



**Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
October 16, 2022**

Wed. October 19 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	No Mass
Thur. October 20 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm	No Mass
Fri. October 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:00am	St John site
With Adoration following Mass until 10:30am		
Sat. October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	4:00pm	St John site
Sun. October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8:30am	St Joseph site
Sun. October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10:30am	St Columbkille site

**Confessions for this Week**

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

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

Ephesians 2: 1-10 Luke 12: 13-21

**Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**

2 Timothy 4: 10-17b Luke 10: 1-9

**Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**

Ephesians 3: 2-12 Luke 12: 39-48

**Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**

Ephesians 3: 14-21 Luke 12:49-53

**Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>**

Ephesians 4: 1-6 Luke 12: 54-59

**Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Ephesians 4: 7-16 Luke 13: 1-9

**Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Sirach 35: 12-14, 16-18 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18: 9-14

**Let Us Give Thanks!**

**Weekend Collection - \$6025.00**

**Loose - \$451.00**

**Building Fund - \$100.00**

**650 Parish Families**

**(297 Family envelope holders)**

**126 Envelopes used**

**Mass Intentions for the Week of:**

**October 10-October 16, 2022**

**Saturday St John site: + Tony Grifka**

**Sunday St Joseph site: + Joseph Rudy**

**Sunday St Columbkille site: Good Shepherd Parishioners**

**Mass Intentions for the Week of:**

**October 17-October 23, 2022**

**Saturday St John site: + Mary Ann Longuski**

**Sunday St Joseph site: Good Shepherd Parishioners**

**Sunday St Columbkille site: + Michael Thomas Sweeney**

**In This Sunday's Readings:**

"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." 2 Timothy 4:2  
 Living our faith is not a matter of convenience or "comfort." We are not called to be good stewards and share the gifts given to us from God just when it "feels right" or when we "have extra time." The Lord calls us to be people of faith all of the time, in all situations.



**Rosaries**

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

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### Faith Formation

The Faith Formation education program of Good Shepherd Parish has begun. Please pray for all who come together on Wednesday and Sunday.

Ubly: 5:30-7pm (Oct. 19, 26)

Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (Oct. 19, 26)

### Youth Group

Youth group will meet on Sunday October 23, from 5 to 7pm, starting with a shared meal at 5. Youth group is for all 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades & there is no cost.

### First Reconciliation Meetings

Classes are at St. Columbkille Church:

Sundays: 8:30 till 10:00a.m. on October 16, 23 & 30.

For all First Reconciliation candidates



### Scripture Study

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

### Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: We will meet at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on Wednesday, October 12. We are always looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-553-4224.

Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly. This is completely confidential and anonymous - Call Jerry @989-550-9664.

Jeff Maurer Grand Knight-Ubly/Sheridan Council-12850

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### Counters:

October 17: Luci Kubacki, Ann Ypma, Barb Roggenbuck

October 24: Kathy Beaver, Marge Briolat, Mary Jane Zurek

October 31: Diana Briolat, Charlotte Baker, Carol Beaudin

### 4:00pm Saturday Mass October 22<sup>nd</sup> St John site

Lector: Marlene Bukoski

EMHC: Diane Smalley

Altar Server: Maze Gusa

Sacristan: Luci Kubacki

Ushers: Bob Brahmer, John Guigar, Dennis Smalley, Richard Trepkowski

### 8:30am Sunday Mass October 23<sup>rd</sup> St Joseph site

Lector: Denise Kubacki

EMHC: Denise Kubacki

Greeter: Jo Izydorek

Ushers: Kerry Grifka, Kevin Hessling, Bill Izydorek

### 10:30am Sunday Mass Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> St Columbkille site

Lector: Nathan Prill

EMHC: Marge Messing, Delaney Peruski

Altar Servers: Myah & Broden Peruski

Greeters: Ernie & Marge Messing

Gift Bearers: Maria, Caleb & Luke Roth

Ushers: Nathan Peruski, Todd Gingrich, Ray Maurer



**BINGO - Come and enjoy the day!**

### **The Christian Mothers of Good Shepherd Parish**

will be holding a Bingo on Sunday Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> starting promptly at 1 pm. at the parish center 1935 Hamilton St. located behind St. John Church. All are welcome to enjoy an afternoon of Bingo and finger foods & dessert after.

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## VIRTUS TRAINING RENEWAL CLASS COMING SOON!!!

Please note the date: Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>  
6:30-9:00pm at the Parish center in Ubly  
This is a required class with more info. to follow.



By now you should have received a letter from Bishop Gruss and a brochure and pledge card about the 2022-23 Christ's Mission Appeal. Please give careful consideration about how you will respond and fill out the pledge card and return it to the Diocese of Saginaw or put it in the collection basket. Remember - checks should be made payable to the Diocese of Saginaw, not our parish. You can also give online or learn about different ways to give on the Diocese website at [www.saginaw.org](http://www.saginaw.org). Our parish assessment for this year is: \$52,323.00.  
Please prayerfully consider your support of Christ's Mission Appeal.

### Volunteers Needed

On Tuesday, October 18, we're going to be working on folding, cutting, and tying plastic bags from 9am until 12:00pm. Come help in the parish center. If you are unable to make it October 11, you may work at home. Instructions to start making the mats at home will be at each church entrance. If you are able to help us that way, we would appreciate it. The bags will eventually be made into mats for the homeless. Any questions call Lori Osantoski 989-375-4281.

### All invited to Youth Mass

Next Sunday is our Youth Mass at our St Columbkille site at 10:30am. All our families in Faith Formation are invited! In November we will have our Youth Mass at St John site in Ubly. We are hoping that ALL our families in Faith Formation will attend these youth Masses at both sites. All 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to join the youth choir for the Youth Mass.

## World Mission Sunday

Next week, we join Catholics around the world for the celebration of World Mission Sunday. We are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe. Please be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the Missions. Thank you!

### The Rescue Project

Want to deepen your relationship with Jesus?  
Come to the series called "the Rescue Project"  
by Fr. John Riccardo.

This is a 9 session series beginning at 5:30 for dinner, video around 6 followed with a small group discussion.  
To be held in the Parish Hall in Ubly beginning  
Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

I will be signing up those who wish to come and find joy in following Christ. It will hopefully give you a personal encounter with the living Christ in a way that you will want to follow Him. You will find it more exciting to come to Mass and read the Scriptures.

The Word of God will be more alive to you. Pray and see if God wants you to be part of this marvelous time!!

You may sign up by calling the office at 989-658-8824, texting JoAnn Roy @ 904-571-0156, or by emailing JoAnn: [joannroy@yahoo.com](mailto:joannroy@yahoo.com).

We need to know how many to plan for the dinner.  
See you in Ubly!!!!!! There will be no charge.

### Christian Initiation

Do you know someone who is getting married to a Catholic and would like to know more about the Catholic Church? Have you been coming to church with your spouse for years and been thinking about becoming Catholic? Were you Baptized Catholic but never received any other Sacraments, only some of the Sacraments or little instruction in your faith?

Do you have children older than the age of seven who have never been baptized or older children who have been baptized but never received the Eucharist or Confirmation? Do you know someone who is simply looking for something that is missing in their life or are hearing the first stirrings of the voice of God in their life? We simply invite you to come as an Inquirer, as one who seeks, to explore the whisperings of God in your life.

For more information, please call Dana Irion @ 989-553-0585 or Fr. Nate @ 989-658-8824.

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## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13 | 2 Tm 3:14-4:2 | Lk 18:1-8

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

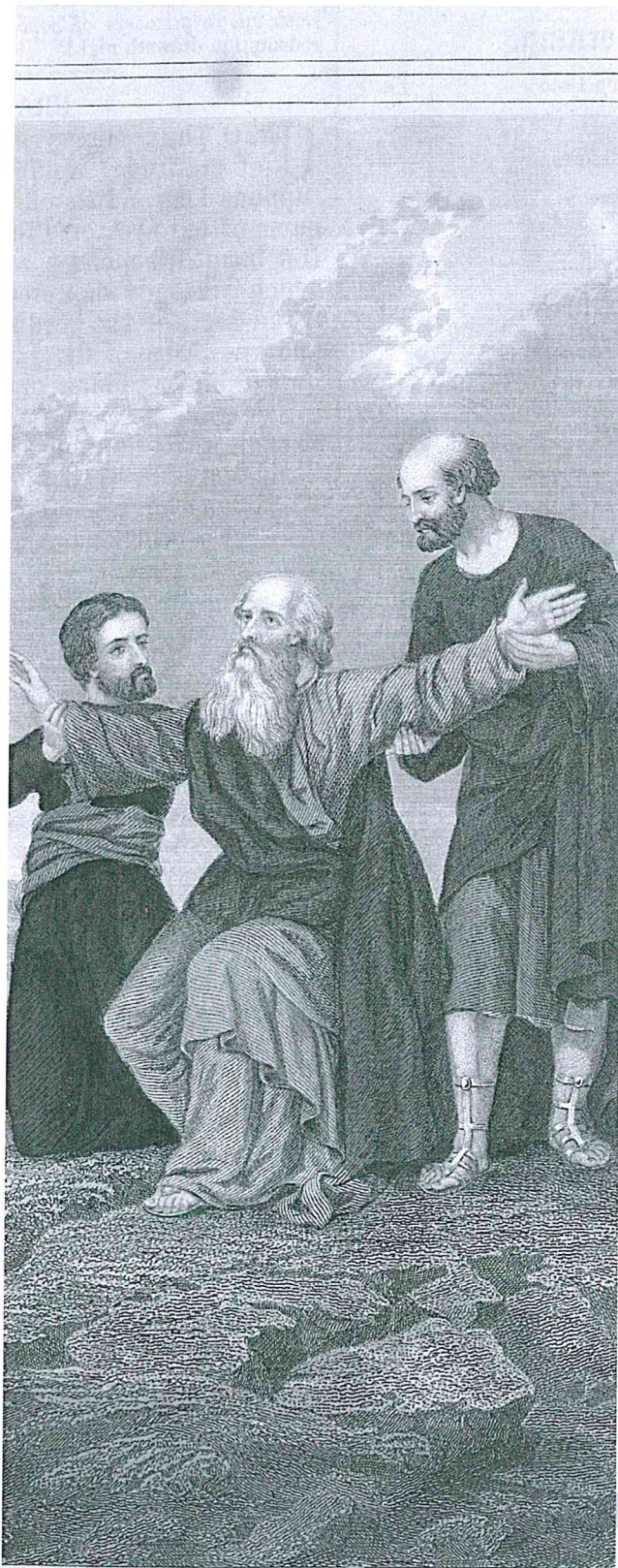
We're all familiar with the refrain to pray without ceasing. It starts with Moses, who keeps his hands raised with the staff of God while war waged against Israel. It carries over to the Apostles, and St. Paul gives Timothy the exhortation to "be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient." Jesus affirms in the parable of the persistent widow how important it is "to pray always without becoming weary." As Christians, we understand the importance of prayer, but to pray always and constantly? Especially in today's world filled with distractions, this seems like an impossible task. Even Moses grew weary! But persistence is the name of the game in prayer. When prayer becomes difficult and no longer flows, we, like Moses receiving support to keep his hands steady until the battle was won, can receive support from the Holy Spirit. We simply must push forward and ask for help because Christ assures us God will "secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night."

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Prayer does not only consist of mental or vocal pleas to God; rather, it includes praise and thanksgiving and petition, all of which can be offered through simply living. We can consecrate our daily actions and offer them up to God as a living prayer: dropping the kids off at school with a special blessing in Christ's name to conquer the day; biting our tongue and inviting the Holy Spirit into a situation when dealing with a difficult person; or sitting at the dinner table filled with thanksgiving for our food and family. Prayer then isn't something we simply *do*, it is something we *live*.

**PRAY** Choose an action that will serve as a trigger to encourage you to pray. Do you hear sirens as you're heading to work? Say a "Hail Mary" for those who may be in harm's way. Are you scrolling through social media and find a friend sharing their struggle? Offer a quick prayer for their need. Train yourself to pray – something as simple as, "Lord Jesus have mercy on (N.);" or "Lord look graciously upon their need" – and you'll find yourself praying without even thinking about it.

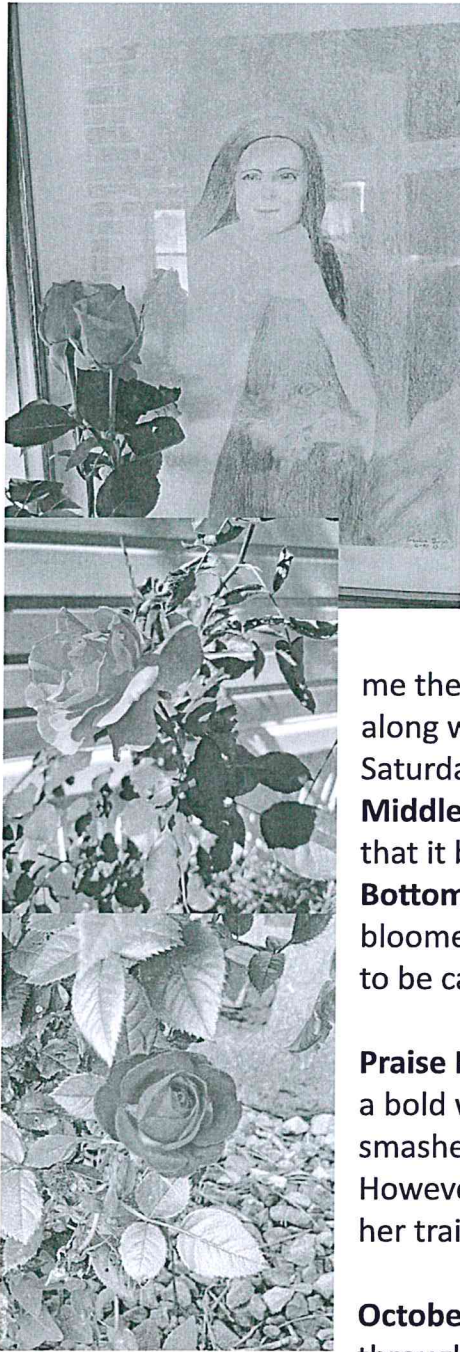


*... and His staying the hands of St.*

# Jesus Cries, "I Thirst!"

*Will you quench His thirst for love?*

- Fr. Nate's Update -



## ***Fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Happy Lord's Day!***

*"After my death, I will let fall a shower of roses" St. Therese of Lisieux.* Often "Little Therese" will send one to those who pray her Novena. I have been the delivery man for roses on two different occasions, to people who were praying her Novena, without me realizing it! She has sent me MANY roses in my life. She has greatly helped me grow in my relationship with Christ and with our Heavenly Father and heavenly Mother Mary, especially through the book, *I Thirst: Saint Therese of Lisieux and Mother Teresa of Calcutta Paperback* by Jacques Gauthier

**Top photo:** Two roses given to me by an anonymous donor on October 1, 2022, the Feast of St. Therese, next to a drawing of St. Therese by Rosalia Guza. This year, though, I didn't pray the Novena, but she sent me these anyway! She sent an extra rose; a parish family member named Rose along with others came into the rectory to visit for fellowship after our First Saturday devotions.

**Middle:** a rose that St. Therese sent to a friend named Teresa. She texted me that it bloomed on October 1. She says the fragrance is amazing.

**Bottom:** A rose that St. Therese sent to a parish family, the Sweeney family, that bloomed on October 1. Thank you St. Therese, or "Little Therese" as you prefer to be called, for showering us with roses!

**Praise Report:** A woman in Florida placed a large cross in front of her trailer, as a bold witness to Christ in her neighborhood. Recently, after Hurricane Ian smashed its way through the area, everyone else's trailer was destroyed. However, her trailer, and cross, were undamaged. Perhaps God was protecting her trailer, and the cross, as a witness to God's glory. Thank you Jesus!

**October, Month of the Holy Rosary:** I will be offering my daily Rosary throughout October and to November 8 for the defeat of the diabolical

**Proposal 3.** Please remember this intention in your daily Rosary, or at least, please pray a daily decade of the Rosary. Human lives, and the eternal destiny of souls, hang in the balance. Jesus and Mary call all of us to join them in the ministry of interceding for others.

*"...every time people say the Rosary devoutly they place a crown of one hundred and fifty-three red roses and sixteen white roses upon the heads of Jesus and Mary. Being heavenly flowers these roses will never fade or lose their exquisite beauty" - St. Louis de Montfort.*

**Some Holy Humor:** Having just preached a passionate, thoughtful sermon on the dangers and sin of gossip, the pastor felt satisfied as he opened his book to the appointed hymn of the day, #661. "It was

one of my best ever," he muttered to himself. But his smile quickly wilted as he found hymn #661 and read the title: "I Love to Tell the Story."

### **Fight Proposal 3 with prayer AND words. Words are necessary!**

- 1) Write Letters to the Editor (email addresses of three papers below)
- 2) Drive for door knockers
- 3) Be a door knocker
- 4) Deliver Vote No on Proposal 3 yard signs
- 5) Donate to the coalition fighting Proposal 3: [supportmiwomenandchildren.org](http://supportmiwomenandchildren.org)

Call or text me if you can help in some way, shape, or form. Thank you! Jeanne Gusa 989-670-3315

Here are emails for the four papers you should send your letter to the editor to:

Huron Daily Tribune: [hdt\\_news@hearstnp.com](mailto:hdt_news@hearstnp.com); 300 Word Limit

Huron County View (Seth Stapleton): [hcpeditor@mihomepaper.com](mailto:hcpeditor@mihomepaper.com); 250 Word Limit

Minden City Herald (Nathan Marks): [editor@mindencityherald.com](mailto:editor@mindencityherald.com)

HIS Banner (Paul): [dfbcxsp@agapemail.com](mailto:dfbcxsp@agapemail.com)

**St. Padre Pio's 5 Maxims:** His Feast is Sept. 23. In 1917, he wrote to a consecrated woman:

"Here is what I feel I must say to you in the Lord today. To live a devout life without failing, all you need do is to fix some excellent and generous maxims in your mind". "The first one I desire you to cherish is from St Paul: 'All things work together for the good of those who love God' (Rom 8:28).

"The second maxim that I desire you to keep forever engraved on your heart is that God is our Father; and what do you have to fear as the daughter of such a father whose providence would not let a hair of your head be harmed?

"The third maxim is that you must observe what the divine Master teaches his disciples: 'What do you lack?' The disciples answered that they lacked nothing. When you were troubled even at the time when you unfortunately did not feel much confidence in God, tell me, were you never oppressed by anxiety? You will answer, 'No'. So, I will reply, 'Why do you not have the strength to overcome all the other trials?'

"The fourth maxim concerns eternity. Living these brief and fleeting moments should not matter much to the children of God, since they will live for eternity in glory with God."

"The fifth maxim that I implore you to keep fixed in your mind is that of the Apostle St Paul: 'Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ' (Gal 6:14). Treasure in your heart the crucified Jesus Christ and all the crosses of the world will seem like roses. Those who have been pricked by the crown of thorns of the Saviour, who is our Head, do not feel the other wounds.

"All I am asking you at the moment is to help me with your prayers to God; and know that I will always do the same for you and for your family and for all the souls who worked for my liberation. My gratitude and acknowledgment to God for them will be eternal".

***St. Padre Pio, Little Therese, pray for all the parish family members of Good Shepherd Parish!***

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

# *How to Respond to Myths and False Claims About Proposal 3*

The following are examples of what supporters may say about Proposal 3. Study these responses so that you can help your family and friends better understand the consequences of this dangerous constitutional amendment.

**THEY SAY** "Michigan residents should have the constitutional right to abortion care and reproductive freedom."

**WE RESPOND** Women already have the right to reproductive care in the state of Michigan. Women have access to prenatal, postpartum and infertility care. Pregnancy help centers provide support and referrals for women unable to see a doctor. Abortion is not reproductive care as it harms women mentally and physically and guarantees that of the two patients involved, one will die.

**THEY SAY** "This amendment would ensure access to abortion and reinstate what was legal under *Roe v. Wade*"

**WE RESPOND** This amendment would allow abortion for any reason, at any point in the pregnancy, for a woman or teen at any age, and allow anyone to conduct an abortion without legal consequences. Together, that would take abortion regulations far beyond anything that was ever allowed under *Roe*. It also doesn't solely apply to abortion as, for example, a parent would lose consent should a child seek to modify his or her biological gender.

**THEY SAY** "Decisions on abortion should remain between a woman and her doctor"

**WE RESPOND** With this amendment, nonphysicians would be able to conduct abortions, undermining the notion that women would be making these decisions with the help of an appropriately licensed physician.

The amendment would block the state from prohibiting abortions in cases where "in the professional judgment of an attending health care professional," the abortion "is medically indicated to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant individual."

Under Michigan law, "health care professional" means more than just a physician, as that definition also includes dentists, chiropractors, massage therapists, acupuncturists, counselors, and psychologists, to name a few examples.

The language also says the state could not "penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against someone for aiding or assisting a pregnant individual in exercising their right to reproductive freedom with their voluntary consent."

Because of that, a school counselor, for example, could take a 13-year-old girl to get an abortion, contraception or undergo sterilization without telling her parents, and there is nothing her parents could legally do when they find out what has taken place. **CONTINUED →**



**THEY SAY** "This amendment ensures women will not be prosecuted for having a miscarriage/abortion."

**WE RESPOND** There is no history of women being prosecuted in Michigan for either of those circumstances. In addition, the Michigan Supreme Court has ruled that a woman receiving an abortion cannot be charged. State law also explicitly defines abortion as not including miscarriage.

**THEY SAY** "This amendment stops the government from prosecuting women who experience miscarriages or ectopic pregnancies."

**WE RESPOND** Abortion is an intentional act to destroy a life, whereas a miscarriage is a spontaneous action within a woman's body. An ectopic pregnancy is when a fertilized egg implants outside the uterus, where it cannot survive. Receiving treatment for an ectopic pregnancy or suffering from a miscarriage is not the same as abortion. Both state law and the Michigan Supreme Court are clear that women rightfully cannot be prosecuted for an abortion.

**THEY SAY** "This amendment allows for women to have autonomy over their own bodies."

**WE RESPOND** A pregnant woman carries inside her a human life that deserves the same dignity that she should be afforded. If a woman becomes pregnant unexpectedly or unwillingly and she feels she is unable or unwilling to parent her child, there are options to ensure the baby is safe. These options include the state's adoption process or the Safe Delivery Law, which allows a mother to surrender her newborn for adoption, no questions asked.

**THEY SAY** "This amendment still allows for late-term abortions to be restricted."

**WE RESPOND** The amendment creates broad exceptions to any ban enacted on late-term abortions, including for reasons related to mental health. Therefore, a pregnant woman could claim that any anxiety or stress she may be feeling gives the right to a second or even third-trimester abortion.

**THEY SAY** "This amendment still allows the state to restrict/regulate abortion after viability."

**WE RESPOND** This amendment changes the definition of fetal viability to no longer mean when the baby can survive outside the womb, instead defining viability as when a baby can survive outside of the womb without "extraordinary medical measures."

This means that a prematurely born infant who needs intensive medical treatment could be considered not viable in the eyes of the mother and the "healthcare professional," who does not have to be a licensed physician under the amendment language.

**THEY SAY** "Over 700,000 Michiganders signed this proposal to put it on the ballot, which shows how widely supported it is."

**WE RESPOND** Paid petition gatherers are not legally required to tell people everything that a proposal would do. Thus, it is likely that most people who signed the petition did not read the proposal or understand the reality of what they were signing. People from various backgrounds, including those who say they are pro-choice, overwhelmingly oppose partial-birth abortion and support health and safety regulations on abortion clinics. This proposal would give constitutional protections to third-trimester abortions up to birth and likely revoke state law that requires abortion facilities to be licensed and inspected.

**THEY SAY** "This proposal would not wipe away parental consent and other health and safety laws that are on the books."

**WE RESPOND** Proposal 3, as described by its own summary, specifically says that state laws conflicting with this amendment will be invalidated. And even if there are open questions on the legal interpretation of the abortion proposal, those open questions would need to be settled by the courts, meaning years of expensive litigation that will have to be funded by taxpayers. If this proposal were to pass, Michigan would immediately become one of the most permissive, anything goes abortion jurisdictions in the country. ■