

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30am
Wednesday: 10:30am

Weekend Mass:

Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY—FRIDAY, 8:30AM—4:00PM

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FR. GEORGE DARLING, PASTOR

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parish registration of six months is required. Preparation session required. Contact the parish office for details.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the parish office a minimum of six months prior to the preferred wedding date. Marriage preparation sessions are required.

PARISHIONER MEMBERSHIP

New members are always welcome to our Parish. Parishioner status is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and full participation in the parish stewardship program. All family members 18 years and older should be individually registered with the parish. Parish membership and participation is required of those desiring the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Matrimony.

Liturgies  For The Week

Sat, Sept 9 4:30 pm	VIGIL: 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Margaret Johnson; John Kandra
Sun, Sept 10 9:00 am 11:00 am	23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Parish Family Doris Aman
Mon, Sept 11	WEEKDAY **No Mass**
Tues, Sept 12 8:30 am	WEEKDAY Betty Longstreet
Wed, Sept 13 10:30 am	ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP Lilla Brogger
Thurs, Sept 14 8:30 am	THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Bert Jelens
Fri, Sept 15 8:30 am	OUR LADY OF SORROWS Deborah Nikodemski
Sat, Sept 16 4:30 pm	VIGIL: 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Jim Surman
Sun, Sept 17 9:00 am 11:00 am	24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Harry & Jeremy Waranica Parish Family

SACRED SCRIPTURE

Readings for the Week of August 27, 2017

Sunday	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
Monday	Col 1:24—2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday	Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday	St John Chrysostom, Bishop Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday	The Exaltation of the Cross Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1b-2, 24-28; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Friday	Our Lady of Sorrows Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Saturday	Ss Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-7; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30—28:7; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

~In Our Thoughts & Prayers~
Homebound Parishioner of the Week

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers our parishioner Mary Peck. Cards may be sent to 460 Eleanor St NE, 49505. Let Mary know you are a parishioner and that you are thinking of her.

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BY GEORGE....

If you have watched any news reports these last couple of weeks I am sure that your experience has been like mine insofar as it has been impossible to avoid stories about hurricane Harvey and the devastation the flooding has brought to southern Texas. Impressive to me has been the way many people have responded in the raising of or contributing of money to help those who have had their lives impacted by the historic rainfall and flooding. If you would like to be one of those to help by making a financial donation you can do so here and we will forward any and all donations that we receive to Catholic Charities to assist those who have been affected. Simply place your donation in a separate envelope and write "hurricane Harvey" on the envelope, or if you wish to write a check simply make reference to hurricane Harvey on the memo line of the check. Watching the Weather Channel this morning (i.e., Wednesday) not only did Harvey disrupt people's lives but now Hurricane Irma with historic strength as a Category 5 hurricane is headed toward Florida. If she makes landfall there imagine the devastation that will result from her winds. So if you would like to help with a financial donation and haven't done it yet through the Red Cross or J.J. Watt's fund, feel free to do so through the collection basket here and we will forward the money to Catholic Charities for hurricane relief.

On a somewhat related note we have made three recent donations from the Deacon George Social Justice Fund. The first was in the amount of \$3,000 to Habitat for Humanity to assist with the building of their most recent home across from the Basilica of St. Adalbert on which project some of you volunteered your labor. The second was in the amount of \$2,500 to St. John's Home to assist them in their work with troubled teens. The third was in the amount of \$5,000 to Disability Advocates of Kent County to assist them in their work of assisting those with disabilities to attempt to live somewhat normal lives. As we come to the end of September we will come to the end of another quarter in the Parish fiscal year and so it will be time to distribute the tithing funds once again. Applications to nominate a charitable organization as a recipient of funds can be found in the stewardship tower in the narthex of the Church or on the parish web site. Remember that the charities have to be involved in the work of social justice, and not involved in activities contrary to the teachings or practices of the Roman Catholic Church.

STEWARDSHIP - Week ending September 2 & 3

Week 10/52	
Adult Envelopes (164 used)	\$8,909.47
Automatic Envelopes (29 used)	1,325.00
Youth	16.50
Loose Stewardship	1,094.73
Total Stewardship this week	\$11,345.70
YTD	\$138,221.90
Budget YTD	\$149,038.46
Last YTD	\$142,548.78
5% Tithe this week	\$567.29
YTD Tithe	\$6,911.10

~THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH~

- Sun/Sept 10: noon-3:00pm Parish Picnic, Church parking lot
6:30pm Confirmation Class, Church MPR
- Mon/Sept 11: 11:00am Book Club, Church MPR
7:00pm Knights of Columbus, Church MPR
- Tues/Sept 12: 9:15am-3pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Church
7:30pm Adult Choir rehearsal, Church MPR
- Wed/Sept 13: 4:15pm Knitting/Crocheting Group, Church MPR
6:30pm ASA Board of Directors Meeting, Staff Lounge
- Thurs/Sept 14: after 8:30am Mass Coffee & Donuts, Church MPR
- Sun/Sept 17: 12:00pm Confirmation Class w/Sponsors, Family Center

BLESSED SACRAMENT KID'S CHOIRS

The Blessed Sacrament Children's, and Honor choirs will hold their first practice Tuesday Sept. 26. The Children's choir is open to all Kindergarten-4th graders, and the Honor choir is open to 5th-8th graders.

Children's Choir and Honor Choir meet in the Church multi-purpose room every Tuesday evening. Honor choir will practice from 6:20-6:50pm and Children's choir will practice from 6:50-7:20pm.

Both choirs sing at a different 9am Sunday Mass each month, and combine occasionally. We practice weekly and will end the year with a pizza and bowling party. It's a great way for your kids to be involved in the Church and we welcome all young singers! Please call Katie Jandernoa (460-8835) with any questions.

BOOK CLUB

Are you interested in joining a book club? Did you know we have one at Blessed Sacrament? Our club meets the 2nd Monday of each month from 11:00am-1:00pm in the Church multi-purpose room. You can contact the parish office, 361-7339, if you have questions about joining this group.



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

This week's sponsor is **Bastien Chiropractic**. Please see this ad on the back of the bulletin.

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Banns of Marriage

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

It is time to register for Religious Education classes! Instruction begins Thursday, October 5th at 6:30pm. A packet of information will be mailed to families who attended last year. If you are new to the parish or to our program, please give us a call so we can get the materials to you.

Some of our parish children have special educational needs. If parents make our office aware of those needs, proper placement can be determined which will most benefit the child. In some cases regular religious education teachers simply need to be appraised of reading difficulties, medical problem, or behavioral techniques that are more effective than others.

FALL FESTIVAL

The parish of SS. Peter and Paul invite all parishioners to their annual Fall Festival on Sunday, September 24. Activities begin at 11am and the day concludes with a large prize raffle drawing at 5pm. All are welcome!

3RD ANNUAL 5K TRIAL RUN/WALK

Musicians are tuning up! They will line the trail as you run/walk! Are you getting ready for the Third Annual 5K Trail Run/Walk on **October 7**? The Franciscan stew, the bread, the t-shirts and the kids' run will all be back, we've added a 10k Run. Register today! Cost:\$30. To register, go to www.lifeprocesscenter.org and click on the "Events" tab.

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It could be the most meaningful gift you've ever given anyone... a chance at a Catholic education.

Some families in our parish dream of sending their children to All Saints Academy, but simply can't afford it. Now you can make it happen. Through our Tuition Angel Program you can assist a needy family with some or all of their tuition costs. As an Archangel Sponsor you can provide full tuition for one student for one year. As an Angel Sponsor you can provide half-tuition for one student for one year. Or, as a Cherub Sponsor, you can make a one-time or monthly donation for as much as you like to help a family afford a faith-based, Catholic education at ASA.

We can set you up in our Tuition Angel Program in just a few minutes, and we can tailor your plan to your personal payment preferences. We can even set up regular, automatic bank withdrawals to make it convenient for you. Please call All Saints Academy at 364-9453 for more information.

God calls all of us to do our part, and you can help one child grow in Christ's teachings by helping that child attend All Saints Academy.



You can make your CSA donation online by visiting our parish website. On the main page there is a link to the Diocese of Grand Rapids website. Go to that link and it will tell you how to make your donation. Don't forget to reference Blessed Sacrament when filling out the form.