

Respect Life Ministry

SIX REASONS TO BE PRO-LIFE

- 1. Abortion is dangerous to women's health.**  
Many women do not know the side effects of having an abortion. Abortion also increases the risk that women will develop a variety health problems.
- 2. Life begins at conception, and the fetus is a person.**  
"A person is a person, no matter how small." ~Dr. Seuss  
Conception is defined as the fertilization of the egg.  
"The right to life is the first among human rights." ~Pope Francis
- 3. You have the opportunity to go to March For Life in Washington D.C.**  
The National March for Life is a pro-life movement held once a year in Washington D.C.. Thousands of teenagers and young adults gather in the nation's capital and peacefully protest, while marching, for the rights of the unborn
- 4. When you go march, you have the chance to make your voice heard, because actions speak louder than words.**  
During any pro-life event, participants act as the voice for the voiceless, the unborn child.
- 5. You get to meet so many people while participating in Pro-Life movements.**  
People who attend one pro-life event are likely to attend multiple, therefore, you get to become friends with pretty awesome people.
- 6. Why choose abortion when you can choose adoption?**  
"How can there be too many children? That is like saying there are too many flowers." – Mother Teresa



*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

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](mailto: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](mailto:toninewell@ccdok.org) or the Hot Line at 269-910-3390
  - To volunteer, contact Jeannine Boehm, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, at [jeannineboehm@ccdok.org](mailto: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)

*"I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord God. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal."* ~ Ezekiel 34:15-16

St. Mary's Weekend of Nov 14/15

Weekly Collection	Mass Attendance
Weekly Goal ..... \$5,675.00	Saturday, 4:15 pm ..... 48
Collections..... \$3,567.00	Sunday, 8 am ..... 62
E-giving..... \$100	Sunday, 10 am ..... 137
Total ..... \$3,667.00	Sunday, 12 Noon ..... 91
Goal Percentage.....64.6%	Weekend Total ..... 338
<i>This week in 2019. \$4,904.24</i>	<i>This week in 2019..... 303</i>



**Servant of God Mother Mary Lange, O.S.P.**

*In honor of Black Catholic History Month, each week of November the bulletin will feature a black Catholic Saint.*

Elizabeth Lange was born in Cuba around 1794 and raised in a community of Haitian immigrants. She received an excellent education and immigrated to the US as an adolescent. She settled in Baltimore, Maryland, and soon noticed that black children had no opportunity for education, as slavery was still legal. She opened a school for these children in her home with a friend, and they ran this school for over ten years.

A priest approached Elizabeth and encouraged her to found a religious order. She had always dreamed of consecrating herself to God but was previously unable to due to the color of her skin. In 1829 she founded the Oblate Sisters of Providence, the first religious order for African Americans. She took the name Mary. She and her fellow sisters continued to educate black children. They also took care of orphans, the sick, and the elderly. She lived a long life of service and prayer, and she died in 1882.

## 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.

**Please note: There will be an 8:00 am (EF) and a 9:30 am Mass on Thursday, Nov 26 (Thanksgiving).**

### 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

## Knights of Columbus

As Catholic men, we are called to do more. The Knights of Columbus can help you answer that call. Your membership connects you with opportunities to make an impact in your community and gives you access to resources to help you grow deeper in faith and stay informed about the issues Catholics care about. You'll also have exclusive access insurance and financial planning products to help you protect your family. JOIN TODAY at:

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## BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

DIocese of KALAMAZOO

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](http://diokzoo.org/bishops-annual-appeal). Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration and financial support. Our goal this year is \$46,191

### 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!

## 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, December 2nd (**Cancelled**)

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!