

“Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”

MATTHEW 16:25

## Called to Be Faithful

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**S**omewhere in every life, along its twisting curving path, we find ourselves wondering if we would not be better off somewhere else doing something different, as if with the flip of the channel we could live a parallel life. Except that changing life is never that simple. And so we live on with our foibles and our insecurities. We make do for one more day in a job that is less than satisfying, or a relationship that is worn and fraying, or caring for aging parents as we juggle the needs of two households. In every niche of life, we may find ourselves dealing with difficult people, listening to others' woes, wondering if anyone cares. Like

the prophet Jeremiah, we can feel we've been duped by the Lord God.

We don't need to go looking for crosses. They come our way. And it is our crosses that allow us to save our lives by losing our lives. It is these very same lives from which we wish we could escape that bring us to holiness, if for no other reason than that we *do* struggle not to have our own way all the time. Spirituality has been defined as an inner set of values by which we live an outer set of circumstances. As people of faith, we try to do just that: to live in the style of Jesus. Somehow, it seems that God brings us to places we should be. ●

### Reflect

***What does it mean to be faithful in the circumstances of your life?***



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**This Week at  
 Our Lady of  
 Perpetual Help**

***Liturgies & Prayer***

**Saturday, Sept 2**

5:00 PM Mass offered for  
 Mary Schaefer

**Tuesday, Sept. 5**

6:00 PM Mass @ St Roch

**Wednesday, Sept. 6**

8:45 Bible Study  
 10:00 AM Mass @ St Francis

**Thursday, Sept. 7**

10:00AM Mass @ St Roch

***22nd Sunday in  
 Ordinary Time***

**Saturday, September 9**

5:00pm at St. Roch  
 Mass offered for all who have been  
 married for 40 years or more.

**Sunday, September 10**

8:30 AM Mass @ St Roch  
 10:30 AM Mass at St Francis Borgia

***Mission Statement:***

*We, the faith community of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, seek to hear the word of God and live accordingly. We endeavor by our life's activities to reach out to our parish community and the world at large to realize the message of Christ for unity and peace.*

**Mass Schedule**

Saturday 5:00 PM at St. Roch Church, Caseville  
 Sunday 8:30 AM at St. Roch Church, Caseville  
 10:30 AM at St. Francis Borgia Church, Pigeon

Check Bulletin for  
 Weekday Masses and Holy Days

**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

**Mother Mary's Helpers**

Lisa DiCamillo

**Coordinator of Religious**

**Education**

**Cemetery Sextons**

Ben Willenberg – Parish

Cemeteries

John Champagne—St Felix

**Web Master**

Linda Clark

***Events***

**Tuesday, September 5**

Finance Meeting  
 following the 6:00 PM Mass

**Wednesday, September 6**

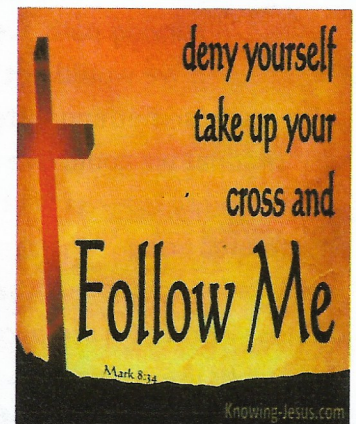
OLPH Women's Society Meeting  
 11:00 AM at St Francis Church Hall

**Thursday, September 7**

6:00 PM Pastoral Council

**Saturday, September 9**

Wedding Anniversary Celebration  
 Following the 5:00 PM Mass



## NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PARISH PROGRAM

In the spirit of the national Eucharistic Revival, the parish is offering a program of events that will take us into June 2024. We have events and activities to reconnect us to the Eucharist, Jesus present, body, soul and divinity.

1. Reflection on the Eucharist before our weekend Masses.
2. Last Tuesday of each month: Eucharistic Adoration for a personal encounter with Jesus Christ from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at St Roch Church. It will involve Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, adoration, personal prayer and reflection, and benediction.
3. Small study groups—It will involve discussions to understand and deepen our faith in the true presence of Jesus Christ body, soul and divinity, in the Eucharist we receive at Holy Communion.  
**Every Tuesday throughout the month of October.**  
**St Francis Hall 1:30 PM —3:30 PM**  
**The Parish Center 6:30 PM—8:30 PM**
4. Advent Program: Listening to talks on the Eucharist
5. Lenten Program: discussion on the Video Series, “**Presence**” by the Augustinian Institute.

These are well thought out programs for the edification of every single parishioner and worshiper and the sanctification of our parish’s spiritual life. Therefore, we invite you to endeavor to attend in the spirit of the National Eucharistic Revival in union with our brothers and sisters in other parishes and diocese throughout the country.



Come join the Huron County Right to Life as we picket the Bad Axe Walgreens on Wed, Sept. 6th and Friday, Sept. 8th from 5pm-6pm. Be the voice for the voiceless



**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish**  
**FAITH FORMATION**  
A JOURNEY FOR LIFE

As summer comes to a close and families are getting ready for the new school year we would like to remind parents to register their elementary aged children for faith formation. Registration forms can be found on the parish website or by calling the parish office.



Donations are now being accepted for “Coats for Kids”. New or gently used coats, sizes infant to adult, may be dropped off at local businesses, churches, and schools in the Pigeon and Caseville area through October 1st. Winter hats, gloves, & mittens are also needed. Cash donations are also being accepted. Coats will be available for those in need on the following **Saturdays:**  
**October 7th , October 14th, October 21st, & Oct. 28th at St. Roch’s Catholic Church in Caseville, and the St. Francis Borgia Hall in Pigeon from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM.** Monetary Donations may be sent to St. Roch Catholic Church, Coats for Kids, PO Box 1238, Caseville, MI 48725. Checks payable to Knights of Columbus, memo line Coats for Kids.

## Funeral Luncheon Committee

Once again we are seeking help with our funeral luncheon program. We believe this is an important ministry we offer to the families of parishioners. At a time of great need we as a parish offer the opportunity for a family to gather together following a funeral and share their grief and memories of a loved one.

We need people able to come together on the day of the funeral to put together and serve a luncheon.

We need:

- Someone able to prepare salads, vegetables or deserts.
- Someone to call parishioners who are willing to donate salads, vegetables and deserts.
- Someone to manage the kitchen on the day of the funeral
- Someone to help set up/ cleanup after the luncheon.

*Is this someone you? If so please call the parish office.*

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Women's Society Rummage Sale

**@ St Francis Hall in Pigeon**  
**Thursday September 21st &**  
**Friday September 22nd**

Donations will be accepted beginning Saturday September 16th until noon on Wednesday September 20th, 2023.

## Please Pray for the Sick in our Parish

### July—August

We continue to keep those who have been sick for some time in our prayers. Your name or that of your loved one will remain on our prayer chain until you call to have them taken off.

We will however only publish the names of those most recently sick in the bulletin but we ask our parishioners to continue to pray for all 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, Dan Quinn, John Champagne,  
Todd Mangiapane, Hatki Kppacz**

*All praise and glory are yours. Lord our God.  
For you have called us to serve you  
and one another in love.*

*Bless our sick today so that they may bear their  
illness in union with Jesus' sufferings  
and restore them quickly to health.*

*Bless those who have grown old in your service  
And give them courage and strength in their faith.  
Lead us all to eternal glory.*

*We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Your Son, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen*

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help pray for us*

### **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.

*Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in you will be glad forever and will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength, and keep them safe from all harm.*

*May the power of your love enable them to return home safely, that, with all who love them, they may ever praise you for your loving care. Amen.*

**You may contact the Parish Office with any names of relatives or friends who are in the military, and our parish community will pray for them.**

# FORMED

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish has partnered with Holy Name of Mary Parish in Harbor Beach in an Augustinian Institute program which offers adult and children's faith formation videos, books, podcasts etc. Our parish has already used the "Presence" program about the Eucharist during Advent but there are many more topics to explore and use to expand our knowledge and understanding of the Catholic Church. If you missed the Presence program about the Eucharist, or part of it, you can watch the videos through FORMED.

To sign up

- Go to: - Formed.org
- Click: - Sign Up
- The New page will have three choices:
- Click: "I belong to a parish"
- You will be asked to create an account:  
The first box will ask you to find your parish  
Type in "Holy Name of Mary Parish" and the parish name will show up with the Harbor Beach location.
- Click on the Parish Name.
- The next page will ask you to enter your name and an email address.
- Click to get to the next page which will be the page of Formed and all its resources.

PLEDGE CARDS FOR OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CAN BE RETURNED TO THE PARISH IN THE COLLECTION BASKET AT ANY OF OUR MASSES OR DIRECTLY TO THE PARISH OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS.

## **OLPH Women's Society Meeting**

Wed, Sept 6th September there will be a Women's Society meeting at 11:00 AM. Following the 10:00 AM Mass at St Francis in Pigeon. Items to be discussed will be the upcoming rummage sale.

Hostesses for the meeting are Norma King, Beth Connors and Colleen Krohn.

All women of the parish are invited to attend.



Contributions to the Pigeon Food pantry of dried and canned goods are welcome especially boxes of cereal.



# September 2023

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 <b>First Friday</b> 9:30 Adoration, Confession & Mass @ St Roch	2 <b>First Saturday</b> 9:30 Adoration, Confession & Mass @ St Francis 5:00 Mass offered for Mary Schaefer
3 8:30 Mass at St. Francis 10:30 Mass at St. Roch	4	5 6:00 Mass @ St Roch <b>6:30 Finance Council</b>	6 8:45 Bible Study 10:00 Mass @ St Francis 11:00 Women's Society Meeting	7 10:00 Mass @ St Roch <b>6:00 Pastoral Council</b>	8	9 5:00 Mass 40 years + Anniversary Celebration 6:00
10 8:30 Mass at St Francis 10:30 Mass at St Roch 5:00 pm Mass in Uibly	11	12 6:00 PM Mass @ St Roch Mass offered for Pomponii & Discennna Families	13 8:45 Bible Study 10:00 Mass @ St Francis	14 10:00 Mass @ St Roch & After Mass Coffee	15	16 5:00 Mass  Mass offered for John Adam Schaefer
17 8:30 Mass at St Francis 10:30 Mass offered for Christopher Discenna	18	19 6:00 PM Mass @ St Roch	20 8:45 Bible Study 10:00 Mass @ St Francis	21 10:00 Mass offered for Robert and Molly Oaks @ St Roch & After Mass Coffee	22	23 5:00 Mass
24 10:30 Mass offered for Mary Jane Voelker	25	26	27 8:45 Bible Study 10:00 Communion Service @ St Francis	28 No Mass	29	30 5:00 Mass
<b>Saginaw Diocese Priest Assembly</b>						

## Notes

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

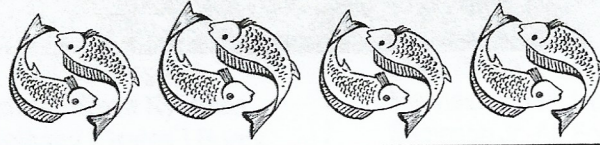
Saturday Mass 5:00 PM St Roch Church in Caseville

Sunday Mass 8:30 AM St Roch Church in Caseville

Sunday Mass 10:30 AM St Francis Borgia Church in Pigeon

*All activities on the Parish Calendar Occur in the Parish Center unless otherwise stated.*

# Fish Fry



**Serving:**

**Deep Fried Pollock Fish, Baked Fish,  
Scalloped Potatoes, Baked Potatoes,  
Baked Beans, Green Beans, Coleslaw,  
Tuna Salad, Colored Pasta Salad. Rolls!  
Choice of Assorted Desserts!!!**

## **Knights of Columbus**

**1038 S. Van Dyke, Bad Axe Mi. 48413**

**Dining room open!!**

**\*Also Takeout, must come inside to  
pickup\***

**Adults \$14.00**

**Children 5-12 \$5.00; Four & Under Free;  
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

**Fri., Sept. 8, 2023,**

**Then Oct. 13 & Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>**

**There will not be a Dec. 2023 FF!!**

## Stewardship: Treasure—August 19-20

### Weekly Contributions

Envelopes: \$3,215.00  
Loose: \$1512.64  
Cemetery: \$ 20.00

### Weekly Recurring Expenses

Wages & Benefits: \$3,878.33  
Maintenance: \$2,203.78  
Utilities: \$ 482.94

Thank you for your weekly contributions  
# of Envelopes used— 95  
Count Group 1 September 5 2023

## Catholic Family Service

is in search of licensed social workers, LMSW, LBSW or Licensed psychologists to assist in the growing need of psychological therapy within the diocese of Saginaw. Presently we have offices in Saginaw and Bay City. Since the pandemic, many people are in desperate need of assistance. The pandemic has created instability in our population from young children to the elderly. We are looking for people who might desire a full-time, part-time or contractual position. If you are one of those persons, please contact Michelle at 989-753-8446 or email [mgombar@catholicfamsvc.org](mailto:mgombar@catholicfamsvc.org).

## SILENT AUCTION

Many thanks to all who donated some precious items to our Silent Auction. We raised \$5,023.00 for our Parish.

*Some items still remain unclaimed so if you have not yet done so please come to the parish office during office hours.*

## CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP

Coming soon: an opportunity to begin a journey to discover the unique call God has for you, and the gifts He gives you to fulfill your mission in life! It all starts with the Called & Gifted workshop!! A teaching team from the Catherine of Siena Institute in Colorado Springs will offer the introductory Called & Gifted workshop,

on  
**Saturday, Oct. 28 from 9-3:30.**  
**Good Shepherd Parish Center, Ubyly.**

Everyone is invited to participate. To register or find out more, contact Michele Mroczek at 989-635-3453 or email at [mroczek1@centurytel.net](mailto:mroczek1@centurytel.net)

### Angela Miller, Realtor



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17 years experience, olph parishioner,  
Sand Point Resident



## Food Pantry Needs

### Caseville & Pigeon Food Pantries

Are always in need of donations, particularly toiletries, paper products, & tuna/canned chicken

## Hall Rental

Are your family and friends getting together?  
Do you need a bigger space for a meeting or special gathering?

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Center and St. Francis Borgia Hall are available for rent. Please call the Parish Office for details 989-856-4933



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6815 Michigan Ave.

# Dear Padre,

**Are we supposed to pray a specific prayer after we genuflect and kneel in the pew before we take our seats? What about after Communion?**

There is no particular prayer to say when we genuflect, enter the pew, and kneel for a while. Genuflecting and kneeling are powerful expressions and prayers in themselves—we kneel only to God. But these gestures can become mere routine unless we accompany them with a moment of awareness and recollection and maybe a prayer like, “I adore you, O Christ, and I bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.”

Neither are there required prayers to say in the moments after holy Communion as we return to the pew. But this is a most special time. “Holy souls endeavor to remain as long as possible in prayer after Communion,” wrote St. Alphonsus Liguori in *The Holy Eucharist*. “There is no prayer more agreeable to God, or more profitable to the soul, than that which is made during the thanksgiving after Communion.” Eucharist is from the Greek *eukharistia*, which means “thanksgiving,” and this is a time for giving thanks. We remain silently focused on the astonishing passion and affection of our Lord in giving himself to us to eat and make part of ourselves. So much depends on awareness; so much depends on gratitude. Prayer books may help us enter a time of thanksgiving. But we can also say simply, “Jesus, I love you.” ●



[TheRedemptorists / DearPadre.org](http://TheRedemptorists/DearPadre.org)

## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
September 4 <i>Weekday</i>	September 5 <i>Weekday</i>	September 6 <i>Weekday</i>	September 7 <i>Weekday</i>	September 8 <i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	September 9 <i>St. Peter Claver, Priest</i>	September 10 <i>Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
1 Thes 4:13–18 Lk 4:16–30	1 Thes 5:1–6, 9–11 Lk 4:31–37	Col 1:1–8 Lk 4:38–44	Col 1:9–14 Lk 5:1–11	Mi 5:1–4a or Rom 8:28–30 Mt 1:1–16, 18–23 or 1:18–23	Col 1:21–23 Lk 6:1–5	Ez 33:7–9 Rom 13:8–10 Mt 18:15–20



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**Let us make sure that the cross hanging on the wall at home, or that little one that we wear around our neck, is a sign of our wish to be united with Christ in lovingly serving our brothers and sisters, especially the littlest and most fragile. The cross is the holy sign of God’s love.**

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 30, 2020

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