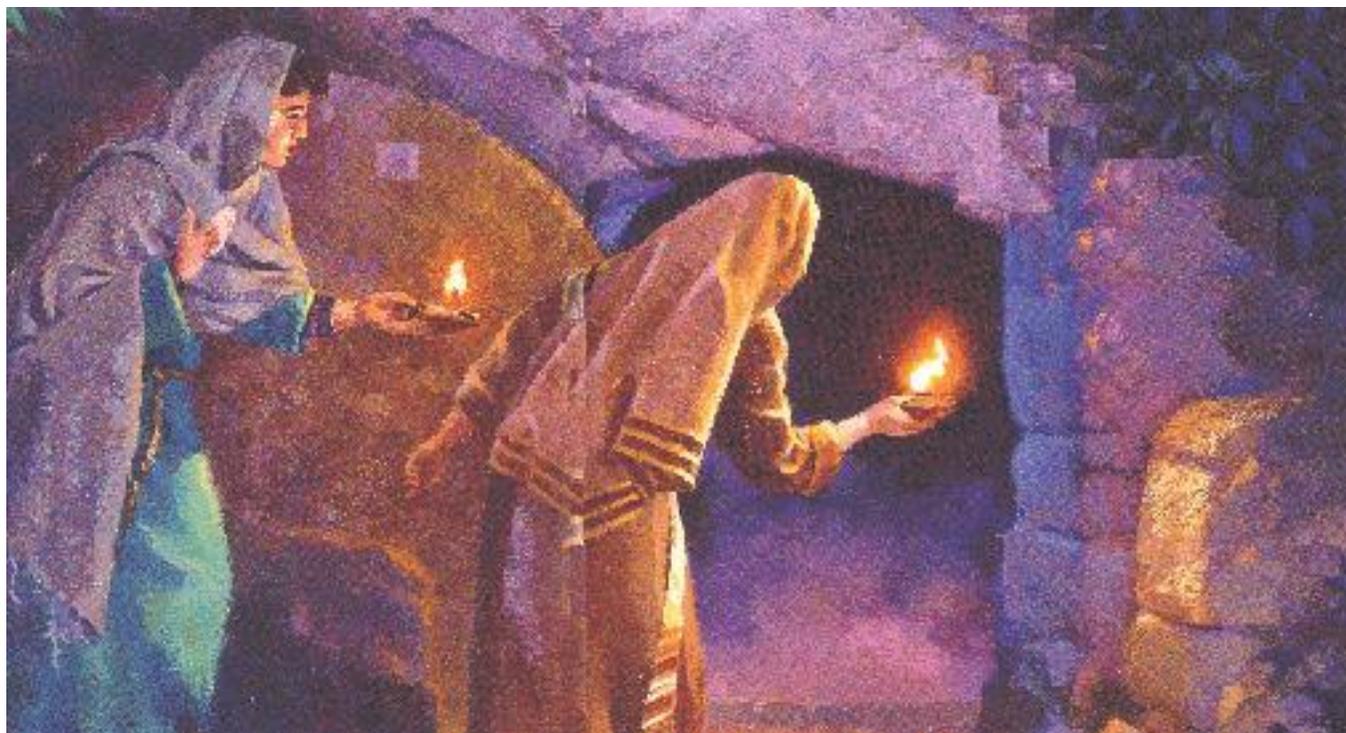


*Easter Sunday*

*April 12, 2020*

**ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH**

Pastor: Fr Andrzej Borocho



*“On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.” – John 20:1*

*St Paul the Apostle Mission Statement*

We the Parish of St Paul the Apostle, including the churches of St Martin de Porres and St Paul the Apostle as Disciples of Jesus Christ, accept the call of our Savior, to proclaim God’s Word, through worship, prayers, and actions in our respective communities. We take seriously the responsibility of God’s call to serve others, live out His word and support His church here on earth.

<b>St. Paul the Apostle Church</b>	<b>St Martin de Porres Church</b>
121 N Union St Ithaca, MI 48847	4101 W Cleveland Rd Perrinton, MI 48871
<b>Mass Schedule:</b> Wednesday: 6 p.m. Thursday: 8:30 a.m. (Adoration follows until 8:00 p.m.) Saturday: 6 p.m. (5 p.m. Confession) Sunday: 11 a.m.	<b>Mass Schedule:</b> Friday: 9 a.m. Sunday: 9 a.m.
<b>Office Hours:</b>	<b>Contact Us:</b>
Monday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tuesday 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Wednesday 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. * Thursday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Phone (989) 875-2852 Fax (989) 875-7027 E-mail <a href="mailto:stpaultheapostle.secretary@gmail.com">stpaultheapostle.secretary@gmail.com</a> Website <a href="https://stpaulparishmi.org/">https://stpaulparishmi.org/</a>
<i>* Please submit announcements by 12 p.m. on Wednesday. Thank you!</i>	
<b>For Adult/Child Sacrament Initiation:</b> - Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist -	Josh Mikulka (989) 436-3119 Sarah Mikulka (989) 576-3114

Alleluia, Christ is risen, Alleluia.  
Alleluia, He is truly risen, Alleluia

Dear Friends,

More than ever, we need Easter now and his Resurrection. With fear and uncertainty hanging over us, we need the assurance of the Risen Christ Who has conquered sin and death.

More than ever, we need the assurance of life when so many of our fellow Americans are falling victim to this dangerous virus. More than ever, we need the hope and joy that Easter brings because a heavy pall of darkness and sadness envelopes us.

Even though we may not be able to celebrate Easter in the way we usually do, let us celebrate it in our hearts and our homes. Let us visit the Empty Tomb with the holy women that we may witness the signs of Jesus' resurrection. Let us hold on to the Risen Lord just like Mary Magdalene until we recognize Him as Teacher. Let us accompany the two disillusioned disciples on the road to Emmaus so that He may open our eyes at the Breaking of the Bread. Let us profess our undying love for Him just as Peter did on the shores of Lake Galilee. Let this Easter become real and alive.

I will be praying for each and every one of you during my Easter Mass. I know you cannot be with us physically but you will be present spiritually. I will pray that just like St. Paul, the Apostle we will feel in our bodies and spirits the resurrection of Christ. St Paul, who had not met the historical Jesus in the same way as did the other apostles, proclaimed the Risen Christ more powerfully than anyone else.

This Easter may we all imitate this great apostle who passionately loved the Master.

Just like him, we will then be able to voice the words that he wrote in his Letter to the Romans:

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

As I am wishing you the blessings of this Holy Day, I am also making an appeal to you.

We are in need of your financial support to survive as a parish in this difficult time.

I thank you for all your prayers and financial support to St. Paul the Apostle Parish.

I thank you sincerely for everything you do to your own parish all year round!

I am praying for you and for your entire family. Please pray for me.

Our Country and whole world is in great need of God's Mercy.

Let's pray together Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet at 3pm every day.

Let's also celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on April 19 praying Chaplet at 3pm and reading St. Faustina Diary or watching EWTN or Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge live.

Let's be united through this powerful prayer whole entire week. Jesus I trust in you!

May Risen Christ keep us safe and bless us everyday and bring us back soon to our church to celebrate the Eucharist as a community together than we can recognize again Our Risen Lord In the Breaking of the Bread!

Love and prayers,

Fr. Andrzej

*“To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brethren, stand firm and hold to the traditions which you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by letter.”*

*-Thessalonians 2:14-15 (ESV)*

**LITURGY SCHEDULE: ALL MASSES CANCELLED**

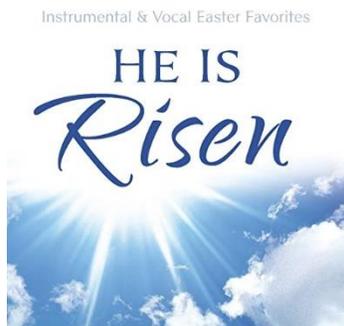
**MASS INTENTIONS**  
 All Mass Intentions will be offered during Fr. Andrzej’s daily private Masses. If you would like to reschedule a Mass Intention, please contact the parish office.

**PRAYER**  
 If you would like time in front of the Blessed Sacrament, please contact the parish office.

**WATCH MASS ON DIOCESAN WEBSITE**  
 Mon-Sat: 8 AM | Sun: 10 AM | [Visit Site](#)

**SAT APR 18**  
*Mass intentions for + Lee & Janet Wagner*

**SUN APR 19 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
*Mass intentions for + Margaret Chovance*  
*Please come and spend an hour with the LORD.*



The saints have all experienced desolations and abandonment of soul. “How impervious to things spiritual, my heart!” cries a St. Bernard. “No savor in pious reading, no pleasure in meditation nor in prayer!” For the most part it has been the common lot of the saints to encounter aridities; sensible consolations were the exceptions. Such

things are rare occurrences granted to untried souls so that they may not halt on the road to sanctity; the real delights and happiness that will constitute their reward are reserved for heaven. This earth is a place of merit which is acquired by suffering; heaven is a place of reward and happiness. Hence, in this life the saints neither desired nor sought the joys of sensible fervor, but rather the fervor of the spirit toughened in the crucible of suffering. “O how much better it is,” says St. John of Avila, “to endure aridity and temptation by God’s will than to be raised to the heights of contemplation without God’s will!”

But you say you would gladly endure desolation if you were certain that it comes from God, but you are tortured by the anxiety that your desolation comes by your own fault and is a punishment for your tepidity. Very well, let us suppose you are right; then get rid of your tepidity and exercise more diligence in the affairs of your soul. But because you are possibly experiencing spiritual darkness, are you going to get all wrought up, give up prayer, and thus make things twice as bad as they are?

Let us assume that this aridity is a punishment for your tepidity. Was it not God who sent it? Accept your desolation, as your just desserts and unite yourself to God’s holy will. Did you not say that you merited hell? And now you are complaining? Perhaps you think God should send you consolations! Away with such ideas and be patient under God’s hand. Take up your prayers again and continue to walk in the way you have entered upon; for the future, fear lest such laments come from too little humility and too little resignation to the will of God. Therefore be resigned and say: “Lord, I accept this punishment from thy hands, and I accept it for as long as it pleases thee; if it be thy will that I should be thus afflicted for all eternity, I am satisfied.” Such a prayer, though hard to make, will be far more advantageous to you than the sweetest sensible consolations.

It is well to remember, however, that aridity is not always a chastisement; at times it is a disposition of divine providence for our greater spiritual profit and to keep us humble. Lest St. Paul become vain on account of the spiritual gifts he had received, the Lord permitted him to be tempted to impurity: “And lest the greatness of the revelations should exalt me, there was given me a sting of my flesh, an angel of Satan to buffet me.”

**ST PAUL’S ASSIGNMENTS**

SATURDAY, APR 18	SUNDAY, APR 19
<b>LECTORS</b>	
Ann Franich	Carol Ebnit Josh Mikulka
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	
Daria Greer Joyce Raducha Elizabeth Casnovsky	Sharon Davis Mary Ramereiz Gloria Kleinhans
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	
TBA	Connor Mikulka Jamie Huntoon
<b>USHERS</b>	
Larry Stehlik John Franich	Zachary Mikulka Mark Barrows Chuck Wieferich Dane Longanbach

**ST MARTIN’S ASSIGNMENTS**

<b>LECTORS</b>	Mary Pearson
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Al & Diana Flores Gloria Thelen
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Bruce & Nolan Thelen
<b>USHERS</b>	Todd & Sara Walden

**UNIFORMITY WITH GOD’S WILL →**

BY ST. ALPHONSUS DE LIGUORI  
 Translated by Thomas W. Tobin, C.S.S.R.

**6. Spiritual Desolation.**

-----[Or read here: link.](#)

Prayer made amid sensible devotion is not much of an achievement: "There is a friend, a companion at the table, and he will not abide in the day of distress." You would not consider the casual guest at your table a friend, but only him who assists you in your need without thought of benefit to himself. When God sends spiritual darkness and desolation, his true friends are known.

**NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL OR TOO GREAT  
WHEN GIVEN FROM THE HEART**

**ST PAUL PARISH**

*~ Money Counted 4/6/2020 ~*

<b>Deposit</b>	<b>3,010.00</b>
<b>Sunday/Holy Day</b>	<b>2,265.00</b>
<b>CRS Collection</b>	<b>485.00</b>
<b>Easter Flowers</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>Bulletin Memorials</b>	<b>150.00</b>
<b>Restricted Accounts:</b>	
<b>Maintenance</b>	<b>60.00</b>

<b>CSA 2019-20 as of March 30, 2020</b>	
Total Pledged: \$20,435.00	Total Paid: \$20,435.00
Pledged & Unpaid: \$0.00	Target: \$34,072.69
<b><i>Our parish needs: \$13,637.69</i></b>	

Thank you all for your pledges and payments!

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK**

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|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Tina Abell      | Linda Palmer    | Mary Ellen Pitkowski |
| Kevin Leonard   | Keith Peters    | Mike Bowen           |
| Ethel Thomas    | Tom Keiffer     | Florence LaVoy       |
| Holly Holland   | Joan Abell      | Josephine McCliggott |
| Shirley Czape   | Betty St Pierre | Julie Ahern Saunders |
| Gloria Abell    | Gordon Gladden  | Sue Bowen-Harteg     |
| Don Williams    | Karen Barrows   | Ron Zyzelewski       |
| Jeff Watson     | Kathy Vojtas    | Willie LaFreniere    |
| Don Macha       | Terri Grierson  | Mary Narodowiec      |
| Vincent Strouse | Tony Huntoon    | Judy Wischmeyer      |
| Anna Sanchez    | Emily Sanchez   | Jonathan Fenner      |
|                 |                 | Stephen Zamarron     |

*Remember those who have no one to pray for them, and also the men and women who are serving in the military.*

**2 WEEKS AFTER WE BEGIN SERVICES AGAIN,** the "Pray for the Sick" List (left) will be starting over from scratch. Please contact the office with any names that you would like to add to the NEW Sick List, even if they are already listed. Thank you.

**Scripture Readings for the Week (4/13-4/19)**

<b>M</b>	Acts 2:14, 22-23	Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11	Matt 28:8-15
<b>TU</b>	Acts 2:36-41	Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22	John 20:11-18
<b>W</b>	Acts 3:1-10	Ps 105:1-4, 6-9	Luke 24:13-35
<b>TH</b>	Acts 3:11-26	Ps 8:2ab, 5-9	Luke 24:35-48
<b>FR</b>	Acts 4:1-12	Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a	John 21:1-14
<b>ST</b>	Acts 4:13-21	Ps 1, 14-15ab, 16-21	Mark 16:9-15
<b>SN</b>	Acts 2:42-47 1 Peter 1:3-9	Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24	John 20:19-31

**EASTER BOOKS AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE – CALL MARY WEEBER TO RECEIVE BOOKS (510) 676-9137**

**BULLETIN MEMORIALS | \$50 EA. NOW DUE MAY 1, 2020**

**CANCELLATIONS**

**ST PAUL MASSES**

All public Masses and services throughout the week have been cancelled.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus have cancelled their April business meeting and the coffee and rolls. Their next meeting will be May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**STATE CCW CONVENTION**

Last week that the Detroit Province CCW convention in Frankenmuth, April 24-25 has been cancelled.

**CHANTED ROSARY**

Visit this link to chant the Rosary with our musician. – Coming Soon!

**SERVICES & SACRAMENTS AVAILABLE**

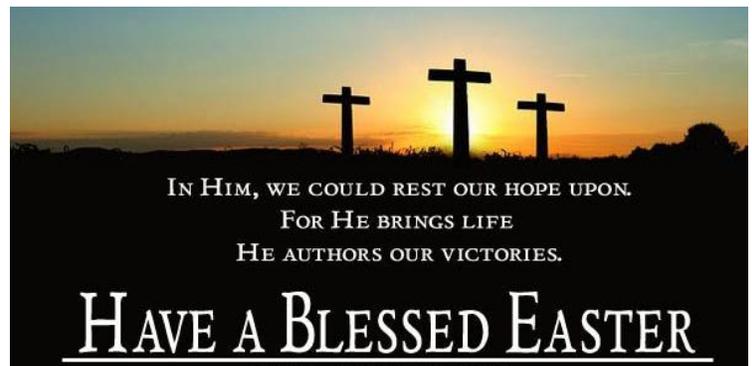
If you need access to one of the following, contact Mary Weeber at (510) 676-9137:

Sacrament of Penance & of Anointing of the Sick | Funerals

**PRAYERS & READINGS AVAILABLE**

Lenten prayers are available on our website [stpaulparishmi.org](http://stpaulparishmi.org) under "Bulletins" so that you can pray at home.

Spiritual Reading sites are available on [Parish Update page](#).

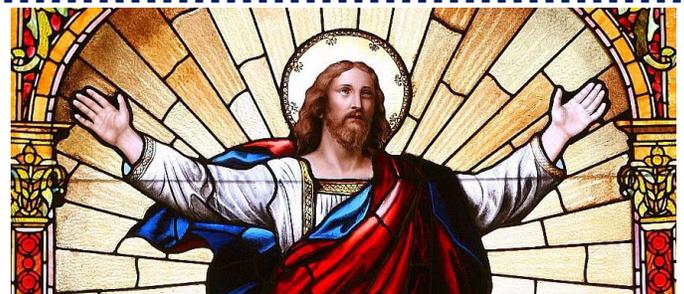


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**ALTERED OFFICE HOURS | Mon – Sat: 2pm – 3pm**  
Please contact Mary Weeber with any concerns:

(510) 676-9137 cell (can text or leave voicemail)  
[stpaultheapostle.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:stpaultheapostle.secretary@gmail.com)

**Calls and e-mails will be checked periodically every day of the week. Please do not hesitate to call/e-mail!**



**READ DAILY READINGS HERE: LINK**  
*Links for each day are also provided*



***In loving memory of those who remain  
forever present in our hearts.....***

In loving memory of JOHN HARUSKA & HARUSKA FAMILY MEMBERS

In memory of ANTON & ANNA SMOLKA, HELEN (SMOLKA) STRATTON, ANDREW, JOSEPH, AND TONY SMOLKA

In memory of JOSEPH & ROSE STEHLIK & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE STEHLIK & BARTA FAMILIES

In loving memory of LOUIS, BERTHA, & DONOVAN DZIURKA, BALWINSKI & NETZLEY FAMILIES & FRIENDS

In loving memory of LAMEY, WAGNER & DAMASKO FAMILIES

In loving memory of RAYNOLD & RITA MILLER & BETTIE HILLABRANDT

In loving memory of BURTIS BLAIR, LOUIS & MARY KUPRES

In loving memory of the members of THE BOWEN, DIONISE, FORTINO & TOWN FAMILIES

In loving memory of EDWIN R OLSZEWSKI & GRANDSON MARK GREENING

In loving memory of GAVENDA, CASNOVSKY & SPIECE FAMILIES

In loving memory of JOHN, JOHANNA, & JAMES RADUCHA

In loving memory of THOMAS, ANGELA, & JEROME SAGER and DONNA & JERRY HICKEY

In loving memory of TOM ZAMARRON AND SONS, TOM & LARRY, ARTHUR & CLARA ST PIERRE,

AMELIA & TRINIDAD ZAMARRON & SZYBOWICZ FAMILY

In loving memory of MARY SNIDER & SON AUGUST SNIDER

In loving memory of GEORGE & MARTHAJEAN FRANICH, RONALD & MARY LOCKE

In loving memory of JOSEPH & PHYLLIS TREFIL, DEANNA TREFIL

In loving memory of LOUISE (LOU) GOOSEN, LOUIS & ROSE GOOSEN, ART & BETTY KLEIN

In loving memory of ROBERT A KRISTIN

In memory of BILL (SONY) LAFRENIERE

In memory of BETTY FINCH

In loving memory of GEORGE VOJTAS

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