



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

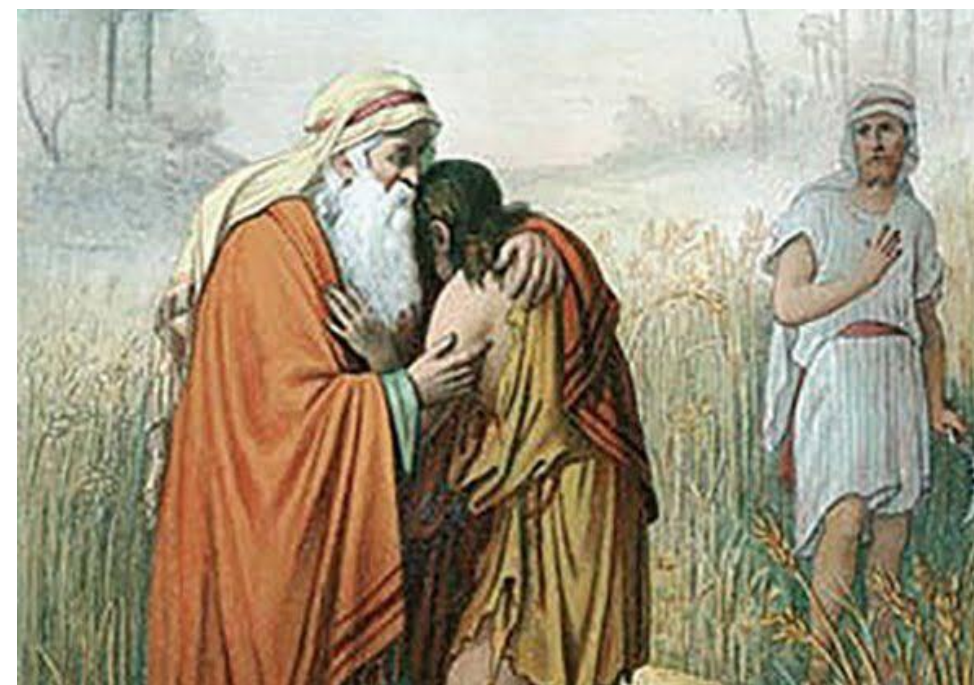
- In loving memory of JOHN HARUSKA & HARUSKA FAMILY MEMBERS
- In memory of ANTON & ANNA SMOLKA, daughters FRANCES & HELEN; sons ANDREW, JOHN, JOSEPH, and TONY
- In memory of JOSEPH & ROSE STEHLIK & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE STEHLIK & BARTA FAMILIES
- In loving memory of LOUIS, BERTHA, & DONOVAN DZIURKA, 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 STUART & MARY SNIDER & SON AUGUST
- In loving memory of GEORGE & MARTHAJEAN FRANICH, RONALD & MARY LOCKE
- In loving memory of JOSEPH & PHYLLIS TREFIL, DEANNA AND DJ TREFIL
- In loving memory of LOUISE (LOU) GOOSEN, LOUIS & ROSE GOOSEN, ART & BETTY KLEIN
- In loving memory of ROBERT A KRISTIN
- In loving memory of BILL & MILLIE LAFRENIERE
- In loving memory of BETTY FINCH
- In loving memory of GEORGE & KATHY VOJTAS

*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*September 20, 2020*

**ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH**

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*“ ‘What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?’ Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last. ’ ” – Matthew 20:14-16*

*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> 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.	<b>Contact Us:</b> 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>
<b>For Adult/Child Sacrament Initiation:</b> - Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist -	Josh Mikulka (989) 436-3119 Sarah Mikulka (989) 576-3114

*\* Please submit announcements by 9 a.m. on Wednesday. Thank you!*

“Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For any one who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself.” -1 Cor. 11:27-29

LITURGY SCHEDULE		
<b>WATCH MASS ON DIOCESAN WEBSITE</b> Mon-Sat: 8 AM   Sun: 10 AM   <a href="#">Visit Site</a>		
<b>WED</b>	<b>SEPT 23</b>	
6:00 PM	SP	MASS
<i>Mass intention for Fr. Andrzej Boroch</i>		
<b>THURS</b>	<b>SEPT 24</b>	
10PM – 8 PM	SP	ADORATION
<i>Mass intention for + Margaret Chovance</i>		
<b>FRI</b>	<b>SEPT 25</b>	
9:00 AM	SM	MASS
<b>SAT</b>	<b>SEPT 26</b>	
6:00 PM	SP	MASS
<i>Mass intention for Fr. Andrzej Boroch</i>		
<b>SUN</b>	<b>SEPT 27</b>	<b>26TH OF ORDINARY TIME</b>
9:00 AM	SM	MASS
<i>Mass intention is Pro Populo</i>		
11:00 AM	SP	MASS
<i>Mass intention for Fr. Andrzej Boroch</i>		
<i>Please come and spend an hour with the LORD.</i>		

**ST PAUL'S ASSIGNMENTS**

SATURDAY, SEPT 26	SUNDAY, SEPT 27
<b>LECTORS</b>	
Mares Vanderploeg	Sarah Mikulka Jean Raducha
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	
John Raducha Daria Greer Elizabeth Casnovsky	Nancy Barrows Gloria Kleinhans Sharon Davis
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	
TBA	Ivy & Lydia Davenport
<b>USHERS</b>	
Maureen Murphy Pat Lamey	Brad Harkness Josh Mikulka Chuck Wieferrich Zachary Mikulka

**ST MARTIN'S ASSIGNMENTS**

<b>LECTORS</b>	Mel Wieber
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Tim Donohue Paul & Andrea Goerge
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Bruce & Nolan Thelen
<b>USHERS</b>	Paul Goerge John Pohl

**INTRODUCTION TO THE DEVOUT LIFE**  
BY ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

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**CHAPTER XI. THIRD MEDITATION.**

**Of the Gifts of God.**

**Preparation.** 1. PLACE yourself in the Presence of God.  
2. Ask Him to inspire your heart.

**Considerations.**

1. Consider the material gifts God has given you—your body, and the means for its preservation; your health, and all that maintains it; your friends and many helps. Consider too how many persons more deserving than you are without these gifts; some suffering in health or limb, others exposed to injury, contempt and trouble, or sunk in poverty, while God has willed you to be better off.
2. Consider the mental gifts He has given you. Why are you not stupid, idiotic, insane like many you wot of? Again, God has favoured you with a decent and suitable education, while many have grown up in utter ignorance.
3. Further, consider His spiritual gifts. You are a child of His Church, God has taught you to know Himself from your youth. How often has He given you His Sacraments? What inspirations and interior light, what reproofs, He has given to lead you aright; how often He has forgiven you, how often delivered you from occasions of falling; what opportunities He has granted for your soul's progress! Dwell somewhat on the detail, see how Loving and Gracious God has been to you.

**Affections and Resolutions.**

1. Marvel at God's Goodness. How good He has been to me, how abundant in mercy and plenteous in loving-kindness! O my soul, be thou ever telling of the great things the Lord has done for thee!
2. Marvel at your own ingratitude. What am I, Lord, that Thou rememberest me? How unworthy am I! I have trodden Thy Mercies under foot, I have abused Thy Grace, turning it against Thy very Self; I have set the depth of my ingratitude against the deep of Thy Grace and Favour.
3. Kindle your gratitude. O my soul, be no more so faithless and disloyal to thy mighty Benefactor! How should not my whole soul serve the Lord, Who has done such great things in me and for me?
4. Go on, my daughter, to refrain from this or that material indulgence; let your body be wholly the servant of God, Who has done so much for it: set your soul to seek Him by this or that devout practice suitable thereto. Make diligent use of the means provided by the Church to help you to love God and save your soul. Resolve to be constant in prayer and seeking the Sacraments, in hearing God's Word, and in obeying His inspirations and counsels.

**Conclusion.**

1. Thank God for the clearer knowledge He has given you of His benefits and your own duty.
2. Offer your heart and all its resolutions to Him.

3. Ask Him to strengthen you to fulfil them faithfully by the Merits of the Death of His Son. OUR FATHER, etc. Gather the little spiritual bouquet.

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

ST PAUL PARISH: 9/13/2020 \$3,045.84

If you wish to know how our deposits break down further, please contact bookkeeper: [bookkeeper@stpaulparish.org](mailto:bookkeeper@stpaulparish.org).

CSA 2020-21 launches October 24, 2020	
Total Pledged: \$0.00	Total Paid: \$0.00
Pledged & Unpaid: \$0.00	Target: \$34,517.00
<b>Our parish needs: \$34,517.00</b>	

**Thank you all for your tithes, pledges and payments!**

**LET US PRAY FOR ... THE SICK**

David Sager | Keith Peters | Stephen Zamarron | Theresa Olsewski

**... THE RECENTLY DECEASED**

Ron Coe | Roxanne Anderson | Julius Remenar | Ruth Diebold

**... THE MILITARY :**

Major Matthew Cary | Tony Bellinger | Lt. Col. Tom Sager

*Remember those who have no one to pray for them.*

Please contact the office with any names that you would like to add to a Prayer List.

**PRIEST ASSEMBLY**

This week, September 21-23 (Mon-Wed), the priests of the Diocese will be gathered with Bishop Gruss for our Assembly of Priests. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the priests will be gathering either on-line or at the Center for Ministry. This year, our presenter will be the Spitzer Group and will be a follow-up from our last year's assembly working on how to continue to work together as a presbyterate and to be effective together for our diocese. Even though they are going to be close to home, they will still be "away" from the parish and unable to attend to funerals and the like. We ask that you keep Bishop Gruss and the priests of the diocese in your prayers this week.

**ONLINE GIVING**

The option to give virtually to our parish is finally here! Visit the [parish website](#) to learn more. You have the option to give online or to text "GIVE" to +19892005825.

**DISPENSATION EXTENDED**

Our bishop extended the dispensation from the obligation of attending Mass until September 30, which ends on October 1.

Scripture Readings for the Week (9/21-9/27)			
<a href="#">M</a>	Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13	Ps 19:2-5	Matt 9:9-13
<a href="#">TU</a>	Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13	Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44	Luke 8:19-21
<a href="#">W</a>	Proverbs 30:5-9	Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163	Luke 9:1-6
<a href="#">TH</a>	Ecclesiastes 1:2-11	Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc	Luke 9:7-9
<a href="#">FR</a>	Ecclesiastes 3:1-11	Ps 144:1-4	Luke 9:18-22
<a href="#">ST</a>	Ecclesiast 11:9 – 12:8	Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17	Luke 9:43b-45
<a href="#">SN</a>	Ezekiel 18:25-28 Philemon 2:1-11	Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14	Matt 21:28-32

**FR. EDDIE'S DAY OFF**

Fr. Eddie will be switching his day off from Thursdays to Mondays in October. His first Monday working will be on Oct. 5 and his first Thursday off will be Oct. 8.

We will still have Adoration on Thursdays, but without Benediction. Instead, the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed.

**LUNCH BREAK MASS**

Starting Monday, October 5, Fr. Eddie will be celebrating Monday Lunch Break Mass from 12:15-12:40pm every week.

**MINISTER SCHEDULES**

Ithaca Minister Schedules are being sent out by mail.

Perrinton Minister schedules are also being sent out by mail.

Because we are currently without a Perrinton Minister Coordinator, please contact the parish office if you are unable to serve on the day indicated in the schedule and we will help cover that day for you. We thank you for your patience during this transition!

**MONEY COUNTER COORDINATORS WANTED**

Our parish is in need of Money Counter Coordinators. If you are interested in either being a Perrinton Coordinator or an Ithaca Coordinator, please contact Fr. Eddie by e-mail.

**PERRINTON MINISTER COORDINATOR WANTED**

We are currently looking for a Perrinton Minister Coordinator. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Eddie by e-mail.

**CSA INTEREST FORGIVENESS**

We will owe \$13,000 from CSA 2019-20, but the bishop has forgiven all interest for overdue CSA payments for this year and all of 2021. We give thanks for his generosity!

**PREGNANCY SERVICES OF GRATIOT COUNTY**

The time of the annual Baby Boomerang fundraiser is here! This year there are more ways to give – see bulletin boards for more info. Feel free to take a baby bottle from the vestibule.

**ST. PAUL CCW**

We will meet Tuesday, September 22, at 2:00 p.m., in the parish hall. All women of the parish are invited. We welcome your input in planning our activities.

**LET US PRAY FOR THE MILITARY**

Please pray for Tony Bellinger, son of Troy & Beverly Bellinger, who served for years as an altar server and then an usher at St. Paul. If you'd like to send him encouraging notes:

AB Bellinger, Anthony J  
BMT 1/Dorm B3 FLT 752  
Kessler AFB, MS. 38534

*Lord, guard and guide the men who fly through the great spaces of the sky. Eternal Father, strong to save, give them courage, make them brave; protect them whereso'er they go, from shell and flak and fire and foe.*

**MASKS REQUIRED**

This is a reminder that everyone is required to wear a mask to church for Mass, and it is to be kept on throughout the Mass except for Communion. The only exceptions to this are priests, servers, lectors/ministers, cantors, and those who receive special permission from Fr. Eddie.

Compliance to this is in keeping with our bishop's mandate. Thank you to all those who heed it. May God reward you!

**[READ TODAY'S DAILY READING HERE](#)**

-----[Links for each day are also provided](#)