

#### Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time November 6, 2022

Wed. November 9th ----NO MASS-----

Thur. November 10th 7:00pm St. Columbkille site

November 11th 9:00am St John site

Sat. November 12th 4:00pm St John site

Sun. November 13th 8:30am St Joseph site

Sun. November 13th 10:30am St Columbkille site

#### Confessions for this Week

Wednesday: ----NO CONFESSIONS----

Thursday: After 7pm Mass St Columbkille site Saturday: 3:30pm (ask Fr. at door) St John site

#### Readings for the Week

Monday, November 7

Titus 1:1-9 Luke 17: 1-6

Tuesday, November 8

Titus 2: 1-8, 11-14 Luke 17: 7-10

Wednesday, November 9

Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9 1Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17

John 2: 13-22

Thursday, November 10

Luke 17: 20-25 Philemon 7-20

Friday, November 11

2 John 4-9 Luke 17: 26-37

Saturday, November 12

3 John 5-8 Luke 18: 1-8

Sunday, November 13

Malachi 3: 19-20 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12 Luke 21: 5-19



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

#### **Let Us Give Thanks!**

Weekend Collection - \$3562.00 Loose - \$508.00 **Building Fund - \$80.00** World Mission - \$760.00 650 Parish Families (297 Family envelope holders) 114 Envelopes used

Donations:

In Memory of Kay Sweeney by Kevin & Karen Romzek

In Memory of Bill VanErp by Barb & Bill McNish

In Loving Memory of Christopher Franzel by the Franzel Family

#### **Mass Intentions for the Week of:** October 31 - November 6, 2022

Saturday St John site: ~ Special Intention Sunday St Joseph site: + Charlotte Romzek Sunday St Columbkille site: Good Shepherd **Parishioners** 

#### **Mass Intentions for the Week of:** November 7 - 13, 2022

Saturday St John site: + Gladys Briolat Sunday St Joseph site: + Christopher Franzel Sunday St Columbkille site: Good Shepherd **Parishioners** 

In This Sunday's Readings:

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word." -

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

This passage reminds us that God is merciful to us. We then are called to be merciful to others. It also reminds us that when do good works not only are we full of joy, but others find encouragement to do good as well.

> FIGHT LIKE HEAVEN KEEP OUR BABIES SAFE!!!

The only thing necessary for evil to triumph is for Good people to do nothing!!! Please VOTE "NO" on Proposal 3 on November 8.

#### **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 (Nov. 9, 16, and 30) Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (Nov. 9, 16, & 30)

Youth Group

Youth group will meet on Sunday, November 13, from 5-7pm starting with a shared meal at 5pm.
Youth group is for all 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades & there is no cost.



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

#### **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

RUTH K OF C
ANNUAL SAUSAGE & HAM DINNER
Sunday, November 13, 2022 11:00am-4:00pm
At 7074 E. Atwater Rd., Ruth, MI
Adults: \$14. Children: 6-12 \$6 5 and Under Free
Serving: Homemade Sausage & Ham
Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Squash, Veges, Coleslaw,
Beans and Cranberries
with Homemade Pies & Cakes for Desert
Takeouts: call 989-550-0132

#### **Volunteers Needed**

On Tuesday, November 8, 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, 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.

#### **MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

#### **Counters:**

November 7: Geraldine Peruski, Kay Peruski, Evelyn

Peruski

November 14: Judy Messing, Rose Maikrzek, Shirley

Piontkowski

November 21: Jeanene Schmidt, Carol Beaudin,

Charlotte Baker

#### 4:00pm Saturday Mass Nov. 12th St John site

Lector: Del Czewski EMHC: Del Czewski

Altar Server: Kylie Keller & Summer Franzel

Sacristan: Del Czewski

Ushers: Dennis Smalley, Charlie Briolat,

Mike Briolat, John Guigar

#### 8:30am Sunday Mass Nov. 13th St Joseph site

Lector: Lori Uhl EMHC: Lori Uhl Greeter: Bruce Uhl

Ushers: Bruce Uhl, Kevin Hessling, Chuck Izydorek

#### 10:30am Sunday Mass Nov. 13th St Columbkille site

Lector: Amy Sweeney

EMHC: Dana Irion, Jerry Sweeney

Altar Servers: Broden Peruski, Brayden Sweeney

**Greeters:** Paige Sweeney, Sarah Romzek **Gift Bearers:** Keara & AJ Langley

Ushers: Marv Osentoski, Jeff Sweeney, Brayden Sweeney



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 <a href="https://www.saginaw.org">www.saginaw.org</a>. Our
parish assessment for this year is: \$52,323.00. As of
October 31, 2022, \$14,790.00 has been pledged.
Please prayerfully consider your support of
Christ's Mission Appeal.



TVO AUXILIARY EUCHRE TOURNAMENT
Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 pm
Ubly TVO Hall
Limited to the 1<sup>st</sup> 40 individuals
\$10 per person
RSVP to Tracey Foster @ 989-975-1543 or
Sign up at the Ubly Library



#### 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 in Ubly. All are welcome to enjoy an afternoon of Bingo and finger foods & dessert after.

#### **Good Shepherd Christian Mothers**

We will be holding a meeting, Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the parish center.



Here in November, we look forward to the fulfillment that God has promised us through Jesus, our Risen brother. With the feasts of All Saints' Day and All Souls Day, with our parish memorials for those who have died, we focus on the future fulfillment that God offers to each of us when our earthly lives come to an end.

Karen Gornowicz, Pat Smith, Michael Sweeney, Carol Lemke, Loreane Holz, Delphine McEachin, Mary Nowak, Phillip Martin, David Krause, Sandy Peplinski, Marie Krause, Jean Smithers, Sharon Cregeur, Kevin Brown, Louis Laming, Harold Langley, Beverly Grifka, Alice Talaski, Richard Peruski, Tony Grifka, Alger Nowak, Caroline Maurer & Kathryn Sweeney

#### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Do you know of someone suffering from the after effects of having an abortion? A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is scheduled for November 18-20, 2022, and there are still spaces available. It is not too late to encourage those in need of healing to register. Please ask them to call Lori Becker at 989.797.6652 or email lbecker@diosag.org for more information. Scholarships are available for the cost of the registration fee. No one is turned away.



#### CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.



#### 38th Annual Christmas Boutique

St. Mary Center Port Sanilac, Saturday Nov. 12, 2022 9:00am to 3:00pm Holiday Decorations & Gifts by local Artist & Crafters Holiday Cookies and baked goods available. Lunch from 11:00am to 2:00pm (soups, sandwiches, drinks & desserts Ala cart)

#### 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.

#### **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.



#### Adoption is Heroic

November is National Adoption Awareness Month. We often say adoption is a wonderful and loving option, but it certainly could be described as "heroic."

We received this letter, written by a student as a class assignment to write an essay about a "Michigan hero." He chose his biological mother and his adoptive mother, who both showed courage in the face of adversity to do the right thing.

The names have been replaced by pseudonyms and his birth date removed.

#### My Michigan Hero

Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines the word hero as, "a person who is admired for great or brave acts or fine qualities." My mom's (my birth mom and my mom Lena) fits the definition very well, and that is why they are my Michigan heroes. My moms are heroes because my birth mom gave birth to me giving me the <u>aift of life</u>, instead of making other choices which would not have gotten me where I am today. Also my mom Lena because she works in the medical field and proceeded to work in the medical field during the COVID-19 pandemic.

My mom(Lena)is caring, loving and nice to her patients and I, and always goes above and beyond the limit and always doing more than what's asked of her. My mom is that person that will go to the store for herself and come back with something for you. She is always keeping me on task and making sure things are done on time. My mom is a Certified Medical Assistant or (CMA). If the doctor asks her something she knows it and if she needs something she knows right where it is. She somehow manages to remember all 500 of her patients' names and they all have nice things to say about her.

My biological mother (Ann) had a lot of issues and was on a lot of things that she shouldn't have been. I was born the youngest out of 9 and I am fortunate to be where I am today. She is my hero because she did the right thing and gave me up for adoption to my loving family that I am with now. One of her children passed away due to heart failure and I managed to be cleared with no related problems to my heart. Even though I have never met her she still is my hero and is always in the back of my mind and I am thankful for the gifts she has given me. These people are my heroes, one because I admire my biological mother (Ann) because of the amazing gifts she has given me as far as the opportunities I am able to have, and my mom because she puts me before herself and that makes me want to do that for my kids when I get older.

In conclusion, My moms are my heroes because of the great things my mom does for me and the great gifts my birth mom has given me of being able to thrive as an athlete, a good student and a kind and caring person. My mom is a great role model and I would like to be like her one day and I love her very much. My Birth mom made a very good choice on [my birthday].

## Jesus Cries, "I Thirst!"

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

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

Knights of Columbus, from both Ubly/Sheridan and Sandusky Councils, doing what God calls the Knights to do: serving! They are feeding Jesus by feeding the hungry, at our Faith Formation All Saints Day party. "I was hungry and you gave me food..." If interested in joining the Knights, contact Grand Knight Jeff Maurer



**Some Holy Humor:** Two friars are having trouble paying off the belfry, so they open a florist shop. Everyone wants to buy flowers from the men of God so business is quickly booming.

The florist across town sees a huge drop in sales and asks the two friars to close their shop, but they refuse. A month later the florist begs the friars to close because he's having trouble feeding his family. Again, they refuse, so the florist hires Hugh McTaggert.

Hugh is the roughest, toughest thug in town and is hired to "persuade" the friars to close. Hugh asks the friars to close their florist shop. When they refuse, he threatens to beat the crap out of them and wreck their shop every day they remain open, so they close. This proves once again that Hugh and only Hugh can prevent florist friars.



**The Chosen Series:** see picture. These DVD's are available to borrow in the office! This series can help you grow in your relationship with Christ. I experienced the love of Christ and Mary with this show!

**Praise Report:** At the beginning of our pilgrimage in Europe, one lady's luggage never arrived at the Lisbon airport. Turns out it would never likely be delivered since we were on the move, and the airline left the luggage in Detroit. God always brings a greater good out of every bad that He allows to happen. What good in this case? This lady got a bunch of new, quality clothes, and the airline (or travel insurance?) will reimburse her! Also, this gave some of her fellow pilgrims the privilege of assisting her in this trial. Praise God!

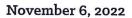
"Let Us Pray..." (The most important part of this Update)

\*\*\*(<u>Pope's November Intention</u>): "We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection."

\*\*\*(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, diaconate, consecrated life, and lay ministry from Good Shepherd Parish. Help married couples to discern Your Will regarding openness to life, including foster care and adoption.

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



# Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14 | 2 Thes 2:16—3:5 | Lk 20:27-38



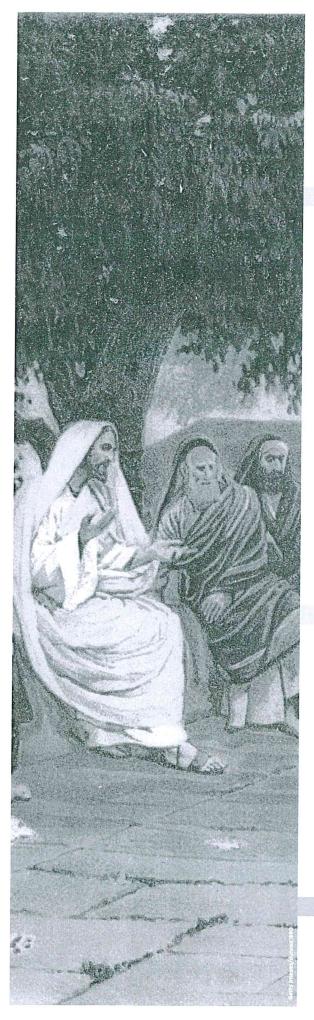
My colleague grew up playing a lot of basketball, and she has pointed out the obvious: Despite the fact that the hoop is much larger than the ball, and there is a very large backboard behind it, it can be very easy to miss a shot. Depending on where you are on the floor, you have to set your sights on, and aim the ball toward, a very specific place in space or on the glass. The king in the first reading and the Sadducees in the Gospel are shooting airballs. Each one of them is, literally, not seeing the right goal. In answering the Sadducees' questions, Jesus challenges their assumptions - not about marriage, but about life after death: "Those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead ... can no longer die ... they are the children of God ... and he is not God of the dead, but of the living." Something even greater, beyond human understanding, awaits. The seven brothers who experienced horrible deaths rather than violate God's law knew that. We, too, hold onto hope that we will be among the living whom Jesus describes. In the meantime, we can place our trust in Jesus and focus on living according to the example he set for us. We may not know exactly what life after death will look and feel like, but we can trust the psalmist's words: "Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full."

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I like to run races of various distances, and one of my favorite things is seeing the fun posters people hold up ("This is a lot of work for a free banana") and hearing shouts of encouragement. Even more powerful, of course, is the encouragement of friends and family members as we face challenges or difficulties. So it's heartening to hear from St. Paul that we can count on Jesus and the Father as a source of "everlasting encouragement and good hope." Again we are reminded that we cannot – and should not have to – do it alone. Instead, we can join Paul in asking God to "encourage [our] hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word." In turn, we can encourage others in their faith and daily lives, seeking to reflect God's love to those we encounter.

**ACTION** One positive thing about social media is the way it allows us to lift one another up through a simple "Like" or comment. In the same way that we "connect" with others on social media, our kind, encouraging words and Christian example in our comments can connect others to Jesus and his Church.





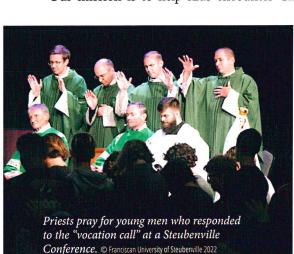
# NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK BULLETIN FOR NOVEMBER 6-12, 2022

YOUTH ON FIRE

### **EUCHARISTIC ENCOUNTERS** SPARK VOCATIONS

rever since the 1992 World Youth Day in Denver, where a crowd of 100,000 chanted "JPII, we love you!" Catholic youth events have been growing stronger, as evidenced by the thousands who attended Steubenville Conferences this past summer at 16 locations nationwide.

One of the most memorable moments of the conferences comes at the final Mass, when celebrants ask teens to come forward if they're open to a call to the priesthood or religious life. "Every year it's a shock to see hundreds of teens stand up," said Bryan Wells, one of the conference coordinators. "Our mission is to help kids encounter Christ, and one of the fruits is



that they're willing to consider a radical way of life and admit in public." Typically the response to their generosity is overwhelming. "When the teens come forward, the applause literally lasts for minutes," said Bryan. "It's an amazing testament to what the Lord is doing in the Church today."



is alive and well!" said Mother

Clare Matthiass, CFR. She's the

author of The Unsolvable Problem, a delightful new children's book

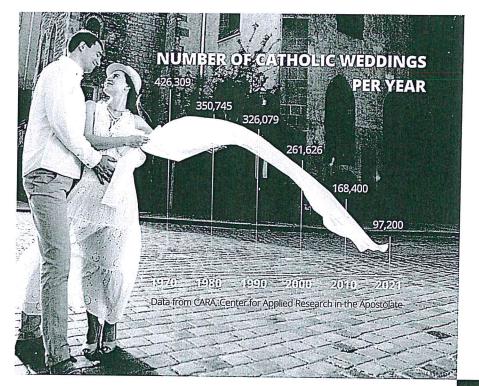
about religious life. You can

join Mother Clare's mission by

sponsoring books for a second-

grade class at littleconvent.com.

Meet Sr. Mary Andy in the new book series "Little Convent in the Big City"



U.S. CHURCH STATS

### **CRISIS IN MARRIAGE**

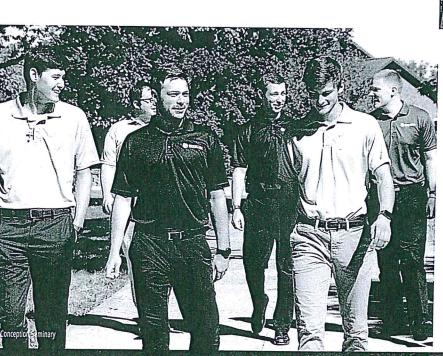
We often think of the "vocations crisis" as referring to the decreasing numbers of priests and religious, but the vocation of marriage is faring far worse. In the last fifty years, the number of annual priestly ordinations dropped 54%, from 805 ordinations in 1970 to 441 in 2021. In that same time period, the annual number of Catholic weddings dropped by more than three-quarters: there were 77% fewer newlyweds last year than there were in 1970. And this while the Catholic population grew by 20 million people. Thus while we teach Catholic youth to listen for God's call, we need to be sure to emphasize that Christian marriage, while at times difficult, is a beautiful and worthwhile vocation.

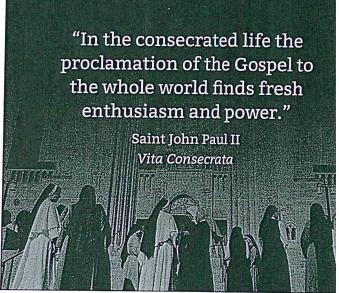


**EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL** 

#### **HOLY HOUR NOVENA**

Is Jesus calling you to be a priest? Thousands of men have answered that question in the chapel, praying before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. A new "discernment challenge" will lead you through nine Holy Hours of contemplative prayer as you imagine various scenes from the Gospels, ponder the big questions of life, and ask the Lord about your vocation. Free at gopriest.com





# THE BEST FORMATION THE CHURCH OFFERS

Visit a college seminary these days, and you're likely to be impressed. There is a goodness and vitality at seminaries that leads many visitors to say, "Gosh, I wouldn't mind living here!" Here's what young men can expect as they journey toward priesthood:

- · A structured schedule
- Plenty of prayer, including daily Mass, personal prayer, Holy Hour, and Divine Office
- · Lots of exercise, sports, and other activities
- Regular spiritual direction
- Spiritual accountability from seminarian brothers
- Challenging and interesting academics
- Service in local parishes, and much more!

