for him!

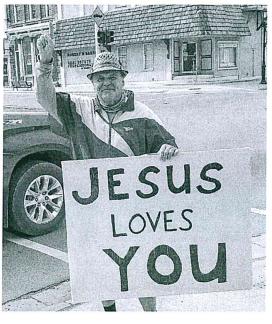
"Praise Reports" requested to share in bulletin/facebook page: send me short descriptions of answered prayers, or even blessings you DIDN'T pray for, such as: spiritual, physical, emotional healing, or any answered prayer.

Lay Ministry: Is there anyone in our parish who has a servant's heart and always seems to be there exactly when someone is needed to do something? Someone with a great love of God and who wants to know more about their faith and deepen their relationship with God? Perhaps they might consider being trained as a certified Lay Minister to serve us! Let Fr. Nate know of any recommendations.

**10 Year Anniversary Open House- Sunday May 16, 12:00-2:00pm:** Stop in the tent by the parish center to celebrate Fr. Nate Harburg's 10 Year Ordination Anniversary! Food graciously provided by Knights of Columbus and Christian Mothers. Lawn games. Etc.

"Grant Me the Grace" I wrote this poem on retreat a few weeks ago, inspired by Saint Ignatius of Loyola's "First Principal and Foundation" and St. Richard of Chichester's famous prayer

Grant me O Lord, this grace for my soul,
as I strive toward, life's target and goal:
to know Christ more clearly, His thoughts words and deeds,
to love Him more dearly, His care my soul needs,
to follow Him more nearly, through service and prayer,
to shine His light cheerily, on all who despair,
to know and to love and to serve Jesus now,
gives purpose to everything: pen, lathe, or plow,
please grant me this grace my dear Father above,
Your Will I'll embrace- even pain- with His love



Street Evangelist: Sometimes on my day off I go to Lexington and jog the breakwall, etc. This past week I met this man downtown, who would like to be known as "a man who loves the Lord", holding up this sign to passersby and waving! He got lots of supportive honks! I prayed for his ministry, asking Mary that all who see him and his sign would open their hearts to Jesus. Will you join me in this prayer?

**Regina Coeli (Queen of Heaven)** "A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful, who devoutly recite" it during Eastertide. Pray with me:

L/ Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia. R/ The Son whom You were privileged to bear, alleluia.

L/ Has risen as he said, alleluia. **R/ Pray for us to God, alleluia.** L/ Rejoice and be glad, Virgin Mary, alleluia. **R/ For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.** 

L/Let us pray: All/ O God, it was by the Resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that You brought joy to the world. Grant that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joy of eternal life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Let Us Pray:** (Pope's May Intention): That those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers. Lord hear our prayer!

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg

May 2, 2021

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31 | 1 Jn 3:18-24 | Jn 15:1-8

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

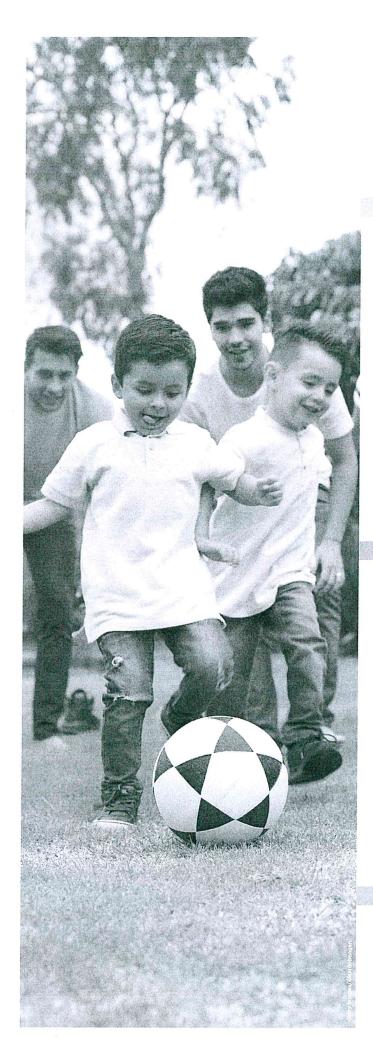
Today's readings are at once challenging and reassuring. Challenging, because we are to remain in Christ, by "[keeping] his commandments and [doing] what pleases him"; and reassuring, because we know that the Holy Spirit is with us and we can "have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask." As Jesus says to us, "I am the vine, you are the branches ... without me you can do nothing." Through the Eucharist, the sacraments of the Church, Sacred Scripture, and in belonging to a faith community, God gives us many ways to grow closer to Jesus, and to direct our life toward him. In the pruning of sinful habits from our lives and building us up, through grace, to walk in the fear of the Lord, God transforms our hearts so that we remain in him, and he in us. And with the help of the Holy Spirit, we are enabled to speak out boldly in the name of the Lord.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

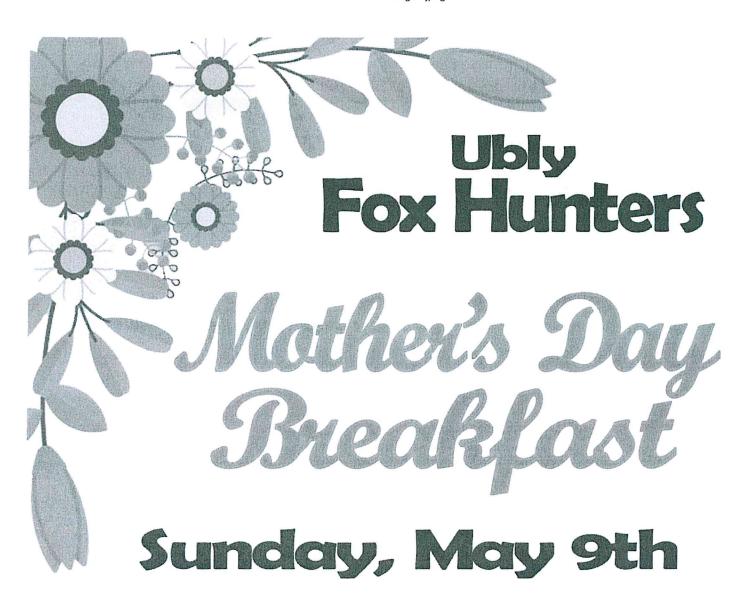
#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Just as the new life and growth of springtime is already very visible in many parts of the United States, today's first reading describes a kind of springtime in the Church. Even as Saul faced multiple death threats, he continued to boldly proclaim the Good News. "The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers." Today, many Christians around the world face persecution for their beliefs or live in cities or countries where violence, poverty, or hunger threaten their lives. We, too, face challenges and hardships. Life is not easy! Let us find "consolation" in the Holy Spirit and build up the Church and one another through prayer, generosity, and friendship.

**PRAY** Consider spending an hour with Jesus in Eucharistic adoration. Find a small way to build up the Church beyond your family and parish by praying for Christians in other parts of the world.



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## **Pastoral Council Nomination Form**

(2021-2022)

Fr. Nate Harburg and our Pastoral Council are seeking nominations for new adult members and new youth member(s). **These nominations are due by end of June. Email your nominations or mail** to the office: goodshepherd48475@gmail.com. *Before you nominate anyone, please review the following Diocesan Norms:* 

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## Purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council<sup>1</sup>

A. The Council is [an] advisory [body] to the Pastor.

- B. The Council shall serve the parish to fulfill the pastoral mission of Jesus Christ and His Church, specifically on behalf of the parish. It does this by promoting Catholic worship and identity, supporting religious education and (re)evangelization, and fostering stewardship and service.
- C. The Council shall provide advice and guidance to the Pastor in building a community of disciples who recognize their baptismal calls to lives of holiness, witness and service.
- D. The Council shall engage in pastoral planning, which takes into account the needs and priorities of its parishioners, the diocese, the broader community, and the world...
- E. The Council members shall listen attentively to the vision of the Bishop of the Diocese of Saginaw and the Pastor, promoting within the parish unity of prayer and vision, as well as collaboration in pastoral outreach.

## **Requirements for Parish Pastoral Council members**

- A. The Council shall be comprised of 8-12 members, all of whom must be practicing Catholics and registered members of the parish, participants in the parish worship life and at least 18 years of age...
- C. Parishes may select youth representation in addition to the 8-12 adult members. Two youth representatives must be at least 14 years of age but not yet 18 at the time of selection. The youth representatives' parents must be registered members...
- D. Each year, the Pastor is to educate the parishioners regarding the duties of the Council and is to provide a means by which any parishioner may nominate Council members. The nominee must be given the opportunity to accept or decline the nomination by informing the Parish Pastoral Council chair. The names of eligible nominees are then placed into a drawing and the pastor informs the parish

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Diocese of Saginaw Parish Pastoral Council Norms, available at saginaw.org

community of the new membership.

- E. Each Council member (except the youth representatives) may serve a 3-year term, renewable one time. Acceptance of an incomplete term does not count toward the 6-year maximum in continuous Council service. Following completion of 2 terms, a member may not be appointed to another term for at least 1 year, but may be of service in other parish councils and commissions. The terms are to be staggered to avoid unnecessary turnover in Council membership, with new terms beginning July 1 each year.
- F. At least annually, the parish community is to be informed of the membership of the Council.
- H. Any member may resign by providing a written resignation to the Pastor. At his discretion, a Pastor may remove a member.
- I.Outside of ex officio membership, parish employees and their immediate families and the Pastor's family may not serve on the Council. Spouses, siblings, and parent/(adult) child may not serve on the Council simultaneously.

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You may nominate yourself if you desire.

I nominate the following parishioners for Parish Pastoral Council:
(Name of Adult Representative)
(Name of <b>Adult</b> Representative)
(Name of Youth (14-17 yrs old) Representative)
(Name of Youth (14-17 yrs old) Representative)

Please return form by placing in offering basket or delivering to parish office:

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