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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday— 1 pm-5 pm Friday—9 am-1:00 pm Tuesday—CLOSED

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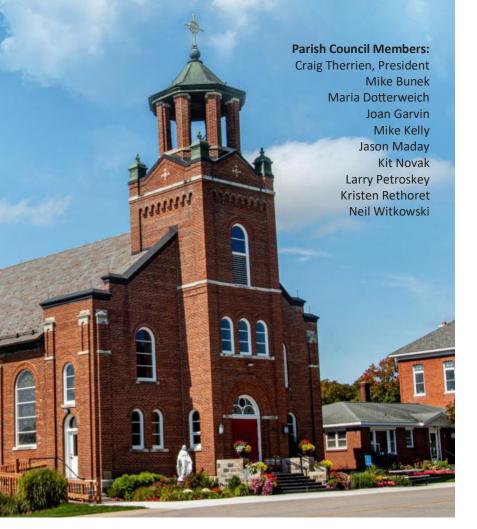
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### Masses, Confessions, & Devotions

Check e-calendar for changes after printing (funerals, confessions times, etc.)

# Saturday, February 22nd • THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer

8:15 am Mass • Int. Kathryn Mousseau by Bridget McManus

3:00 pm Confessions; 3:35 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Anticipated Mass for the 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

• Int. Rose Mary Pierson (+) by Nancy Zimmerman

# Sunday, February 23rd • THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:20-7:45 am M Prayer & Rosary; 7:35-7:50 Confessions

8:00 am Mass • Int. For All Parishioners

11:00 am Mass • Int. Deacon Wigton by Rosary Society

#### Monday, February 24th • Weekday

5:05-5:20 pm Confessions; 5:15 pm Rosary & E Prayer

5:45 pm Mass • Int. Joanne Sprouse (+) by Steve & Dosie

Kermode; OCIA Following

#### Tuesday, February 25th • Weekday

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer

8:15 am Mass • Int. Special Intention

#### Wednesday, February 26th • Weekday

5:05-5:20 pm Confessions; 5:15 pm Rosary & E Prayer

5:45 pm Mass • Int. Karen Csaszar (+) by Yvonne Sadler

#### Thursday, February 27th • St. Gregory of Narek

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer

8:15 am Mass • Int. Germaine Kabat (+) by Sandy Galla

1:00-3:00 pm Confessions in Office

#### Friday, February 28th • Weekday

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer

8:15 am Mass • Int. Mary Joubran by Ryan & Bridget McManus

#### Saturday, March 1st • BVM on Saturday

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer

8:15 am Mass • Int. Sister Philomena by Clint & Wanda

Couturier; Followed by Procession, Adoration,

Confession

3:00 pm Confessions; 3:35 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Anticipated Mass for the 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

• Int. Liz Drzewiecki

#### Sunday, March 2nd • THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:20-7:45 am M Prayer & Rosary; 7:35-7:50 Confessions

8:00 am Mass • Int. Mark & Angie Grant

9:30 am Faith Formation

11:00 am Mass • Int. For All Parishioners

## From Deacon Wigton

#### Peace in the Middle of the Bermuda Triangle



The ten-day mission was nearly over. We had spent our last night in Bermuda, and now we were headed to our Naval base in Maryland. It would be great to see the family again! As the

engines revved up and the crew went through their checklists, thoughts of being in the infamous Bermuda Triangle crossed my mind. I had heard of the planes that mysteriously vanished and ships that were found abandoned at sea. It wasn't long after takeoff that an inboard engine on the right wing shut down. One of the airmen, looking out a window on that side, noted fuel streaming from a wing tank. The plane, a four-engine turboprop, could fly with three engines with a light finagling of the trim tabs. So, we flew on. I was a little surprised! The pilot was calm, laughing, and carrying on a conversation. You might have thought it was a regular flight. In some ways, it seemed to be because of his demeanor. But it did seem a bit odd. Perhaps he didn't understand the gravity of the situation. Some of the crew members were frantic. Maybe they knew of all the possible consequences and could only think of the worst possible scenario! Maybe they, too, were wondering if we would be just another vanishing plane in the mysterious Bermuda Triangle. I recognized that things were not quite right, and so I prayed, but admittedly, I did not have a great deal of serenity. With a sigh of relief, we landed smoothly in Maryland. On inspection, it was discovered that an engine had blown up, sending shrapnel into a fuel tank. The tank had protected us from the devastating consequences of the explosion. God was there all the time!

Jesus could sleep in a storm. I should have been able to pray and know that He was able to manage any situation, even a military C130 Hercules flying through the famed Bermuda Triangle on three engines. I am sure my worry did not help Him carry out His plan. It has been said that Pope John 23rd prayed each night to the Lord: "Well, I did my best. It's Your Church, so I'm going to bed now." The world during the Pope's pontificate was surely as crazy as it is today, yet he could place his busy life and all the responsibilities in the hands of God.

Jesus gives peace: He told us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you, not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid". He is the source of all peace! We learn in Romans 14:17, "For the Kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit." As children of God, we may live in the world, but we are not part of it. We live in the spirit in the Kingdom of God where regardless of what the world is doing, regardless of what it is saying; we can be at peace because it is in this Kingdom that He reigns. His peace is unshakable. It is rooted in His sovereignty and love!

Peace is not just comfort! It is even more, for it brings with it strength. In the Psalms, we learn: "The Lord gives strength to His people; the Lord blesses His people with peace." In the midst of the storm, we can not only have peace that will surpass all understanding, but we can be strong in the face of the enemy who is constantly forecasting the worst. The brutal and unforgiving enemy, Satan, wants to keep us in the past where he can beat us with the errors we have made or to take us to the future, where he will bring us to fret fearfully about things that may never happen. God is in the present. He is sovereign there. His love is infinite there. It is in the present that we can reside comfortably in His loving hands, free from the attacks of the enemy of peace.

Peace is a gift. It is given by God to those who seek Him, trust in Him, and walk in His ways. Peace from the world is fleeting. God's peace is forever! With King David we can say: "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they give me comfort." Even in the middle of the infamous Bermuda Triangle, we can be at peace hearing God tell us: "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand". (Isaiah 41:10)

#### For the Coming Week's Masses

4:00 pm March 1st
Propers Ben Freundl
Cantor Marie Freundl
Lector Greg Robinson
Ushers - Bryan Brzezinski, Bernard
Zacharias, Jonathon Manners, Alex
Bendickson

8:00 am March 2nd
Propers Chris Steffke
Cantor Tonya Ratajczak
Lector Judy LaCross
Acolyte Greg Robinson
Ushers- Dale Pleva, Joe Peplinski, Fred

Peplinski, Tim Lowe

11:00 am March 2nd

Ushers– Philip Nachazel, Brent Weaner, Mike Kelly, John Martz

#### **Mothers in Christ**

Mothers in Christ is an area group celebrating the gift of Motherhood. The group meets on Monday mornings from 9-11 am at St. Francis Church.
On February 24th the speaker will be Dr. Caleb Halulko on "Total Health: What is Wellness and How to Get It God's Way"

#### **Fish Dinners**

Fish dinners this year will be March 7th, March 21st, and April 4th from 4-7pm. The price will be \$16 per person for dine-in or takeout. Dinners will include Baked or Fried Cod, Scalloped Potatoes, Coleslaw, Macaroni and Cheese, Dinner Rolls, and a Dessert.

#### **Absolute Catholic Men's Conference**

Saturday, March 8th Mario Enzler, former Swiss Guard to Pope John Paul II will be speaking 'Lead with Purpose: The Heart of a Servant Leadership' at St. Francis High School Auditorium.

AbsoluteCatholic.com

#### **Upcoming Vocation Events!**

March 10th-March 12th Highschool and College aged men are invited to visit Josephinum Seminary with Fr. Ben Rexroat. There is no cost for this event. Please RSVP by March 3rd: 231-262-2792 vocations@dioceseofgaylord.org

#### St. Andrews Luncheon

April 15th after the 11am Chrism Mass at the Pastoral Center in Gaylord. This event is open to young men grades 6-12. If the student is a minor, a parent is welcome to attend. There is no cost for this event. Please RSVP vocations@dioceseofgaylord.org or 231-262-2792.

#### Save-the-date

July 31st-Aug 2nd a summer camp for young men grades 8-11 at Higgins Lake. The cost is \$100. There is daily mass, dynamic talks, sports and games.

#### **Updated Palm Date**

Please return all old palms to the usher room by **February 28th.** 

#### Thrive Medical Clinic Spring Gala

May 6th at the Park Place Hotel. Table reservations for 10 are \$700. To reserve your table or purchase individual tickets please visit FriendsofTMC.org/gala

#### **From the Raffle Ladies**

Believe or not, it's that time of year to prepare for our annual big raffle that will be held on Sunday July 27, 2025. The raffle license will be going out soon, so it's time to round up the prizes. If you would like to donate a prize or monetary donation, please contact Joan Gauthier @ (231) 649-4556 or Shirley Mikowski @ (231) 228-3406. You can also email them:

igauthier56@hotmail.com and sidmiko wski@hotmail.com. The sooner we can get the raffle prizes, the sooner we can get the tickets out to everyone, and the sooner we can all start selling the tickets. We want to thank you so much for your past support and donations. With all of your help, this year could be the best of the best!

#### <u>Handmaids Vegetable and Herb Pre-</u> Orders

Handmaids will be taking orders after weekend mass for the spring flower sale on February 22nd and 23rd.

#### **Diocese of Gaylord Job Opening**

The Diocese of Gaylord is looking for a new Director of Development. The full position is here: <a href="https://jobapply.page.link/pwt6q">https://jobapply.page.link/pwt6q</a>

#### **Shrove Tuesday—Holy Face**

Join Legion of Mary in honoring the Holy Face of Our Lord on Shrove 6pm Tuesday, March 4th, in the church. Exposition, Devotions, and Benediction as well as special testimony from the Leon Family. Paczki and coffee reception to follow.

**Collection Totals** 

For February 15 & 16

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