

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday, December 12, 2021

3rd Sunday of Advent

Please Welcome
OUR NEW MEMBERS

JACOB GINSTER
AND
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Our website is now mobile friendly with improved accessibility.

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Stay informed of all the happenings at Sacred Heart!

Come Celebrate OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Saturday, December 11 | 7:00 pm

Join the Knights of Columbus in a celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe on the vigil of her feast day.

The celebration will begin in Fr. Krefl Hall, with a showing of the video "Guadalupe: The Miracle and The Message" followed by a procession to church with the image of the miraculous "tilma" of St. Juan Diego, prayer of a rosary in her honor, along with a gathering with Mexican chocolate caliente and pan dulce.



Bring a simple bouquet of roses and come honor the Patroness of the Americas!



Christmas Giving Tree

If you took an ornament from our Christmas Giving Tree, please remember that all gifts along with the ornament, **must be returned TODAY, Sunday, December 12th.**

Donation will be distributed to The Pontiac Community Outreach, Haven or Jail Outreach.

God's Christmas blessings to all,
Christian Service Commission





HEARTS ON FIRE

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"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire!" St. Catherine of Siena

LISTEN to Fruitful Discipleship—The **Charism of MISSIONARY** empowers a Christian to be a channel of God's goodness to others **by effectively and joyfully using his or her charisms in a second culture...** energized by typical challenges of learning a new language and living in a new culture... becomes fully bi-cultural—absorbing customs, unwritten rules, gestures—all to fruitfully use other charisms in a new culture... thrive on richness, color, and challenge of relating to and working with people from different cultures... could also be used to relate fruitfully to skeptics and unbelievers saturated in most-modern assumptions.

(Fruitful Discipleship, by Sherry Weddell, pg 160-162)

PRAY: Tear or cut off this prayer and keep it where you'll remember to pray it throughout the week

*Come, Holy Spirit, Lord of the Gifts, to Sacred Heart Church and to our Family's Parishes; Open our minds and hearts to hear your voice. Reveal to each of us the special and particular gifts (Charisms) You have given to us to use for others. Provide opportunities to test and discern whether one might have the **Charism of MISSIONARY**. Reveal to us how You want us to use any of the Charisms you've given, and give us the desire and will to do it. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in each of us the fire of Your love. Amen!*

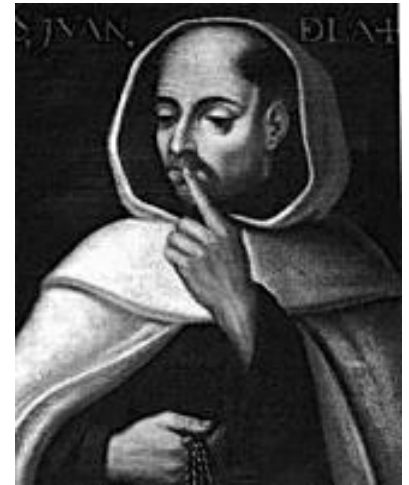
ASK & ACT: What is this note saying to **me**? Have people from other cultures told me that they feel very comfortable with me? Do I enjoy, and even energized by, moving outside the culture of my childhood in order to share Christ? Do I get frustrated when I cannot spend time with people from a different cultural background? Have I learned or plan to learn a new language and customs in order to answer God's call? Have others told me I have a gift for working with people of a different culture? I will **pray** over these questions, asking God to lead me in discernment of whether (or not) He has given me the **Charism of MISSIONARY**, and ask for the desire and will to know how I might use any of my charism group in our parish, my community or world. "No Bystanders!"

Saint OF THE WEEK

DECEMBER 14 | SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

December 14 is the feast day of St. John of the Cross. Juan de Yepes was the Castilian son of a poor silk weaver of Fontiberos, Toledo, Spain and was born in 1542. His father was of noble birth; he had married much beneath him, and for that offense had been entirely cut off by his family. He had taken to silk weaving as a means of livelihood but had never been able to make much of it. Soon after the birth of Juan he died, worn out with the effort to keep his wife and three children. The family was left in direst poverty; the children grew up always underfed, so that to the end of his life Juan remained dwarfed in stature.

Unable to learn a trade, he became the servant of the poor in the hospital of Medina, while still pursuing his sacred studies. In 1563, being then twenty-one, he humbly offered himself as a lay brother to the Carmelite friars, who, however, knowing his talents, had him ordained priest. He would now have exchanged to the severe Carthusian Order, had not St. Teresa of Avila, with the instinct of a saint, persuaded him to remain and help her in the reform of his own Order.



Thus, he became the first prior of the Discalced (meaning "barefoot") Carmelites. His reform, though approved by the general, was rejected by the elder friars, who condemned the saint as a fugitive and apostate, and cast him into prison, whence he only escaped, after nine months' suffering, at the risk of his life. Twice again, before his death, he was shamefully persecuted by his brethren, and publicly disgraced. But his complete abandonment by creatures only deepened his interior peace and devout longing for heaven.

St. John was a great contemplative and spiritual writer. He was proclaimed Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XI on August 24, 1926. He is the patron of contemplative life, mystical theology, mystics, and Spanish poets.

Notes from the Worship Commission:

THE ELDERLY OR SICK AND RECEPTION OF COMMUNION AT MASS

We want to give special consideration to anyone who is unable to come forward to receive Communion. If you or a loved one is elderly or sick, and is unable to come forward, please let one of the ushers know. They will direct you to sit along the center aisle, either at the front or the back of church, and will let Father or one of the Eucharistic Ministers know to bring Communion to you. Thank you.



The fruitfulness of evangelization depends upon the graces called down through intercession.

- ~ That Fr. Mark will be strengthened and nurtured in his leadership role as moderator of our Family of Parishes
- ~ May our families, as the Domestic Church, grow in love, understanding, and zeal for their faith as they are challenged by the secular season against the true meaning of the season, the coming of Christ.
- ~ That Sacred Heart parish and our Family may find ways to grow closer to Jesus during Advent, leading to a Christmas celebration of Christ's arrival in our hearts and in our world.
- ~ For each member of Sacred Heart parish, in a spirit of Christian hospitality, begin to pray and discern someone whom they might invite to share in a Christmas Mass celebration.

We ask all this in the Name of the Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit (sign of the Cross). Amen.

LIVING THE LITURGY **Inspiration for the Week**

Shout for joy! When was the last time you ever felt like doing that? Fear, uncertainty, pressure, negativity, disappointment, and myriad other human experiences can rob us of joy. We can never predict what life will bring. As unsettling as that can often seem, life's unpredictability is also the very thing that allows it to be

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION DURING ADVENT

Advent is a time for preparation to celebrate the coming of Christ. There is no better way to prepare ourselves spiritually than by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Consider taking advantage of one of the many opportunities to receive the sacrament within our Family of Parishes!

INDIVIDUAL CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT *

- Sacred Heart:** Saturdays, 3pm - 4pm
- St. Thomas More:** Saturdays, 3pm - 4pm
- St. Hugo of the Hills:** Saturdays, 3pm - 4pm
- St. Damien of Molokai:** Fridays, 5:30pm - 7:30 pm (*at St. Vincent de Paul*)

** Note: Each parish also offers the sacrament by appointment.*

ADVENT COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES (with individual absolution)

- St. Thomas More:** Tuesday, Dec. 21st, 7pm.
- St. Hugo of the Hills:** Tuesday, Dec. 14th, 7pm.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED!

Are You a 'Techy'? We Need Your Help!

We're looking for tech-savvy people to help us begin live streaming of Sunday Masses starting in January. If you have IT knowledge and can help, please contact the **Pastoral Associate, Sean Sylvester at the office, at 248-852-4170**, or by email at sacredheartauburnhills@gmail.com.



KNIGHTS "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" MAGNETS

The Sacred Heart Council of the Knights of Columbus is happy to announce that special "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets are now available in the back of church. Designed to mount safely on your car, the magnets are a quiet and powerful reminder during the rush of the holiday season that the true source of our joy at Christmas is God's amazing gift of His own Son, given for the forgiveness of our sins. Please take one per family.

exciting and adventuresome! We know that life can be difficult, and it is unrealistic to expect it to be otherwise. God never promised an easy road. But, when a person truly falls in love with God and discovers the peacefulness and assurance of God's presence, then a depth of understanding will be brought to everything they do and experience. Nothing will be able to rob them of joy! When we realize that God, the King of Israel, is in our midst and with us, there is no further

misfortune to fear. We celebrate the beauty and wonder of God's gift of joy today as we ready ourselves, even more excitedly, for the coming of our Savior. Do not fear and do not be discouraged. There is a power and presence within us, our God, who has made us, who loves us and who will keep us. What more do we need? Rejoice!





CELEBRATION OF WINTER SOLSTICE

All are invited to welcome the season of winter with a ritual, *Winter Solstice: A Sacred Time*. The virtual celebration, facilitated by Sister Esther Kennedy, OP.

3:30 to 4:30 p.m. EST
Sunday, December 19, 2021

The celebration includes reflections on our turning from darkness to light as the days begin to grow longer, and from the past to this new moment. We will cultivate our own capacity as beings of light to shine our light and love as fully as possible upon one another and our world.

A Dominican Sister of Adrian, MI, Sister Esther is a retreat leader and spiritual director who conducts a monthly Day of Mindfulness at Weber Center.

The celebration is free and open to all. Registration is not required. To participate, join the live stream at <https://webercenter.org/seasons>.

For information, call the Weber Center at 517-266-4000.

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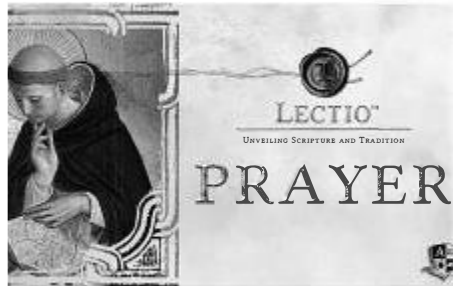
WATCH

SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA: A STUDY IN PERSEVERANCE

Both St. John of the Cross and his dear friend St. Teresa of Ávila lived heroic lives of prayer. In honor of these spiritual masters, enjoy this film depicting the Carmelite way of life and the virtue of perseverance.

PICK OF THE WEEK

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LECTIO: PRAYER—AN INTIMATE DIALOGUE

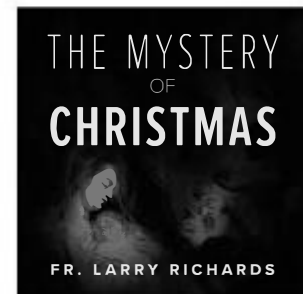
St. John of the Cross, Doctor of the Church, had a deep desire to help others grow in prayer. In honor of this mystical saint, join Dr. Gray as he dives into the simplicity and mystery of prayer.

LEARN

LISTEN

THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTMAS BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS

In this talk, Fr. Larry Richards reminds us that in the mystery of Christmas, God gives humanity his greatest gift—the gift of his Son to the world.



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LIVE at the Basilica

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7pm in the Basilica

Each month we'll bring in a world-renowned speaker to inspire and reinvigorate us to live as missionary disciples in today's changing world.



Wednesday, December 15, 2021
"A Holiday Recital"
Soprano Angela Theis

With Guest Pianist: Timothy Cheek

Soprano Angela Theis has captivated the attention of audiences and critics alike, while remaining active in her hometown Detroit area. She is featured on the 2017 David DiChiera Letters & Fantasies album and continues to be an ambassador for Michigan Opera Theatre and the music of its late founder.



Timothy Cheek has performed recitals as a collaborative pianist in eighteen countries on four continents, and has been heard on radio and television programs around the world.

Please visit shrinechurch.com for more information



Rosary said one-half hour before daily Mass

Saturday, December 11, 2021

4:00 p.m.

† Edward Brown

Sunday, December 12, 2021

9:00 a.m.

† George Perrout

11:00 a.m.

† Fred Samrah by Family

† Lou Mahoney

by Elizabeth Mahoney

Monday, December 13, 2021

9:00 a.m.

† Mark Pilarski

† Antero Lim and Maria Yu Chun

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

NO MASS

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

9:00 a.m.

† Andrew Serocki

† Farrar Family by Joan Farrar

Thursday, December 16, 2021

NO MASS

Friday, December 17, 2021

9:00 a.m.

† Rita Pedersen

† Orleta Cairo

† Jack Salter

† Margaret and Bart Marchese

by Elizabeth Mahoney

Saturday, December 18, 2021

4:00 p.m.

† Bill Brown

Sunday, December 19, 2021

9:00 a.m.

† Sue Augustyn by Family

11:00 a.m.

† Fred Samrah by Family

† Erlinda Estrellas

by Mary Lee Pascual



Names will be published for 3 weeks.
If a name has been removed that you wish
to have re-established, please call the
Parish Office at 248-852-4170

Rolf Maier	Ella Dawson	Floyd Warzak
Stella Lentz	Anders McCarthy	Joe Veryser
Tom Guibord	Sean Reaume	Don Boudreaux
Nancy Delosh	JoAnn Eaton	Paul Bissa
Michael Delosh	Mark DeFelice	Cathleen Stachurski
Frank J. DeFelice	Julie Kozlowski	Betty Barg
Nick Rennels	Patricia Swantek	Jackson Hensley
Jim Clem	Ralph Swantek	Diane Hurd
Mary Ann Demres	Paul Weir	Richard Booms
Priscilla Boudreaux	Romulo Pascua	Ursulene McCaffrey
Resi Cavellier	Donna Lawrence	Shawn Burns
Deac. Jack Parent	Laura A. Reaume	Samatha Graves

**Scripture Readings
for the Week**



Sunday, December 12:

Zep 3:14-18a/Is12:2-3, 4,
5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

Monday, December 13:

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6
and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday, December 14:

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7,
17-18, 19 and 23 [7a]/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday, December 15:

Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab
and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 45:8]/Lk
7:18b-23

Thursday, December 16:

Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6,
11-12a, and 13b [2a]/Lk 7:24-30

Friday, December 17:

Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab,
7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17

Saturday, December 18:

Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19
[cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25

Sunday, December 19:

Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
[4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

**OUR MEN AND WOMEN
IN THE SERVICE**

2nd Lt Carrigan Berard, Army NG
CPL Christopher Berard, US Marine Corp
Sergeant Joel Bock, National Guard
Lt Christopher Burns, Navy
Lt Molly Hamilton Burns, Navy
Lt Jamel Chokr, Coast Guard
Sra Jake Coll, Air Force
Ssgt Joshua Coll, Air Force
AMS3 Christion Compton, Navy
Joseph Destefano, serving in Iraq
Capt Brent Drabek, Air Force
Lt Linda Erickson, Army
Petty Officer Anthony Giacobelli, Navy
Lt Stephanie Herderich, Air Force
Lt Nicholas Hughes, Army
LCPT Dawson Innis, Marines
Capt Benjamin Lloyd, Marines
Capt Kaitlyn Tullock Lloyd, Marines
Lance Corporal Adam Mather, Marines
Capt Sean McQuade, Army
Maj Sarah Burns Mobilio, Marines
Matthew Panella, US Navy TM3
Sergeant Daniel Pendell
Lt Ronnie Robinson, Army
Captain Billy Romine, Army
Gunnery Sgt Michael Schuhler, Marines
Capt Todd Sullivan, Army
Senior Airman Scott Socia, Air Force
Tom Yombor, Army Ranger 1175
Ian Zdral, Army

Liturgy Schedule		
December 11-12, 3rd Sunday of Advent		
	Lectors	Lead E.M.
Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass	Linda Botson Lisa Landry	TBA
Sunday 9:00 am Mass	Sandy Stacer Pete Keating	TBA
Sunday 11:00 am Mass	Gene Jagnecki Nancy Poitrowski	TBA
December 18-19, 4th Sunday of Advent		
	Lectors	Lead E.M.
Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass	Kristen Koltvedt Jerry Lingeman	TBA
Sunday 9:00 am Mass	Gena Galicia Chris Lyons	TBA
Sunday 11:00 am Mass	Doug Rusch Toni Rusch	TBA



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Sacred Heart parish is a loving and giving Roman Catholic community. We welcome people from all walks of life as we celebrate God's presence in the Eucharist and we proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ by serving all, teaching boldly and rejoicing always.

Sacred Heart Parish

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OFFICE HOURS:
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 Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 Wed., Sat. & Sun.: Closed

LEADERSHIP AND STAFF
Pastor: Fr. Joe Grimaldix22
Office Assistant:
 Carol Bissa (Mon. & Tues.)x10
 Kathy Costa (Thurs. & Fri.)x10
Music Minister: Brendan Johnson

MASS SCHEDULE
 Mon., Wed., Fri.: Mass 9:00a.m.
 Tues., Thur.: NO MASS
 Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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SACRAMENTS & INFORMATION
RECONCILIATION
 Saturday, 3:00 p.m.
BAPTISMS
 Please call the Parish Office for arrangements, Call 3 to 6 months before birth of child.
MARRIAGES
 Arrangements to be made with priest. Call at least 6 months to a year prior to wedding.
RCIA
 RCIA program for adult entrance into the Church begins each fall. Please call the Parish Office for information.
EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL
 Come and pray anytime.
NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION
 Please call the Parish Office at 248-852-4170 x10 to register.
BULLETIN
 Deadline: Articles are due by Friday (10 days before) at 5:00 p.m. Bulletin Editor Email: bulletin@esacredheart.org

3 EASY STEPS

TO KEEPING YOURSELF & OTHERS HEALTHY!
 We are cautioned to be especially careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



WASH YOUR HANDS



DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

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