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SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

434 High Street, Ionia, MI 48846
P: 616-527-3610 F: 616-527-3697
Website: www.saintspeterandpaulionia.org
Email: parishoffice@ssppcatholic.com

July 18, 2021
Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Fr. Tom Brown
616-527-3610, ext. 12
616-755-1742 (evening)

Associate Pastor: Fr. Oscar Londoño, mxy
616-527-3610, ext. 14
616-755-2279 (cellular)

Parish Office Hours
Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8 & 11:30 a.m., and 1 p.m. in Spanish

Weekday Mass Schedule
English: Mon & Wed, Mass at 12:10 p.m.
Tues, Communion Service at 7:30 a.m.
Thurs, Mass at 7:30 am (June-August)
Fri, Mass at 7:30 a.m.
Spanish: Wed, Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Schedule
English: Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.
Spanish: Wednesday 6:00-6:45 p.m.

For questions regarding Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, or any other sacrament, please call the parish office: 616-527-3610

Prayer Chain
If you have a prayer request for immediate need, please call 616-522-0279, or 616-527-0438.

Protect Life!

I typically stay away from political issues. There is so much to say about our faith and belief in God. But there are times when social justice issues become very important and we must speak out. One of those times is now, in the issue of our prayer and work for the protection of human life. Beginning in 1976, members of Congress and the White House have consistently supported the Hyde Amendment, a federal policy which has prevented taxpayer dollars from paying for elective abortions. This language has been approved every year since then, regardless of which political party has been in control of Congress or the presidency. In addition to wide legislative support, the general public is highly in favor of the Hyde Amendment and similar provisions. Many public opinion surveys demonstrate that a strong majority of individuals in our country—including those of different income levels, races, and positions regarding abortion—oppose using tax dollars to pay for abortion.

Despite public opinion, pro-abortion groups and certain elected officials are campaigning to rescind the Hyde Amendment and to instead implement a policy that would require every federal health program to cover, and every federal health facility to provide, elective abortions. If adopted, the new policy would go as far as to nullify state and local policies against abortion coverage, rescinding the compromise policy agreed to by President Obama and Congressional Democrats in the Affordable Care Act of 2010.

The stakes are high, as the Hyde Amendment saves the lives of mothers and children and respects the consciences of the American people. It is estimated that over 2.4 million children are alive now due to the Hyde Amendment. If Hyde and similar measures are not approved in this year's appropriations process, billions of taxpayer dollars could start being used for elective abortions in this country.

If you have not yet signed the petition for no taxpayer funds for the abortion industry, please do so now. It is at www.NoTaxpayerAbortion.com. In addition please contact your representatives and voice your opposition to this grievous assault on human life. Here in our area, they are Representative Peter Meijer, Senator Debbie Stabenow, and Senator Gary Peters. Please encourage other family and friends to join with you. The House Committee on Appropriations is finalizing their work on the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies appropriations bill. **As it stands now, the Hyde Amendment and other longstanding, bipartisan provisions are not included.**

Please voice your opposition **today**. Don't leave it for tomorrow. Let our voices be in favor of God's gift of life.

Thank you, and may God bless you!

Fr. Tom

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

JULY 18, 2021

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

One Lord, One Faith,
One Baptism



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Saturday, July 17
4:00 p.m. John Molinares (Adam & Jody Rewa)

Sunday, July 18
8:00 a.m. Frank & Betty McMullen (Hildebrandt family)
11:30 a.m. Richard & Robert Fox (Katie Fox)
1:00 p.m. Misa en español

Monday, July 19—Weekday
Ex 14:5-18/(Ps) Ex 15:1-6/Mt 12:38-42
12:10 p.m. Mauro Garcia (Francisco Garcia-Santos)

Tuesday, July 20—St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr
Ex 14:21—15:1/(Ps) Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17/Mt 12:46-50
7:30 a.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, July 21—St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor
Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-28/Mt 13:1-9
12:10 p.m. Louise Ozanich (Christine Bewell)
6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Holy Hour
7:00 p.m. Misa en español

Thursday, July 22—St. Mary Magdalene
Sg 3:1-4/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
7:30 a.m. People of SS. Peter & Paul Parish

Friday, July 23—St. Bridget, Religious
Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 13:18-23
7:30 a.m. Intention of Bridget Radzik (Christine Bewell)

Saturday, July 24—St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest
Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30
8:30 a.m. Scriptural Rosary
1:00 p.m. Quinceañera & Baptisms
3:00 p.m. Confessions

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-18/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15


Saturday, July 24
4:00 p.m. Intention of Gloria Hozeski—Birthday (Christine Bewell)

Sunday, July 25
8:00 a.m. Intention of John & Toni McKay—40th Anniversary
11:30 a.m. George Baer (John & Pat Klein)
1:00 p.m. Misa en español
Baptism at 1:00 Mass

GOD’S HOUSEKEEPERS—WEEK OF JULY 18

GENERAL CLEANING:
Jane Hemenway, Laurie Tjalsma

VACUUMING:
Ken North, Bruce Sibert



AH = Apostles’ Hall
CR = Cornerstone Room
SC = School
BC = Basement Chapel

CH = Church
PO = Parish Office
VR = Veritas Room
UP = Upper Room

Sunday, July 18

Monday, July 19
7:00 p.m. Scripture/Faith Study (PO)

Tuesday, July 20

Wednesday, July 21
5:15 p.m. Hisp. Sacramental Prep (AH,VR)

Thursday, July 22
4 & 5:30 p.m. Life Fit (VR)

Friday, July 23

Saturday, July 24

Sunday, July 25

He guides me along
the right paths for
his name’s sake

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| OUR PARISH OFFERING - July 10 & 11, 2021 | |
| Regular Offertory Collection | \$6,960.06 |
| Electronic Giving | 3,090.00 |
| Total | \$10,050.06 |
| -5% Tithe | -502.50 |
| Net Total | \$9,547.56 |
| Budgeted Weekly: \$9,038.46 | |
| Surplus for the Week: \$1,011.60 | |

July 1, 2021-July 11, 2021 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collection
Year-to-Date: \$18,634.56
Budgeted Year-to-Date: \$18,076.92
Surplus Year-to-Date: \$557.64

Please pray for:

Debbie Flinn
Lorie Langwith
Ralph Westbrook
Tom Lonier
Yvonne Elvert
Audra Searfoss
Feliciano Paredes
Dorr Bissell
John Klein
Jane Gazella
Finnly Hunt
Pete & Annie Ludwick
Richard Rinker
David Clonan
Tom Brockman
Al Slowinski
Tara Nordhof
Bruce Hoeksema
Rick McQueen
Christopher Van Buren
June Faulkner
Sue Thompson

Rebecca Hennegan
Roy Fowler
Debbie Wirtz
Peter Gallagher
Jim Mulnix
Theresa Sullivan
Mike O’Connor
Carol Gallagher
Ali Laninga
Alvina Badillo
Della Arbour
Alice Samani-Zozo
Isaac Fletcher
Clara Butler
Jane Baeger
Irene Kneale
Jerry & Maribeth Fritz
Susan Montgomery
Ken Peabody
Tim Perry
Tom O’Connor
Tom White

Toni Montgomery
Roger Dunigan
Clark Reeder
Pat MacLachlan
Pamela Coggan
Kathy Coughlin
Mike Nelson
Rachel Cross
Vickie Lykins
Joe Drysdale
Jack & Jo Wirtz
Phil & Carol Fox
Ed & Glenna Miller
Annette Krycinski
Barbara Bennett
Nichole Munsell
Jace Peterson
Pat McKinstry
Georgia Sibert
John McKay
Sue Swinehart
Larry Lafler

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Permanent Deacon Zenon Cardenas 527-8942
Secretary Cecilia Luke ext. 10
Office Manager Adam Rewa ext. 11
Pastoral Services Toni McKay ext. 13
Music Director Whitney Crooks 527-3610
Maintenance Rod Bergeron 527-3610
Cemetery Sexton Aaren Perry 527-3610





SS. Peter and Paul School (616) 527-3561
www.ssppcatholic.com
Principal Jenny Leik ext. 18
Secretary Diane Grummet ext. 23
Pre-School Barb Voet ext. 20
Daycare Audra Searfoss ext. 19

SS. Peter & Paul Parish - Pastoral Council
Chris Brown, Chairman Alice Samani-Zozo
Deb Campbell Deb Trierweiler
David Fitzpatrick Tim Wall
Miguel Pilar (Youth Rep)

SS. Peter & Paul Parish - Finance Council
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Jane Hemenway John Klein Denise Peabody

SS. Peter & Paul School - Board of Education
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Vanessa Booth Brian Siemen
Nick Cusack Melissa Wall

| Lector Schedule for July 17—30, 2021 | | | | | |
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| Saturday, July 17 | 4:00 p.m. | Phill Wizorek | Saturday, July 24 | 4:00 p.m. | Sue Wizorek |
| Sunday, July 18 | 8:00 a.m. | Denise Peabody | Sunday, July 25 | 8:00 a.m. | Walt Downes |
| Sunday, July 18 | 11:30 a.m. | Rick Esparza | Sunday, July 25 | 11:30 a.m. | Rick Esparza |
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| Monday, July 19 | 12:10 p.m. | Adam Rewa | Monday, July 26 | 12:10 p.m. | Cecilia Luke |
| Tuesday, July 20 | 7:30 a.m. C.S. | Cecilia Luke | Tuesday, July 27 | 7:30 a.m. C.S. | Cecilia Luke |
| Wednesday, July 21 | 12:10 p.m. | Adam Rewa | Wednesday, July 28 | 12:10 p.m. | Cecilia Luke |
| Thursday, July 22 | 7:30 a.m. | Denise Peabody | Thursday, July 29 | 7:30 a.m. | Rick Esparza |
| Friday, July 23 | 7:30 a.m. | Rick Esparza | Friday, July 30 | 7:30 a.m. | Denise Peabody |

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| | | <div><div>CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER</div><div>301 W. Washington St., Box 396 Ionia 616-527-1530</div><div>OPEN Tuesday 9 am-noon & 1-4 pm Wednesday & Saturday 9 am-noon DONATIONS ACCEPTED WHEN OPEN</div></div> |
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Knights of Columbus

Father Fierle Council #944

Meetings on the first Tuesday of each month in the Veritas Room

Rosary at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Grand Knight: Adam Rewa





Knights' Corner

After a one year hiatus, the Free Fair has returned! Just a reminder to consider parking at the SSPP lot at the former Caswell RV location. We very much appreciate Geldhof Tire and Auto for letting us use this space. It is a great fundraiser for our school and will save you \$3 compared to parking at the fair itself. Our K of C council will be helping to park cars in the lot on Wednesday from 3 to 9 p.m. Any Knights are welcome to come down and lend a hand.

Adam Rewa, Grand Knight (527-3610)

Are you going to the Ionia Free Fair?

The Geldhof family has generously donated the use of their parking lot, the old Caswell RV lot on the east side of Dexter, across from Burger King, as a fundraising opportunity during the Free Fair. It will be available from July 16-24, 12-9 p.m. All funds raised from parking there (\$7.00 per car) will benefit SS. Peter & Paul School.

Action Needed *this week*:

Save the Hyde Amendment

The House Committee on Appropriations is marking up the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies appropriations bill. As it stands now, the Hyde Amendment and other longstanding, bipartisan provisions are not included. The elimination of these amendments would force taxpayers to pay for elective abortions, force health care professionals to perform and refer for abortions against their religious beliefs, and force employers and insurers to cover and pay for abortion.

Please contact Senator Stabenow, Senator Peters, and your Congressional representative. You can:

Send a generic message via www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/86795/Respond.

Sign the petition at notaxpayerabortion.com



*Come rest awhile
in the Lord's presence.*

*Eucharistic Holy Hour
Wednesdays 6-7 p.m.
in the church*

Confirmation Classes for 9th Grade Faith Formation Students begin Sunday, August 1st, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. in the Veritas Room. We lost much class time due to the pandemic, so earlier this year decided to begin our final preparations for Confirmation early. (We anticipate Confirmation will take place in late October or early November, depending on the date set by the Diocese.)

In the meantime, here's what families can do to help their Confirmand this summer:

1. Review the lessons from last year's classes. (Students should have their textbooks, *Decision Point*, at home.)
2. Ask students to prayerfully consider what the Sacrament of Confirmation means to them, and why they want to be confirmed.
3. Reflect on the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. How will receiving the fullness of these gifts help the student in his/her life?
4. Ask students to think about any questions they have about the Catholic faith, and instruct them to jot them down in their folder to address with their sponsor, parents, or in class.
5. If the Confirmand hasn't yet chosen a sponsor, they should do so as soon as possible.
6. Has he/she chosen a Confirmation name? Again, if not, now is the time!
7. How are students doing on community service hours? The parish garage sale (see article on the next page) is a great opportunity!

We look forward to seeing all of our 9th grade Confirmation students on Sunday, August 1st. Be sure to bring your textbooks and folders with you!

Faith Formation Registration for Grades K-9

has begun! Registration forms can be found on the table at the entrance to church, or on our parish website: www.saintspeterandpaulionia.org.

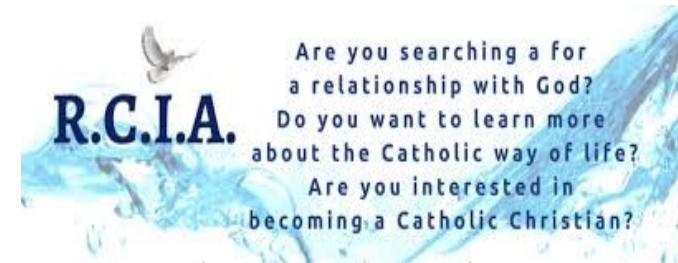
Open Registration for Saints Peter & Paul School Pre K—Grade 8

Registration can be completed online by going to www.ssppcatholic.com and clicking on the registration tab. If you have questions or would like to schedule a tour, please email principal Jenny Leik at jleik@ssppcatholic.com.

A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

In today's Gospel, "The apostles gathered around and told Jesus all they had done." Listening allows the other person to express, understand, and appreciate their experiences. Whether it is the excited chatter of a young child or the repetitious stories of an aging grandparent, listening is important. It is not just time well spent, it is sacred time.



For adults, the way to join the Catholic Church is a process called RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*). RCIA is open to just about anyone and everyone: baptized or not; seekers and doubters; people who don't even want to become Catholic but just want to understand more about the faith of their Catholic spouse or friend; even Catholics who have fallen away and would like to return. In short, RCIA is for you!

No matter where you are in your journey of faith, there is a place for you here with us. Don't be afraid to take that first step. Come, see for yourself what we are all about!

Contact Toni McKay at the parish office for more information. Summer Inquiry sessions will be scheduled soon!



**Saints Peter & Paul
Annual Garage Sale
Friday & Saturday,
July 30 & 31
8 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

You are invited to donate your gently used and no-longer-needed treasures to our sale! Donations may be dropped off at the parish garage Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (*Please, no box-style televisions*). All proceeds will benefit our parish ministries. Thank you for your generosity!

Helpers needed! Do you have the knack for organizing and maximizing space? Do you like to have FUN? We'd love to have you join our garage sale team! Any time you can give is appreciated, even if just a couple of hours! Contact Toni at the parish office if you can help!

Monday Night Scripture/Faith Study
7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Living Room

This week's topic: ***The Eucharist***

To express interest or for more information, contact Toni at the parish office.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly *Next Sunday, July 25*

Pope Francis announced in late January that he was establishing a "World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly," which is to be celebrated each year on the fourth Sunday of July to coincide with the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents.

To express the closeness of God and of the Church to every older person, Pope Francis has chosen "I am with you always" from the Gospel of Matthew as the theme for the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The theme is especially appropriate "in these challenging pandemic times," said the announcement from the Dicastery for Laity, the Family and Life.

"I am with you always" is also a promise of closeness and hope that young and old can mutually share. Not only are grandchildren and young people called upon to be present in the lives of older people, but older people and grandparents also have a mission of evangelization, proclamation and prayer, and of encouraging young people in their faith," the statement said.

"In the encyclical, 'Fratelli Tutti,' the Holy Father reminds us that no one is saved alone. With this in mind, we must treasure the spiritual and human wealth that has been handed down from generation to generation," he said.

Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound

We have about 25 homebound parishioners who are able to receive the Eucharist only because someone brings them Communion at home. About 15 volunteer ministers serve these people, but we are being made aware of more and more homebound people who would appreciate this service. *Would you be willing and able to bring Communion to someone, either after a weekend Mass or during the week?* If you would like to explore this possibility, please call Cecilia Luke at the parish office (616-527-3610) or Mary Ziegler, Coordinator of Homebound Ministry (616-902-5683).

Catholic in Recovery meets on Wednesdays from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Square Center in Grand Rapids. It seeks to support those participating in twelve-step groups who are suffering from substance abuse and other addictions. Using scriptural reflection and the sacramental love and mercy provided by the Catholic Church, this small group promotes healing and a deepening relationship with Jesus Christ, the giver of new life. For more information, visit catholicinrecovery.com/meetings or contact Jonathan at jonrhicks@gmail.com or 717-706-7052.