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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **NOVEMBER 5, 2023**

This Week at Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Liturgies & Prayer

Wednesday, November 8

8:45 Bible Study 10:00 am Mass at St Francis

Thursday, November 9

10:00 am Mass @ St Roch Mass offered for the Deceased members of the Pomponi & Discenna Family

6:30 Combined Finance & **Pastorial Council Meeting**

Saturday November 11 4:00 Mass @ St Roch

Sunday, November 12 8:30 am Mass @ St Roch

10:30 am Mass @ St Francis Borgia

Happy Birthday to all our November Parishioners!

Ecclesiastes 11:8 "Even those who live many years Should take pleasure in them all" Weekly Message from Fr. George

CALL TO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Holy Eucharist is at the center of our faith. The Eucharist, also called the Body and Blood of Christ, Blessed Sacrament, and Holy Communion, is Christ's true body, blood, soul, and divinity. In the Eucharist, Jesus Christ is present in body, soul, and divinity, The Sacrament of the Eucharist is very Biblical and a direct gift from Jesus Christ himself and instituted during the Last Supper before his agony, suffering, crucifixion, and death. Luke narrates the institution thus: "Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave them saying, 'This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me.' And likewise, the cup after they had eaten, saying This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you" (Luke 22:19-20; cf. 1 Cor 11:23-). St. Paul reaffirms this solemn moment in 1 Corinthians, and because of its sublimity, warns: "Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup" (1 Cor 11:27-28).

Whereas many Christian denominations have, over the centuries, projected a variation of the Eucharist, the Holy Mother Church has been faithful to the original and authentic gift of Christ's true body and blood. This is not surprising because, right in the Bible, when Jesus first taught the people the importance of eating His body and drinking His blood to have life, most of the people rebelled and walked away from Christ. John 6 records it in this way: "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink" (John 6:53-55). As a result of this, many [of] his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him" (verse 66). Jesus was categorical in asserting that His body is real food and his blood real drink. For He said of the bread, 'this is my body, and of the wine, this my blood;' and not 'this is like my body, this is like my blood.' This is why the Eucharist is the greatest gift God has given us. Jesus not only sacrificed his body for us in death but feeds us daily to sustain us spiritually and bodily. Indeed, no greater love can a person have for his friends than to lay down his life and feed them continuously with his own body (cf. John 15:13).

Therefore, the life of the Church revolves around the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the fulcrum upon which the parish and the life of parishioners revolve. As a matter of fact, a parish is not a parish without the Eucharist. All the sacraments of the church are indeed at the service of the Eucharist. In the Eucharist, you encounter Jesus Christ in a personal and unique way that you will not encounter in any other way. In Holy Communion, Jesus comes into us to transform us in ways we can never grasp. Here in our parish, we are blessed to have Mass celebrated Wednesday's and Thursday's as well as 3 Masses on the weekend. Further, Jesus is present to us for adoration and encounter every first Friday, Saturday, and last Tuesday of the Month. What a divine privilege! The beloved seeks out the one who loves. The moment of such an encounter creates an opportunity for the beloved to be in the presence of the one who loves. It is a time to have a heart-to-heart talk; it is a time to resolve conflicts; it is a time to reconcile; it is a time to evaluate plans; it is a time just to delight in being in the presence of the one who loves unconditionally. Indeed, it is a time to rededicate the love between the creator and

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Parish Office Hours

Closed Mondays Tuesday – Friday 8:00 AM to Noon

Sacraments

In order to celebrate the following Sacraments in our Parish, it is vital to be an active member of our Faith Community by participating regularly in our Worship and being a registered parishioner.

Registration:

If you wish to become a member of our parish family, please stop by the Parish Office to register.

Baptism:

We ask that you please make an appointment, prior to birth, if possible, with the Pastor.

Marriage:

An appointment with the Pastor must be made at least 6 months before the wedding celebration.

Reconciliation:

First Friday @ St Roch & First Saturday @ St Francis Borgia 9:30 to 10:30 AM, or by appointment.

Pastoral Care:

If you or someone you know wishes a visit and/or Holy Communion during an illness or hospital stay, please contact the Parish Office.

Commissioned Lay Ministers

Doug Grates Linda Oeschger

Pastoral Council

Chairperson—Lisa DiCamillo

Finance Committee Chairperson

Mary Buda

Christian Services

Lisa DiCamillo

Faith Formation Religious Education

We only have 1 week for this gift giving!

Gift boxes are available in the back of church. Boxes are filled by YOU & distributed to the poor by Cross Catholic Outreach. *Please note that the filled boxes will need to be returned by next Sunday, November 12!!*Help the global Catholic Church to transform the poor and their communities with a gift today! Please include the \$9 shipping fee.

Capital Campaign

You may have noticed you did NOT receive your Capital Campaign envelope with your November/December envelopes. Extra Capital Campaign (red & white) envelopes are in the back of church for your convenience. Pledges for our capital campaign may be returned to the parish office or in the collection basket at any of our Masses. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

Christ Mission Appeal 2023-2024

Please call the office if you did not receive your CMA packet in the mail! Saginaw Diocese is updating names and addresses for this appeal!

Thank you to all who are contributing to the appeal.
Our parish assessment towards this year's CMA is \$66,058.30. This is more than it was last year. We have confidence that we can meet and exceed that goal. If you need an envelope for your generous donation there are extra flyers and envelopes in the back of church. To learn more about this ministry please go to www.saginaw.org/

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Stewardship October 27-29

Envelopes: \$4421.00 Loose Contributions: \$636.00 Military Services: \$45.00 CHD: \$25.00 World Mission Sunday: \$155.00 Cemetery \$200.00 World Mission Sunday \$155.00 Total: \$5482.00

remain on our prayer chain until you call to have them taken off.

We will however <u>only publish</u> the names of those most recently sick in the bulletin but we ask our parishioners to continue to pray for <u>all</u> the sick of our parish.

Please pray for:

Georgina Santos, Mary Mayra, David Dillingham, Ron Gross, Joanne & Norm Samborski, Steve Rybinski, Maura McSorley, Natalie Morgan, Bethany (Grates) Burns, Sonja Smith, Dominic Rybinski, Rose Motycka, Gary Maes Sr. John Schaefer, John Champagne, Mitch Champagne, Todd Mangiapane, Brandon Burtcz Sherry Ferguson, Kathy Kopacz & Nancy Oaks

Prayer Chain Contacts: Peggy 989-738 -5452, Norma 989-453-3026,

If you or a loved one wish to be removed from the prayer chain please call the parish office.



Please pray for the men and women serving our country in the Armed Forces, that they may return home safely to family and friends.

Remember particularly:

Brandon Radlick - Air Force; Rachel Radlick - Air Force; Jonathan Taormina – Marines (Special Forces); Justin Carter – Marines; Chad DeShano – Marines; Jeremy McGee – Marines; Jackson Okey – Marines; Joshua Allen - Michigan State Police; Brandon Tolliver – Marines; Zachary McGee – Marines; Evens Repke – US Coast Guard; Michael Sampson Jr.-Air Force; Frank Duda—Marines; Glenn May—Army; Drew Thompson—Navy Seal.

You may contact the Parish Office with any names of relatives or friends who are in the military,

Faith Formation:

We are in need of an additional **CATECHIST** for our 10 year old students. Please call the office to volunteer today!

The Meals on Wheels Program is <u>urgently</u> looking for a volunteer driver for the Caseville area to deliver on Tuesday. This would involve approximately 1 hour of your time. If you are interested or able please contact Sherry Seley, MOW coordinator AT 989-453-1925 or Janice Wurst at 989-856-7657

NOVENIBER 25-20

We are proud to host the Holy Land Carvings group from the Holy Land. Due to the bad situation and the interruption of the tourist trade, thousands of families in the Holy Land are in danger of having to leave their homes in search of work. These Christians who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved Olive Wood religious items are depending on us to help ease the burden of Christians present in the Holy Land. Please look for these carvings November 25-26 after Mass.

Clothe-a-Child

Hello! We are once again getting ready for the Christmas clothing program for the children of Huron County. In the past, we presented over 244 children with a complete outfit for the holidays. Many people still have tight budgets with Michigan's economy, together we can do our part. If you would like to help with a donation please mail it to:

CLOTHE-A-CHILD, PO BOX 55, BAD AXE MI
If anyone knows of a family that we can help, PLEASE, let
them know we can help!

For more information: call Cherie Maurer at 989-315-

The Michigan March for Life is November 8th at the Michigan State Capitol in Lansing. The rally is at 11:00 am, and the march is at 12:00 pm.

Go to RTL.org to RSVP for the march. There will be two free busses leaving from St Columbkille Church at 7:00 am located at M-53 and Atwater Rd. Please arrive by 6:45am. To reserve your free seat on that charter bus, call (810-404-0860) or email Amy at

<u>rtlsanilac@gmail.com.</u> Fr. Nate Harburg will offer Mass at 6:15 am prior to departure.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Charismatic Mass

Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00PM Our Lady of Peace Parish 607 E. South Union Bay City, MI 48706

Come Holy Spirit!

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) Certification Training: Upcoming EMHC certification trainings are scheduled on:

Wednesday, November 8, from 6:30 PM - 8:00

Mark your calendar! Knights of Columbus sponsored game night is scheduled! Drinks & snacks available to purchase! Come one and all for a fun evening of fun & fellowship! St Roch Parish Center

An Evening in Song

The top of the Thumb Ministries invites everyone to attend the final program of the Season featuring many local singing groups. The program will be held on

Sunday, November 12th **Elkton United Methodist Church** 150 S. Main St., Elkton 6:00 pm

Refreshments will be served. TTLM is an inter-denomination organization dedicated to providing recreational and spiritual programming for the Northern Thumb area. It has been active in ministry since 1070, and it provides services for vacations and locals alike.

Doors open at noon-games start at 1:00 pm

Share the wealth and early bird \$5 a card Prizes: 20 Turkeys and 4 hams plus door prizes. All proceeds benefit: Holy Name of Mary Parish, 405 S. First St., Harbor Beach, MI

Feather Bingo Party

Knights of Columbus Bad Axe Wednesday, November 15, 2023

20 games for a \$5.00 card, no limit on cards Turkey Prizes-Share the wealth games available. Doors open at 6:00 pm, games start at 7 pm

FISH FRY

Knights of Columbus 1038 S. Van Dyke, Bad Axe Mi. 48413 Friday, Nov. 10, 2023

Dining room open!! *Also Takeout, must come inside to pick up Adults \$14.00 Children 5-12 \$5.00; Four and under Free:

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