



*The Week of April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024*

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday and Thursday 8 AM (except on the *First Thursday* of the month the daily Mass is at 6:30 PM)  
 Wednesday 9 AM – School Mass  
*First Thursday* of the month 6:30 PM (*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7pm and Night prayer 8pm to follow Mass*)  
*First Friday* of the month 8 AM  
 Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 9:30 AM

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Contact Parish Office for appointment to register.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Must be active, registered member of parish. Contact the Parish Office for more details.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Arrangements should be made by contacting the Parish Office at least six months in advance. Must be active, registered member of parish family.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

Notify Parish Office of parishioners experiencing serious illness, injury, or hospitalization. Communal Anointing of the Sick is celebrated annually in the Fall.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**By appointment, please email Fr. Marc**  
 5:00 PM on the *First Thursday* of the month  
 3-4 PM Saturday at Church

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**SCHOOL ENDOWMENT: "SPREADING THE SPIRIT FUND"**

Clark Switalski, School Principal..... (989) 662-6431

**WEATHER POLICY**

If Bay City Public Schools or AACS close due to inclement weather, daytime (8:00 AM –4:00 PM), parish activities are canceled. Cancellation of evening activities will be announced by 3:00 PM. Closures will be posted on TV: NBC 25, ABC 12, CBS 5.

## Week of April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### MONDAY

273: Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29

### TUESDAY 8 am Mass

274: Acts 7:51—8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6ab, 7b, 8a,17,21ab Jn 6:30-35

### WEDNESDAY 9 am Mass

275: Acts 8:1b-8 Ps66:1-3a, 4-7a Jn 6:35-40

### THURSDAY 8 am Mass

276: Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

### FRIDAY

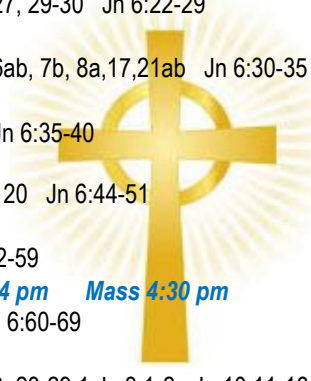
277: Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1-2 Jn 6:52-59

### SATURDAY Confessions 3-4 pm Mass 4:30 pm

278: Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-17 Jn 6:60-69

### SUNDAY Mass 9:30 am

50: Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 28-29 1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18



## UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – Knitters 10 am**

**“Jesus and the Eucharist Study” 6:30-8 pm**

**Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> – PTO 6 pm/ School Committee 7 pm**

**Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – First Eucharist Celebration**

**Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> – First Eucharist Celebration**

**CLOW 9:30 am**

## STEWARDSHIP

**Weekly Target: \$11,153.84 Offering: \$10,015**

**Food Pantry: \$325 Rice Bowl: \$20**

**\$100 in memory of Mary Joyce Schuell**

**\$25 in memory of Janice Rabideau**

### Children’s Good Deeds

...Give my sisters things in the van...Playing bunny w/sisters...

...Helped babysit a puppy...Buying a cookie for my little sister...

...Help mom put the laundry away...Helping clean the barn...

...Picking up my magnetiles...

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### Grandparents’ Mass



T-minus 2 weeks to our *Grandparents’ Mass!* Please join us on Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 am for Mass, and if you need an adopted grandchild for a day, we can work something out! The weather is finally breaking, and the children are antsy to get outside on these beautiful days.

*...God Bless ...*

## EDUCATION / FORMATION

**Family Talk Time:** *Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families*, by Sara McGinnis Lee

*What do you think it would have been like for the disciples to see Jesus risen? Why do you think they were afraid at first? Jesus told the disciples that they were to be witnesses to the Good News. Is it only the disciples who are witnesses to the Gospel? How are we called to be a witness to the risen Christ?*

### Reflecting on the Word:



When one of our children has a frightening dream, we want to hold them and soothe them. When we have moments of fear, we too, need to be consoled by the one who can give us the sense that all will be well. It is easy to trust him when all is well with our lives, but when we are “startled and terrified” by life, we also need to turn to him. It is in those moments that we must witness to the world of his faithful love, and how we trust in his comfort and care.

### Living the Word:

As you gather for your evening meal, think about how you have witnessed the love of the risen Christ today. Where did you see his love present? Did you happen to get a glimpse of it at home? In your neighborhood? At church? Read about it in a book or online? Or did you see it in nature, maybe in nature, maybe in your own yard or in the park? Let everyone share their own witness story. If you did not see one today, be mindful of looking for glimpses this week.

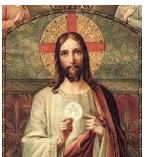


*Next weekend, April 20-21 we will celebrate the second group of children who will be making their first 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist. We hope you will join us in praying for them.*

## Jesus and the Eucharist Study...

Our next gathering will be Wednesday evening, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8 pm in the Social Hall.

*Hope to see you there!*



***“Life without God is like an unsharpened pencil, there is no point to it.”***



## Youth Ministry April Schedule

April 21 – Middle school group time – 10:45 am-12 pm

April 28 – High school/middle school service project

May 5 – END OF YEAR CELEBRATION!

June 3 – June 7 – High school mission trip to David, KY



## Father Marc's Minutes...

### Light and Darkness

I hope people were able to experience the eclipse earlier this week. I was able to head over to my parents' house and witness this momentous occasion. It was my first time observing something like that. The shadows lengthened, the color temperature of the rays shifted, and there was a short time of less light. The moon looked bigger than the sun for an hour even though we know that is not the case. The eclipse reminded me of the importance of perspective. Sometimes the things that are less monumental appear to be larger than life due to perspective. Struggles can appear larger than life compared to God if they occupy the forefront of our minds and attention. But we know that the sun is larger, more powerful, and more majestic than the moon. Praising God has an inherent power to change our perspective and remind us that problems or struggles are not bigger than God. This is why the scriptures say to praise God always.



### Other Announcements

- Please keep our children receiving first Eucharist in your prayers. They will receive the sacrament this weekend and next.
- The next two Wednesday evenings we finish our Eucharistic study. We will be in the social hall and have some snacks available.
- Congratulations to Tammy Nelson and Greg Trombley who completed their Sacraments of Initiation this weekend

### *Have you ever thought about making a special gift to the parish?*

An IRA Charitable Rollover is a good gift option for people who meet the criteria for making this gift.

- The donor must be 73 or older.
- Donor may transfer \$100,000 from an IRA to St Gabriel parish.
- A gift may satisfy all or part of your RMD.
- Gifts may be made at any time.

If you would like to make a gift to St Gabriel Parish contact your IRA custodian and ask them to make a direct transfer to St. Gabriel Parish. If you have any questions please contact the parish bookkeeper, Janet Woronoff 989-662-6861 for more clarification.



***Thank you!*** To everyone who helped make Holy Week so wonderful! Ushers, Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Choir, and all who participated. It is a wonderful thing when our church community comes together!





### Jubilee Mass for Religious:

The Jubilee Mass for religious is scheduled for April 16, 2024, at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption at 6 pm. This year, Sister Mary Lou Owczarzak, MSSp celebrates 60 years in religious life. Her ministry in the diocese has been in religious formation. She was blessed to have ministered with the communities of Holy Spirit Parish, St Athanasius, St. Anthony Parish Saginaw, and Assumption Parish in Larkin. She also served as a Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion at Covenant Hospital Saginaw.



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### St. Anthony Cemetery Contact St. Gabriel Parish Office at 989-662-6861



	Parishioner	Non-Parishioner
<b>COLUMBARIUM</b>		
Single (1 Urn)	\$1,100	\$1,600
Double (2 Urns)	\$1,500	\$1,850
Inurnment	\$ 250 per niche	\$ 350 per niche
<b>CEMETERY</b>		
Plot	\$ 600	\$1,300
Burial	\$ 750	\$ 90
Burial of Cremains	\$ 250	\$ 275
Saturday Burial	\$ 250 additional	\$ 250 additional
Foundation	\$ 0.40 per sq. inch	\$ 0.40 per sq. inch