

**This Week at Our Churches**

**Sunday, September 9: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37  
 Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 8:30am Rosary prayed at Our Lady of Grace  
 9:00am Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace † Raymond & Catherine Betlejewski by Ron Betlejewski  
 9:00am Santa Misa en Santa María (Español) for the people of our parish  
 10:00am Rosary prayed at St. Mary  
 10:00am Coffee and rolls at Our Lady of Grace  
 10:00am Women's Guild meeting at Our Lady of Grace  
 10:30am Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Marty Neff by his family  
 12:00pm Rosario se reza en Santa María (Español)  
 12:30pm Santa Misa en Santa María (Español) por las intenciones de Petra Rios by Dalia Vandebush  
 2:30pm Confirmation Class at St. Mary  
 4:00pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
 4:15pm Confessions at St. Mary  
 5:00pm Holy Mass at St. Mary for † the grandparents of Marty and Monica Stevens

**Monday, September 10:**

Readings: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12; Lk 6:6-11  
 Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Grace  
 11:40am Confessions at Our Lady of Grace  
 12:10pm Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace in reparation for the sins of the clergy by the Rosary Chapter of Lay Dominicans  
 6:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting at St. Mary  
 6:00pm Catholic Daughters of the Americas at OLG

**Tuesday, September 11**

Readings: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1-6, 9; Lk 6:12-19  
 Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Grace  
 11:40am Confessions at Our Lady of Grace  
 12:10pm Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace  
 6:30pm Knights of Columbus #9802 at St. Mary

**Wednesday, September 12: The Most Holy Name of Mary**

Readings: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26  
 Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 5:30pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
 6:00pm Confessions at St. Mary  
 6:30pm Santa Misa en Santa María (Español)

**Religious Education News**

Ya estamos registrando para las clases de Educación Religiosa 2018-2019. Por favor tome una forma de la pizarra de Educación Religiosa, la puede regresar a la oficina o en la canasta de colecta.

Registration for the 2018-2019 Religious Education program is going on now. Please see the Religious Ed bulletin board for registration forms.

**Thursday, September 13: St. John Chrysostom**

Readings: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13, 14b, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38  
 Prayers: Luminous mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
 11:40am Confessions at St. Mary  
 12:10pm Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Robert Hill, Jr., by Ginny Cuthrell  
 12:45pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help devotion at St. Mary  
 6:30pm Taller de Oración y Vida en Santa María

**Friday, September 14: Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Readings: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
 Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
 11:40am Confessions at St. Mary  
 12:10pm Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Marty Neff by his family

**Saturday, September 15: Our Lady of Sorrows**

Readings: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35  
 Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 3:00pm Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Grace  
 3:00pm Confessions at Our Lady of Grace  
 4:00pm Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for the intentions of Ruth Stevens on her birthday by Marty and Monica Stevens

**Sunday, September 16: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35  
 Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
 8:30am Rosary prayed at Our Lady of Grace  
 9:00am Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Bob Ferenz by Chip and Jan Bialik  
 9:00am Santa Misa en Santa María (Español) in reparation for the sins of the clergy by the Rosary Chapter of Lay Dominicans  
 10:00am Rosary prayed at St. Mary  
 10:00am Coffee and rolls at Our Lady of Grace  
 10:30am Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Tori Houghtaling by his Sandra Bowmar  
 11:30am Altar Society Meeting at St. Mary  
 12:00pm Rosario se reza en Santa María (Español)  
 12:30pm Santa Misa en Santa María (Español) for the people of our parish  
 2:00pm Parent's meeting for Confirmation  
 2:30pm Confirmation Class at St. Mary  
 4:00pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
 4:15pm Confessions at St. Mary  
 5:00pm Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Bob Hill by Joann Reinhold  
 6:00pm Adult Faith Formation at St. Mary

**Anuncios**

¡Estoy escribiendo un libro! Necesito de sus historias y vivencias de tu llegada a este país. ¿Cómo la fe te mantuvo fuerte? Si quieres ser parte de este libro por favor comunícate con Dolores Olivares al 231-457-8197.

Prayer Line

St. Mary: Benita Mikesell, 231-803-4425  
or Jean Gawel, 231-798-8493

Our Lady of Grace: Anna Mogdics, 231-670-5073

Prayer RequestsPlease keep these individuals in your prayers

Jenny Visconti, Jim & Darleen Breen, Juliana Prow, Bob Hoos, Robert Hill, Jr., Lynne Wood, Frank & Nancy Cereska, Evelyn Smith, Diane Williams, Larry Gilbert, Fred Kenny, Jr., Yvonne Peterson, Delores Zakroczemski, John Potter, Ellis Dilts, Rose Marie Mikesell, Ron Betlejewski, Ben Offrink, Gail Gee, Betty Gee, John McCormick, Sotero Leyton, Billie Leonard, Gloria Cline, Pat Hogan, Jeff Kenny, Shirley Green, Ron Faino, Jose Alcahuter, Christine Siedlecki, Ralph Alvesteffer, Bill Forton, William & Benita Mikesell, Jim Young, Christine Stewart, and Roger Tomczak

Please pray for our homebound parishioners

Ruth Stevens, Jim Dalum, Rose Ann Bird, Bernice Brown, Rosemary Keefe, Betty Reilly, and Johanna Ripka

Please pray for our parishioners who are in care

Phil Hoos, Dorothy Bauer, Eugene Rewalt, Arlene LeBeau, Carolene McIntosh, Pat Simonson, Jackie Blake, Shirley Sterritt, Gene Gianetti, Jr., Rosalie Venn, Alyce Donalson, Lucille Radke, and Kathy Hale

Please pray for our parishioners in the military

PFC Abraham Angel Luis Aguilar; SSG Richarda (Rikki) Amaya; Sgt. Jakob Bergquist; Spec. Alex Block; Nic Frank, Air Force; IS3 Cody Hacker; Erin McDermott, US Army; Fireman Ryan McIntire, US Coast Guard; 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Timothy Merkle; Wade Sanford, US Air Force; Andrew Shadowski, US Army; Major Adam Shaw; Staff Sgt. Casey Sowa; Master Sgt. April Sowa; Elias Vihtelic, US Navy; and Kelsi Corriveau, Air Force

The Theological Virtues: Hope

"We can therefore hope in the glory of heaven promised by God to those who love him and do his will. In every circumstance, each one of us should hope, with the grace of God, to persevere "to the end" and to obtain the joy of heaven, as God's eternal reward for the good works accomplished with the grace of Christ. In hope, the Church prays for "all men to be saved." She longs to be united with Christ, her Bridegroom, in glory of heaven:

Hope, O my soul, hope. You know neither the day nor the hour. Watch carefully, for everything passes quickly, even though your impatience makes doubtful what is certain, and turns a very short time into a long one. Dream that the more you struggle, the more you prove the love that you bear your God, and the more you will rejoice one day with your Beloved, in a happiness and rapture that can never end." (CCC 1821)

Sacrificial Offerings and Other Contributions

September 2, 2018

Budget Weekly Amount \$ 12,672.75

General Fund \$ 12,537.00

Online Giving \$ 1,087.55

Overage \$ 951.80

Restoration \$ 1,403.14

Contribution Counters: Week of September 9  
Team 6

**\*\*Because of the merger effective July 1, 2018, please make all checks out to St. Mary. Thank you!\*\***

Mass Attendance: September 2, 2018

4:00pm 199

9:00am (OLG) 158

9:00am (SM) 40

10:30am 213

12:30pm 85

5:00pm 162

Join Bishop Walkowiak for a Holy Hour offered for the healing of survivors of sexual abuse, reparation for the sins of the clergy, and the restoration of hope for our Church.

**When: Wednesday, September 19**

**Time: 7pm**

**Location: Cathedral of St. Andrew, 301 Sheldon Blvd**

Are You Searching For...

*A deeper relationship with God?*

*A sense of belonging to a faith community?*

*A greater fulfillment of your mission in life?*

*Have you been curious...*

*Ever wonder about the difference between Catholic & Protestant Bibles?*

*Ever wonder why priests cannot marry?*

*Ever wonder about the Catholic moral life?*

RCIA classes are beginning soon! The classes are for the unbaptized, those baptized Christians from a Protestant or Evangelical background, as well as those baptized Catholic who have not received their First Holy Communion.

Sessions will be held Tuesday evenings at Our Lady of Grace campus at 6:30pm. Please contact Lucrezia Esteban at 231-638-1354 or lesteban@comcast.net for more information.



Pray for the souls in purgatory.

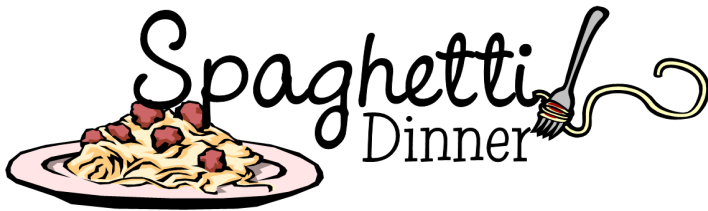
Reza por las almas del purgatorio



### Confirmation Classes

The first MANDATORY class is TODAY at 2:30pm in Lourdes Hall at St. Mary. If you have not turned in your registration form, please bring it with you to the meeting. Forms are available at the Religious Education bulletin board. The parent meeting will be Sept 16 at 2pm.

La primera clase mandataria es hoy a las 2:30pm en el salón de Lourdes. Si aun no has entregado la forma de registraci3n favor de traerla contigo a la clase. Las formas est1n disponibles en la pizarra de Educaci3n Religiosa. El 16 de Septiembre a las 2:pm los padres deben asistir a una junta para la Confirmaci3n.



**Sunday,  
September 23rd!**

TODAY is the last day to Pre-Order sauce and meatballs! Please fill out an order form in the back of church and drop it and payment into the collection basket or through the parish office mail slot. No late orders will be accepted.

Thank you to all who have shared their photos, especially of Spaghetti Dinners long past! Anyone with digital photographs is asked to email them to Jaime at [jgustin@fruitportschools.net](mailto:jgustin@fruitportschools.net) so the photos can be included in the slide show for the Spaghetti Dinner

We need LOTS of volunteers, both in the days and weeks leading up to the dinner as well as during the dinner. There are a wide range of jobs available, so you will be able to find something that works best for you and your family! This is a great opportunity for a middle or high school student to get service hours! Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church!

Ticket packets are available! Be sure to pick yours up and sell those tickets! If you do not find your ticket packet, and would like one, please call or stop by the parish office.

We are also looking for toys and games for a special children's raffle. You can bring donations to the parish office.

¡Considera ser parte de este gran evento! Recuerda 5 minutos de Oraci3n 5 horas de voluntariado y el festival sera un exito!

- Hay muchas necesidad de voluntarios en diferentes areas.
- Puedes ayudar a vender o comprar boletos.
- Este a1o tambien podemos poner una pre-orden para salsa y albondigas

New This Year: T-shirts, Tarantella dance lessons, Bocce ball lessons, and traditional Pigeage (grape stomping to make wine!)

Remember: sell 5 tickets, volunteer for 5 hours, and pray for 5 minutes!

Let's come together as a parish for the best Spaghetti Dinner yet!!!

## Parish Ministry & Catechetical Conference

Open to any Adult

Date: Saturday, September 29, 2018

Time: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Location: West Catholic High School, 1801 Bristol Avenue NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Keynote Speaker: Nancy Bird

Cost: \$40 per person – **registration and payment must be received together. Parish/School Registration Option** – Register six people together from the same parish/school for \$200.00 **on or before September 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00**

Registration /Information: Register online at [www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org](http://www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org) or email [mverner@dioceseofgrandrapids.org](mailto:mverner@dioceseofgrandrapids.org)

Questions, call 616-246-0588

**After September 21<sup>st</sup> cost is \$50.00 per person and there is no group discount.**

## Conferencia Catequética y Pastoral

Abierta a cualquier adulto.

Fecha: Sábado, 29 de septiembre, 2018

Horario: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Lugar: West Catholic High School, 1801 Bristol Avenue NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Orador principal: Nancy Bird

Costo: \$40 por persona – se debe recibir el pago con el registro. Opción para parroquias/escuelas – registre a seis personas juntas de la misma parroquia/escuela para \$200 antes de las 4:00 p.m. el 21 de septiembre.

Información para registrar: Registrar en línea a [www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org](http://www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org) o por correo electrónico a [mverner@dioceseofgrandrapids.org](mailto:mverner@dioceseofgrandrapids.org)

Si tiene preguntas, se puede llamar a 616-246-0588

**Después del 21 de septiembre, el costo por persona será \$50 y no habrá descuento para grupos.**

## Christian Social Concerns

Collection for September:

Canned Soup, Mac & Cheese, Canned Fruit



Please leave your donation on the pew in the narthex at St. Mary's or by the office at Our Lady of Grace.

## Adult Faith Formation

Sept 16th, at 6pm at St. Mary's in Lourdes Hall.

Attendance is required for MCC Voucher parents.

La clase de formacion adulta sera el 16 de Septiembre a las 6pm en el salon de Lourdes. Recuerden a estas clases deben asistir los padres de niños que resiben el bono de MCC.

## Bulletin Advertising

THANK YOU: The advertisements that appear in this bulletin completely defray all publishing costs which the church would otherwise incur. Please patronize the sponsors on the back of this bulletin and thank them for their kind generosity!

## † Prayer and Sympathy †

Please keep the family and friends of Evelyn Gauthier in your prayers as they mourn the passing of their loved one.

Evelyn was remembered in a funeral Mass on Thursday, September 6th, at Our Lady of Grace with Fr. Matt presiding.

*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

## Retrouvaille. The Other Alternative to Divorce

Did you know that according to the State of Michigan there were 28,916 divorces in the State in the year 2016?

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking only make it worse?

Rediscover healing and love and find hope by attending Retrouvaille (pronounced re-tro-vi with a long i). The program offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. **The next Retrouvaille weekend is September 28th.** The next weekend will not be scheduled until March. Please don't wait, rooms will fill quickly.

For more information, to register or to sponsor a couple:

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