

JOURNEY OF Faith

Twenty First Sunday of Ordinary Time
August 21, 2022

Wed. August 24th 11:30am St. John
Thur. August 25th, 7:00pm St. Columbkille
Fri. August 26th 9:00am St. John
with Adoration following Mass until 10:30am
Sat. August 27th 4:00pm St. John
Sun. August 28th + 8:30am St. Joseph
Sun. August 28th 10:30am St. Columbkille

Confessions for this Week

Wednesday 11:00-11:25am St. John
Thursday after 7pm Mass St Columbkille
Saturday 3:30pm (ask Fr.at door) St. John

Readings for the Week

Monday, August 22nd

2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12, Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 23rd

2Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17 Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 24th

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

Thursday, August 25th

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Matthew 24:42-51

Friday, August 26th

1 Corinthians 1:17-25 Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday, August 27th

1 Corinthians 1:26-31 Matthew 25: 14-30

Sunday, August 28th

Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Luke 14:1, 7-14

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$4227.00

Loose - \$231.00

650 Parish Families

(297 Family envelope holders)

115 Envelopes used

Donation:

In Memory of son, Mark who died August 19, 2021

By Robert & Carol Sweeney

Mass Intentions for the Week of:

August 15-21, 2022

Saturday St. John: + Richard Beaver

Sunday St. Joseph: + Sandy Peplinski

Sunday St. Columbkille: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Mass Intentions for the Week of:

August 22-28, 2022

Saturday St. John: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Sunday St. Joseph: + Tracey L. Rich

Sunday St. Columbkille: + Michael T. Sweeney

In This Sunday's Readings:

"For behold, some are last who will be first and
some are first who will be last."

Luke 13:30

By our societal influences, it is commonplace to rank or
"order" people by their material possessions, their
occupations or their material successes. But God
judges us by our service to him and to others. We are
called to share the gifts God has given us, no matter
our cultural "rank." Regardless of your ranking in the
eyes of other people, how do you share your God-given
gifts?



Newly Baptized



Please welcome into our family of faith

Kenna Mary Cooper

Daughter of Brandon & Tricia Cooper

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

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Faith Formation

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

Youth Group

Youth group will meet on Sunday September 11, from 5 to 7pm, starting with a shared meal at 5. Youth group is for all 7-12th grades & there is no cost.

Knights of Columbus

Uby/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: Wednesday we will meet at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on September 14. We are always looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-553-4224. Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Uby. This is completely confidential and anonymous - call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer Grand Knight of Uby/Sheridan Council-12850

Grief Facilitator Training

On Saturday, September 17, a training will be offered for anyone interested in becoming a facilitator or team member for the Grief Support Series offered throughout the Diocese in different parishes. The requirement is that you have or will attend a Grief Support Series prior to the September 17 date. This will be an all-day training from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., with lunch provided, at the Diocesan Offices. To register, please contact Beth Bauer at (989) 797-6655 or bbauer@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

Holy Hours for Vocations in the Thumb with Bishop Gruss

All are welcome! All Holy Hours are from 7-8p.m.

WHEN: Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2022

WHERE: St. Hubert Parish, Sacred Heart Church in Bad Axe

WHEN: Thursday, September 8, 2022

WHERE: Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Church, Cass City

Find the rest of the schedule [here: saginaw.org/holy-hours-vocations](http://saginaw.org/holy-hours-vocations)

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Counters:

August 22: Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski, Geraldine Peruski

August 29: Judy Messing, Charlotte Baker, Shirley Piontkowski

Tuesday, September 6: Kathy Beaver, Marge Briolat, Mary Jane Zurek

4:00pm Saturday Mass August 27th St. John

Lector: Marlene Bukoski

EMHC: Diane Smalley

Altar Server: Maze Gusa

Sacristan: Lucy Kubacki

Ushers: Charlie Briolat, Mike Briolat, John Guigar, Dennis Smalley

8:30am Sunday Mass August 28th St. Joseph

Lector: Lynn Talaski

EMHC: Lynn Talaski

Greeter: Lisa Briolat

Ushers: Steve Briolat, Kerry Grifka, Gordon Farrelly

10:30am Sunday Mass August 28th St Columbkille

Lector: Kathy Creguer

EMHC: Jerry & Val Fischer

Altar Servers: Luke Roth, Paige Sweeney

Greeters: Diane Leppok, Colleen Sweeney

Gift Bearers: Sadie & Jocelyn Fischer, Trent Sweeney

Ushers: Dan Creguer, Marv Osentoski, Camden Peruski

Day of Reflection

"Freely you have received, freely give." Matt 10:8
Friday, September 16, Ave Maria Parish - St Mary Church, Port Sanilac Begins with 10:30 am Mass, followed by two conferences, light lunch included.
Speakers: Dr Dan Osborn, Diocesan Theologian, Don Buchalski from the Center for Ministry. Please RSVP by Monday, Sept 12 (so we can prepare lunch) to Ave Maria Parish Office-St Mary 810-622-9904, ext 2.

Rosaries

Join us for the Rosary 20 minutes before each weekend Mass
3:40pm at St. John
8:10am at St. Joseph
10:40am at St Columbkille

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Scripture Study

Our Fall Scripture Study sessions will be Amazed & Afraid, Discover the Power of Jesus, from Word Among Us. The sessions will be at Good Shepherd Parish of Ubly, St. Columbkille Church. Monday evenings at 6:30 PM. Sept. 12, 19, 26 and Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24. To RSVP or If you have any questions please call Valerie Fischer @ 989-553-3088 or Lori Osantoski @ 989-375-4281.

Additional EMHC's Needed

(Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)

In order to offer Holy Communion to more people who are unable to attend Mass, and in order to begin offering the Precious Blood at Mass, we need more EMHC's. We hope to have an EMHC (Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion) Initial Training this fall in Bad Axe. Please contact office if interested, including serving at Mass, and/or bringing Holy Communion to homebound or nursing homes. Criteria: "A Roman Catholic whose qualities of Christian life, faith, and morals recommend them; A fully initiated member of the Catholic community (i.e., have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist); At least 16 years old; A parishioner in good standing who faithfully participates in the sacramental life of the Church; and (If married) Within a wedding bond that is recognized (valid) in the Roman Catholic Church."

RETIREMENT PARTY

Fr. Joe Griffin and the parish family of Assumption in Midland invite you to join the celebrating of Fr. Joe's 40th Anniversary of Ordination and Retirement on Sunday, August 21st 2022 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 3516 E. Monroe Road, Midland, MI

An Open House with picnic foods and opportunity for sharing with perhaps a game or two will be available 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 from p.m.

(And, of course, you are welcome to come for Mass @ 9:30 a.m. as well!) No gifts please, just join us to share the joy of the friendships formed and ministry shared over the last 40 years!!



Baby Bottle Boomerang 2022

A total of \$1,977.46 was collected through the Baby Bottle Boomerang. All proceeds are shared between the Huron County Right to Life and Positive Alternatives Pregnancy Center of Bad Axe. This is the primary fundraiser for these two local pro-life organizations. For more information, visit huronrtl.org and/or mypositivealternative.com. Please continue to pray for an end to all abortion.

Communal First Saturdays

The first Saturday of September, we are beginning the practice of "Communal First Saturdays" at

Good Shepherd Parish

St. John Church

4470 N. Washington St. Ubly,

Why?

Our Lady promised at Fatima that the practice of the Five First Saturdays devotion will save souls and bring about peace.

Join us in offering the Four Practices as requested in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

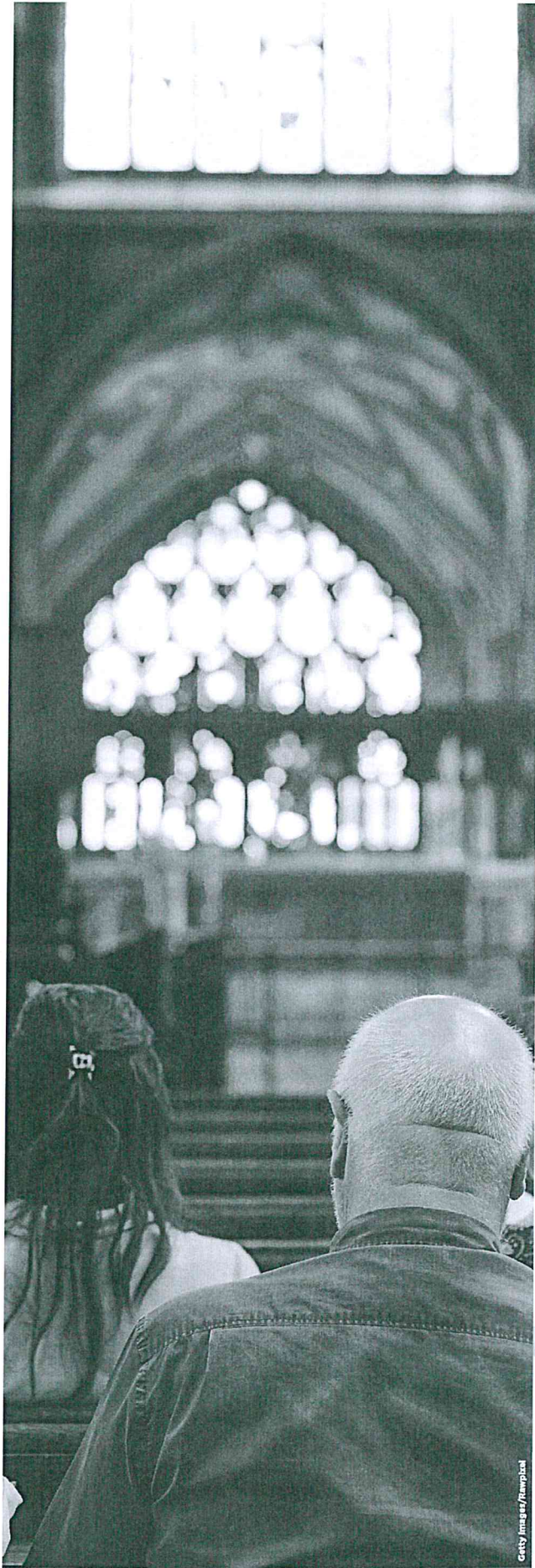
1. 8:00am: Confession Available (devotion requires at least monthly confession)
2. 8:30am: Initial Prayers and Rosary;
3. 9:00am: Holy Mass with Communion of Reparation
4. 9:30am: Separate 15 min. meditation (Lectio Divina)

BENEFIT DINNER

A spaghetti dinner will be held on 8/27/22 from 1-6pm at the Ubly Fox Hunters for Jozilyn Essenmacher. She is going into kindergarten this fall and she is battling a rare kidney disease and needs our help! Cost \$10 adults \$5 for 5-12yrs under 5 free. For more info contact Bonnie @ 989-315-1225.



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August 21, 2022

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by
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Is 66:18-21 | Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 | Lk 13:22-30

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

We all have things that come easily to us and things that seem hard. I can bake a delicious pie, but I cannot flip a fried egg. I can resurrect your dead iPhone, but I can't keep a houseplant alive. The list goes on for each of us. Fortunately, neither our natural talents nor foibles will get us into or keep us out of heaven. "Strive to enter through the narrow gate," Jesus tells us. When I first read that passage, I said to myself, "What's the narrow gate?" But I think the key word here might be *strive*, a verb meaning "to devote serious effort or energy." Getting to heaven, then, requires more than knowing who Jesus is or even going to Mass each week. It takes energy, effort, and persistence. It means establishing a relationship with Jesus – through prayer and following his commandment to love one another – such that he will "know where [we] are from" when we knock on the door. In doing so, we can hope to be among the people who recline at the table of the Lord in the kingdom of God.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

When Jesus was asked how many people will be saved and spoke of the narrow gate, he went on to say, "Many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." Where do we find the strength we will need to pass through this gate that will lead to eternal life? By following Christ with all our being and not taking the easier, mainstream path when it conflicts with our Christian values. By recognizing that our salvation is a gift from our Savior, who willingly took on our human form and died for us. By understanding that Christ's sacrifice on the cross requires a response from us. God invites; we must respond. *Jesus* is our strength, and he is the only way to get through that narrow gate. Let us *strive* to do so, and in turn help the others whom God has put in our lives, accompanying them on this journey.

PRAY Make a list of the people in your life who have helped you grow closer to Jesus. Say a prayer of thanksgiving for each of them.

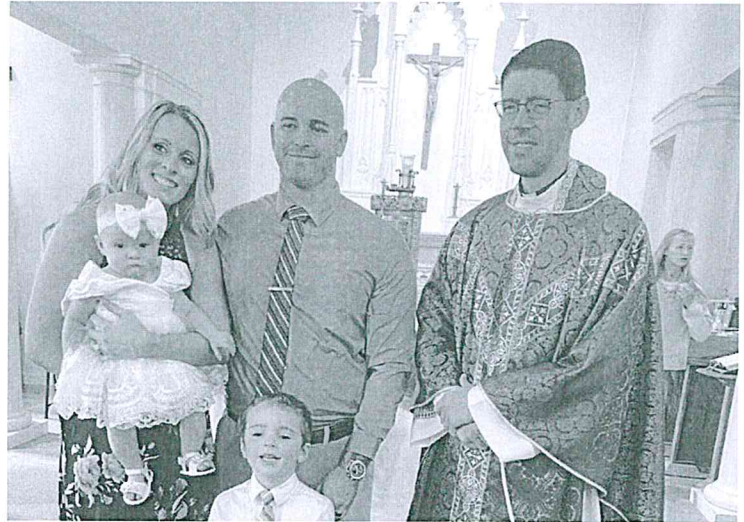
Jesus Cries, “I Thirst!”

Will you quench His thirst for love?

- Fr. Nate’s Update -

Fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Happy Lord’s Day!

[Lord Jesus Christ, in baptism it is you who perform the baptism through Your human mediator. Thank you for baptizing Kenna Mary Cooper; please grow the grace of baptism in our newest sister in Your Body, the Church. Please give his parents and Godparent the grace to be shining examples of love for God and neighbor. May our parish family also support and protect them with our prayers and shining example!]



Some Holy Humor: The night clerk at the hotel was surprised to see a guest walking down the corridor in his underwear. “What are you doing?” the clerk called out. When he got no response, he shouted, “HEY! YOU!” Looking startled, the man replied: “I’m sorry, I’m a somnambulist.” “I don’t care what denomination you belong to”, said the clerk, “You can’t go wandering around the hotel like this!”

Praise Report: Recently while in a gas station, a man saw my collar and made some sort of comment like, "It's too late for me, I don't want forgiveness, I need to pay for what I've done!" I said to him, "In a certain sense you do, but really, He [Christ] paid for it all!" I went to pump gas. But I immediately went back in to talk to him again, in case he misunderstood me. I said with a smile, "I want to correct what I said, I said in a certain way you need to pay for what you've done. But that's not true. Christ paid for all of our sins on the cross, so we don't have to!" I gave him my email address in case he wanted to contact me. Please say a prayer for him, that God would touch his heart.

CORRECTION: Banquet & Silent Auction to Benefit Seminarian Education will be at DOUBLETREE HOTEL in Bay City (NOT HORIZONS in Saginaw as I previously said) on Thursday Sept. 15, 2022. It will feature entertainment, including music performed by Fr. Stephen Blaxton, Fr. Marc Hopps, Fr. Nate Harburg, and Fr. Tony Smela. Fellowship, a great meal and auction items. Call Tammy Heinlein 989-797-6693- cost is \$75 per person or \$560 for a full table.

Sacraments of Healing: If anyone is in need of the “Sacraments of Healing” (Reconciliation/Confession, or Anointing of the Sick), e.g. if someone is facing surgery for a life-threatening illness or condition, or if anyone is dying and in need of the Last Rites (Confession, Anointing, and Communion), please let me know before it’s too late.

The Power of God’s Word: Sadhu Sundar Singh was a Christian missionary in India. He spoke to some non-Christians on a train and gave a man a copy of the Gospel of John. Immediately, the man became angry and tore up the Gospel and threw the pieces out the train window. Later that day, a man was walking by the tracks and he saw a piece of paper on the ground, picked it up, and read the words, “the

Bread of Life." He asked his friends what this meant, and they told him, "It is out of the Christian book. You must not read it or you will be defiled." The man thought and said, "I want to read the book that contains that beautiful phrase", so he bought a copy of the New Testament. Someone helped him find the phrase "the Bread of Life." It's from the words of Jesus, who says, "I am the Bread of Life." The Holy Spirit filled his heart. He gave His life to Jesus. Later, he became a preacher of the Gospel in Central India!

"Let Us Pray..."

(Pope's August Intention): We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

(Bishop 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.

(Prayer for Vocations) Heavenly Father, we "beg for laborers for the harvest." Raise up vocations to holy matrimony, priesthood, permanent diaconate, consecrated life, missionary life, and ecclesial lay ministry from Good Shepherd Parish. Help married couples to discern Your Will regarding openness to new life, including foster care and adoption. Amen.

Saintly Wisdom: "If you do not listen to Jesus in the silence of your own heart, you can not hear His voice in the heart of the poor saying, 'I thirst'.... You will miss Him if you do not go near Him. He thirsts for you." (St. Teresa of Calcutta, Spiritual Testament)

Also by St. Teresa of Calcutta, from a book called "I Thirst: Saint Therese of Lisieux and Mother Teresa of Calcutta", a prayer called, "Lord, When I Am Hungry":

Lord, When I am hungry, Give me someone who needs food.

When I am thirsty, Send me someone who needs water.

When I am cold, Send me someone who needs to warm up.

When I am hurt, Send me someone to be consoled.

When my cross becomes heavy, Give me the cross of someone else to share.

When I am poor, Guide me to someone who is in need.

When I have no time, Send me someone who I can help for a moment.

When I am humiliated, Give me someone who I can praise.

When I am discouraged, Send me someone to encourage.

When I need to understand others, Send me someone who needs my understanding.

When I need help for myself, Send me someone for whom I can care.

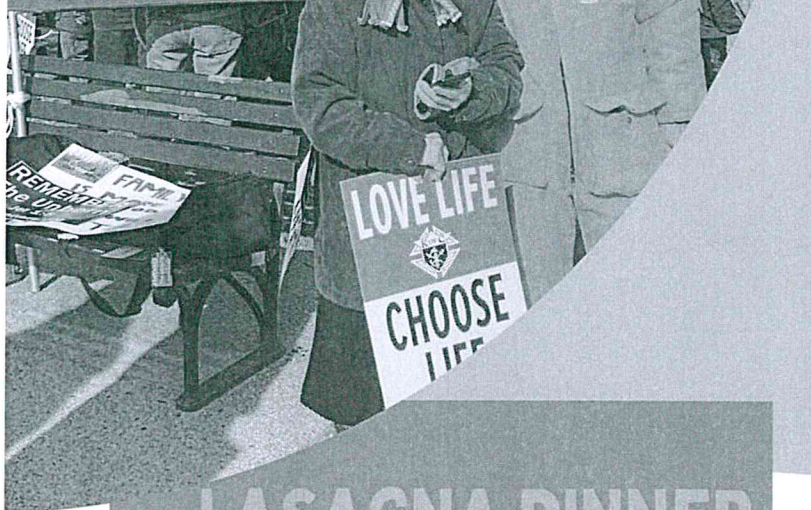
When I only think of myself, Turn my thoughts to others.

Eucharistic Revival: Our parish has many opportunities to spend time with Christ in the Eucharist. We have Wednesday Mass at 11:30am at St. John; Thursday Mass at 7pm at St. Columbkille; and Friday Mass at 9:00am at St. John, followed by quiet Eucharistic Adoration, concluding with Benediction at 10:25. "Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love" -St. JP2

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

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BENEFIT
DINNER FOR

Peter Kreiner

Sunday, August 28

from

2:00 - 5:00 pm

at the

Imlay City Knights of
Columbus Hall

1405 N. Van Dyke Rd.

LASAGNA DINNER

will be served with side salads, garlic bread, and desserts.

Plus drinks, and much more!

Cost: Donation at the Door

- **Raffle Baskets**
- **Silent Auction**
- **50/50 Raffle**

Donations will be accepted!

We can use raffle and auction items, money, gift cards, etc., noodles, sauce, cold salads and desserts.

Please get your non-food items turned in by August 20

Salads/Desserts on August 27

More Info - Call or Text

- **Patty @ 989-280-6148 - in Sanilac County**
- **Virginia @ 810-247-3683 - in Lapeer County**

Peter was in a tragic car accident on July 8th and suffered many serious injuries. He has undergone several surgeries already and will need more care and rehab in the coming months. Peter will be in a wheelchair for approximately 12 weeks while recovering.

What is Needed

- Bathroom Remodel
- Wheelchair Ramp
- Medical Expenses
- Transportation Expenses
- Continued Prayers

Sponsored by:

- Right to Life of MI affiliates from Lapeer, Sanilac, Huron and Tuscola Counties.
- Knights of Columbus Councils from Marlette, Imlay City, Sandusky, Lexington and North Branch
- Holy Family Parish
- Holy Family Council of Catholic Women

The

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For the salvation of souls and peace in the world.



Five First Saturday Devotion

"God wishes to establish in the world devotion to
my Immaculate Heart"

Mary, Mother of God

***On First Saturdays (check bulletin), join us in
offering the Four Practices as requested in
reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary:***

1. Confession Available 8:00am (devotion requires at least monthly confession)
2. Initial Prayers and Rosary: 8:30am
3. Holy Mass with Communion of Reparation: 9:00am
4. Separate 15 min. meditation: 9:30am

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