

**Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time
October 23, 2022**

Wed. October 26th 11:30am St. John site
Thur. October 27th 7:00pm St. Columbkille site
Fri. October 28th 9:00am St John site
Followed by Holy Hour for Vocations
Sat. October 29th 4:00pm St John site
Sun. October 30th 8:30am St Joseph site
Sun. October 30th 10:30am St Columbkille site

Confessions for this Week

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

Readings for the Week

Monday, October 24th

Ephesians 4:32, 5:8 Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 25th

Ephesians 5: 21-33 Luke 13: 18-21

Wednesday, October 26th

Ephesians 6: 1-9 Luke 13: 22-30

Thursday, October 27th

Ephesians 6: 10-20 Luke 13: 31-35

Friday, October 28th

Ephesians 2: 19-22 Luke 6: 12-16

Saturday, October 29th

Philippians 1: 18b-26 Luke 14: 1,7-11

Sunday, October 30th

Wisdom 11:22, 12:2 2 Thessalonians 1: 11-22
Luke 19: 1-10



Memorial Service

A memorial service for Richard Peruski will be held on Wednesday, October 26th at 11:30 @ St John Church, Ubyly. Followed by a luncheon at the Parish Center.

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection – \$4163.00
Loose - \$450.00
Building Fund - \$200.00
650 Parish Families
(297 Family envelope holders)
118 Envelopes used

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

Mass Intentions for the Week of:

October 24-October 30, 2022

Saturday St John site: Good Shepherd Parishioners
Sunday St Joseph site: + Tony Grifka
Sunday St Columbkille site: + Sandy Peplinski

In This Sunday's Readings:

“...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” Luke 18:14

In our materialized world, it is easy to get caught up in thinking that the possessions we have and our talents are of our own doing. It is important to remember that is not the case. All that we have are gifts from God. No one's talents or time or treasures are more important than anyone else's. We are called to share what we have and be humbled and grateful for the Lord's generosity to us.

Concert & Hymn-sing

Fr. Nate will share some original songs for guitar inspired by Scripture, and a couple sing-along hymns. I'll be offering two different 25 minute concerts in each church after each Mass the weekend of Nov. 5/6, after I finish greeting people who cannot stay.



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. October 26th Adoration is cancelled at both sites.

Ubly: 5:30-7pm (Oct. 26)
Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (Oct. 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 7-12th grades & there is no cost.

First Reconciliation Meetings

Classes are at St. Columbkille Church:
Sundays: 8:30 till 10:00a.m. on October 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. 24. To RSVP or If you have any questions please call Valerie Fischer @ 989-553-3088 or Lori Osantoski @ 989-375-4281.

Good Shepherd Christian Mothers Meeting Schedule

November 8, 2022 – 6:30 pm
December 13, 2022 – 6:30 pm ~
Christmas Party (No Meeting)
January 10, 2023 – 4:00 pm
March 14, 2023 – 4:00 pm
April 11, 2023 – 6:30 pm
May 9, 2023 – 5:30 pm ~
Pot Luck/Fun Night with Installation of Officers
and New Members

***Note: If school is cancelled because of weather, our meeting that night will also be cancelled.**

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Counters:

October 24: Kathy Beaver, Marge Briolat, Mary Jane Zurek
October 31: Diana Briolat, Charlotte Baker, Carol Beaudin
November 7: Geraldine Peruski, Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski

4:00pm Saturday Mass October 29th St John site

Lector: Bev Pawlosky
EMHC: Bev Pawlosky
Altar Server: Judy Messing
Sacristan: Judy Messing
Ushers: Bob Brahmer, John Guigar, Dennis Smalley, Richard Trepkowski

8:30am Sunday Mass October 30th St Joseph site

Lector: Shirley Catalano
EMHC: Shirley Catalano
Greeter: Chuck Izydorek
Ushers: Steve Briolat, Gordon Farrelly, Chuck Izydorek

10:30am Sunday Mass Oct. 30th St Columbkille site

Lector: Adrienne Maurer
EMHC: Zoe & Jacie Tyrrell
Altar Servers: Roman Heleski & Brayden Sweeney
Greeters: Kubacki Family
Gift Bearers: Joel & Kenley McDonald
Ushers: Dennis Sweeney, Terry Sweeney, Jeff Maurer



BINGO - Come and enjoy the day! The Christian Mothers of Good Shepherd Parish

will be holding a Bingo on Sunday Nov. 6th 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.

Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850
Next Meeting: We will meet at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on Wednesday, November 9. 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

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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. 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 25, 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 25, 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.



St John Cemetery; St. Columbkille; St. Joseph/St. Ignatius

Fall clean-up and removal of summer flowers will begin November 1st. Please remove any decorations that you want to keep by November 1st. Anything left in the cemetery will be removed and discarded as part of the clean-up process. Please do not place any winter decoration on graves until fall clean-up is completed. Thank you.

The East Region Council of Catholic Women will have their Fall Meeting on Wednesday, November 16, at St. Denis Church of Ave Maria Parish, in Lexington, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; registration will begin at 9:30.

The \$10 registration fee includes lunch.

Mass will be celebrated. Fr. Kevin Wojciechowski from Harbor Beach will be one of the speakers for the day. RSVP by Monday, November 14, to Rose Lilly at 810-359-7610. All women of the area are invited.

World Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering the revitalizing mission at the heart of our Christian faith – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.



Make sure to wish Fr. Nate a very happy birthday. His birthday is Today!!!

The Rescue Project

Want to deepen your relationship with Jesus? Come to the series called "The Rescue Project" by Fr. John Riccardo, a 9 session series beginning at 5:30pm for dinner, video around 6pm and then small group sharing. Held in the Good Shepherd Parish Center in Ubyly, (Every Tuesday, skipping Nov. 22). For all who wish to 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. Sign-up: call office at 989-658-8824 or text JoAnn Roy @ 904-571-0156 or email: joannrroy@yahoo.com. We need to know how many to prepare dinner for. See you in Ubyly!!!!!! There will be no charge.

Facebook Event: <https://fb.me/e/2UAIM5X4H>

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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Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 | 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 | Lk 18:9-14

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

I love baseball. Have you ever seen a batter strike out three times straight, only to hit a game-winning home run or base hit on his fourth at-bat? It doesn't happen often, but when it does, the victory is all the sweeter! I do not believe God actually influences the outcome of baseball games (well, maybe a little; I'm a Cubs fan after all). But I do believe ours is a God who stands by us even in the worst of slumps. Like St. Paul, the key is to keep the faith even when life throws us curveballs, as it inevitably will. If we approach the Lord with the perseverance of Paul and the humility of the tax collector, he will give us the strength we need to finish the race. We can make an effort to approach each day with gratitude, knowing the Lord is always at our side.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Have you heard of Blessed Solanus Casey? He became a Capuchin Franciscan priest, but because of his academic difficulties his ministry was limited. Ordained a "simplex priest," he could say Mass but not preach or hear confessions. And so he was assigned to become a porter, or "doorkeeper." Rather than complain, Father Solanus embraced this ministry. "He was always ready and willing to listen to anyone any time of the day or night," according to the biography read at his beatification in 2017. Because of his humility and holiness, people from all walks of life were drawn to him, often waiting hours to greet him at the door of St. Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit. Hearing today's reading about the prideful Pharisee and the humble tax collector brought his story to mind. Through this parable, Jesus challenges us to approach God and others with humility, understanding that all we are and all we do come from God. We don't have to be the "first," the "best," or the "brightest" - but simply need to ask God to help us grow in love and faith.

ACT Read about Blessed Solanus and recite the "Canonization Prayer," which asks God: "May your will be done in my life today."

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Jesus Cries, “I Thirst!”

Will you quench His thirst for love?

- Fr. Nate's Update -

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

Some Holy Humor: “A Christmas in July Joke”

The old Scot calls his son in London the day before Christmas Eve and says, “I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing; forty-five years of misery is enough.”

“Dad, what are you talking about?” he gasps.

“We can't stand the sight of each other any longer” the father

says. “We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Leeds and tell her.”

In panic the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone. “Over my dead body they're getting divorced!” she shouts. “I'll take care of this!” She calls Scotland immediately, and admonishes her father. “You are NOT getting divorced,” she says. “Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, DO YOU HEAR ME?” and hangs up.

The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. “Sorted! They're coming for Christmas - and they're paying their own way.”

Praise Report: In top photo, from left to right: Dawn Stewart, Terry Sorenson, and Valerie Fischer. Dawn and Terry are in formation to become Lay Ministers for Good Shepherd parish. Valerie is a certified Lay Minister who currently serves. *Lord Jesus, please open their minds to all you want to teach them, and open their hearts to the ways you want to transform them. Bless and reward them. Amen.*



Middle: Fellowship Weekend at St. Joseph site

Next page: Wisdom from a parish family member... delivered in beautiful cursive!

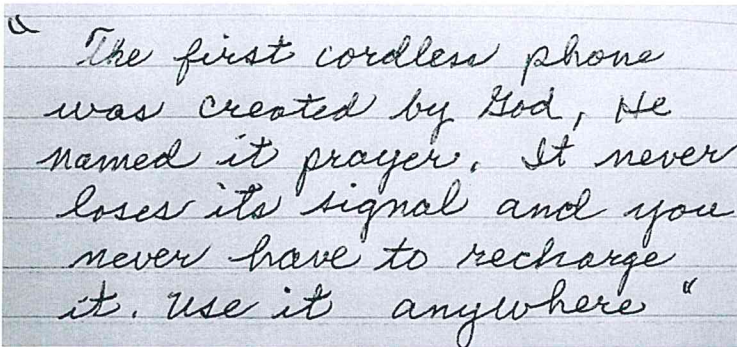
What does it mean to be holy? “Jesus transforms us into Himself.” Here's an answer from “I Believe in Love: A Personal Retreat Based on the Teaching of St. Therese of Lisieux” (by Charles Arminjon, M. Teichert, and M. Stebbins):

“Since it is through Jesus that everything must be accomplished, the more I let Him do, the more the work of grace will be beautiful and perfect. What is this work of grace? The transformation of our souls into Jesus through love. St. Thomas shows us, after St. Augustine, that the Eucharist transforms our souls into Jesus through love. It is there that I find the definition of sanctity, the final word, if I may put it that way, of our divine predestination. Jesus transforms us into Himself. Our intelligence is no longer our intelligence, but His: we see things as He sees them. Our will is no longer our will but His:

we will what He wills, and we reject what He rejects. Our heart is no longer our heart, but the Heart of Jesus: we love what He loves, and we detest what He detests. "And I live, now not I, but Christ lives in me."

Later he writes,

"St. Margaret Mary, shortly before her death, wrote that she had finally understood what He expected of her when He said to her, "Let me do it." "His Sacred Heart," she wrote, "will do everything for me if I let Him. He shall will, He shall love, He shall desire for me and make up for all my faults." Like St. Margaret Mary, you may hear Jesus a hundred times a day, saying to you, "Let me do it." In your difficulties, in your problems, in all those things in your daily life which are sometimes so difficult, so distressing, when you ask yourself, "What shall I do? How shall I do it!" listen to Him saying to you, "Let me do it." And then answer Him, "O Jesus, I thank You for all things." And it will be the most beautiful dialogue of love between a soul and the all-powerful and all loving God!"



The first cordless phone was created by God, He named it prayer. It never loses its signal and you never have to recharge it. Use it anywhere "

This past Family Night: Our Faith Formation families did a family activity. The children were given a piece of paper with an empty shape of a person drawn on each side. First, they were asked to draw the leper, before he met Jesus. Then, they were asked to draw themselves, after they met Jesus. The lesson was, each one of us was (is) that leper, in need of healing, and each

one of us has been healed by Jesus. So, Jesus invites us to imitate the leper, who returned to give thanks to Him. We do each weekend (and weekday if able) by returning to Mass.

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

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; 300 Word Limit

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

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

HIS Banner (Paul): dfbcxsp@agapemail.com

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



An Analysis of Proposal 3's Extreme Constitutional Amendment

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL TEXT

"Every individual has a fundamental right to reproductive freedom, which entails the right to make and effectuate decisions about all matters relating to pregnancy, including but not limited to prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, sterilization, abortion care, miscarriage management, and infertility care."

"An individual's right to reproductive freedom shall not be denied, burdened, nor infringed upon unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means."

"Notwithstanding the above, the state may regulate the provision of abortion care after fetal viability, provided that in no circumstance shall the state prohibit an abortion that, in the professional judgment of an attending health care professional is medically indicated to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant individual."

"The state shall not discriminate in the protection or enforcement of this fundamental right."

ANALYSIS

The amendment specifically says it will impact **ALL** matters relating to pregnancy and lists several examples. These words have extremely far-reaching consequences. The word individual is not defined as to age, meaning the provisions in this amendment will apply to children as well as adults.

This amendment specifically defines a compelling state interest, which would severely restrict any possible abortion law or regulation.

This confusing language appears to allow late-term abortion bans, but by introducing a "mental health" exception, it would allow late-term abortions for practically any reason.

Notice that it does not mention doctors, but "health care professional," which under Michigan law, covers more than just physicians. For example, a dentist could approve a late-term abortion on mental health grounds—and even perform one with no consequence.

If this were to be added to the constitution, the state would likely be seen as singling out abortion with its ban on taxpayer funded abortions through the Medicaid program. With this provision, the state would be required to fund abortion, sterilization, and unethical infertility measures as any other medical procedure. **CONTINUED →**

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL TEXT

"The state shall not penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against an individual based on their actual, potential, perceived, or alleged pregnancy outcomes, including but not limited to miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion."

"Nor shall the state 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."

"For the purposes of this section:

A state interest is "compelling" only if it is for the limited purpose of protecting the health of an individual seeking care, consistent with accepted clinical standards of practice and evidence-based medicine, and does not infringe on that individual's autonomous decision-making."

"Fetal viability" means: the point in pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of an attending health care professional and based on the particular facts of the case, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus's sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures. This section shall be self-executing. Any provision of this section held invalid shall be severable from the remaining portions of this section.

ANALYSIS

This section could stop investigations of infanticides. For example, if someone gives birth and then abandons the baby in the trash, the state cannot investigate the situation because investigation is an "adverse action" against a "perceived pregnancy outcome."

People do not have a right to kill a newborn baby, but this amendment could give them one, and make the state enforce it.

This could stop the state from investigating someone who assists with any abortion as long as consent is given. A school counselor could take a 13-year-old girl to get an abortion without telling her parents, and there is nothing her parents could legally do when or if they find out. An untrained employee at an abortion facility could perform an abortion, and health and safety regulators could be powerless to address it.

This section is likely intended to invalidate the state's pro-life laws. Any existing law related to pregnancy, sex, abortion, sterilization, etc. must overcome three separate obstacles:

- First, the law can only be for the purpose of protecting "health," which is not defined.
- Second, the law must agree with "accepted clinical standards of practice," which are written by the abortion industry itself.
- Third, no law on anything related to pregnancy can infringe on a person's "autonomous decision making."

This means that the amendment makes a female's consent the only legal limit on abortion.

Fetal viability is usually defined as the point a child can survive outside the womb. The amendment changes this definition so that any newborn with a significant illness could be defined as a non-viable child. ■