



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

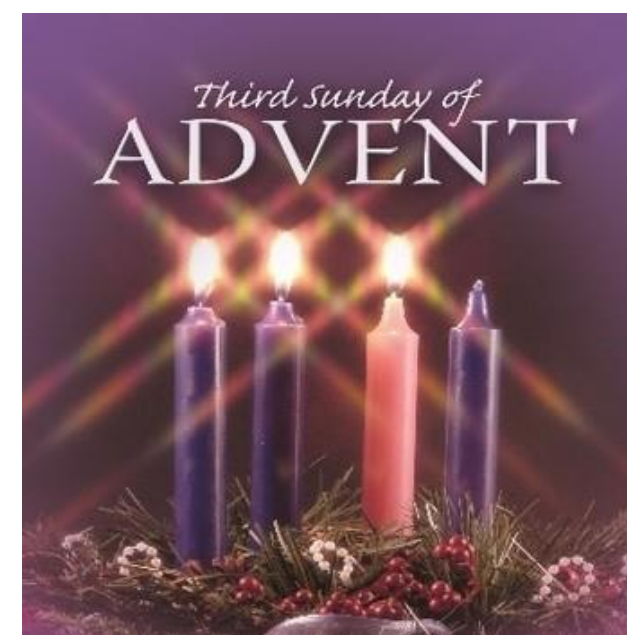
In loving memory of GEORGE & KATHY VOJTAS

Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2020

ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH

Parish Priest: Fr. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL | Rev.Dwyer@yahoo.com – best method of contact | Rectory: (989) 875-3654



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.

St. Paul the Apostle Church (Ithaca)	St Martin de Porres Church (Perrinton)
121 N Union St Ithaca, MI 48847	4101 W Cleveland Rd Perrinton, MI 48871
Mass Schedule: Monday: 12:15 - 40 p.m. Wednesday: 6 p.m. (5:30pm Confession) Thursday: Lay-Led Adoration 10 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Saturday: 6 p.m. (5 p.m. Confession) Sunday: 11 a.m.	Mass Schedule: Friday: 9 a.m. Sunday: 9 a.m.
Office Hours:	Contact Us:
Monday 1 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Wednesday 1 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. * Friday 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Phone (989) 875-2852 Fax (989) 875-7027 E-mail stpaultheapostle.secretary@gmail.com Website https://stpaulparishmi.org/
* Please submit announcements by 3:00 pm on Wednesday. Thank you!	

LITURGY SCHEDULE		
MON	DEC 14	
12:15 PM	IT	MASS
<i>Mass intention is for +Julius Remenar</i>		
TUES	DEC 15	
5:30-7:00	PE	ADVENT CONFESSION
WED	DEC 16	
5:30	IT	CONFESSION
6:00	IT	MASS
THURS	DEC 17	
10AM - 8PM	IT	ADORATION
FRI	DEC 18	
9:00 AM	PE	MASS
<i>Mass intention for +Melvin Wieber</i>		
SAT	DEC 19	
6:00 PM	IT	MASS
<i>Mass intention for Fr. Andrezj Boroch</i>		
SUN	DEC 20	
9:00 AM	PE	4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT
<i>Mass intention is for Ken and Mary Jo Kline</i>		
<i>50th Anniversary</i>		
11:00 am	IT	4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT
<i>Mass intention for pro populo</i>		

ST PAUL'S ASSIGNMENTS

SATURDAY, DEC 19	SUNDAY, DEC 20
LECTORS	
Ann Franich	Drew Endter Carol Ebnit
ALTAR SERVERS	
Tom & Faustina Quinlan	Jamie Huntoon Connor Mikulka
USHERS	
Larry Stehlik Maureen Murphy	Al Ramereiz Rich Ramereiz Dane Longanbach Chuck Wieferich

ST MARTIN'S ASSIGNMENTS

LECTORS	Sara Walden
ALTAR SERVERS	Olivia King Griffin Kus
USHERS	Larry Blair Rob Case

***NOTICE* FOR CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

Starting this year, we will be holding a **Midnight Mass in Ithaca, and will hold Christmas Morning Mass in Ithaca on even years and in Perrinton on odd years.** Christmas Eve Mass times remain the same.

Christmas Eve Thurs, 12/24 4:00pm Ithaca
7:00pm Perrinton

*Please note that the Christmas Masses on Christmas Day in Ithaca incense will be used.

Dear Parish Family,

We have been praying the St. Michael Prayer after the dismissal from Mass since my arrival. I started the practice so that we would have some type of prayer in between the end of Mass, and the distribution of Holy Communion when we were still employing that pandemic precaution. The prayer, however, has been in use after Mass since 1886. It was added to the 1884 Leonine Prayers that were required to be recited after every low Mass by Pope Leo XIII. These prayers were a response to the papacy losing political independence and facing secular oppression. The St. Michael prayer, however, was a bit more personal to the late pope.

The story goes that after celebrating a Mass in 1884 he had a vision in which he heard Satan and God conversing. Satan claimed he could destroy the Church in 100 years if God permitted him the time which God did. Leo went straight to his office and composed this prayer in a matter of 30 minutes and required its recitation after every low Mass to protect the Church from demonic dangers.

This prayer was said at these times until 1964 when the Leonine Prayers were suppressed by the instruction, *Inter Oecumenicil*. The prayer itself, however, was never suppressed for private, or public recitation. Pope St. John Paul II, and our current pontiff both have encouraged its regular use.

The last action of the Mass that is prescribed in the rubrics is the priest genuflecting before the tabernacle or bowing to the altar if there is no tabernacle. So, therefore the prayer is recited at this point in our congregation, and in many more congregations throughout the Church. It ensures that we are not adding anything to the liturgy under our own authority, but also ensures our community is praying for heavenly protection against evil spirits seeking the destruction of souls.

There is a great deal of evil these days in our world. It seems like it is all going to boil over at any moment, doesn't it? But our God works great reversals. He can permit Satan some latitude as a means of stirring up the faithful to prayer, and virtue. The papacy seemed to be under certain attack from worldly powers, but in 1929, after years of reciting the St. Michael Prayer, the Lateran Treaty ensured Papal independence on the world stage. What great reversal might God have in store for us today? Nobody but God knows if, and when, but we do know that St. Michael will defend us in the battle for our souls.

May God bless and keep you.

prayers,

Fr. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL

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

ST PAUL PARISH: 12/6/2020 \$6,191.85

CMA 2020-21 launched October 24, 2020	
Contribution total through	Target: \$34,517.00
November 2020: \$12,800.00	
Our parish needs: \$21,717.00	

Thank you all for your tithes, pledges and payments!

LET US PRAY FOR ... THE SICK

David Sager | Keith Peters | Stephen Zamarron | Theresa Olszewski

... THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Ron Coe | Roxanne Anderson | Julius Remenar | Ruth Diebold
Mary Gabrion | Eileen Proko | Melvin Wieber

... 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.

NEW PARISHIONER

This Sunday we welcome a new parishioner, Mary Diehl, to our parish. Please help her feel she is a part of our family by greeting her whenever you see her at future Masses.

Please join us for coffee and rolls after Mass today sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – we are beginning to organize the classrooms for the virtual religious education classes. If you have not let us know and you have a child that you want included, please email, or call the office with the grade level of the child/children ASAP. (If you spoke to Mary, please make sure Kathy is aware of your enrollment)

Scripture Readings for the Week (12/14-12/20)			
M	Nehemiah 24:2-7,15-17	Ps 25:4-9	Matthew 21:23-27
TU	Zephaniah 3:1-2,9-13	Ps 34:2,3,6,7,17,18,19,23	Matthew 21:28-32
W	Isiah 45:6-8,18,21-25	Ps 85:9-14	Luke 7:18b-23
TH	Genesis 49:2,8-10	Ps 72:1-4ab 7,8,17	Matthew 1:1-17
FR	Jeremiah 23:5-8	Ps 72:1-2,12-13,18-19	Matthew 1:18-25
ST	Judges 13:2-7,24 25a	PS71:3-6, 17-18	Luke 1:5-25
SN	2 Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 Romans 16:25-27	PS89:2-5,27,29	Luke 1:26-38

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

CCW DECEMBER POTLUCK

Our St. Paul CCW December potluck will be **this Tues., Dec. 15, 6:00 p.m.** at St. Paul Parish Hall. Bring a dish to pass and a \$10 gift if you wish to participate in the gift exchange. **All women of the parish are invited but please call Jean Raducha, 875-2879 or Joyce Raducha, 875-2650 to RSVP before this Mon., Dec. 14.**

CHRISTMAS DINNERS

The items needed for this CHRISTMAS DINNER: canned corn, canned green beans, cream of mushroom soup, cans of French fried onions, and cans, jars, or packets of gravy to go with ham. **Please bring food donations BY SUNDAY, DEC. 20, because baskets will be distributed that week.** Baskets are in our St. Paul vestibule. Cash donations will help purchase the perishables. Please place cash in the collection at Mass, in an envelope labeled, CHRISTMAS DINNERS. Please make checks payable to St. Paul CCW.

ST. PAUL GIVING TREE

You probably noticed the Giving Tree in the vestibule. If you would like to make Christmas happier for some child, just take a tag from the tree. **Please return the wrapped gift with the tag taped on it.** All gifts must be returned **BY SUNDAY, DEC. 20.**

PERRINTON/ST MARTIN – there will be a clear box in the office at the church that will be dropped off each Friday and checked each Monday for communication. If you have any notes or items that you need to get to the office in Ithaca, please leave them in that box with a note and we will be sure to get back with you. Thank you!!!

Lansing Rosary Rallies Continuing

Unite Our Nation Rosary Rallies will be held on the 13th day of each month. There is one today that will include a march around the State Capitol Building in Lansing.