

**WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE**

Monday 6/6	Mary, the Mother of the Church Gn 3:9-15,20; Ps 87:1-3,5-7; Jn 19:25-34 12:15 p.m. MASS (IT): Fr. Robert Thorn
Tuesday 6/7	10 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday in Ordinary Time 1Kgs 17:7-16; Ps4:2-5,7,8; Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday 6/8	10 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of Ordinary Time 1Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab,4,5,8,11; Mt 5:17-19 6:00 p.m. ROSARY (IT):
Thursday 6/9	St. Ephrem, Deacon & Dr of the Church 1Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 65:10-13; Mt 5:20-26 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. ADORATION
Friday 6/10	10 <sup>th</sup> Friday of Ordinary Time 1Kgs 19:9a,11-16; Ps 27:7-9,13,14; Mt 5:27-32 9:00 a.m. ROSARY (PE):
Saturday 6/11	St. Baranbas, Apostle Acts 11:21b-26, 12:1-3; Ps 48:1-6; Mt 5:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS 6:00 p.m. MASS (IT): <i>pro populo</i>
Sunday 6/12	Most Holy Trinity Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1,24,29-31,34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12,13; Jn 20:19-23 9:00 a.m. MASS (PE): <i>pro populo</i> 11:00 am MASS (IT): <i>pro populo</i>

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Sat., June 11	6:00 pm Mass (IT):	Marla Macha
Sun., June 12	9:00 am Mass (PE):	Bob Stone
Sun., June 12	11:00 am Mass (IT):	Chuck Wieferich Tony Huntoon

**USHERS**

Sat., June 11	6:00 pm Mass (IT):	John Franich
Sun., June 12	9:00 am Mass (PE):	Tim Donohue
Sun., June 12	11:00 am Mass (IT):	Drew Endter Dane Longanbach

**GREETERS**

Sat., May 28	6:00 pm Mass (IT):	Marty & Gary McDaid
Sun., May 29	9:00 am Mass (PE):	Time Donohue
Sun., May 29	11:00 am Mass (IT):	Dane & Stacy Longanbach

Dear Parish Family,

I will be away for a two-week vacation June 7-22. While Fr. Christian Raab, OSB was going to be here for weekday sacraments during that time, the needs of his community prevent him from doing so now. As a result, all weekday Masses, and confessions are canceled. Gracious volunteers have agreed to lead group rosaries as a substitute at what would be weekday Mass times at both churches. Barring flight glitches, weekday Mass resumes at 6pm on June 22.

Fr. Thai will fill in for the weekend of June 12, and Fr. Christian will fill in the weekend of June 19. Please note that office hours are different for these two weeks. Several neighboring priests are on standby for emergencies. If you, God forbid, have an emergency at a hospital outside of Gratiot County, it would be best to work with that hospital to get local clergy to provide care.

The office staff will be using this time to get some rest themselves, but also to get ahead on several items for the coming fiscal year (July 1). Thus, outside of funerals, or life/death emergencies, refrain from making any requests or inquiries of the staff. Rather, these two weeks provide a great chance to take time to focus on your domestic church. Take time to thank God for all that he does for your domestic church in the past 12 months and ask him to send his Holy Spirit upon it, so it may grow in witness of the love of Jesus Christ. A parish church is only as strong as its domestic churches!

While a vacation is not the same as a retreat, I find myself in more prayer than during my regular schedule. Please know that you all will be in my prayers when I am away. I will remember you as I take out my rosary, and my Mass kit. I ask you pray that your parish priest returns safely, refreshed, and reinvigorated to bring the souls of Gratiot County to the House of the Lord.

prayers,

Rev. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL

**NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL OR TOO GREAT  
WHEN GIVEN FROM THE HEART  
ST PAUL PARISH: 5/22/2022: \$2,419.00  
LET US PRAY FOR ... THE SICK OF OUR PARISH  
... THE RECENTLY DECEASED**

**... THE MILITARY:**  
Major Matthew Cary | Tony Bellinger | Lt. Col. Tom Sager  
*Remember those who have no one to pray for them.*

**PARISH SCHEDULE**

Sun 6/5	First Communion Ithaca – Reception in the Parish Hall
Sun 6/12	Coffee and Donuts hosted by K of C After 11:00 a.m. Mass Ithaca Hall Knights of Columbus Business Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Ithaca Parish Hall
Tues 6/28	CCW Meeting 2:00 p.m. Ithaca Room 4



Our goal this year is **\$33,686.00**. Please send your pledges and contributions directly to the Diocese of Saginaw in the envelopes provided. Our current balance is **\$9,581.00**.



**K of C GOLF OUTING**

The Ithaca Knights of Columbus Council 8785 is hosting its 24<sup>th</sup> annual Golf Outing on Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup> at the North Star Golf Course. Four-person teams are needed for this scramble format fundraiser which starts at 9 am. The cost is \$200 per four-person team or \$50 per individual. The fee includes golf/with cart, light lunch, dinner and prizes after golf. The council is also seeking individuals, families, businesses, and corporations for \$100 hole sponsorships (tax deductible donation). The deadline for the hole sponsorship is July 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Paul Hornak at 989 331-1168 or at [p1hornak@gmail.com](mailto:p1hornak@gmail.com), John Pohl 989 640-6081.

**SUMMER PROGRAM**

We are having a one-day summer program for the children on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Please mark your calendars. We are near the end of planning, so there will be more specifics as to the time and theme to come.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

**Congratulations to Bianca & Kennedy who receive First Holy Communion this weekend! May you always love the Lord above all else, and may you always know in your heart that This IS Jesus!!**

**First Holy Communion Prayer**

Dear God, I know that You give me many gifts. The gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ in Holy Communion is the greatest of all. How can I ever thank You enough for this special gift? At Mass we are called to be like Jesus, by loving and serving one another in the world. As I become more like Him, please continue to help me. Show me the places and ways that I can bring Your love, kindness, and peace to others....in my family, in my neighborhood, in my community, with my friends. I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

**FIRST COMMUNION RECEPTION**

Today after Mass at 11:00 a.m., the CCW is sponsoring a reception for Kennedy and Bianca who made their First Communion. Another of our young people, George, made his First Communion with his Catholic School class, we will also celebrate him.

**NOTE FROM FATHER:**

Please note that just because a staffer's vehicle is in the lot, it does not mean the office is open to the public. This is true for regular office hours, and alternative hours when I am away. The staff has been instructed that they may ignore the doorbell whenever the office is closed to the public. ~ Fr. ECD

**PARISH PICNIC**

Save the date! The parish picnic will be on Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at Reed Park.

**DAILY MASSES NEXT 2 WEEKS**

In Fr. Dwyer's absence the next few weeks, you will notice that the daily Masses he is absent for are being replaced with a rosary. Please refer to the "Weekly Liturgy Schedule" on the left to see what days this occurs. Thank you!!!