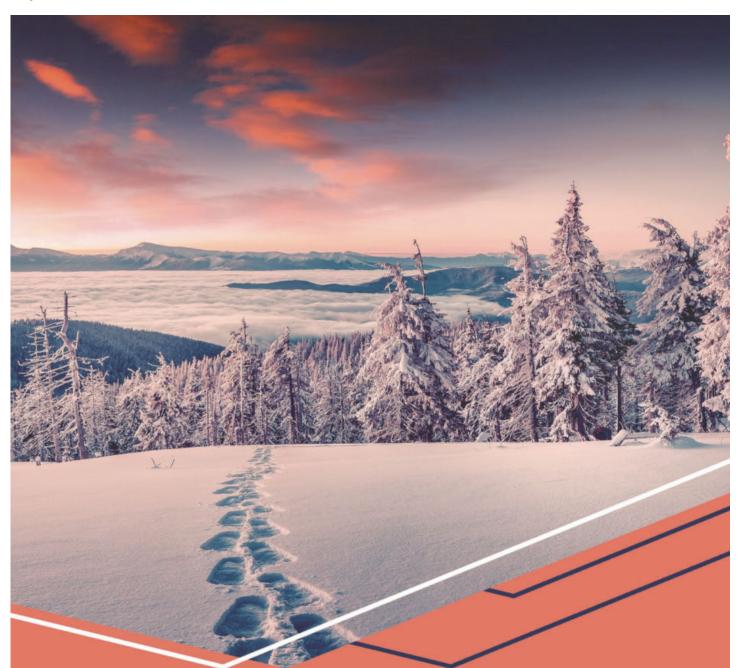


CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

GRAND BLANC, MICHIGAN

JANUARY 14, 2024

2 N D S U N D A Y I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher— "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." - Jn 1:38-39a

2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

January 14, 2024

Entrance Hymn

Here I Am, Lord #777

Responsorial Psalm #1096

Psalm 40: Here am I, Lord; here am i, Lord; I come to do your will.

Communion Hymns

Behold the Lamb #939

Psalm 40: Here I Am #48

Purify My Heart #2063

Closing Hymn

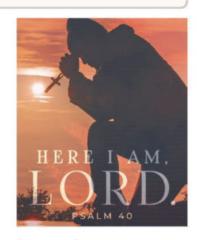
Praise to You, O Christ, Our #596 Savior

Readings

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:18c-15a, 17-20

Gospel: John 1:35-42



Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty:

from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

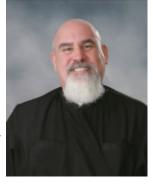
St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

A CUP OF JOE

Greetings in Christ! We are now officially in what the Church calls "Ordinary Time." This is a short stretch between the end of the Christmas Season and the beginning of Lent. It's crazy how quickly Lent is sneaking up on us!

You may not remember, but every year I serve on a Catholic Marriage cruise and that is coming up as well. I give talks, pray



Mass, emcee the events and all sorts of other things. It's not a vacation, as I'm working pretty hard during the days, but it really is nice to be in the sun so I'm happy to do it! This year I'll be leaving on Friday the 26th of January and returning on the 4th of February.

I have finally finished writing all my thank you notes from Christmas. I hope to get them all addressed and in the mail soon. Thank you for your many cards, letters and gifts...I was lovingly overwhelmed.

I would like to continue our update, as I probably will for the next couple weeks.

This last year I began my term serving as Dean for our region of the Lansing Diocese. Almost every week I am driving to one of the 12 parishes in my Deanery and meeting with the priest there and working with him. I'm learning a lot and hoping to move our region toward a more cooperative-based model. All parishes have needs that they cannot meet on their own, but together I feel like we could accomplish a lot. Beyond that, I'm praying with and for priests, offering advice, passing on ideas to the diocese, etc. It's a lot, but I think it's necessary.

One of the things confronting priests and parishes right now is the resources get thinner and the obligations get heavier. As your pastor, I have been working hard, reading a lot of books and going to some seminars on how to get us all functioning in a way that is healthy and holy. The fruit of all the reading, prayers and conferences has been an effort to focus us on why we exist and what we do. To that end, I would like to share with you what we, as your parish, are committed to.

We'll start with the whole "Why We Exist,"

Holy Family Catholic Church exists to worship God, to grow in love and knowledge of the faith, to help those who are in need and to share this faith with others. I'd love for us all to keep this in mind. It is our guiding star as the people who serve you. So much is asked of us that people want us to do, but it's important for us to keep our eyes on why we exist. In staying faithful to these principles, I believe we are staying faithful to the call of Jesus. For those of us who are serving you in the parish, we are committed to striving to be: Prayerful, Humble, Joyful and Team Oriented.

These are principles that are core to our identity. We cannot simply say "Holy Family is where I work," we are, by working here, embracing an identity as people working within the Church. These four traits are vital and utterly necessary to keep us from being just a business or a baptized clique.

These ideas pertain to how we relate to you, our parishioners, and each other. In terms of our goals as workers in relation to our duties, we are committed to the following: Being good stewards of what we have been given. Being prudent with our resources. Respecting ourselves, others and our mission. Acting as part of a whole.

So, please keep these ideas in your heart. As the people who serve you at Holy Family, we will work hard to keep us accountable to those ideas. We will not be perfect, but we will strive. You'll see these three sets of principles on signs around our campus. These are reminders for all of us so that we have standards that we see, remember, and fight for.

Thank you for taking the time to read all of this. I will continue our updates over the next few weeks! Jesus bless you all. Thank you for letting me be your priest.

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STEWARDSHIP & WORSHIP

Welcome to our newest members who joined us through the Sacrament of Baptism.



Baptized on January 7, 2024

Brinkleigh Kate Webster, daughter of Timothy and Kristi Webster

Hannah Jane Webster, daughter of Timothy and Kristi Webster

High School Subsidy Application

Holy Family Parish offers a tuition subsidy to students of active and participating Holy Family parishioners who attend a Catholic High School. An active and participating parishioner is defined as someone who regularly attends Sunday Mass, volunteers in parish/school functions, and gives joyfully, spiritually and sacrificially to the needs of our Church and School.

https://form.jotform.com/240075575399164

Please fill out a form for each high school student in your family.

This form is due March 1st, 2024.

Stewardship of Treasure January 6th & 7th, 2024

Registered families	1978
Envelopes received this week Mail-in givers this week Online givers this week	149 36 303
Amount offered from envelopes	\$ 9,356.00
Amount offered from mail	\$ 2,987.50
Amount offered from online giving	\$ 32,676.00
Amount offered from visitors	\$ 665.25
Total weekly offerings	\$ 45,684.75

55 & Over Club

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

Come join us **Tuesday**, **January 16th**, for pizza and cake and get to know us and become friends.



Knights' Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus' monthly breakfast will **be Sunday, January 14th**, from 9 am to noon in the Fr. Bush Parish Center. Waffles, pancakes, omelets, eggs and more will



be served. Bake sale items will also be available. Breakfast is \$7 for adults, \$5 for kids, \$30 for a nuclear family (parents and their kids). All profits will go to support 4th Degree charitable activities. Great food and fellowship. Credit cards accepted.

Knights' Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Columbus' monthly spaghetti dinner will be **Wednesday**, **January 17th**, from 5-7 pm in the Fr. Bush Parish Center. Spaghetti, salads and more. Bake sale items will also be available. The spaghetti dinner is \$9 for adults, \$5 for kids and \$32 for a nuclear



family (parents and their kids). All profits will go to support 4th Degree charitable activities. Great food and fellowship. Credit cards accepted.

FIRST 合 Reconciliation

Confessions on **Saturday, January 20th** is for First Reconciliation students of Holy Family School & Religious Ed ONLY.

Please continue to pray for those preparing to receive God's love and mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Lord Jesus, with you, we have nothing to fear. We give thanks because You look after us. Your heart is full of joy when You bring us back to our Heavenly Father. For this, we thank you. Amen.

WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE



Free Participation - Open to all Boys & Girls ages 9 through 14

Eligibility is determined by the age as of January 1st, 2024

Pizza and refreshments will be available to all participants!

Age bracket winners move onto District Championship

Where: Holy Family Grand Blanc school gym

215 Orchard Street, Grand Blanc, MI 48439

When: Sunday, January 21st
Time: 1:15pm – 3:00pm

For further information or if you have questions, please contact Leo Solano at leodsolano@gmail.com

2024 Altar Flowers

Our web page for ordering Altar flowers is open! Please go to: https://hfgbaltarflowers.pushpayevents.com/

Your \$50 donation for your specific month will help us provide flowers at the altar and around the sanctuary to beautify our worship space. Your loved one's name will be listed in the parish bulletin for that entire month. You may offer flowers in honor of a living person for a special occasion or in memory of your loved one.



We will continue to have Easter and Christmas memorial collections as well. **During Lent and Advent there will be no flowers in church.**

If you have any questions or if you need assistance ordering, you may contact Theresa Dyer at 810-694-4891, ext. 2211, or tdyer@hfgb.org.









HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

Holy Family, believing that each student is a child of God, challenges each to embrace the Gospel message through the traditions of the Catholic faith, to achieve academic excellence and to grow as saints.



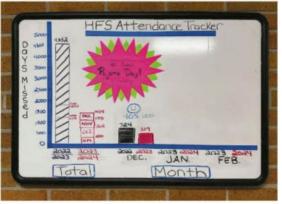
Three Kings Visit at HFS

On Friday, January 5, 2024, HFS celebrated the Feast of the Epiphany and our Three Kings joined us at Mass. After Mass, our kings, along with Fr. Le, Dcn. Denny, Dcn. Dan, and acolytes Mr. Harris and Mr. Bernabe, marked and blessed each door of our school, gymnasium and parish offices.

20 + C + M + B + 24

Attendance is Up at HFS!

Congratulations to our school!!! We set a goal at the start of the 23-24 school year to have fewer student absences than last year. We have reached our first goal and students will celebrate with an all school Pajama Day on Friday, January 12! Great job, HFS!!!



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Visit kroger.com/communityrewards to enroll or re-enroll today! Search for Holy Family Church/School and link your card.

Thank you for your support!



Be a part of our Holy FAMILY!

Contact Lisa Harvey at 810-694-9072, ext. 0 or lharvey@hfsgb.org www.hfsgb.org



Save the 9am-2pm

GRAND BLANC



Indoor

GARAGE

9am-3pm

Fr. Bush Parish Center

Volunteers needed!

> More info to come.



DROP OFF TIMES

SAT, APRIL 13 9AM - 3PM

SUN, APRIL 14 11AM - 3PM

MON, APRIL 15 9AM - 2PM

TUES, APRIL 16 9AM - 2PM

4PM - 7PM

WED, APRIL 17 9AM - 2PM

HELP! WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS!

- · Gently used clothing
- · Clean items in good condition
- · Furniture, household items, etc.
- Working appliances
- · No holiday decorations, pillows, exercise equipment, encyclopedias, tattered/stained clothing, stuffed animals, or car seats

Fr. Bush Parish Center . 110 Bush Street, Grand Blanc, MI 48439 . hfgb.org

Mass Intentions January 15 - 21

Monday, January 15

8:00 AM Robert and Johann McCarron (Living) by Rich and Theresa Cross

Tuesday, January 16

8:00 AM Martin Kramarz by Felix Galuszka, Diane Rodgers & Barbara Alger

Wednesday, January 17

8:00 AM Janet Carriere by Mark Perkins

6:00 PM Ed and Monna Suess by Roeser Family

Thursday, January 18

8:00 AM Monna Suess by Janet Waters

Friday, January 19

8:00 AM Timothy Debien by Maureen Debien

Saturday, January 20

8:00 AM Phyllis White by Holy Family Parish

4:00 PM Ethel DeJovine by Diane Emery and family

Sunday, January 21

8:00 AM All Holy Family Parishioners

10:00 AM Hugh Vanitvelt by Donald Vanitvelt

12:00 PM Susie Salisbury by Ron and Cheryl Gelisse

Masses in Fiji on behalf of Holy Family:

Joe Dunn (Living) by Janice Hennen Leona Krause (Living) by Shirley Sanborn Florence Owens (Living) by Shirley Sanborn Bill Sanborn by Shirley Sanborn Steven Sanborn by Shirley Sanborn Delores Vanitvelt (Living) by Shirley Sanborn

To schedule Mass intentions, please email Theresa Dyer at tdyer@hfgb.org or call 810-694-4891, ext. 2211, or stop in the parish office 9 a.m. - noon or 1 - 4 p.m. M-Th.



Eucharistic Adoration

2 pm - 6 pm Every Friday 12 pm - 4 pm

Come rest in the presence

"Adoration is prayer that prolongs the celebration and Eucharistic Communion and in which the soul continues to be nourished: it is nourished with love, truth, peace; it is nourished with hope, because the One before whom we prostrate ourselves does not judge us, does not crush us, but liberates and transforms us."

Pope Benedict XVI

Liturgical Ministry - January 20/21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

(schedule may not reflect recent changes)

4:00 PM Saturday - Fr. Joseph Krupp **Lectors:** David Caldwell,, Sam Burdick **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Kathy Swiantek Randy Swiantek

Altar Servers:

Liam Verdun Mitchell Grondin Tony Bonifazi

8:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Leronio Vodivodi Lectors: Dan Charboneau, Lori Charboneau Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

David Roberts II Greg Snyder

Altar Servers:

Jimmy Dowling Gavin Raysin (help needed - 1)

10:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Joseph Krupp **Lectors:** Sam Scime, Joe Sliwka

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Rod Shick Kelly Teem

Altar Servers:

Everett Teem Joseph Craft Vincent Cross

12:00 PM Sunday - Fr. Leronio Vodivodi **Lectors:** Scott Heron, Debby Hux

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Desiree Londrigan Paul Londrigan

Altar Servers:

Helaina Barry Kolten Barry (help needed - 1)

Weekly Readings January 14 - 21

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a,

9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/

Jn 1:35-42

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-

28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-

10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11,

12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19 **Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk

3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor

7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

Holy Family Lending Library

The lending library (for religious books) is located in the gathering space. You are welcome to take a book and return it when finished for others to read. (We are not able to accept donations to the library at this time.)



WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE





Eucharistic Adoration "Adorers" Needed

Every Tuesday and Friday, we expose the Blessed Sacrament for time of Eucharistic Adoration. This is a wonderful time for private prayer and personal communion with the

It is necessary that, when the Lord is exposed on the altar during adoration, individuals are present for prayer and adoration, either communally or individually. We lovingly refer to those volunteers who dedicate this time to our Lord, as Adorers. We invite and welcome all to come and spend time with the Lord, but we need some to commit to a time so we know our Lord is not left alone.

If you would like to volunteer for this wonderful ministry, please contact the parish office at (810) 694-4891 or Genevieve Psenski at gpsenski@hfgb.org. This will be the best hour of your day. Let Him transform you.



Must be 21 to play

Please pray for these men and women in military service:

six - eight persons at

hfgb.org.

SFC Matthew Crimando—Army, Camp Shelby, MS Staff Sergeant Kenton Disbrow - Air Force, Wausau, WI Sgt. Kyle Kaneris—Army
LT. Noël Koenig—Navy, Dallas, TX
Lcpl. Zachary Korte—Marines, Washington
Sgt. Adam Moreau—Army, North Carolina

A1C Daniel Przybysz— Air Force, Minot, ND

Sgt. Zachary Rogers - Army, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii

SPC Joseph Sardo - Army, Ft. Carson, CO

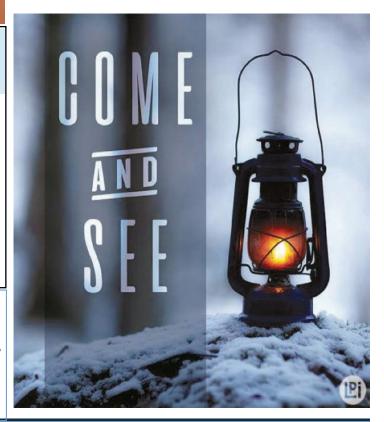
Maj. Richard J. Valko—Marines, San Diego, CA

PV-2 Adam Vance—Army, Colorado

MM FR Matthew Yousif—Navy, San Diego, CA

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for January

For the gift of diversity in the church - We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic church.



PARISH PRAYERS & MORE



For January

In Memory of

Robert and Valeria Bartley by Patricia Dailey

Is God Calling You to Join the Secular Franciscan Order?

The "Secular Franciscan Order," once known as the Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi, is an official order within the Catholic Church. It was established by St. Francis of Assisi in the 13th Century for men and women living in the world to follow the Gospel Life in the footsteps of St. Francis.

We are lay men and women, Diocesan priests and deacons who, after a period of discernment, make a promise, to follow a Rule of Life approved by Pope Paul VI in 1978.

We are Catholics, single or married - mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, sons and daughters. We pray, study, and strive to experience ongoing daily conversion by being faithful to the Gospel.

We strive to achieve "perfect charity" using our talents and resources to help the poor, the oppressed, and outcast and the helpless. We hope to achieve "Justice, Peace, and the Integrity of all Creation."

We meet in the St. Joseph Center every third Saturday of the month (**January 20**) from 10 am - 12 pm. Please contact Reggie Boerger reggieboerger@gmail.com / (248) 892-5266 with any questions.

Catholic Calendars for 2024

There are a few Catholic Calendars for 2024 still available in the Gathering Space. Please feel free to take one as you leave the church. This year your calendar donation will raise funds for Buildings & Grounds. Please use the envelope attached to the calendar, that can be returned at any



Mass in the collection box or visit hfgb.org and donate to the Buildings & Grounds fund online. Whatever you are able to contribute will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the following Holy Family parishioners who died on these dates:

January 14

Robert Greib, Irene Curtis, Leota Catanese, John Dragus, Grayce D. Hubble, Toni Poirier, Frederick Ferguson, Carmen Thornton

January 15

Robert Dolan, Andrew Arnold

January 16

Helen J. Atherholt, Henry Frey

January 17

George Whaley, Marilyn Woodruff, Beatrice Robitaille, Bradley Allen, Janet Carriere

January 18

Mary Lewis, Marion Mintline, Thomas R. Waggoner, Wilma Steinmetz, Robert Crawford, Bertha Williams, John Fry, Maurice Robitaille, Judith Croci, Debra Miller January 19

Thomas McGuinity, Anne Kulik, Bernard Cunningham, George Goodrich

January 20

Raymond Latesky, Rosie Lumaque, Katie Porritt

Cenacle of Divine Mercy of St. Mary Cathedral

Excerpts from God in the Diary of Saint Sister Maria Faustina (Diary, 282)



"My Heart was moved by great mercy towards you, My dearest child, when I saw you torn to shreds because of the great pain you suffered in repenting for your sins."

Please Pray for the III and Their



Caregivers

Please remember in prayer those listed in the January 7 bulletin and those listed in the Parish Book of Intercessions (in the Gathering Space). Newly added: Joe Dunn and Barbara Jarvis.

Pray the Patriotic Rosary

Please come to pray in the church at **4 p.m. every Thursday** to "Put God Back in America." The more voices, the more powerful the prayer. For information, call Joe Dunn at 810-516-3543 or Richard Dent at 810-624-2996.

FOLLOWING OUR FAITH

by Matthew Kelly

Part One

Awakening -When Life Finally Makes Sense

Once we discover that some moments are holy,



some moments are unholy, and our choices can guide a moment in either direction, life finally begins to make sense.

This is no small thing. Most people in the modern secular world cannot make sense of life. The culture has exiled them from God, religion, and spirituality. So, each day is a frustrated attempt to put together the jigsaw puzzle of life without critical pieces. We are baffled by life. This bewilderment is deeply personal, because we are not only struggling to make sense of life in general, but we are struggling to make sense of our own lives.

The more disconnected from God our lives become the more meaningless life becomes.

(To be continued next week)

Kelly, M. (2022). Holy Moments. A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life. Blue Sparrow. Pg. 21.

Employment Opportunities

The Catholic Foundation is seeking candidates for temporary employment. Responsibilities will include data entry and charitable gift processing; paid training will be provided. Training will begin the week of February 19 and scheduled hours may continue through June 2024. Shifts of 4 to 8 hours, Monday - Friday may be scheduled and part-time or full-time options will be considered subject to availability of qualified candidates. Candidates with availability beginning after February 19th may also be considered. If you know of anyone who would be interested in data entry work who has availability 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday - Friday, please contact Julie Gill, Donor Services Manager of the Catholic Foundation, at 517-253-8792 or donorservices@dioceseoflansing.org.

In addition, resumes are now being accepted for a Donor Services Specialist, Facilities Manager, and Administrative Assistant for Marriage and Family Life Ministries. To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit our careers page:

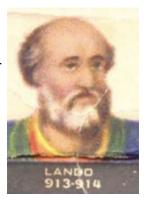
https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers

Our Catholic Heritage

by Earl Hagen

121st Pope - Lando

Born in Sabina, Italy, he was elected pope in June 913. His elevation to the papal throne was due to the intrigues of one of the many factions of that time. Little is known about his pontificate. He reigned during one of the most difficult periods in papal history from 900 to 950. Lando was the candidate of Count Theophylact and his wife,



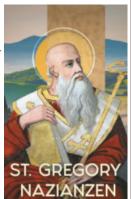
Senatrix Theodora, the original power couple. The Holy See was then dominated by the relatives and dependents of the senior Theophylact, who also controlled the Roman military and the Roman Senate. Lando was, essentially, a puppet. Pope Lando died very mysteriously having restored peace among the many internal factions in February 914.

Saint

January 14: St. Gregory of Nazianzen

After his baptism at 30, Gregory gladly accepted his friend Basil's invitation to join him in a newly founded monastery.

The solitude was broken when Gregory's father, a bishop, needed help in his diocese and estate. It seems that Gregory was ordained a priest practically by force and only reluctantly accepted the responsibility. He skillfully avoided a schism that threatened when his own father made compromises with Arianism. At 41, Gregory was chosen suffragan bishop of Caesarea and at once came into conflict with Valens, the emperor, who supported the Arians. When protection for Arianism ended with the death of Valens, Gregory was



called to rebuild the faith in Constantinople, which had been under Arian teachers for three decades. He gave great sermons on the Trinity for which he is famous. In time, Gregory did rebuild the faith in the city, but at the cost of great personal suffering. His last days were spent in solitude and austerity. He wrote religious poetry of great depth and beauty. He is believed to have passed away around the year 389 or 390. He was acclaimed simply as "the Theologian." He is a Doctor of the Church.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Special Needs Mass

A Mass for people with special needs will be held the 3rd Sunday of each month at 1:30 pm (December 17) at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church. People with special needs are invited to perform the functions of the Mass in as many roles as possible, like singing, reading, being an altar server, and greeting individuals and families. For questions or to participate, contact lisedickson@aol.com or gina.davies@nau.edu.

Michigan Singing Knights

Invite all Catholic men who enjoy singing
to join us at rehearsal
See what the Brotherhood of Singing Knights is about!
Rehearsals are held Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
2nd floor of the Family Center at St. John's Church
404 N Dayton, Davison, Michigan
For more information call Jim Lusty (810) 618-2889

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Experience

Give your marriage and your faith a little sparkle in the new year at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience Jan. 19-21 at St. Brigid-



Midland, **March 1-3** at Center for Ministry-Saginaw, or **April 12-14** at St. Francis Retreat Center-DeWitt. Apply at wwme.org or call Chris and Darla Vinton at 517-667-0433.

Other upcoming English 2024 Experiences: June 11-13 and Sept. 6-8 Maryville Retreat Center-Holly Aug. 2-4 and Oct. 4-6 Augustine Center-Petoskey

Are You Smarter Than Your 8th Grade Nun?

A Fun Fundraiser for Furniture for St. Francis Retreat Center **February 16, 2024**, at 7 pm

Lansing Catholic High School Auditorium Join us for a fun night where how well you know your faith may win you a prize! Our host, "Sister Nancy Greco," will take us back to Catechism class and ask... are you smarter than your 8th grade nun? This is an interactive comedy game show, where willing audience members compete to see who was paying attention and who was daydreaming in school. Think you can remember what your 8th grade nun was trying to teach you?

Tickets are \$35 and on sale now! To buy tickets or find more information, please visit https://www.stfrancis.ws/nuns4fun.

Married Couples Weekend

St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt, MI February 2-4, 2024

Join us February 2-4, 2024 for a weekend away from the busyness of daily life to reconnect with your spouse!

Talks will be centered around discipleship in the sacrament of matrimony. Also included in the weekend is a vow renewal ceremony, blessing of wedding rings, Mass, time to unwind, and fun cocktail receptions! Speakers include Bishop Boyea, Fr. Gary Koenigsknecht, Deacon Eric & Susan Pogrmich, and Mike & Lisa Kutas.

The weekend will begin on Friday with Mass at 5 pm, followed by check-in at 6 pm. Dismissal on Sunday is at 11 am.

To register or find more information, please visit https://www.stfrancis.ws/mcw.

Workshop Focuses on Relating to People Most in Need of Compassion

How do Scriptures call us to relate to people in need of compassion? Sister Maribeth Howell, OP, PhD, STD, addresses that question in a workshop, The Poor, the Widow, the Orphan, and the Stranger in your Land, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST **Saturday**, **January 20**, **2024**, at Weber Retreat and Conference Center and via live stream.

In the workshop, Sister Maribeth explores our call to relate to people in need by examining texts from the Hebrew Scriptures, particularly Exodus, Deuteronomy, and several books of the prophets; New Testament writings; and church teachings. An Adrian Dominican Sister, Sister Maribeth is a member of the Congregation's Vocations Team, a spiritual director, and a former theology professor.

The cost is \$45, including lunch, for those who are attending in person, and \$35 for those participating via live stream. Registration is required. To register, visit www.webercenter.org and click "programs," call 517-266-4000, or email webercenter@adriandominicans.org. Limited scholarships are available.

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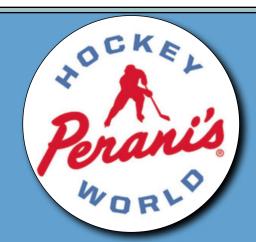
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