

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021

Wed.	May 12 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	St. John
Thur.	May 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm	St. Columbkille
Fri.	May 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	St. John
(Adoration following Mass until 11:00am)			
Sat.	May 15 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm	St. John
Sun.	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am	St. Joseph
Sun.	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	St. Columbkille

### Confessions

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John  
 Thursdays after 7pm Mass St Columbkille  
 Saturdays 11:00am St Columbkille

### Readings for the Week

#### Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>

Acts 16: 11-15 John 15:26-16:4a

#### Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

Acts 16:22-34 John 16:5-11

#### Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 John 16:12-15

#### Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>

Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23

#### Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 John 15:9-17

#### Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

Acts 18:23-28 John 16:23b-28

#### Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 1 John 4:11-16  
 John 17:11b-19

## Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$5384.00

Loose - \$126.00

Building Fund - \$365.00

650 Parish Families

(297 Family envelope holders)

120 Envelopes used

### Donations:

In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by Alvin & Anita Iseler

In loving memory of Duey Holz Sr., 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, May 5<sup>th</sup> by Loreane Holz

In loving memory of Catherine Toth, by Dale & Elaine Laming

For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, by Jim & Del Czewski

### Mass Intentions for Weekend of May 8 & 9

Saturday St John: + Meinard Guza

Sunday St. Joseph: + Catherine O'Leary

St. Columbkille: Good Shepherd Parishioners

### In this Sunday's Reading

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." - JOHN 15:12-13

This is a quite well-known passage. It speaks not just of love of those closest to us - family and friends, but also to love strangers, and even our enemies.

Sometimes, it is not so easy to love - especially those who are not in our "close circles." Jesus laid down His own life for us - that is how much He loves us. Do you consider Jesus among those in your "circle?" How do you show Him your love? Think about it.

Act on that love.



### Newly Baptized



Please welcome into our family of faith:

Moxen Cass Heleski

Son of Nick & Alison Heleski

Congratulations and welcome into our parish. May you experience the Lord every day of your life.

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### 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 **Monday, Memorial Day**

**May 31<sup>st</sup>** in the Parish Center. Meeting will be from @ 5:00-7:30pm.

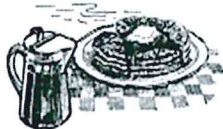
Youth group is for all 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders.

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.



### Mother's Day Drive thru Breakfast

Sunday, May 9 at Ubyly Fox Hunters. Serving from 8am-noon Only \$7 Menu includes: pancakes, eggs, hashbrowns, homemade sausage and fruit cup.

No phone in orders.

### New Lay Ministry Class

Is God calling you to do more? To let His light shine through you in service to others? To become a Commissioned/Missioned Lay Minister? Are you interested in learning more about Lay Ministry? From now until May 15, the Office of Lay Ministry will be accepting applications for those who wish to begin the program in September of 2021. It is a four-year formation experience designed for lay people who wish to expand their knowledge of Scripture and Catholic theology, deepen their relationship with God, and fulfill their baptismal call by serving others. To find out more, please contact Kellie Deming at [kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org) or 989.797.6609.

## VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:

### Counters:

May 10: Judy Messing, Ann Ympa, Marge Briolat

May 17: Barb Roggenbuck, Charlotte Baker, Shirley Piontkowski

May 24: Jeanene Schmidt, Olave Bukoski, Carol Beaudin

5:00pm Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> St. John

Lector: Bev Pawlosky

EMHC: Bev Pawlosky

Ushers: Jim Czewski, Tom Murray, Glen Peruski

8:30am Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph

Lector: Lori Uhl

EMHC: Lori Uhl

Ushers: Bruce Uhl, Steve Briolat, Gordon Farrelly

10:30am Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup> St Columbkille

Lector: Jerry Sweeney

EMHC: Amy Sweeney

Ushers: Ronnie Irion, Marv Osentoski



### Baby Bottle Boomerang 2021

Baby Bottle Boomerang kicking off this weekend.

Please take a baby bottle home this weekend and return it Fathers' Day Weekend. Fill it with your loose or spare change or a check payable to Huron Co. RTL.

Proceeds will be split 50/50 between the Huron Co.

Right to Life & Positive Alternatives of Bad Axe.

Please continue to pray for an end to abortion.

Thank you.

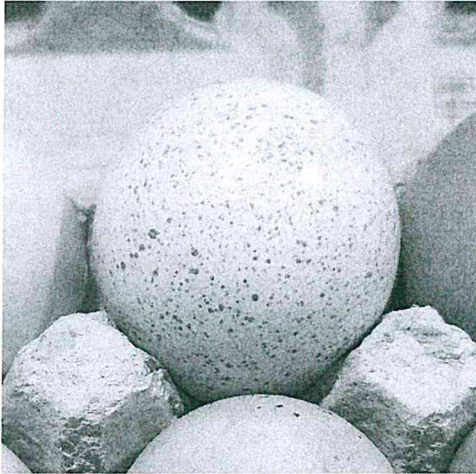


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# Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!

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



*(I had my first turkey egg for breakfast, thanks to the Banky family, and got to hold one of the chicks, which I believe is a Polish breed with the pooffy hairdo, correct me if I'm wrong. Right: thank you to parishioners who leave flowers in honor of the Blessed Virgin at our churches)*



Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**, Happy May, the month of Mary!

**Happy Mother's Day!** Pray with me this prayer from the Book of Blessings: *Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless [all mothers], that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.*

**First, some humor:** The little girl opened the big family bible, and began turning through the yellowed pages. Something fell out of the book of Genesis, and the little girl picked it up to have a closer look. It was an old leaf that had been carefully pressed in between the pages."Mama, Mama, look what I found", the little girl hollered."What ever in the world have you got there?" her mother responded. With astonishment in her voice, she answered, "I think I just found Adam's underwear!"

**Catholic Church Tour: Fleur-de-Lis:** "The fleur-de-lis is a stylized lily composed of three petals bound together at their base. The lily has been used in many places throughout history, serving formerly as the emblem depicted on the royal arms of France (a historically Catholic nation), and has always represented divinity. What Is the Meaning of the Fleur-de-Lis? In one interpretation, the flower is a symbol of the Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus. The whiteness and beauty of the lily is symbolic of the purity of Mary Immaculate. In another interpretation, the lily depicts the Holy Trinity.... The band which hold the three pedals together represents Mary, since it was she who bore the child of God." -<https://owlcation.com/humanities/catholic-symbols>

**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? Perhaps they might consider being trained as a certified Lay Minister to serve us. Let Fr. Nate know of any recommendations.



**Praise Report:** I was driving home to Ubly after seeing my parents in Ypsilanti, when I saw this sign near Imlay City: "In Christ Abide". This is from this past weekend's Gospel, John 15! Thank you Jesus for reminding me. Jesus says, "Abide in me, as I abide in you... I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."

*"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 experience of God.*



**10 Year Anniversary Open House:** Sunday May 16, 12:00-2:00pm: Stop in the tents 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.

**Graduation Parties:** please don't be shy about inviting me. I enjoy congratulating our seniors and finding out where the Lord is leading them!

**Defenders of Life:** I am proud of the 2021 High School Oratory Contest Local Winners: parishioners Maze Gusa, Josie Gusa, Utah Gusa. From the newsletter: "The National Right to Life Committee, Right to Life of Michigan Educational Fund, and the Huron County Right to Life sponsored a High School Oratory Contest. Contestants were required to research, write, and present a 5 to 7 minute original prolife speech on the issue of abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, or embryonic stem cell research (including human cloning). The local contest was held April 20, 2021 in Bad Axe. Maze Gusa, a sophomore at Ubly School, took first place with her speech entitled The S.L.E.D. Method: An Effective Argument. She advances to the state level competition on May 22, 2021, in Charlotte. Josie Gusa placed second, and Utah Gusa placed third." *Holy Spirit, please anoint Maze's words as she speaks, and anoint the ears of her listeners, and help all to recognize Your image in the unborn, Amen.*

**Prayer Requests:** 1. For our 10 First Communicants who have made their first Holy Communion, that every Holy Communion they receive will deepen their friendship with Christ. We pray to the Lord, Lord, hear our prayer...  
2. For Matthew Brown and Marisa Guza, married at our parish, and Steve Gobie and Theresa Mazure, to be married soon, that they would put God at the center of their marriage. We pray to the Lord, Lord, hear our prayer...  
3. For vocations to ordained life (priesthood, diaconate), consecrated life (sisterhood, brotherhood, consecrated virginity), and missionary life from Good Shepherd Parish, and that parishioners would plant **seeds of vocations** in our young people. We pray to the Lord, Lord, hear our prayer!  
4. For all the babies recently baptized at our parish, that their parents and godparents would be shining examples of love for Christ. We pray to the Lord, Lord hear our prayer...

**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*



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Written by  
THE  
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DISCIPLE

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Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 | 1 Jn 4:7-10 | Jn 15:9-17

Love  
ONE  
ANOTHER

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

I have 20/15 vision. I can see things in the distance as well as close up. But that doesn't mean I can see everything perfectly. Because of a difference in how each eye focuses, I can't find those hidden images in "magic eye" posters, and forget trying to watch a 3D movie! Seeing all things perfectly is not something many of us could claim, including Peter. And yet, with God's help, he understands a vision God gave to him: "In truth," Peter says, "I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation, whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." Through God's mercy and Jesus' redemptive cross, the kingdom of God has been prepared for all peoples. God's saving power has been revealed. With faith, and the help of the Holy Spirit in living out the commandments, we can fix our eyes on Christ - the revelation of God's love who came into the world that we might have life through him.

### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

So much information comes to us every day, in all forms of media, there are now even shortcuts to the shortcuts for grasping the content. My personal favorite is the abbreviation, "TL; DR" which means, "too long, didn't read." Some might claim that we are dumbing down our culture with this type of shorthand notation, or we could argue that clear, concise, and straightforward is simply best. And that is what Jesus gives us today in his one commandment: "Love one another as I love you." He offers commentary for the commandment and gives reasons for why he is telling it to us, but the crux of it cannot be missed: *love one another*. It is a commandment both simple, yet complex; easy, yet at times exponentially difficult to live. So Jesus provides the key to fulfilling it by saying, "remain in *my* love" [emphasis mine]. Faithfulness to a sacramental life and participation in communal living give us the grace to remain in that love - which in turn transforms and enables us to share that love with others.

**PRAY** To honor the celebration of Mother's Day, pray the Rosary today for the intentions of our mothers, for those who have been motherly influences to us, and for those who long to be mothers.





## Where is the Priest...?

(Matthew 26:27); Jesus Christ tells His apostles, "Drink of it, all of you for this is *My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins,*" (First, only a priest could pour out the blood...) "DO THIS... IN MEMORY OF ME!"



Every first century Jew... knew that to offer sacrifice and pour out the blood... one must be a priest... and He does this with '12' apostles, no longer the '12' tribes.



## Where is the Lamb...?

\*Sacrifice: NT: John 1:29-37... "The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and said, 'behold THE LAMB OF GOD, Who takes away the sins of the world.'... The next day, John was there again with two of his disciples... and as he watched Jesus go by... 'Behold, THE LAMB OF GOD.'"

