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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday and Thursday 8 AM ( On the *First Thursday* of the month the daily Thursday Mass is at 6:30 PM)  
 1<sup>ST</sup> and 3<sup>RD</sup> Wednesday of the month 9 AM  
*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**

**Also, by appointment. Please email Fr. Marc**  
 5 -6 pm *First Thursday* of the month  
 3-4 PM Saturday

**AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
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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 Auburn Area Catholic School close due to inclement weather, daytime (8:00 AM – 4:00 PM), parish activities are canceled. Cancellation of all (including the St Anthony site) evening activities will be announced by 3:00 PM. Closures will be posted on TV: NBC 25, ABC 12, CBS 5

## Week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

### Monday

473: Rom 4:20-25 (Ps) Lk 1:69-75 Lk 12:13-21

### Tuesday 8 am Mass Holy Hour 7 pm

474: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Ps 40:7-10, 17 Lk 12:35-38

### Wednesday

475: Rom 6:12-18 Ps 124:1-8 Lk 12:39-48

### Thursday 8 am Mass

476: Rom 6:19-23 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 12:49-53

### Friday

477: Rom 7:18-25a Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94 Lk 12:54-59

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

666: Eph 2:19-22 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 6:12-16

### Sunday 9:30 am Mass

148: Ex 22:20-26 Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40



## PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Choir Practice 6:30 pm

Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – Holy Hour 7pm with Bishop Gruss

Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Weekend

Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Weekend CLOW 9:30 am

Trunk or Treat! 3:30-5 pm Join us for family fun!

## STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Target: \$11,153.84 Offering: \$6,754

World Mission Sunday: \$220 Food Pantry: \$145

### Children's Good Deeds

...Stopped sucking my thumb...Helped my baby brother...  
...Taking care of my brother Tommy...Cleaned my room without  
being told...Helping my little sister get dressed in the morning...  
...Keeping the living room picked up without being asked...

## AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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The staff met with Father Marc this past Friday for our annual retreat. It is nice to get together and pray with each other. The MANS conference was very good, and I participated in several positive seminars related to being a better leader for the school. Volleyball has a few more games left, but only one more set of home games on November 7th at 6:30 and 7:30 respectively. Thank you to all of you who participated in our *Little Caesar's* fundraiser for the school. Have a blessed week everyone!

...God Bless...

## EDUCATION / FORMATION

Family Talk Time: *Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families:*

By Sara McGinnis Lee

Ask your children to think about the following questions: "What is God asking me to give to him today? What do we offer to him at Mass?" Jesus tells the Pharisees to "repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." What do you think it means to belong to God?

### Reflecting on the Word:



At the center of this story lies two questions: "What do we owe to God?" and "Does what we owe to God ever put us at odds with civil authority?" The gift owed to God is far more valuable than money and rises above anything demanded of us by the government. God wants our hearts! To give God what is God's is to give him our worries, our struggles, and our pains, as well as our joy and our love. How will you give God more of your heart this week?

### Living the Word:

Prayer is an important way that we give to God what is God's. In prayer, we give God our hearts. Make an inventory of all the times and ways we pray during the day. As a family, discuss how you can spend more time with God in prayer. Are there new times that you could incorporate prayer into your life together? Are there new ways of praying you want to explore? Add one time or one new way of praying to your life this week.

### 23-24 Christ's Mission Appeal is underway!

Christ Mission Appeal is the primary opportunity for Catholics throughout the Diocese of Saginaw to support and sustain programs and ministries that would not otherwise be possible through one individual or parish. Please consider how you will respond, fill out a pledge card and return it to the Diocese of Saginaw. You can also give online by going to [www.saginaw.org/appeal](http://www.saginaw.org/appeal).

### *Upcoming Event...* Join the Education

Commission for a night of adult fellowship as we unite through discussion of the Eucharist and the role it has in our lives. "The happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face: it is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist. ~Pope Benedict XVI. Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, after the 4:30 Mass, hosted by the Education Commission. Sign-up sheets at the entrances of the Church. *See the Flyer for more details!*



## *Father Marc's Minutes...*

### ***Moving In the Shadows***

The Lord speaks to King Cyrus in the first reading. God communicates how He has been an actor in Cyrus' life and career. God relates how He has brought about opportunities for the king. It is interesting who the Lord has done this for. God acted for the sake of Jacob or Israel. God was moving in the shadows for Cyrus as a future blessing to His people Israel. God called Cyrus and said, "I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not." The Lord also says that God's actions also have another purpose. God has acted so the world knows there is only one God.

### ***Sacramental Preparation***

Thank you to all the families that have turned in their sacramental registration forms for first communion and reconciliation. I will be emailing out information about the preparation classes this week. As a reminder, if your child is baptized and at least in second grade and interested in making the sacraments please fill out those forms. Reconciliation will be celebrated prior to children receiving their first communion. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out and ask me anything you like.

### **Fun Fact**

I walked through a blizzard in Italy for one week. We did not have any designated places to stay, and we begged for shelter and food every night. Our trek took us about 60 miles in one week, and we walked through people's backyards, fields, highways, dirt roads, and forests.

### **Can you spot Fr. Marc?**



***November 4 - Encountering Jesus through Praise and Worship Event:*** You are invited to take time for a day of enrichment, renewal, and inspiration centered on Jesus and the Eucharist at the Encountering Jesus through Praise and Worship event on Saturday, November 4, 2023, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Join us at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish for Mass, inspirational talks, and music. ***Erin Looby Carlson*** will emcee the event which includes ***Fr. Joe Krupp, Tony Alonso, and Bishop Robert Gruss***. Fr. Krupp is the Pastor of Church of the Holy Family in Grand Blanc, Michigan and he writes the "In the Know with Fr. Joe" column for each issue of Great Lakes Bay Catholic magazine. Tony Alonso is a Cuban American Roman Catholic who is a Latin Grammy-nominated composer of sacred music and the Aquinas Assistant Professor of Theology at Emory University. Bishop Gruss is the seventh bishop of the Diocese of Saginaw and was installed on July 26, 2019. Erin Looby Carlson is an Emmy award winning journalist, a Gabriel award recipient, the former editor of Great Lakes Bay Catholic magazine and currently serves as the writer/editor for Little Books of the Diocese of Saginaw. The deadline to register is October 25! For more information and to register for the event go to [saginaw.org/event11042023](http://saginaw.org/event11042023) or you can call Amy Dore at 989.797.6654.

## Mandatory retirement withdrawals



Starting this year, the age at which required minimum distributions must be taken from tax-deferred accounts like IRAs and 401(k)s moves from 72 to 73. If you are thinking of giving to charity please

consider **St. Gabriel Parish**. You can set up a qualified charitable distribution and give up to \$100,000 per year directly to St Gabriel from your IRA. The donation counts toward your RMD without increasing your taxable income.

## Holy Hour with the Bishop Robert Gruss.

Bishop Gruss is encouraging the faithful to join him for Holy Hours for vocations. The intention of the Holy Hours is to increase vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life within our Diocese, and at the same time deepen our own love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. **St. Gabriel Parish is hosting a Holy Hour THIS Tuesday October 24th from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Please join Fr. Marc and Bishop Gruss**

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	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>	Parishioner	Non-Parishioner
Plot	\$ 600	\$1,300
Burial	\$ 750	\$ 900
Burial of Cremains	\$ 250	\$ 275
Saturday Burial	\$ 250 additional	\$ 250 additional

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