

Respect Life Ministry

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH—During this respect life month, may our resolve be strengthened to cherish and protect the gift of every human life from conception to natural death.

THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN RUNS FROM SEPTEMBER 23-NOVEMBER 1. Join online at 40days.com/KALAMAZOO or join by e-mail at 40daysKALAMAZOO@gmail.com or by text/phone (Joe Magalski) at (989) 992-6085. Prayer hours are Mon-Sat, 8 am—8 pm.

PLEASE CONSIDER PRAYING ON THE SIDEWALK OF PLANNED PARENTHOOD OR PRAYING A ROSARY FROM HOME.



For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. ~ Psalm 139:13-14

To the Parents of Our Youngest Disciples:

Sometimes children wiggle. Sometimes children make noises. **Don't worry!** Children are a gift to the Church and we are so pleased they are with us at Mass!

Here are some suggestions for you:

- ⇒ Sit towards the front of the church. It's easier for young ones to see and hear what's going on.
- ⇒ Young children learn what's expected of them at Mass by watching you. Sing the hymns. Voice the responses. Follow the homily.
- ⇒ If you have to leave Mass with your child, please feel free to do so, but come back! We need to see your smiling faces!

“Those who receive the Eucharist are united more closely to Christ. Through it Christ unites them to all the faithful in one body - the Church. Communion renews, strengthens, and deepens this incorporation into the Church, already achieved by Baptism. In Baptism we have been called to form but one body. The Eucharist fulfills this call: ‘The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread’ (1 Cor 10:16-17).

‘If you are the body and members of Christ, then it is your sacrament that is placed on the table of the Lord; it is your sacrament that you receive. To that which you are you respond "Amen" ("yes, it is true!") and by responding to it you assent to it. For you hear the words, "the Body of Christ" and respond "Amen." Be then a member of the Body of Christ that your Amen may be true’ (St. Augustine Sermon 272).”

~Catechism of the Catholic Church 1396

Emergency Food Distribution

In this chaotic time, many find themselves at risk for their food supplies and others wish to help out. Here are a few opportunities.

1. Loaves & Fishes
 - To arrange for boxed food pick up at L&F HQ, 901 Portage St., call: 269- 343-3663. For questions: info@kzoolf.org
 - To arrange for boxed food pick up at the Eastside Pantry @ Sunnyside Methodist, 2800 Gull Rd. on Thursdays 6-7:30 PM, call (269) 488-8918 after 9:00 AM.
 - L&F Mobile Food Initiative food drop off sites: <http://kzoolf.org/mobile-food-initiative/>
 - L&F delivery to Eastside seniors and disabled persons who cannot get out. Call Candy at the Eastside N’hood Assn @ 269-381-0700.
2. Catholic Charities Emergency Food Distribution
 - For those in need, contact Toni Newell, Supervisor of Community Outreach, at toninewell@ccdok.org or the Hot Line at 269-910-3390
 - To volunteer, contact Jeannine Boehm, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, at jeannineboehm@ccdok.org or 269-382-1234
3. Fresh Food Initiative
 - Every Tuesday morning at 8:30 am. Eastside Neighborhood Association Center, 1301 E. Main St. and Charlotte Ave. Bulk fresh produce trucked in. Bring your own boxes and bags.
 - Diapers are provided too (and wipes) every Tuesday 11:30 - noon at the neighborhood center. One sized bag of diapers and wipes per family.

May the Lord protect you and may you serve as an instrument of His Grace ~ Dcn. Pat (269-744-5136)

St. Mary’s Weekend of October 3/4

<u>Weekly Collection</u>	<u>Mass Attendance</u>
Weekly Goal \$5,675.00	Saturday, 4:15 pm 40
Collections..... \$6,114.00	Sunday, 8 am 65
E-giving..... \$300.00	Sunday, 10 am..... 114
Total \$6,414.00	Sunday, 12 Noon 95
Goal Percentage..... 113.0%	Weekend Total 314
<i>This week in 2019. \$4,934.86</i>	<i>This week in 2019..... 277</i>

St. Mary Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass: Monday-Saturday: 7:30 am (EF)

Daily Mass and Devotion times are subject to change depending on feasts and Holy Days. Every 12th of the month (M-F only) Mass will be at 7:00 pm with devotions to Our Lady of Guadalupe. (Live streaming of Daily Masses will be as per Fr. Jose's availability)

Saturday Anticipatory Mass:

4:00 pm (English); this Mass is for our "High Risk" parishioners. Use of face masks and hand sanitizer is mandatory. If you cannot wear a mask please attend one of our three Sunday Masses.

Sunday Mass:

8:00 am (EF); 10:00 am (English); 12:00 Noon (EF)

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:00 pm

Sunday: 45 minutes prior to the beginning of each Mass. The priest will stop hearing confessions 5 minutes prior to Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday (Vocations & Sanctification of Clergy): 5 - 6 pm
First Friday (Sacred Heart): 5 - 6 pm

2021 Once in a Blue Moon Garage

Have you recently been spending more time at home?
Have you been cleaning out closets? Do you have items to donate?

St. Augustine Cathedral School is collecting donations for the 2021 Once In a Blue Moon Garage Sale and we want yours!

St. Augustine Cathedral School
600 West Michigan Avenue
Kalamazoo 49007

2020 Donation Drop-off Schedule:

Wednesday, October 21st
Wednesday, November 11th
Wednesday, November 18th
Wednesday, December 2nd
Wednesday, December 16th

All donations can be dropped off behind the Crowley Center from 1:00-2:30 pm and 3:30-5:30pm.

We do not accept exercise equipment, mattresses, or personal pillows.

IMPORTANT: Please remain in your vehicle and a volunteer will unload your donations. If you want to assist the volunteer, we kindly ask that you wear a mask. Thank you for your continued support!

Memorial Brick



The St. Mary Knights of Columbus are continuing their Memorial Brick Sale (in the Marian plaza).

Celebrate the life of someone dear to you, memorialize your family or group, or offer a prayer, by donating for a brick to be placed in our Marian Plaza. Your gift will help fund various building and grounds projects here at St. Mary's. The donation is \$100.00 for each brick. Forms are available in the back of church. Please call the parish office for more information.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

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After a brief delay, the Bishop's Annual Appeal 2020 has officially begun. Given our current circumstances, Bishop Bradley has approved a significant change for this year's appeal: after each Parish has reached 50 percent of its goal, all additional gifts will be returned to the parish. The hope with this change is to allow parishes to remain strong centers of worship, faith formation and service to their communities because, as we know, strong parishes equal a strong diocese. This year's theme of "Living the Mission of the Eucharist" is powerfully expressed in the three diocesan priorities: 1) Fostering Priestly Vocations; 2) Accompanying Families toward Holiness; and 3) Activating Missionary Disciples. Learn how your donation to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports these priorities at diokzoo.org/bishops-annual-appeal. Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration and financial support. Our goal this year is \$46,191

Nota Bene:

If you are receiving a hard copy of this bulletin via post mail it is because we do not have an e-mail address for you on file and have assumed you do not have access to the internet and are remaining at home. Starting back on Saturday, June 13, hard copies of the bulletin were available in the back of church. If you are attending Mass or are able to access the internet and view the bulletin electronically through our website, let us know and we can save on postage. You will also be able to access all the links listed in this bulletin at this site. Thanks for your help.