

ST. MARIA GORETTI PARISH

St. Maria Goretti Parish was established on August 17, 2020. The parish was created by the merger of St. John the Baptist, St. Sebastian and St. Albert the Great Parishes.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 12th 6:30pm Mass

†Walter Smerecki by his wife

†Donald O'Connor by the O'Connor family

†Mary Napier by Teresa Abiek

†Jack & Alma Fitzpatrick by family

Tuesday, April 13th

·NO PARISH MASS TODAY

Wednesday, April 14th 8:00am Mass

†Kathleen Pressey by family †Patrick James by family

Thursday, April 15th

NO PARISH MASS TODAY

Friday, April 16th

'NO PARISH MASS TODAY

Saturday, April 17th 4:00pm

†Beverly Platko by Betty Cayley

†David Nowak by Michael & Nancy Lisiscki

†Madeline Mieszczur by family

†Greg Romanowski by family

†Gerald Kilts by family

†Deceased members of the Buckley Family

Sunday, April 18th 8:00am Mass

†Andrew Schultz by family

†Len Decker by Bill Pace & Family

†Florence Aniol by Theresa Labadie

†William Johnson by St. Maria Goretti Parish

10:00am Mass

•For the people of the parish, both living and deceased.

5:00pm Mass

†Mickey Holuta by family

†Anita Girardi by the Morelli family

†Helen Vogler by her daughter

†Denotes Deceased

SANCTUARY LAMP



The Sanctuary Lamp burns brightly this week in remembrance of:

†**Joseph Bartlett** Requested by family



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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am & 5:00pm

DAILY MASSES

Monday: 6:30pm Wednesday: 8:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 2:45 - 3:30pm

HOLYDAYS

TIMES TO BE DETERMINED

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Each Monday, beginning at Noon, ending prior to 6:30pm Mass

BAPTISMS

Contact Parish Office for arrangements. *Pre-Baptism Class required*.

MARRIAGES

Please contact Parish Office at least six (6) months in advance.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Staff members are in the office during regular business hours, however, the parish office remains closed to visitors until further notice

Calls after hours should be limited to emergencies only.

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 12:00pm* and 1:00pm - 4:00pm Friday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

*The office is closed daily for lunch from 12:00pm - 1:00pm

If you need to contact the parish office, please call during regular business hours.

You can also reach out to the parish office by email: parishoffice@stsebastiancatholicchurch.org

REFLECT

FIRST READING

Luke gives us a glimpse into the solidarity of heart and mind with the original community of believers in Jerusalem. How does your current community of faith compare to this first-generation Jerusalem church?

SECOND READING

John speaks of the power of faith and love for believers in conquering evil in the world. How does the faith and love in your life sustain you?

GOSPEL READING

The story of Thomas' doubt in the resurrected Jesus is one of the most well-known resurrection narratives. Why do you think Christians throughout the ages are drawn to this story?



HOMEBOUND SACRAMENTS

If you or your loved one is shut-in and in need of the sacraments, a member of the immediate family should notify the parish office to arrange for a visit from Fr Ptak.



Our deepest sympathies and prayers go out to the families of the recently deceased:

> Mary Gardai Frank Sultana

May they rest in the light of God's face





On April 4, Easter Sunday, the following adults completed their Sacraments of Initiation by celebrating their Confirmation/First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. They were...

True Zschunke

Charles Crosby

We congratulate them and give thanks to God for their faith! Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.



On March 20, a group of seven Confirmation Candidates from St. Maria Goretti, along with other Jr. High age children throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit, attended the Catholic Youth Trek Service Event held at St. Kateri. During the event, the Candidates prayed the Stations of the Cross, which are located outside on the parish grounds. It was a beautiful day and a great experience for our 8th graders. Then they decorated Easter Egg cards for the Easter baskets that were distributed during Holy Week. They also made bookmarks and cards for our children who will be celebrating First Holy Communion this year. We would like to thank Julie from Sacred Heart, along with everyone on the Catholic Youth Trek team for providing us this service opportunity. Great Job Candidates!





Has the last year put strain on your marriage or made it harder to communicate? Want some marital enrichment but aren't sure about being in proximity with others? Want to make a Marriage Encounter weekend, but can't escape for a whole weekend? Restore, Rekindle, Renew Enrichment (3RE for short) is all the content of a Marriage Encounter weekend presented in weekly sessions over a 7-week period. This spring, grow your marriage and your faith by attending the Virtual 3RE! Apply today at wwme.org and put Michigan in the search bar.

For questions, contact Terry & Cathy Hirsch at 888-322-9963



He is Risen! Alleluia!



Today is Divine Mercy Sunday which, fittingly, officially ends the Octave of Easter. Remember that Easter is so important that, like Christmas, we celebrate the event for eight days. The Easter "Season" will continue until Pentecost! What a party!

But what about this Divine Mercy Business? What's that all about?

Well, in Poland in the 1930's a young uneducated nun, Sister Faustina, began to receive messages from Our Lord who asked her to promote this Feast among the Faithful; that's us! He showed her the Divine Mercy Image and she, through her spiritual advisor, had the now familiar painting commissioned. He also gave her the formula for the Divine Mercy Chaplet which is recommended to be recited at 3:00 PM, the hour that Our Lord died on the cross. Sister Faustina was canonized by Pope Saint John Paul the Great in 2000.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

- **A** Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.
- **B** Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.
- **C** Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that all the graces of His mercy can only be received by our trust. The more we open the door of our hearts and lives to Him with trust, the more we can receive.

For more information on Divine Mercy, go to the Divine Mercy website at www.thedivinemercy.org

God Is Good All the Time! All the Time God Is Good!

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Don't forget, join us this Friday and every Friday at 3PM to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet on ZOOM. See the ad in our bulletin or on the parish website for details on how to join in. Hope to see you there!







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The Office of Priestly Vocations' discernment group for men (18-55) considering the priesthood is having its next meeting on **Thursday**, **April 22**, **2021**, **7:00-8:30pm**. New members can join at any time, as there is no requirement to have been at the last meeting. The previous nights have been a great success with many men excited to talk about their possible vocation to the priesthood. Meetings are led by Fr. Craig Giera, Director of Priestly Vocations, and will include prayer, group discussion on discernment, light refreshments, and fellowship with other like-minded men.

Please contact the vocation office for more info: https://detroitpriestlyvocations.com/discernment-groups/.





Air Force

Matthew Thornton, Nicole Thornton, Michelle Thornton, Brittany Mack, Tiffany Kay Smith (Ladd), husband, Don Smith

Army

Josh Harpster, Zachary Robbins, Robert Truchan, Anthony Lemieux, Bryce Bieniek, Tony Pernicano, Jacob Grzebienik, Matthew Hapunowicz

Marines

Joseph Krawzyk, 1st Lieutenant, Joseph McGinnis, Corporal, Andrew Clark, 1st Lieutenant, Cody S. Pratt, Luke Cohen, PFC 1st Class

Navy

Ryan Detlor, Patrick Hanosh

Army National Guard

Vincent Nowak, Spc. Kyle F. Johnson, Michael Dunne

SUNDAY COLLECTION



Stewardship checks should now be made payable to:

St. Maria Goretti Parish

Envelopes may be dropped in the stewardship box in church, mailed to the Parish Office or donations may be made online.

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> Please drop off your donations on Mondays and Wednesdays between 12:00 and 2:00pm or call Matt @ 313.595.1317 anytime.

Here is our current list of needs for our pantry:



- Pancake Mix
- ♦Syrup
- Brownie Mix
- Saltine Crackers
- **♦Frosting**
- Canned Spaghetti Sauce
- **Feminine Hygiene Products**
- **Bladder Control Pads**

Thank you and may God's blessings keep you and your families safe. We are open with a drive- up service on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00 noon till 2:00. Please remember we have our biggest fundraiser going on now at Meijer up on the hill in Allen Park. It's our Simply Give Program. Please consider donating and help up keep our shelves stocked. God's blessings upon each and everyone of you. The pantry will be closed April 5th, the Monday after Easter. Please pass this on to your parishioners. Happy Easter to all.

April 2021

BOLD REGINNINGS

MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREAT

Saturday, June 19th 9:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday, October 9th 9:00am - 6:00pm

\$75/couple includes meals

St. Paul of the Cross Retreat and Conference Center 23333 Schoolcraft Road

Detroit, MI 48223-2405 Conveniently located at Telegraph and I-96 REGISTER FOR THE JUNE RETREAT AT: boldbeginningsjune.eventbrite.com

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Ushers President: Dave Griswack 313.999.5144

Gospel of Life: TBD

K of C Round Table: TBD



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- ★ Click on the Online Giving link on the left side of the home page.
- **★** Complete the registration form

Please feel free to call the Parish Office if you should have any questions or want to know more about Online Giving.

Your donations are vital to the success of our Parish community.

Individual Confessions



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EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

스크 Fach Monday, beginning at Noon :

Each Monday, beginning at Noon and ending prior to the 6:30pm Mass.

Join us for prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament

CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

With Deacon Regis

Friday afternoons at 3:00pm on ZOOM

It's easy to join in on either a computer, a tablet or on the phone. To join by phone just dial 1 (312) 626-6799 and use meeting ID 85478055945#. This will automatically connect you to the ZOOM site.

- OR -

On your computer or tablet type in this link in your internet web browser: https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/85478055945





May 16, 2021

St. Maria Goretti Parish



Watch the bulletin for updates!

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ImportantINFORMATION

All submissions are due 10 days before publication date.

The deadline for bulletin submissions is **2:00pm on Thursday**, **10 days before the bulletin date**.

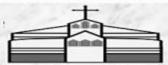
Exceptions occur when the bulletin is required to be sent early due to holidays.

Please plan ahead as submissions received past the deadline will be published in the following week's bulletin.

Submissions should be sent as a Word document, PDF or photo format (JPEG, TIFF, GIF, PNG), attached to an email or in the body of an email



Welcome to our Church



Whether you are a first time visitor, a frequent guest, someone interested in becoming Catholic or prayerfully seeking to return to the practice of your faith -

we warmly welcome you and we are glad you are here!

We invite and encourage you to become a member of our parish family.

Please take a moment to complete the information below,
drop it in the collection basket and someone will contact you.
You are also welcome to call the Parish Office at 313-562-5356
for assistance with registering. WELCOME!

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 11, 2021

Sunday Second Sunday of Easter Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;

1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Monday Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday Saint Martin I, Pope and Martyr

Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9;

Jn 3:16-21

Thursday Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20;

Jn 3:31-36

Friday Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15 Saturday Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9;

1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2021

Sunday Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9;

1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

Monday Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;

Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday Acts 7:51—8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and

8a. 17 and 21ab: Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the

Church

Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday
Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday
Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop

and Martyr

Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and

Martyr

Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;

Jn 6:60-69

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28,

29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18



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