

**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 15, 2022**

Wed.	May 18 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	St. John
Thur.	May 19 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm	St. Columbkille
Fri.	May 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	St. John
Adoration following Mass until 10:30am			
Sat.	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	4:00pm	St. John
Sun.	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8:30am	St. Joseph
Sun.	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10:30am	St. Columbkille

**Confessions for this Week**

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John  
Thursdays after 7:00pm Mass St Columbkille  
Saturdays 3:15pm before Mass St. John

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Acts 14: 5-18 John 14:21-26

**Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Acts 14:19-28 John 14:27-31a

**Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Acts 15:1-6 John 15:1-8

**Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Acts 15:7-21 John 15:9-11

**Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Acts 15:22-31 John 15: 12-17

**Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Acts 16:1-10 John 15:18-21

**Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Revelation 21:10-14  
John 14:23-29

**Let Us Give Thanks!**

Weekend Collection - \$8149.00  
Loose - \$460.20  
Building Fund - \$155.00  
650 Parish Families  
(297 Family envelope holders)  
122 Envelopes used

**Donations:**

In loving memory of deceased member of Schefka & Czewski families, by Jim & Delphine Czewski

**Mass Intentions for the Week of:**  
**May 9-15, 2022**

Friday St. John: ~ Clare Roth  
Saturday St. John: Good Shepherd Parishioners  
Sunday St. Joseph: + Sandy Peplinski  
Sunday St. Columbkille: + Ron Austin

**Mass Intentions for the Week of:**  
**May 16-22, 2022**

Friday St. John: Patrick Hughes  
Saturday St. John: + John Patrick Hall  
Sunday St. Joseph: + David Krause  
Sunday St. Columbkille: Good Shepherd Parishioners

**In This Sunday's Readings:**

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." -- John 13:34

This is a big statement from Jesus. He did not tell the disciples to just love their families and friends; he includes everyone in this new commandment. Jesus loved unconditionally. It takes grace from God to love as Jesus - especially if it is someone who you don't like or who does not share your beliefs. Pray for that grace to love like Jesus loves.



**Rosaries**

At 3:30 @ St. John Church  
At St. Joseph Church @ 8:10am before Mass and prior to 10:30 Mass at St Columbkille on Sundays.

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### Faith Formation

Good Shepherd would like to thank all the families and their children for coming to Faith Formation this year!  
Have a great summer. See you in the fall.

### Youth Group

Youth group will be meeting May 15, 2022.  
We meet from 5pm-8pm & start with a shared meal.  
Youth group is for all 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades & there is no cost.

### Knights of Columbus

Ubyl/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: Wednesday we will meet at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on June 8. We are always looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-553-4224. Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Ubyl. This is completely confidential and anonymous - call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer Grand Knight of Ubyl/Sheridan Council-12850



**It is graduation time again!** We will be having graduation Masses the weekend of May 21 & 22.  
Please call the office and let us know if you will be attending.

### Future Farmers of America Members Needed

Bishop Gruss will celebrate "Mass at Seed Time" at the Octagon Barn in Gagetown on Saturday, May 21, at 11:00 A.M. We would like to have high school students who are members of the Future Farmers of America wear their jackets and join us. They will join Bishop Gruss in procession at the beginning of Mass. Transportation can be arranged. Please call Joe Sutherland at 810-710- 0899 or 810-580-2814, if you have questions or to let him know you are able to attend. Thank you!

### Is God calling you to be a deacon?

Once every four year the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw accepts applications for the Permanent Deacon Formation Program, and the deadline for applying is coming up on May 15. If you or any men you know believe, they have a calling to serve as a deacon, please contact Dr. Dan Osborn at 989-797-6662 or [diaconate@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:diaconate@dioceseofsaginaw.org).

## VOLUNTEERS' SCHEDULE:

### Counters:

**May 16:** Barb Roggenbuck, Charlotte Baker, Shirley Piontkowski  
**May 23:** Jeanene Schmidt, Kathy Beaver, Carol Beaudin  
**Tuesday, May 31:** Diana Briolat, Marge Briolat, Mary Jane Zurek

### 4:00pm Saturday Mass May 21<sup>st</sup> St. John

**Lector:** Del Czewski  
**EMHC:** Del Czewski  
**Altar Server:** Utah Gusa  
**Sacristan:** Rose Maikrzek  
**Ushers:** Allen Peruski, Jim Czewski, Jim Osentoski, Whitey Pawlosky

### 8:30am Sunday Mass May 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Joseph

**Lector:** Paul Guza  
**EMHC:** Paul Guza  
**Greeter:** Lisa Briolat  
**Ushers:** Steve Briolat, Bruce Uhl, Chuck Izydorek

### 10:30am Sunday Mass May 22<sup>nd</sup> St Columbkille

**Lector:** Amy Sweeney  
**EMHC:** Valerie & Jerry Fischer  
**Altar Servers:** Roman Heleski, Brayden Sweeney  
**Greeters:** Diane Leppok, Colleen Sweeney  
**Gift Bearers:** Sadie & Jocelyn Fischer, Trent Sweeney  
**Ushers:** Rob Kubacki, Jack Kubacki, Matthew Kubacki

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Ministries Day, Saturday, June 4, 2022** - The Office of Parish Life and Evangelization will be hosting a Day of Enrichment for all who minister in our parishes and community.

This event will be held at the Center for Ministry beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending with 4:00 p.m. Mass. Bishop Robert Gruss will be keynote with many relevant breakout sessions being offered. More details to come soon.

### Polka Fans

There is a bus trip going to Pulaski, WI to Polka Days on July 21-24. Everyone is welcomed. Call 810-376-9245 for details.

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### VBS this Summer

The best week of the summer!!! Good Shepherd Parish will be having there VBS week kicking off on June 13-16. From 9:30am until 11:30. So mark your calendars and plan ahead. All are welcome!!

**Volunteers are always needed.**



### Good Shepherd Christian Mother News!!!

Christian Mother's pot luck dinner will be on Tuesday, May 17, @ 5:45pm at the parish center. Sloppy joes will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. If you have a fun game bring it. Thinking about becoming a member, come see what we're about. Please RSVP, Debbie 658-8325 or Cathy 989-551-3877.

We are looking for new members to join Christian Mothers. You do not need to be a "mother" to join. If interested call Debbie Sadro 989-658-8325.

Doing spring cleaning? Save all the treasures you're getting rid of and donate them to our upcoming Christian Mother garage sale in July. This is a fund raising project for Christian Mother's. More information to come in May.



**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Gary Bismack Memorial Golf Tournament** sponsored by K of C, Ubyl Sheridan Council #12850 on Sunday, May 22nd at Ubyl Heights Golf Club - there will be a shotgun start at 11am with check in beginning at 10am.

Four person scramble can be men, women, or mixed teams. Minimum Handicap 50 per team - Only 1 person 10 or under Handicap. Cost is \$60/person, Members \$50 person. Prizes - 1<sup>st</sup> place \$500, 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$300, 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$200. Entry fee includes greens fees, cart, hot dogs, and dinner after. Hole event prizes and door prizes included. Skins game, 50/50 raffle. **Entry deadline May 15, 2022.** For more info contact Ray at 989-550-8153 or Jeff Maurer 989-553-4224.

# The Servants of God's Love

The Servants will be present at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday 5/22nd to share about discernment and religious life. Please feel free to chat with them after mass if you have any questions about religious life and discernment.

The Servants are a religious community located in Ann Arbor, MI within the diocese of Lansing and an associate member of the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious (CMSWR). You can also find us at [www.servantsofgodslove.net](http://www.servantsofgodslove.net)



### Baby Bottle Boomerang 2022

*Baby bottles are available at all exits if you were unable to get one Mother's Day weekend. This is the primary fundraiser for both the Huron County Right to Life as well as Positive Alternatives Pregnancy Center of Bad Axe. Please support both of these local pro-life organizations with your loose or spare change from now until Father's Day weekend. If you or someone you know is in a crisis pregnancy, please call 1-800-57WOMAN.*

### Lost and Found

A lady's watch was found in the parking lot at St John Church. Please call the parish office if you think it may be yours.

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## Jesus Cries, "I Thirst!"

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

Friend, and fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Happy **EASTER!**

*[St. Michael's Abbey, Silverado CA, where I made my yearly retreat, praying with the Norbertines]*

**Some Holy Humor:** A woman approached the minister after the sermon, and thanked him for his discourse. "I found it so helpful," she said. The minister replied: "I hope it will not prove as helpful as the last sermon you heard me preach." "Why, what do you mean?" asked the astonished woman. "Well," said the minister, "that sermon lasted you three months."

**Guests from the Holy Land:** Our Good Shepherd Christian Mothers invited Fr. Craig Carolan and myself to their gathering which included other local members of the National Council of Catholic Women. The event began with Rosary and Holy Mass at St. John. Next at our parish center we enjoyed a delicious lunch prepared by our Christian Mothers, and a presentation by guests Isa and his wife. They were raised in Bethlehem but now live in Michigan. They run the Land of Peace, a non-profit organization that sells olive wood carvings to raise money for the Christians in the Holy Land and to raise awareness of their situation. They shared how the Christians who live there have a hard life since they are persecuted by the muslims. Also, the Israeli government makes life difficult for them since they live in Palestine. Covid has made things even harder. Isa and his wife are grateful for the freedom they have experienced in the United States, and remarked that they are respectfully treated as human beings here. *I placed this icon of Christ the Good Shepherd from them in my rectory chapel, reminding me to ask Him to make me a good shepherd.*



**Thank you to Kim Lemke:** Kim Lemke has resigned as Music Minister of Good Shepherd Parish after about 37 years of faithful, generous service. I am deeply grateful for her ministry, planning music for Masses and leading us in worship of our God, not only at weekend Masses but at many funeral Masses as well. May God bless her future endeavors. I encourage you to send a card or note to express your appreciation, her address is: 2025 Riverview Dr. Ubly, MI 48475

**Let Us Pray: (Pope's MAY Intention):** "for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service."  
**(Ven. Sheen's Spiritual Adoption Prayer):** "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [name], the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

**God loves and thirsts for you. I love and pray for you. Pray for me! -Fr. Nate**

May 15, 2022

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27 | Rev 21:1-5a | Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

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

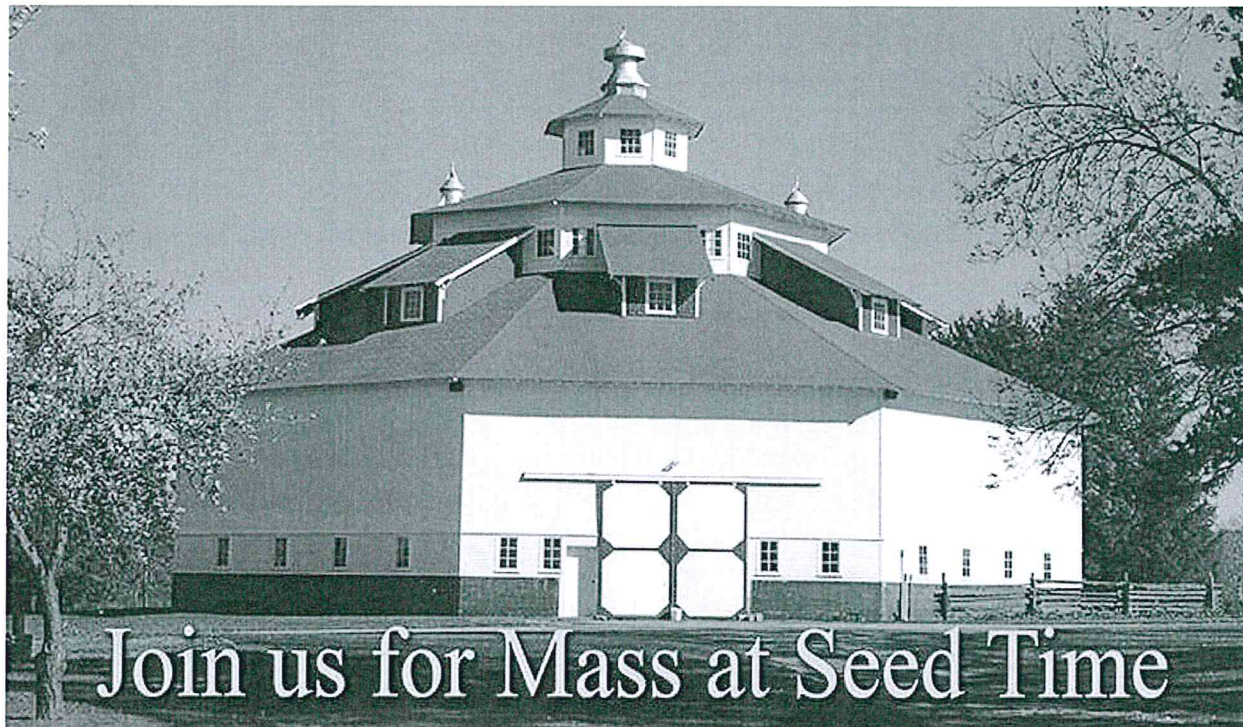
I'm an expressive one when it comes to sharing my opinions: I absolutely LOVE these new shoes! I LOVE, LOVE, LOVE this lemon meringue pie! All good. My friends and family are mildly pleased that I am content with my wardrobe and my diet. But in today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the great commandment, combining the two commandments – to love God and to love neighbor – into one: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." But what does it really mean to *love*? Saint Paul says it is to be patient, kind, and to rejoice with the truth; it is not being jealous, pompous, rude, or quick-tempered. (1 Cor 13: 4-6) Saint Thomas Aquinas says that "to love is to will the good of another." The love we show is the very essence of what it means to be Christian. "*This* (italics added) is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In today's reading from Acts, Paul, and Barnabas return from their travels to various Christian communities. They have shared the Good News, making disciples in each place and building up the Church. Yet when they return, they do not gloat or boast of their accomplishments. Rather, they "reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles." Sometimes in our strivings – to be better friends or parents, better Christians, better at sharing our faith – we can become discouraged when we fall short. Paul, arguably the best evangelist ever, reminds us that God works through us, not the other way around. We are to persevere, placing our trust in God. Through him we are able to love as he does, and help others come to know that same love.

**ACTIONS** Spring is upon us! Plant something and watch it grow. Just as the sun and water nurture a garden, God nurtures and helps us grow through the Holy Spirit and the people around us. How can we in turn share that love with others?



# Join us for Mass at Seed Time

- with Blessing of Seeds -

May 21, 2022, 11 a.m.



**OCTAGON BARN  
6948 RICHIE RD.  
GAGETOWN, MI 48735**

Join Bishop Gruss for Mass and  
Blessing of Seeds

to celebrate the unique Catholic culture  
of rural life in The Thumb region!

*Please bring your seeds for the blessing!*

Following Mass will be a luncheon and presentation.

The event is free of charge.

Lunch is a "free will offering"

with suggested donation of \$5.00

Register at: [www.Saginaw.org/seed-time](http://www.Saginaw.org/seed-time) or

Contact: Holy Family Parish office,

(810) 648-2968

# Good Shepherd Parish GARAGE SALE

JULY 7 - JULY 8  
8AM - 5PM



Please join us for our first annual Good Shepherd Christian Mother's Garage Sale. Whether it's volunteering your time, stopping by to shop or dropping off donations, we hope you all can be a part of this great fund-raising event!

**VOLUNTEER:** We are seeking volunteers from those who are Christian Mother Members and those within our Parish. The more volunteers we have, the easier this event will be for everyone. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Debbie Sadro at 989-658-8325 or Cathy Stacer at 989-551-3877.

**DONATE:** If you would like to donate items for the garage sale, please see the back of this page for drop off information and a list of items we are accepting.

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## HOT DOG ROAST

THURSDAY, JULY 8  
10AM - 2PM

While you're out shopping, stop in for a delicious bite to eat!  
Get a hot dog, a bag of chips and a water.

All proceeds go to the Good Shepherd Christian Mothers



## Items we are accepting.

- **Clothing & Shoes**
  - \*All items must be clean
- **Linens - blankets, sheets, curtains, towels, table cloths, etc.**
  - \*All linens must be clean
  - \*Please mark sizes and measurements of all linens if possible
- **Kitchen Items - pots & pans, dishes, bowls, utensils, silverware, glasses, etc.**
  - \*All items must be clean
- **Small Electronics - small kitchen appliances**
  - \*Small electronics must be small enough to be carried by one person
  - \*All electronics must be in working condition
- **Home decorative items - knick knacks, pictures, holiday items, etc.**
- **Childrens toys, games & puzzles**
  - \*All toys must be clean and in good condition
  - \*Games and puzzles must have all pieces
- **Small pieces of furniture**
  - \*Small pieces of furniture must be small enough to be carried by one person

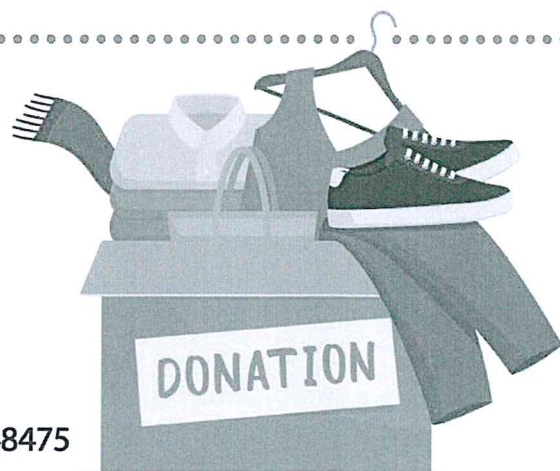
## Items we are not accepting.

- **No Large pieces of furniture - furniture that requires 2 people to carry will not be accepted.**
  - \*No sofas, love seats, chairs, dinning room tables, beds, desks, cabinets, etc.
- **No Large appliances of any kind**
  - \*No T.V.'s, refrigerators, ovens, stoves, dishwashers, washing machines, dryers, etc.

## Drop off times and location.

- Saturday, June 18 & June 25 | 10:00AM - 1:00PM
- Monday, June 20 & June 27 | 10:00AM - 3:00PM
- Tuesday, June 22 & June 29 | 10:00AM - 3:00PM
- Please drop all donations off at:  
Good Shepherd Parish Center • 1935 Hamilton Street • Ubly, MI 48475

• If you need pick up, please call Cathy Stacer to make arrangements. 989-551-3877



We thank you in advance for items that are in nice, clean condition. This is our first Christian Mother's Garage Sale. We want to have a successful sale and hopefully make a positive lasting impression for future sales.



### **Prayer to End Abortion**

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself Never to be silent, Never to be passive, Never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, And never to stop defending life Until all my brothers and sisters are protected, And our nation once again becomes A nation with liberty and justice Not just for some, but for all, Through Christ our Lord. Amen!

### **Holy Spirit Novena for Life**

Holy Spirit, At the dawn of creation, You brought order out of chaos, Light out of darkness, Life out of nothingness. Breathe on us once again, And change this culture of death Into a Culture of Life. Inspire in your people A spirit of generous welcome For each and every life, No matter how unexpected or dependent That life may be. Holy Spirit, You are the Advocate. As you fill us with Yourself, Make us advocates For the unborn and all the vulnerable, Until we are all united In the endless life and joy of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

### **Redeemer in the Womb**

Lord Jesus Christ, You took our human nature upon Yourself. You shared our life and death, our childhood and adulthood. You also shared our time in the womb. While still God, while worshiped and adored by the angels, while Almighty and filling every part of the universe, You dwelt for nine months in the womb of Mary. You were our Redeemer in the womb, our God who was a preborn child. Lord Jesus, we ask You to bless and protect the children who today are in their mothers' womb. Save them from the danger of abortion. Give their mothers the grace to sacrifice themselves, in body and soul, for their children. Help all people to recognize in the preborn child a brother, a sister, saved by You, our Redeemer in the womb. Amen.

### **Prayer for Those who have Lost a Child to Abortion**

Lord of all Life, You have entrusted us to the care of one another, And called us to be one Body in Christ. You call us to rejoice with those who rejoice, And to weep with those who weep. Hear our prayer today For our brothers and sisters who have lost children to abortion. Help us to understand The pain that is in their hearts, And to be a living sign to them Of your welcome, your mercy, and your healing. Help them to undergo with

courage The process of grief and the journey of healing. Never allow them to feel alone; Always refresh them with the presence of Your Spirit And of their brothers and sisters in Christ. Console them with the sure hope That you love and care for their children. Give them new strength, That even while they grieve what they have lost, They may look forward to all the good That you still have in store for them. Lord of healing and hope, Give us all the forgiveness of our sins, And the joy of your salvation. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

### **Prayer of Reparation for Roe v. Wade**

God and Father of Life, You have created every human person, And have opened the way for each to have eternal life. We live in the shadow of death. Tens of millions of your children have been killed because of the Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion. Father, have mercy on us. Heal our land And accept our offering of prayer and penance. In your love for us, Turn back the scourge of abortion. May each of us exult in hearts full of hope And hands full of mercy And work together to build a culture of life. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen

***Stand with those that  
have no voice.***

## TODAY, WE STAND IN OBEDIENCE TO II CHRONICLES 7:14

“If my people, who are called by name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

We pray for Justice Stephen Breyer, that he will see how valuable life is. We pray that he will stand for men who have not had a voice in saying each life deserves to be lived. We pray that the Lord will soften his heart, that the Lord will change his opinion on life, that the Lord will give Justice Breyer the heart to defend life. We pray that he will recognize how abortion tears families and lives apart, and that he will end abortion in this country. We pray that we will all have the opportunity to know God's love here on earth. May our hearts be open to His word. May we find comfort in his love when the path is rocky and steep.

We pray for Justice Brett Kavanaugh, that he continues to stand up for life. We pray that he remains prolife and stands in solidarity with us, that each life is created and deserves to be lived. We pray he seeks God's guidance, speaks with conviction, and sways other justices to defend life. We pray for all unborn children, that our love for them may keep them safe until the joyous day of their birth and that Justice Kavanaugh keeps them safe, standing for life.

We pray for Justice Samuel Alito, may he remain fervent in this stand for life. May he guide the newer justices, may he be a strong voice for the unborn, may he speak wisely and gently. May Justice Alito remember his job is to protect ALL humans, born and unborn, in the decisions he makes for this country. May he remember that our bodies and life are a gift from above and should be respected and treated as such. We pray he will protect life through all 9 months of pregnancy.

We pray for Justice Neil Gorsuch, that he stands steadfast for life. We pray Justice Gorsuch is led by you and continues to defend life. We pray to bless and guide him and his clerks who assist. We pray that you give him wisdom to see how dangerous the abortion industry is. We pray he hears the arguments on behalf of the safety of mothers and the unborn. We pray for protection from physical and moral danger. We pray he will protect your people, born and unborn.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

We pray for Justice Clarence Thomas, that he continues to protect all life, seeing value in the born and unborn. We pray he protects mothers, fathers, and all families from the evil of abortion. We pray he protects doctors and nurses from taking the lives of the unborn. We pray he sways the court to do what is morally and ethically right, to protect those that are the most vulnerable. We pray that he preserves the right of each of us to LIFE, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. We pray that he works to sustain and protect the lives of all.

We pray for Justice Sonia Sotomayor, that she may recognize the evil of abortion and change from her previous stance on taking life. We pray that she can see that abortion is NOT a right or a privilege, that it ends the life of an innocent human. We pray she repents and we pray that she sides FOR the sanctity of human life. We pray that she recognizes that 61 million lives lost to abortion are already too many and we must end abortion now. God's love shines brightly on us: His love is a light unto our path. We pray the darkness of this world would be eliminated by the light of God's love.

We pray for Justice John Roberts, that he will defend life. We pray that Justice Roberts will remember why he has taken a stand for life in the past. We pray he is a sound voice for life. We pray he will accept that life is made in God's image and no one can take that away. We pray that his, and our, hearts are open to those in need. We praise you, because in your image we are fearfully and wonderfully made. We pray Justice Roberts remembers these gifts.

We pray for Justice Elana Kagen, that she will NOT stand for abortion but that she will stand for life. We pray that Justice Kagen will see life is not a choice; that Life is God given, and each life is precious. We pray that she is strong enough to turn away from her previous thoughts, we pray she is brave enough to change her mind, we pray she is courageous enough to stand in the public's eye and defend the life of the unborn, with her voice. May those who have become conflicted find comfort and direction in God's love. May His light lead us in the decisions we make. We pray that we always know you are by our side.

We pray for Justice Amy Coney Barrett, in her first decision to defend life, that she is strong, courageous and led by the Holy Spirit. We pray that what she believes and lives will be shown in her decision. We pray that she is not swayed, that she does not fall into the hands of evil. We pray she continues to defend the life of the unborn as a justice. We pray that Amy Coney Barrett is convicted to stand up for life for all.