

At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come



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August 11, 2019 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Luke's Gospel today, Jesus places a strong emphasis on being alert, watchful, and vigilant. Similar passages recur throughout the Gospels, but here the call to vigilance is placed distinctly in the context of living in profound trust in God. It is not a vigilance based on fear, of "getting caught" doing something bad. This vigilance is based on confident hope that God will bring healing and justice. Exactly when and how God will intervene is not known to us. We need to be alert for God's activity and expect to be surprised and disrupted, but primarily we need to live faithfully.

How can we practice vigilance? Regular patterns of prayer and reflection, works of charity and justice, and everyday kindness help us to stay alert. We can practice listening to others, especially to those we perceive as different from us. We can let go of excessive distractions. We might loosen our busy schedules to provide space for spontaneous generosity. We can learn to live in the present moment, listening for God's voice within.

THE MASTER WHO SERVES

In his parable of the master and the servants, Jesus pulls a surprise on his listeners. When the master returns, he will "proceed to wait on them." Jesus disrupts expectations of what masters and servants are supposed to do. The hierarchy of master and servant was foundational to the social order. Yet Jesus, summing up his ministry later at the Last Supper, underlined this radical overturning in Luke 22:27: "I am among you as one who serves."

Jesus reveals the shocking humility of God, who humbly attends and tenderly cares for us human beings. Jesus' humility, in his life and death, clarified for his disciples what it meant to follow him. Imitating Jesus means placing others' needs first. Joining in God's work means being vulnerable to others. Authority is authentically exercised only within service. In these ways, Jesus invites his followers to participate in God's humility.

Today's Readings: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

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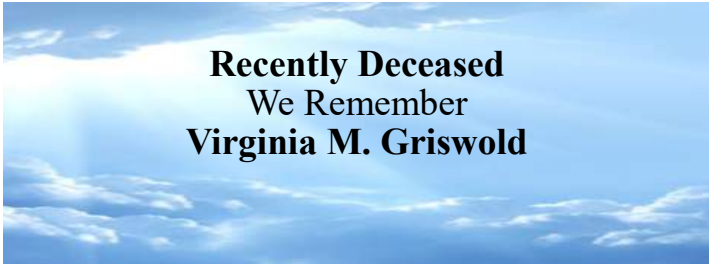
Saturday Mass: 4:00 pm – **Sunday Mass** 11:00 am

Confession: Saturdays 3:00 to 3:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY — August 10	5:30 PM	✠ John & Sandra VanGeertruy by Pre-K thru 1st Grade
SUNDAY — August 11	9:00 AM	✠ Jim Rowley by Robert & Mary Shaw
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	NO MASS	- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Vigil At Holy Family— 7:00 PM
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary-Aug. 15	10:00 AM	✠ Don Smith by Dick & Mary Lou Doyle
	7:00 PM	✠ Ann McDougall by Robert & Mary Shaw
Friday	8:30 AM	✠ Sheila Doyle by the Family
SATURDAY — August 17	5:30 PM	Chris & Kay Basgall 48th Wedding Anniversary
SUNDAY — August 18	9:00 AM	✠ Michael Smith by Mary Lou Smith

PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR MELVIN PAMMENT, - KEVIN PLATTE, OLIVER WASHINGTON, - GERRY PACE, - PAT SIMPSON, - RAY DOYLE, - KYLE WALLER, - JUDITH MARTELL (MOTHER OF TERESA PICKENS), - JIM (MAYO) HURST, - CHARLES OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - BRUCE CHANDLER (BROTHER OF MARTI ROWLEY), - JIM OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - ROSE MORRILL, - JULIE STONER (DAUGHTER OF GENE & BARB STONER), - FRANK LUNDIE, - JOHN MARTINEZ, (FRIEND OF JESSE ANGUIANO) - JANET ARTHUR, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - THERESA HEEG (DAUGHTER OF JOHN & SANDY VANGEERTRUY) - LANA MIERSEN, - MARY STEIN, AGGIE CASSADY, - SHIRLEY GREENE, - MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), - BILL DUSO, - TERESA KECK, (SISTER OF PHYLLIS HART & HELEN STELZER), - JOSEPHINE ANDERSON, - SHANNON HURST. - DENNY LEE, - DAVID OLENICZAK, - JEANNE OLENICZAK, - VERN WRIGHT, — NANCY BYRNES



OFFERTORY Aug 3 & 4, 2019	
68 Adult Envelopes	\$2,587
Loose Collection	\$335
Children's Offertory	\$19
Total Weekly Offertory	\$2,941

**NO SATURDAY MASS
AUGUST 24 -5:30**

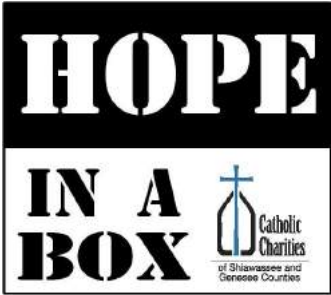
Please join us for the
Outdoor Mass / Picnic at
Holy Family, Ovid at 4:00 pm

Need for the month of
August

Laundry Detergent



Aug. 15
The Assumption
Of The Blessed
Virgin Mary



PARISH WIDE

Aug. 24—Outdoor Mass—4 pm at Holy Family, Ovid

Aug 24—NO 5:30 MASS AT ST. ISIDORE

Sept. 7— K of C Yard Sale - 8 am—4 pm



Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee are having a **Rock-a-Thon on Aug. 14th from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm**. St. Isidore's Paula Harris is asking support as she joins in this very worth cause. The dollars raised will help Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee to continue the goal of providing a gift of time and caring support to adults with persistent health needs and their families. Presently Respite Volunteers are serving up to 100 families every month. The Rock-a-Thon will be held on the Shiawassee Family YMCA front lawn in Owosso. Please see Paula Harris or donate on line at www.respitevolunteers.org. — Thank you for your support!

OUTDOOR MASS Aug. 24—4:00 pm At Holy Family, Ovid

Please join us for an Outdoor Mass followed by a family picnic. Holy Family Men's Club will provide the meat and St. Isidore will provide the salads. **The only thing you need to bring is a lawn chair.**



RSVP—Please sign the sheet in the church entry-ways to RSVP for the Mass/Picnic.

The Quilting Ministry will be holding quilt raffle. All proceeds will go to the local Food Banks. Tickets will be sold after Masses and after the Outdoor Mass picnic. Drawing will be held at the end of the Outdoor Mass picnic. You do not have to be present to win. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 For tickets see Jeanie Dugan or Mary Izdebski.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM

Tentative Start Date: Sept. 22

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is over and was a huge success!

Thank you for your support, with your \$\$, your prayers, and your help. Special thanks to Debbie Powell, Lori Hurst, Rachel DeSantis, Fr. Bob and all the people from LUMC who helped make Athens come to life. I am deeply indebted to you all! Next year VBS will be at LUMC, but I will still be asking for help. Please talk to one of the people mentioned or myself to find out more!

Thank you, Mary Stevens



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

August 14—Business Meeting—7:00 pm

K of C Yard Sale

Sept. 7—8 am—4 pm

Time is flying by and the yard sale is rapidly approaching. So that we have enough time to sort and price, please have your **donations in by Sunday, August 25**



Notes from Fr. Bob Bacik

Michigan Values Life: A statewide signature gathering effort is now underway to ban the dismemberment abortion procedure, also known as Dilation and Evacuation. Over the next few months, the signatures of 400,000 registered voters in the state are needed to bring this measure before Michigan lawmakers. There will be an opportunity to sign the dismemberment abortion petition at church this fall. Until that time, I invite you to inform your consciences on this very important pro-life issue. More information can be found in the Small Hall Library or at www.micatholic.org.



HOLY LAND 2020: I am very excited to announce a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 5-14, 2020. We will walk the actual places where Jesus walked and taught in Jerusalem, Capernaum and Galilee. We will see where Jesus was born in Bethlehem, grew up in Nazareth and was crucified at Golgotha. Our pilgrimage will include this and much, much more. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 9 at 7:00 pm with the travel company.

Have a blessed week!
Fr. Bob Bacik

Outdoor Mass and Picnic: Consider making plans to join us on Saturday, August 24 for the 4pm Saturday Mass at Holy Family, Ovid. Mass will be celebrated outside in the pavilion with a family picnic following. More information to follow. **There will be no 5:30 pm Mass at St. Isidore on this day.**

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN
—a Holyday of Obligation.



The dogma/doctrine believes that, after her earthly life, Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven since by reason of her Immaculate Conception the Mother of God should not suffer the consequences of original sin. For hundreds of years, the People of God believed that God would not allow decay to touch Mary's body because she had given birth to God's Son, the Lord of Life in the glory of the incarnation. It actually wasn't until 1950 that Pope Pius XII in consultation with all the Catholic Bishops of the world made this ancient belief a formal dogma (teaching) of our Catholic faith.