God has carefully, tenderly created every person in His own image and likeness, to be in a loving relationship with Himself. From each tiny child knit within a mother's womb, to every person approaching death, all are loved perfectly and completely by God. “It is, therefore, a service of love,” Pope Saint John Paul II explains, “which we are all committed to ensuring our neighbor, that his or her life may be always defended and promoted, especially when it is weak or threatened [emphasis added]” (Evangelium vitae 77).

Since it must be treated from conception as a person, the embryo must be defended in its integrity, cared for, and healed, as far as possible, like any other human being.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2274
Readings for the Week of January 19, 2020

Sunday Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Is 49:3-5, 6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9,10; 1 Cor 1:1-13; Jn 1:29-34

Monday Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin: 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12

Friday Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales Bishop and Doctor of the Church: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

Sunday Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or Mt 4:12-17

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULES: January 25-26

Altar Servers:
5pm: D. Martyka, B. Wines 9am: S. Flaherty, W. Sweet, G. Lackey
11:30am: N. Marcicky, J. & R. Burke

Greeters:
5pm: Watson 9am: Magier, Nemeth 11:30am Cieclek

Collection Counters:
1/20: Hazel, Zielinski, Reske, Danyko 1/27: Hinkle, Rickelmann, Kronk, Wallace

Altar Linens January: Katon, Hertz  Altar Cleaning January: Rosary Altar Society

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 19
9:00am In Memory of Margaret Progar by Joann Progar
11:30am For Our Parish

Tuesday, January 21
7:00pm In Memory of Elizabeth Mulcahy by Carmen Napolitan

Wednesday, January 22
8:30am For St. Mary School

Thursday, January 23
8:30am In Honor of Franklin & Barb Diebun by Dave & Peggy White

Friday, January 24
8:30am In Honor of Sandy Hodel by Jim & Kathy Mueller

Saturday, January 25
9:00am Special Intention
5:00pm For Our Parish

Sunday, January 26
9:00am In Memory of Caterina Vendramini by Bernie & Therese Kurzawa
11:30am In Memory of Shawn Finley by Sandy Hodel
WOMEN OF GRACE...moving to Friday evenings!!
For our next study we are moving Wednesday evening to Friday evening to accommodate schedules.
Times are the same 7-8:30pm and we meet in the church Conference Room A.
This study runs from 1/10/20 and will end on 4/3/20 (pending any inclement weather that requires cancellation/rescheduling of an evening.) Please join us!

Kitchen Volunteers For Upcoming Lenten Fish Dinners Prep!
Date: January 21 & February 4
Time: Starting at 9am
Items: Pies & cakes

Town Hall Meeting
- Saturday, February 1st
- 6pm in the multi-use room
- Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis
  - By: Bishop Robert Barron
  - Copies of this book in gathering space. Join us for discussion & prayer at the town hall meeting.

SUPER BOWL SALSA SALE: St. Mary has a group of 11 people going on the mission trip to the Dominican Republic. They will be working with Building Bridges of Hope run by our own missionaries, Jessica and Adam Carlile. The mission group will be selling gourmet salsa after all the Masses the weekend of January 25-26. The salsa sells for $7 per jar, and the proceeds will go for a building project for the BBOH preschool. This fundraiser is just in time for your parties on Super Bowl Sunday! Thanks for your support! God Bless, The Mission Group

Livingston Young Adult Ministry Events & Happenings for everyone in their 20s and 30s
MONTHLY MASS, DINNER & A TALK
"John Paul II, Vocation & Discernment"
with Joe & Corinne MacDonald
Sunday, January 26, 2020
5pm Mass in the Church
6:30pm Dinner & Talk in the AFFC
St. Patrick, Brighton
RSVP requested for meal count.
810-588-7665 or livingstonym@gmail.com
ALL ARE WELCOME!

YOUNG ADULT SWING DANCE
Saturday, February 8, 2020
St. Mary, Pinckney
Featuring The Dance Project
SAVE THE DATE!

PARENTING CLASSES
St. Mary School will be hosting Parenting Classes by Michigan State University (MSU) Extension Services free of charge to families of the school & parish. Classes will take place on Wednesday’s from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the multi-use room.

January 8—February 5: Guiding Principles for Highly Successful Parenting (5 weeks)
In this curriculum authored by Bob Sornson, parents will learn about supporting their child’s success in school and life. Topics will include developing successful family routines, helping develop emotional control, being a calm and assertive parent, establishing rules and supportive relationships, and building resilience—allowing children to make mistakes. (5 weeks 6:30-8:00)

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Opportunity
Forget the flowers and candy. Romance your spouse this Valentine’s Day with the gift of TIME WITH YOU. Renew your marriage and your faith by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend Jan. 31-Feb. 2 at the Comfort Inn in Farmington Hills or Feb. 28-Mar. 1 at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt. Apply at wemme.org or contact Chris & Darla Vinton at 269-953-8287 for more info.

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the Annual Respect Life Novena,
Tuesday, January 21 – Wednesday, January 29.
Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more.
Sign up at www.9daysforlife.com
**Post Abortion Healing**

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**
February 14 - 16

Rachel's Vineyard is a place to renew, rebuild, and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal, and healing.

Questions or Information: Website: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

New Life Center: Della and Jon Seeley
517-993-0291

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**The Casa USA Campus**

A beautiful replica pilgrim shrine of St. (Padre) Pio's Church Santa Maria delle Grazie, a replica of his renown Home for the Relief of Suffering hospital, will be resting on a tranquil campus in our local town of Howell, Michigan. This is no longer just a vision, but now an active collaborative plan being implemented by the leaderships of Catholic Healthcare International & the Diocese of Lansing, Michigan with the blessing of St. Pio's Casa hospital in Italy. This Casa USA campus will be a national "Beacon of Light" & model of truly faithful Catholic healthcare delivery for our country, to be emulated by other Catholic healthcare providers currently challenged by our increasingly secular culture. We need your prayers & donations! [https://www.chi-usa.com/](https://www.chi-usa.com/)

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**Public Square Rosary and Chaplet to End Abortion**

Join hundreds of other cities across the United States to pray for an end to abortion in our community and our nation.

Please dress warm and bring your rosaries (hand warmers provided).


**Details:**
Corner of Huron Parkway and Professional Dr., Ann Arbor
Saturday, January 25, 2020
- 11AM to 12 noon
- For information, contact Paul at [saflannarbor@gmail.com](mailto:saflannarbor@gmail.com)

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**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children: January 22, 2020**

**Intention:** May all unborn children be protected in law and welcomed in love.

**Prayers:** Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

**Reflection:** Today, on this 47th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, we mourn the many children's lives ended by abortion and remember in prayer those who suffer the aftermath. The Church comes together today to pray for the protection of all unborn children and to make reparation for abortion, trusting that the Lord hears our prayers.

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**Our 2020 VISION:** “Seeing Their Future” is the theme for the 2020 LCUI SPRING RAFFLE

For those unfamiliar with the initiative, the LCUI is comprised of representatives from all of the Knights of Columbus Councils in Livingston County and old St. Pats Whitemore Lake. In April of 2012, LCUI purchased with matching funds from Knights Of Columbus Supreme Council, a 4D GE Ultrasound Imaging Machine for Pregnancy Help Clinic in Brighton. Since our first machine in Brighton, the LCUI has financially assisted 18 other PRO-LIFE Pregnancy Crisis Centers and to date over 1596 babies have been saved. Most recently we assisted in placing a 3D machine at Spero Center in Port Huron, Michigan.

The tickets for the 2020 raffle are $5 a piece or 5 tickets for $20. The winner will be drawn at 6:30 pm on Monday May 11th at St Joseph Catholic Church in Howell. Tickets will be available mid-March 2020. Visit us at [www.lcultrasound.org](http://www.lcultrasound.org)
Our families and our culture are under attack. As Catholic men, we are called to save souls. We rise to Accept the Challenge and strengthen each other as united men of God.

Date: February 22, 2020
Time: 10 AM – 5 PM
What to expect: Motivating messages, Adoration, Great Food, Music, Mass (4 PM)
Speakers: Bart Schuchts, Fr. Larry Richards, Bishop Boyea, Fr. Mathias Thelen, Phillip Taraska, Dan DeMatte.
Register: ACCEPTtheCHALLENGE.org
Fee: Men $40 / Youth $25

ALL MEN OF THE PARISH PLEASE TAKE NOTE: In the spirit of fellowship, St. Mary Knights of Columbus Council #11761 membership has agreed to subsidize ticket prices.

ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE MENS CONFERENCE. For every purchased ticket the Knights will reimburse 50% of the ticket price. Submit your paid receipt/ticket stub and reimbursement form to the parish office by March 25th and the Council will reimburse 50% of ticket price. If you would like to donate the reimbursement to a charity of your choice (i.e. St Mary School, Gleaners, Solanus Casey) the Knights will do it on your behalf. Forms will be in the parish office starting February 9th. Refund checks will be issued and mailed by April 15th 2020.
CLASSROOM NEWS MRS. HABERL’S 5TH GRADE:  Happy 2020 from the Fifth Grade! The end of the second quarter is almost here. In Religion, we are wrapping up our Unit on the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. We also learned about the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and saw how our Apostles’ Creed contains the central truths of our Catholic faith. In the next unit, we see how God speaks to us through scripture and tradition. In writing class, we are learning how to write and clearly state an opinion. Using transitional words will help us to link our ideas together as we learn to build a strong conclusion. In Math, we are learning about number theory and fractions. This will help prepare us for our new unit on adding and subtracting fractions. In Social Studies, we are studying about Colonial Life in New England, the Middle Atlantic Colonies, and the Southern Colonies. Our new focus in Science will be on physical and chemical changes. We will see what happens to the amount of matter when it changes state. Finally, we are excited to participate in the upcoming Zaner-Bloser Cursive Handwriting Contest and the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. As you can see, we will be very busy in the coming weeks. We wish you and your family God’s blessings in the new year!

MRS. RIVETT’S SPANISH CLASSES:  The Spanish classes are just finishing a unit on the cultures and traditions of Spanish speakers in the U.S. We learned about Día de los Muertos, Sansevien, Navidad, Día de los Reyes (Epiphany), and, of course, Las Posadas. On December 20, we held our own posada at the school to reenact Joseph and Mary’s search for lodging in Bethlehem. For the posada, each class learned a verse of the traditional posada song asking or refusing Mary and Joseph a place to stay for the night. Kindergarteners made farolitos (traditional lanterns) to light the way for the procession. The third and fourth grade classes made piñatas for a celebration at the end of the posada procession. The goal this quarter was for students to understand more about the people who speak Spanish right here in the United States. Next quarter we will focus on communicating basic information about ourselves in Spanish so we can talk to people who speak Spanish as a first language. I am excited to see how much Spanish the students will acquire in the new year.

Financial Report for January 12, 2020
Fiscal Year 07/01/19 – 06/30/20

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Classroom News MRS. HABERL’S 5TH GRADE:  St. Mary School Auction Saturday, February 22, 2020 Auction @stmarypinckney.org

Calling all Sports Fans!

Please help St. Mary School and support your favorite team in the Michigan/Michigan State Match-Up!!

Look for the Michigan and Michigan State bins in the gathering space. We are looking for donations of Wolverine or Spartan spirit wear, sporting gear, accessories or other treasures you think would make valuable auction items. Please place any donations in the corresponding bin. The team with the best collection wins!!

St. Mary School Auction
Saturday, February 22, 2020

World Wide Evangelization Appeal
January 26, 2020

Next weekend the special collection will benefit the following areas: Central & Eastern Europe, Latin America, & Africa. The funds will support numerous formation programs & training, building renovations, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about these programs & how your gifts make a difference visit: www.usccb.org

We extend a warm WELCOME to new families & visitors!
Parish Registration & Online Giving is available at www.stmarypinckney.org

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