WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 22nd
3:30 p.m. Confessions at OLLH
4:10 p.m. Rosary at OLLH
4:30 p.m. Mass at OLLH for Ed Cibulski, given by Dorothy Koss

Sunday, February 23rd
8:10 a.m. Rosary at OLLH
8:30 a.m. Mass at OLLH for Jerry Wehner, given by Bill & Rosemary Roggenbuck
10:15 a.m. Rosary/Confessions at St. Anthony
10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony for the people of the parish

Tuesday, February 25th
6:30 p.m. Mass at OLLH

Ash Wednesday, February 26th
8:00 a.m. Mass with Ash Distribution at OLLH, OLLH Students attending
6:30 p.m. Mass with Ash Distribution at St. Anthony

Thursday, February 27th
8:00 a.m. Student Mass at OLLH for Donald Terbrack, given by Harvey Geiger, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 11:00 p.m.

Friday, February 28th
6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross and Mass at OLLH for Lylan Kucharczyk, given by Bob & Sherry Swartz

Saturday, February 29th
1:00 p.m. Wedding at OLLH: Austin Gintner and Steffaney Vigari
3:30 p.m. Confessions at OLLH
4:10 p.m. Rosary at OLLH
4:30 p.m. Mass at OLLH for Ed Cibulski, given by Lu Lemanski

Sunday, March 1st
8:10 a.m. Rosary at OLLH
8:30 a.m. Youth Mass at OLLH for the people of the parish
10:15 a.m. Rosary/Confessions at St. Anthony
10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony for Jerry Wehner, given by Doris & Charles Bischer

Fr. George’s Weekly Message:

THE UNIQUE SEASON OF LENT

Every year, the Church provides us with the unique opportunity to put to test the Spirit of God in us – that Spirit that St. Paul talks about in Timothy. In the disciplines of Lent, we reaffirm that the spirit we have is not “a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control” (2 Timothy 1:7). In the disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to the poor, we show that indeed we are not slaves to the things of this world, but that we have the power to overcome the self and its passions, and demonstrate that we have the capacity through the Spirit of God in us to control our senses, passions and the cravings of the flesh (cf. Galatians 5:16ff).

This Lent is different. We can still do it by moving closer to God in renewing and strengthening our relationship with God and with one another based on Jesus’ command of, “love one another. As I have loved you, you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another” (John 13:34-35). In prayer and fasting, we show that our relationship with God is important, and needs to always be kept alive; in almsgiving, we demonstrate that loving the poor and less privilege among us and in the world, takes concrete form in our lives.

Therefore, I encourage parishioners to immerse yourself in the disciplines of Lent, making personal sacrifices to not only participating in all religious activities in the parish, but also making personal resolution to faithfully observe the disciplines of prayer and fasting, and almsgiving.

LENTEN SEASON: REGULATIONS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

† FASTING is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed. † ABSTINENCE is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not obligate. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the pastor or pastoral administrator should be consulted. † Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020 and Good Friday, April 10, 2020 are days of fast and abstinence. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. † Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful, the Elect and those Candidates preparing for Reception into Full Communion in the Catholic Church should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS - FEBRUARY/MARCH

Ash Wednesday - February 26th: Mass and Distribution of Ashes will be on Wednesday February 26th at 8:00am at OLLH Church; and at St. Anthony’s Church at 6:30pm

Stations of the Cross: Beginning from February 28th, and as part of our Lenten observance, we will be having Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays at St. Anthony’s Church and on Fridays at OLLH Church at 6:00pm. This will be followed by Mass. Consequently, there will be no morning Mass on those days.

Communal Penitential Service – March 18th: The first Lenten penitential service will take place on Wednesday, March 18th at St. Anthony’s Church at 6:30pm. Please avail yourself of this opportunity.

Communal Penitential Service – March 23rd: The last Lenten penitential service will take place on Monday, March 23rd at Our Lady of Lake Huron Church at 9:30am. This will be another opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as you prepare for Easter. The students of Our Lady’s School will also receive the sacrament at this time.

Students’ Passion Play – March 27th: The Students of our Lady of Lake Huron School will play the Stations of The Cross depicting the passion of Jesus Christ on Friday March 27th at 8:00am.

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PARISH LIFE OF GRACE

Sacrament of Baptism: the sacrament is celebrated during the weekend Mass as requested by the family. Parents of infants to be baptized must be practicing Catholics and at least one parent must be a parishioner (regular weekend Mass attendance). Pre-baptism class for parents is held on 3rd Saturday of every Month.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 pm; Sundays 10:15 am except on First Saturdays which is at 8:30 am, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Anointing and Care of the Sick: Please do not hesitate to call the office whenever a family member needs anointing, last rites or a visit from the priest, whether at home or at the hospital.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Catholics intending to celebrate the sacrament of Matrimony must notify the Parish at least 6 months before the proposed wedding date. They are to register for premarital catechesis or course. At least one party must be a parishioner (regular weekend Mass attendance).

Faith Formation: Faith formation is for children from kindergarten through the sixth grade, with sacramental preparation for those in the second grade. Faith formation is a journey of faith for both parents and their children. It is a structured process offered by the parish for parents to pass on the faith to their children even as the children are eager to know their faith. Please, call or stop by the office to get your children registered.

Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 p.m. at OLLH, Sunday 8:30 a.m. at OLLH and 10:30 a.m. at St. Anthony.

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: February 15/16, 2020

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105 Regular and Holy Day Envelopes used.

Property & Maintenance: 3 families contributed $130.00. Thank you for your continued support!

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

In today’s first reading, the Israelites are urged to love their neighbors as themselves. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out how we are to do that—to give generously to those who ask of us and not to turn our backs on those who seek to borrow. From our youth: Liam-helped Peyton load the dishwasher; Peyton-shared his toys; Xander-set the table. Thanks kids, keep up the good deeds and contributions!

Catholic Diocese of Saginaw Welcome Scholarships available for Catholic School Students!

The Welcome Scholarship fund is a new program open to any student not previously enrolled in a Catholic school of the Saginaw Diocese, regardless of religious affiliation or household income. The Diocese will offer $1,000 scholarships for high school students, $750 scholarships for grades 1-8, and $500 scholarships for kindergarten. For more information, visit the Diocese of Saginaw website at www.saginaw.org or contact the Office of Catholic Schools at 989-797-6651.
**HOLY NAME OF MARY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LOOKING FOR PEOPLE** to add to the volunteer list for Adoration. Adoration is held every Thursday from 9 am until 11 pm. We are in need of a few volunteers that you could add to the book. If you would like to sign up, please send your name and phone number to Tina Learman. You can email her at tpji@comcast.net.

**4TH/5TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS** will be conducting a food drive for the Harbor Beach Food Pantry from February 23rd – March 2nd. There will be a list of needed items in the bulletin next week.

**HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH MEN'S CLUB** is looking for a new president. Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

**ADULT CHOIR** will practice on Monday, February 24th at 6:30 p.m. at OLLH Church.

**YOUTH MASS** will be Sunday, March 1st, at 8:30 a.m. Youth, please call Tim to volunteer for a Mass part, 315-1089.

**CHRISTIAN SERVICE** invites you to join us for a few hours of fellowship at a “Parish Game Day” event on Sunday, March 8th at the St. Anthony Hall. The event will be held from 11:45am-3:00pm. A light luncheon (soup, rolls, and dessert) will be provided. Bring your favorite card or board game. Christian Service will also provide some games. Parishioners of all ages are encouraged to attend. Bring a friend! See the flyer in next week’s bulletin for more info.

**MINI PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT BINGO** will start out at $400.00. Bingo within 50 numbers and win the jackpot! Early bird games start Sunday at 6:30 p.m. Bingo starts at 8:00 p.m.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Ms. Heather is looking for help to serve school lunch, as well as help with funeral dinners-baking desserts and helping serve. If you feel you are on the list and are not getting calls, please call to double check. Several people have dropped off the list for health reasons. If you are willing to do any of this, please call Ms. Heather at 810-210-6948. Thank you.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**42ND ANNUAL GERMAN DINNER** at Zion Lutheran School (299 Garden Street in Harbor Beach) will be held on Sunday, February 23rd from 11:00am-4:00pm. All you can eat, served family style. German style atmosphere with live music! Serving roast pork, corn, sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, and homemade desserts. Ages 12 and up $12, ages 6-11 $6, and age 5 and under free. All carry outs $12, call 989-479-3615, free delivery in limited area from 11am-1pm. Orders taken on Saturday, February 22nd from 8am-12pm, and Sunday, February 23rd from 8am-3pm. Sponsored by Zion Lutheran PTL.

**CARD PARTIES** sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella will be held at 1:00 pm on March 1st, and April 5th at the Bad Axe Senior Center. $6 for cards and a light lunch. Share the wealth. Contact Madelyn Stacer for info, 989-550-0171. Proceeds to benefit OLLH School and D of I charities.

**ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY** will be held on Saturday, March 14 from 3:30-6:30pm at Zion Lutheran Church Gym in Harbor Beach. $10/adults, $5/kids 5-12. Pollack, French fries, baked potato, corn, salads, desserts, coffee, and water. Take outs available, call 989-315-1902. Future fish fry dates: April 10, and May 9. Proceeds to go to Zion’s general fund.

**OLLH SCHOOL NEWS**

I participated in the March for Life event in Washington D.C. Our trip started on Thursday when we left Saginaw at 7:30. We had to be on the bus for 12 hours until we made it to the 4H center in Maryland. During the bus ride we made 4 stops. Our last stop before the 4H center was where we ate dinner at. It was called Gateway! I had a sandwich and played some racing games in the arcade (I won 1st place). After that last stop we were about 2 hours from where we were staying. Once we got to the 4H center, we unloaded the bus and got our room key and walked to the hall we were staying in. When we were walking up the stairs we met our roommate Shane. He was really funny and also really entertaining. That night we stayed up till like 1, but we had to get up at 5:30. The next morning we woke up and showered. After we were doing getting ready we had to get breakfast and get on the bus for the Youth Rally Mass at the Capitol One Arena. Once we got to the arena we unloaded the bus, went through security, and found out where we had to sit. About halfway through the Mass, a lady asked our chaperones if two of us wanted to be an usher. I said I would and then Seth said he would too. We got to sit in special chairs and I got to wear a cool vest. The Mass was super cool and it was awesome to see how many young kids were there. After the Mass was done we left the arena and walked to the National Mall where the rally started. At the rally we heard President Trump, and a lady that was a survivor of abortion. I actually did not get to see Trump, but I got to hear him. President Trump was on a stage with bulletproof glass surrounding him and snipers in building near where he was speaking. After the rally we started the march! There were so many people that at one point we just stayed in one place for an hour and a half. After that we started moving pretty quickly. It was so cool to see all of the signs people and kids made. Once we got to Capitol Hill it was so cool to turn around and see all the people behind us. There was this one group of people that sang and danced and played trumpet and drums the whole time. They released some pretty good vibes. The part that hit me hard was in front of the Supreme Court building were the march ended, there were people holding signs that say I regret my abortion. To me that hit hard and how much courage it would take to hold that sign. After the march was done we walked to the metro station to go back to the 4H center. That night we stayed up pretty late because it would be our last night with our roommate Shane. We also went to the rec room at the 4H center with our class and Shane so that was fun. That day was amazing and it was a great experience especially to be the first ones at our school to go. It was so awesome to see how many young people came out to support the same cause as I was there for! “If children are the future, what future does abortion leave us with?”

By: Tyler Koehn

**Do you have a desire to serve during Mass?** Holy Name of Mary Parish is always looking for volunteers to greet, lector, altar serve, sing, Eucharistic minister, usher, count money, etc. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at 479-3393, or jess@holynameofmaryparish.org

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