

**Faith**  
 is not hoping  
**God** can  
 it is knowing  
 He **Will**



**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 August 22, 2021**

Wed.	Aug. 25 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	St. John
Thur.	Aug. 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm	St. Columbkille
Fri.	Aug. 27 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	St. John
(Adoration following Mass until 11:00am)			
Sat.	Aug. 28 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm	St. John
Sun.	Aug. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am	St. Joseph
Sun.	Aug. 29 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	St. Columbkille

**Confessions for this Week**

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

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>**

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10 Matthew 23:13-22

**Tuesday, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>**

Revelation 21:9b-14 John 1:45-51

**Wednesday, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>**

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 23:27-32

**Thursday, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>**

1 Thessalonians 3:7-13 Matthew 24:42-51

**Friday, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>**

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 Matthew 25:1-13

**Saturday, Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>**

1 Thessalonians 4:9-11 Matthew 25:1-13

**Sunday, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>**

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8  
 James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**Let Us Give Thanks!**

Weekend Collection - \$4910.00  
 Loose - \$317.00  
 Building Fund - \$20.00  
 650 Parish Families  
 (297 Family envelope holders)  
 127 Envelopes used

**Mass Intentions for Weekend August 21 & 22**

Saturday St John: Good Shepherd Parishioners  
 Sunday St. Joseph: + Charlotte Romzek  
 Sunday St. Columbkille: + Ron Sweeney

**In This Sunday Readings:**

"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve ... As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15  
 Serving the Lord requires action, not just words. Giving of our gifts of money, talent and time to our local parish and world Church and community are important in living a life of stewardship and sharing the love of Christ. When we combine these things with a life of prayer, we are truly serving God.



**Rosaries**

At 4:30 @ St. John Church  
 At St. Joseph Church @ 8:10am before Mass and prior to 10:30 Mass at St Columbkille on Sundays.

**HAVE A MASS FOR YOUR LOVED ONE**

To schedule a date to have a Mass said for your loved one, please call the Parish office at 989-658-8824. Our office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 pm.



We wish to express our deepest sympathies and condolences to the family of Glenn Peruski who passed away.

Please remember your parish when planning your estate

### Religious Education/Faith Formation

To all Faith Formation students, we sent out registration information packets. If you did not receive yours or you are a new family to the program, please call the office 989-658-8824 to have a packet sent to you. Please pray for all who come together for our programs. Have a great summer and we'll see you all in the fall.  
Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

### FAITH FORMATION

The teachers meeting set for Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> is moved to Sept. 1 @ 6:30pm. at the Parish Center.  
Please we need all registrations for Faith Formation to be turned in by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.

### READY TO TRAVEL AGAIN?

You are invited to join Father Marcel Portelli on a 2-day spiritually edifying pilgrimage to pray at two historic cathedral basilicas, a historic shrine, and several other beautiful churches in Ohio and Kentucky. Deluxe motor coach departs September 14 from the Diocesan Center, Saginaw. \$155 includes hotel. Info call (248) 250-6005.

### MEMORIAL BLESSING

There will be a Dedication Memorial Blessing for the unborn in Ruth at Knights of Columbus hall on August 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 2:00pm. A lunch to follow. There will be a quest speaker from the Huron County Right to Life.  
All are welcome.

### CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

The first meeting for Christian Mothers is Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 7:00pm. Election for officers at this meeting if you are interested in keeping this group going  
PLEASE ATTEND!!

## VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:

### Counters:

Aug. 23: Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski, Geraldine Peruski  
Aug. 30: Judy Messing, Charlotte Baker, Shirley Piontkowski  
Tuesday Sept 7: Kathy Beaver, Marge Briolat, Mary Jane Zurek

### 5:00pm Saturday Aug 28<sup>th</sup> St. John

Lector: Bev Pawlosky  
EMHC: Bev Pawlosky  
Alter Server: Maze Gusa  
Ushers: Charlie Briolat, Mike Briolat, Tom Murray, Glen Peruski

### 8:30am Sunday Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph

Lector: Paul Guza  
EMHC: Paul Guza  
Greeter: Steve Briolat  
Ushers: Steve Briolat, Chuck Izydorek, Kevin Hessling

### 10:30am Sunday Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> St Columbkille

Lector: Debbie Powell  
EMHC: Karen Pichla, Jacie Tyrrell  
Alter Servers: Roman Heleski, Brayden Sweeney  
Greeters: Matthew, Jack & Ben Kubacki  
Gift Bearers: Blakelyn Heleski & Family  
Ushers: Todd Gingrich, Ray Maurer, Nathan Peruski

### Attention: College Students

As you embark on a new school year learning all you can. Remember to continue learning & practicing your Catholic Faith. All the Parishes offers groups to help you become the person God created you to be.

CMU: St. Mary's University Parish

Mass times: Sunday @ 5pm & Wed. @ 4:30pm  
stmarycmu.org

SVSU: St. John Paul II Catholic Mini

Mass time: Sunday at 6:00pm @ Founder Hall  
svcatholics.org

FSU: stmarystpaulbr.org

MSU: stjohmsu.org

Oakland University: sjfchapel.org

G.V.S.U: stlukegvsu.org

U of M: stmarystudentparish.org

For more information you can go to  
Newman Connection.

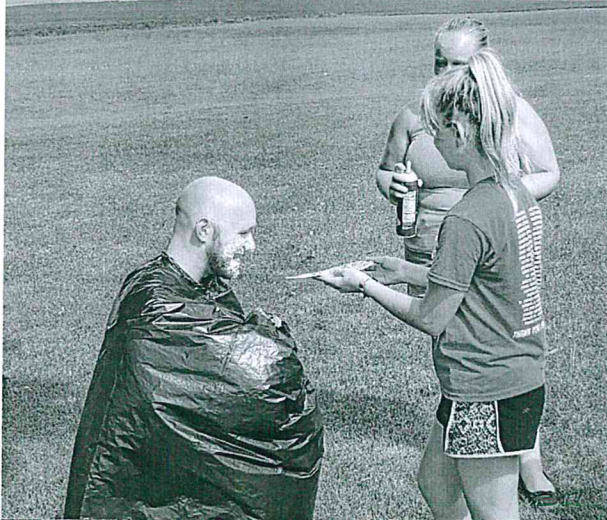
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# Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!

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

Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**, Happy August, the month of The Immaculate Heart of Mary!

*(Huron County Right to Life members handed out respect life bookmarks, stickers, etc. to many of the thousands of Cheeseburger Festival attendees as we walked with our parade "Float" vehicle; Cousins Cynthia Klee, Kelley McDonald, Andrea Grifka, Joel McDonald, & Roman Klee, and their rabbits, at the Huron County Fair; Austin Keller getting pied in the face by Jozlyn, one of our VBS youth; Huron County Right to Life members putting up the Respect Life Cross display in front of our St. Columbkille Church)*



**First, some holy humor:** St. Peter and Satan were having an argument one day about the outcome of a recent World Cup soccer game. Satan proposed they settle the argument by hosting their own championship but insisted that the match be played on neutral ground between the select team from the heavenly host and his own hand-picked boys. "Very well," said St. Peter. "But you realize, I hope, that we've got all the good players and the best coaches." "I know, and that's all right," Satan answered unperturbed. "We've got all the referees."



**Praise Report:** I stopped at a coffee shop on my way to Ypsilanti to visit my parents. After getting my coffee and stepping outside, I opened the door for an older man coming out, and he stopped to talk to me. Without knowing I was a priest (I was dressed down), he began to tell me about his spiritual journey. I asked him if he'd been raised in a church, and he said, a Lutheran Church, but he indicated he didn't practice anymore, and seemed

to be interested in non-Christian religions. He mentioned some of the spiritual books he's read, and the Holy Spirit nudged me to recommend to him a Christian book called Soul Survivor by Philip Yancey. He seemed interested! *Lord Jesus please inspire him to read it, and lead Him to Yourself!*

### **A Day of FOOD + FAITH + SONG**

WHEN? Sunday September 26, 2021, 12pm-3pm

WHERE? Good Shepherd Parish Center Gym, 1935 Hamilton St., Ubly, MI

WHAT IS IT? 12:00pm: free meal provided (PLEASE RSVP to 989-658-8824 or goodshepherd48475@gmail.com); 1:00pm: Catholic speaker Sheri Wohlfert will help us fall in love with God; 2:00pm: music performed by local musicians (if you'd like to perform a song contact the office 658-8824 or goodshepherd48475@gmail.com)

WHY? 1. To "renew & reconnect" and build community 2. To evangelize by inviting friends/family

### **"Ask the Padre" Q&A: Can I receive Holy Communion on the tongue or in the hand?**

Under normal circumstances, everyone is allowed to receive on either the tongue or in the hand, according to Church Law. However, lately because of Covid, "Some bishops have restricted reception of holy Communion to solely in the hand and prohibited holy Communion on the tongue. ... bishops can restrict the manner of reception of holy Communion temporarily in extraordinary circumstances" Bishop Gruss has not restricted reception on the tongue, but his Office of Liturgy requests that those who wish to receive on the tongue receive last in line. To receive on the tongue, after saying Amen simply extend your tongue, tilt your head back, and remain perfectly still while the priest or Extraordinary Minister places the Host on your tongue.

*Have questions about our Catholic faith, morals, how to grow as a disciple of our King, etc.? Please submit Q's by emailing: nateharburg@gmail.com or write Q on a paper and drop in offertory basket. Some Q's (depending on type of Q) will be answered in the bulletin.*

**Memorial of the Queenship of Mary (August 22)** While this Memorial has been superceded by the Sunday Liturgy, Catholics can still celebrate this Memorial in their private prayer lives. How do we know that Mary was crowned Queen of the Universe? Scripture provides many clues. One clue is the Jewish tradition of the Queen Mother. For hundreds of years of Jewish history, the MOTHER of the king was crowned Queen, instead of the wife of the King. For example, the bible says that the Son of David, King Solomon, crowned his MOTHER Bathsheba as Queen, who then took her place at his right hand. When Mary was assumed into heaven, the NEW Son of David, Jesus, crowned His Mother Mary as Queen, who then took her place at His right hand to rule with Him. "O Mary, Queen conceived without original sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!"

**Let Us Pray:** (Pope's AUGUST Intention): "Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel", Lord hear our prayer!

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

# GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH INVITES YOU TO

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\*1:00pm: FAITH: Catholic speaker Sheri Wohlfert will help us fall in love with God and with our Catholic Faith

\*2:00pm: SONG: music performed by local musicians including Fr. Nate Harburg (if you'd like to perform a song, instrumental or sung, religious or non-religious, original or cover, contact the office 658-8824)

### WHERE?

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1935 Hamilton St., Ubly, MI

### WHY?

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2. To evangelize by inviting friends/family to a fun parish event

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*Sheri Wohlfert is a Catholic wife, mom, speaker and teacher. She uses her great sense of humor and her deep faith to help others discover the joy of being a child of God.*

**PLEASE RSVP (for food count)  
989-658-8824 OR  
goodshepherd48475  
@gmail.com**

August 22, 2021

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b | Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32 | Jn 6:60-69

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

Have you ever felt nervous in standing up for something, or in taking a position on an issue? Even when the stakes are not particularly high, like a classroom debate over an author's meaning in her text or requesting that customer service fix a take-out order gone awry, it can be nerve-wracking for many of us to have this kind of engagement. It is especially difficult when we sense conflict. Why is that? Why do we care so much what others think of us? What about when the stakes are literally life or death? In today's first reading, Joshua is imploring the people to decide which god they will serve, and he boldly proclaims: "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." In the Gospel, some of Jesus' disciples reject his teachings and drift back to "their former way of life." Jesus asks the Twelve whether they, too, "want to leave." Simon Peter responds with the rhetorical question, "Master, to whom [else] shall we go?" Like Joshua, he is bold in his own pronouncement: "You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." Today's readings encourage and exhort us to go "all in" when it comes to discipleship. The implication is clear: it matters not what others think of us, or what attraction they might hold for us to acquiesce to them. God alone is the source of life, and the truth. He offers us a way – it's that simple. We simply must decide to serve him.

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

At times this commitment, this life of discipleship, is more difficult than other times. Faith is a personal and communal relationship with our Triune God, and just like our human relationships it requires attentiveness, and "[living] in love as Christ loved us." Just as a spouse or roommate can annoy us – being messy, hearing the same joke over and over, and don't get me started on who gets to control the remote! – we may get upset with God because our expectations are not met. But God is God, not "who we think God ought to be." Therefore, today's readings are an encouragement to remain steadfast when things are difficult, with St. Paul comparing the love of Jesus for the Church (all of us!) with the mutual love between a husband and wife. No one said it would be easy. Just as a good marriage requires communication, give-and-take, and large doses of forgiveness, so does our relationship with the Lord require prayer, confession, repentance, and thanksgiving.

**ACTION** Place Joshua's words on your refrigerator this week: "Decide today whom you will serve ... As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Brainstorm about how each member of your household can do that.

