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# SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

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 Website: [www.saintspeterandpaulionia.org](http://www.saintspeterandpaulionia.org)  
 Email: [parishoffice@ssppcatholic.com](mailto:parishoffice@ssppcatholic.com)

August 14, 2022  
 Twentieth 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 a.m. (summer)  
 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.  
 Monday 11 a.m.-12 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.

## The Assumption of Mary, the Mother of God

On Monday, the 15<sup>th</sup> of August, we celebrate the Assumption of Mary, the Mother of God, into heaven. Although this was not declared a part of the official doctrine of our Church until November 1, 1950, our Church Fathers and great Doctors spoke of this as something already familiar and accepted by the faithful. Their preaching gave it even greater clarity. They used profound arguments in setting out its nature and meaning. Above all, they brought out more clearly for us the fact that what we commemorate in this feast day is not simply the total absence of corruption from the dead body of the Blessed Virgin Mary, but much more. It is her triumph over death and her glorification in heaven, following the path set for her by her only Son, Jesus Christ.

Saint John Damascene, born about 675, speaks with eloquence when he relates the bodily assumption of the loving Mother of God to her other gifts and privileges: *"It was necessary that she who had carried the Creator as a child on her breast should dwell in the tabernacles of God. It was necessary that the bride espoused by the Father should make her home in the bridal chambers of heaven. It was necessary that she, who had gazed on her crucified Son and been pierced in the heart by the sword of sorrow which she had escaped in giving him birth, should contemplate him seated with the Father. It was necessary that the Mother of God should share in the possessions of her Son, and be venerated by every creature as the Mother and handmaid of God."*

Saint Germanus of Constantinople considered it in keeping not only with her divine motherhood, but also with the unique sanctity of her virginal body, that it was incorrupt and carried up to heaven: *"In the words of Scripture, you appear in beauty. Your virginal body is entirely holy, entirely chaste, entirely the house of God, so for this reason also it is henceforth a stranger to decay: a body changed, because a human body, to a preeminent life of incorruptibility, but still a living body, excelling in splendor, a body inviolate and sharing the perfection of life."*

The Assumption of Mary fills us with joy. It encourages us along the way still remaining for us before we reach heaven. It gives us courage and energy to reach the sanctity we are called to by our vocation. As we struggle to be good sons and daughters of God, let us make an effort to keep our souls clean through confession and the Eucharist. If we die in God's grace, we will go to heaven and receive our eternal reward.

See you at Mass on Monday!

May God bless you and strengthen you.

Fr. Tom



SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

AUGUST 14, 2022

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2-4, 18/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53*  
**Saturday, August 13**  
4:00 p.m. Ken Hozeski (Gloria Hozeski)

**Sunday, August 14**  
8:00 a.m. John Lalley  
11:30 a.m. Amandus Werlen (Maria McIntosh)  
1:00 p.m. Misa en español

**Monday, August 15—Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day, but not of Obligation**  
*Rv 11:19; 12:1-6, 10/Ps 45:10-12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56*  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
12:10 p.m. People of SS. Peter & Paul Parish  
5:30 p.m. People of SS. Peter & Paul Parish  
7:00 p.m. Misa en español

**Tuesday, August 16—St. Stephen of Hungary**  
*Ez 28:1-10/(Ps) Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35-36/Mt 19:23-30*  
7:30 a.m. Communion Service

**Wednesday, August 17—Weekday**  
*Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 20:1-16*  
12:10 p.m. Eugene Dietrich  
6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Holy Hour  
7:00 p.m. Misa en español

**Thursday, August 18—Weekday**  
*Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14*  
7:30 a.m. Judy Nowak (Barb Dietrich)

**Friday, August 19—St. John Eudes, Priest**  
*Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-9/Mt 22:34-40*  
7:30 a.m. Carolynne Donovan

**Saturday, August 20—St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church**  
*Ez 43:1-7/Ps 85:9-14/Mt 23:1-12*  
8:30 a.m. Scriptural Rosary  
1:00 p.m. Quinceañera for Alexa Leon  
3:00 p.m. Confessions

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1-2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30*  
**Saturday, August 20**  
4:00 p.m. Sue Swinehart (Gerry & Barb Burrows)

**Sunday, August 21**  
8:00 a.m. SS. Peter & Paul School & Parish (Back to School Mass)  
11:30 a.m. Ann Bales-Ludwick (SS. Peter & Paul Choir)  
1:00 p.m. Misa en español

**GOD’S HOUSEKEEPERS—WEEK OF AUGUST 14**

**GENERAL CLEANING:**  
Chris & Pilya Christensen, Joe Thelen

**VACUUMING:**  
Ray Korytkowski, Lon MacLachlan

*The Week Ahead...*

<b>AH</b> = Apostles’ Hall	<b>CH</b> = Church
<b>CR</b> = Cornerstone Room	<b>PO</b> = Parish Office
<b>SC</b> = School	<b>VR</b> = Veritas Room
<b>BC</b> = Basement Chapel	<b>UP</b> = Upper Room

**Sunday, August 14**

**Monday, August 15—Holy Day—Assumption of Mary**  
See Holy Day Mass schedule in 1st column  
6:30 p.m. Scripture Study (PO)

**Tuesday, August 16**  
5:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting (VR)  
6:30 p.m. RCIA Inquiry Session (PO)

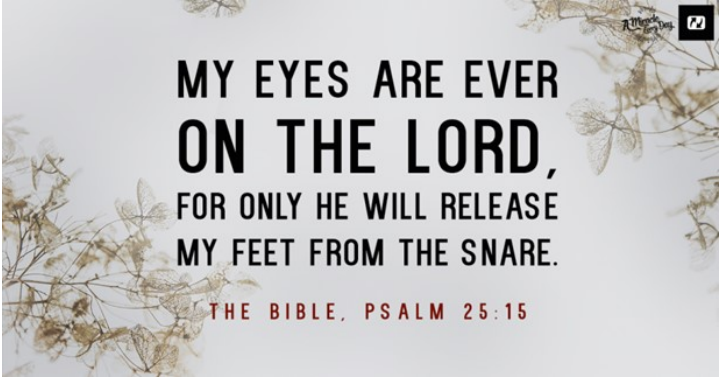
**Wednesday, August 17**

**Thursday, August 18**  
4 & 5:30 p.m. Life Fit (VR)

**Friday, August 19**  
8 a.m.—3 p.m. Parish Garage Sale Clearance

**Saturday, August 20**  
9:30 a.m. Min. of Consolation Training (PO)

**Sunday, August 21**  
8:00 a.m. Back to School Mass  
9—11 a.m. School Open House



**OUR PARISH OFFERING - August 6 & 7, 2022**

Regular Offertory Collection	\$8,610.00
Electronic Giving	\$1,562.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,172.10</b>
-5% Tithe	-508.61
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>\$9,663.49</b>

Budgeted Weekly: \$9,230.77  
Surplus for the Week: \$941.33

**July 1, 2022—August 7, 2022 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collection**  
Year-to-Date: \$53,321.04  
Budgeted Year-to-Date: \$55,384.62  
Deficit Year-to-Date: \$2,063.58

*Please pray for:*

Jerry Blundy Walt Freund Vickie Barker Sulyn Bettinghouse Devin Dowsett Irene Kneale Cole LeBarre Doug & Betty McGinnis Travis Eveleth Alice Cardenas Connor Pung Tom Weaver Michelle Walsh Mike Weger Michelle Montgomery Sue Speekin Jim & Sue Huver Charlotte Phillips Charles Timm Kathy Kranz Dennis Mould Emma Furman	Larry Lafler Arlene Stanton Donnette Vogt Pat MacLachlan Jack Wirtz Roy Conrad Jim & Barb Mulnix Sherry North Leonard Bettelyoun Denise Cope Phyllis Richardson Rueger Eveleth Don Jarema David Esparza Madolyn Richardson Craig Collen Joe Rosse Nathan Lower Denny Lesky Bill Robinson Debbie Flinn Yvonne Elvert	Feliciano Paredes Dorr Bissell Jane Gazella Finnly Hunt Tom Brockman Christopher Van Buren Sue Thompson Mike O’Connor Isaac Fletcher Jerry & Maribeth Fritz Ken Peabody Tom White Pamela Coggan Rachel Cross Joe Drysdale Ed & Glenna Miller Annette Krycinski Barbara Bennett Nichole Munsell Jace Peterson Georgia Sibert
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*We continue to pray for all who need healing. If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the parish office. Be sure you have the consent of the person or a family member. Names will remain on the prayer list for three months. Requests may be renewed.*

**August 20 & 21, Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 p.m. Lector: Mary Lou Mulick Altar Servers: Adah Drown & Levi Haskin EMs: Jane Emelander, Cecilia Luke, Garry Mulick Greeters: Chris & Pilya Christensen	11:30 a.m. Lector: Rick Esparza Altar Servers: Volunteers EMs: Shannon Andrews, Ron Drysdale, Theresa Scholtens Greeter: Jackie Franz
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8:00 a.m. Lector: Walt Downes  
Altar Servers: Paul & Sam Meyer  
EMs: Kevin Heinlein, Cecilia Luke, Denise Peabody  
Greeters: Julie Bennett & Deb Porter

*Would you like to serve as a Lector, Altar Server, Minister of Communion, Greeter, or Usher? Call the parish office at 616-527-3610 to inquire, or send an email to parishoffice@ssppcatholic.com.*

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**Bishop Walkowiak has directed the priests in our diocese to begin offering 2 Communion cups with the Precious Blood at each of our weekend Masses. Here is the Communion distribution plan approved by Fr. Tom for our parish, beginning Saturday, August 13:**

—3 Ministers of Communion (EMs) are assigned for each weekend Mass. The EMs come up at the Lamb of God and sanitize their hands. 1 EM stands along the ambo side of the altar, 2 EMs along the chair side. After receiving Communion from the Priest or Deacon, the EMs are handed either a bread plate or a Communion cup for distribution.

—Priest and Deacon stand at the center aisle, one step up, each with a ciborium of hosts. People in the center sections and the “Mary section” approach by the center aisle and return by the side aisles.

—One EM stands at the St. Joseph section wall aisle with a ciborium of hosts. People in that section approach by the wall aisle and return by the side aisle. (When that EM finishes offering the hosts, he/she ministers to the musicians in the music area or choir loft, then immediately returns the ciboria to the altar.)

—Two EMs stand at the side aisles, one step up, with the Precious Blood. People who have already received the Body of Christ may, if they choose, receive from the cup before heading back down the side aisles to their seats. If not receiving from the cup, they may immediately head back down the side aisle; no need to wait for persons receiving from the cup.

After Communion, EMs return all vessels to the altar. Priest will consume any remaining Precious Blood and purify the vessels.

### Ministry of Consolation

Called by the healing ministry of Jesus, the Ministry of Consolation continues to reach out to parishioners and community members suffering from any type of loss, as well as those touched by cancer. An upcoming training session for this ministry will be held on Saturday, August 20, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Office living room. If you are interested in learning more about the Ministry of Consolation, please contact Vanessa: [vbooth@ssppcatholic.com](mailto:vbooth@ssppcatholic.com).

### Cancer Support Group

Have you or a family member been touched by cancer? No matter where you are in your battle, we are here for you. Team members from the Ministry of Consolation offer Cancer Support gatherings. For more information, please contact Vanessa Booth at [vbooth@ssppcatholic.com](mailto:vbooth@ssppcatholic.com). Please help us spread the word; so much comfort can be found in walking the journey together.

### Employment Opportunities in our School

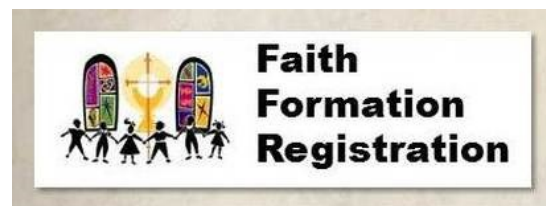
SS. Peter and Paul School is currently accepting applications for three positions. We are looking for a combined 3rd/4th grade Elementary Teacher, a part-time Preschool Assistant, and a Middle School Math and Science Teacher. More information about each position may be found on the diocesan website, [grdiocese.org](http://grdiocese.org), under the Employment tab.

Interested individuals should send a cover letter and resume, along with a diocesan employment application, to Principal Jenny Leik, 317 Baldie Street, Ionia, MI 48846, or [jleik@ssppcatholic.com](mailto:jleik@ssppcatholic.com).

### Have you made an appointment to have your picture taken for our new directory?

If not, you can sign up in the back of church after the weekend Masses on August 13/14, 20/21, or 27/28. If you'd rather sign up online (available Monday-Friday), go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com), click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **mi1643** in the Church Code field, and enter **photos** in the Church Password field.

Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time. We want everyone to be a part of our directory, so be sure to sign up!



Registration is open for our 2022/2023 Faith Formation year! Stop by the table at the main entrance to church after Mass and pick up a registration packet for your children in grades Kindergarten through 9th. We encourage families to sign up early to beat the last minute rush, and to be well-informed of our program before classes begin. Faith Formation classes begin Sunday, September 11th, and run from 10:15 - 11:15 a.m., in the school building. Registration fee, which assists with program costs, is \$65 per family. For more information, contact Toni McKay at the parish office.

### SSPP GARAGE SALE CLEARANCE!

**Friday, August 19th, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Lots of treasures are still available! If you missed our sale in July, no worries! You have another opportunity! Come and shop at reduced prices! Bring your family and friends, and help spread the word!

**Join the Grand Rapids Diocesan Council of Catholic Women October 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for their Fall Seminar “Come As You Are” and discover an action plan to move from unease to peace in this post-pandemic world. The keynote speaker will be Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, FSE, MA, LPC. During her thirty years as a therapist, Sister Colleen Ann has been a teacher, counselor, administrator, and consultant. She specializes in Grief and Trauma recovery strategies. The day at St. Jude Church in Grand Rapids will include Adoration, speakers, Mass and rosary, and a boxed lunch.**

**Be part of the second annual Michigan Catholic Women’s Conference “For such a time as this” October 15 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lansing Center** in Lansing, Michigan. Women from across Michigan are invited to come together to focus on their faith and experience the fellowship of sisterhood in Christ Jesus. Throughout the day, women will be encouraged and inspired to ignite their spirits and grow their faith by hearing from Catholic speakers, engaging in praise and worship music, and celebrating holy Mass with our bishops. To register, go to [michigancwc.org/registration/](http://michigancwc.org/registration/).

### Back to School Drive

Students and teachers will be returning to school on August 23rd. Let's show our support by providing them with some of the basics needed for their classrooms. Disinfecting wipes, facial tissues, paper towels, etc., along with snack items like granola bars, peanut butter or cheese crackers, or small cookies, can be dropped in the tub at the back of church until Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. Our students and teachers will thank you! --Deb Trierweiler



### SUMMER 2022 RCIA INQUIRY SESSIONS

**An Invitation to Come and See!**

**Tuesdays in August, 6:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, August 28, 9:15 a.m.**

in the Parish Office living room,  
434 High St., Ionia

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for:

- those who have not been baptized.
- those who have been baptized, but have little affiliation with, or formation in the Catholic faith.
- those who want to learn and ask questions about the Catholic faith.

If you would like to inquire, please call Toni McKay at 527-3610 or email her at [tmckay@ssppcatholic.com](mailto:tmckay@ssppcatholic.com).

### World Youth Day Pilgrimage— Information Session on August 27

Young adults, ages 18 & up, join the Diocese of Grand Rapids' pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal, from July 29-August 7, 2023! Meet other Catholic young adults from around the world and join with Pope Francis in a global celebration of our Catholic faith.

**Learn more during our WYD 2023 info event Saturday, August 27, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. outside the Cathedral of Saint Andrew** (301 Sheldon Blvd. SE, Grand Rapids). A brief presentation with pilgrimage details will take place at 11 a.m., and our travel agency representative will be available to answer questions.

Come and join the fun! Coffee and donuts provided. For more information, contact Father Eugene at [ebatungbacal@grdiocese.org](mailto:ebatungbacal@grdiocese.org) or 616-333-1173. Also, sign up to receive diocesan pilgrimage updates at: <https://bit.ly/GRDioceseWYD2023Updates>.

**We need more liturgical ministers!** If you once served as a Lector, Minister of Communion, Altar Server, or Greeter and would like to serve once again, please let us know at what Mass you could be scheduled. If you would like to try a new ministry, please call the parish office (616-527-3610) to inquire. Training and guidelines will be provided as needed.

*Dear friends of SS. Peter & Paul,*

*A BIG THANK-YOU for all the Birthday cards, well wishes, and prayers for my 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The last count was 70+ Birthday cards, and still coming from out-of-state! I am truly blessed to have you beautiful people as friends and fellow parishioners.*

*Peace & Joy,*

*Helene Dunn (aka “Trouble”)*

**Eucharistic**



**Adoration**

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

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