St. Peter Claver Catholic Community





Ordinary Time Means It's Our Turn! January 15, 2023 – Is.49:3-6 & Jn.1:29-34 with 1Cor.1:1-3 – 2nd Sunday By Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R. – Priest in Solidum

What would happen if the dream of Martin Luther King, Jr. was known by our faith community is the spirit of Ordinary Time? Ordinary Time follows the Extraordinary time of the Christmas Season each year.

"I have a dream" speech is remembered this weekend. It will bring forth emotions depending on who we are. For me I am reminded of the spirit of solidarity in the struggle of August 1963. The spotlight was put upon the call for justice for all God's children.

Ordinary Time means that it is our turn to do what Jesus planted the seed of the Way and the Truth and the Life for us to live. He began a way of life for us to live and to promote for others to respect and become our way of living.

In the words of Isaiah today we are His servants. He spoke and formed us to bring His Light to the darkness. We have the joy of the Gospel knowing we sanctified by baptism have the grace to live the vision of Jesus "All may be One" as Martin did.

This is the first year for our Family of Parish to grow together. It will be like a blended family where we come to know each other by talking and doing what we can. But beneath it all it is to witness to all God's people who sees us "how we love."

What we have to offer are our gifts and talents to want to heal wherever we see division and to love wherever we feel fear. Moving forward I call us all to want to catch the spirit of Jesus – to heal and to love, to be joyful and hopeful.

Let's all take a look at the needs we have as a faith community and let's be ready to step up and step out. Our three commissions – Mission, Ministry, Stewardship – are made to complement each other. Let's see which one fits for each of us.

We have this way to offer what we can do to move the dream of healing and love forward. We can come together to work on ways to live our mission. We can join with those doing ministry for each other. Encourage people to know their gifts and talents.

It's our turn to do our part to live Jesus' dream. agreed?



"I ask all of us as a community to support our young adults to find the right 'platform' or 'platforms' to share the joy of the Gospel from the Confirmed of St. Peter Claver Catholic Community. We will meet as hybrid - face-to-face at the Parish House or virtually - January 22 at 4 PM"

Coming Soon! BLACK HISTORY MONTH SHOWCASE The Mission Commission is asking we showcase Afrocentric fashions during the month of February. Each Sunday of this month you are invited to wear your favorite Afrocentric apparels. Let's enjoy the wonderful patterns and colors of the Kente cloth and our connection to the continent of Africa.

Our Mission Statement

Having reflected on the "four faces of our parish," **St. Peter Claver Catholic Community**, chosen by the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, and under the guidance of Mary, resolves that: 1) we will provide more opportunities for deepening prayer life and faith life for youth, young adults, and adults; 2) we will initiate efforts to reach out and re-connect with those individuals and families who have disconnected from the Church; 3) we will collaborate with other faith communities and organizations within our parish to offer ecumenical events/activities (e.g., neighborhood clean-ups, prayer meetings, health fairs); and, 4) we will utilize resources within our parish community to advocate for education and to promote social justice issues.



In gratitude for the life, work, and example of The Reverend Dr Martin Luther King Jr. Join us on Monday, January 16th at 10:00 AM for Mass at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament to pray for peace and justice in our country and our world. As a champion of civil rights, The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dreams were much aligned with many of our Catholic teachings: the life and dignity of all people; care for the poor and vulnerable; solidarity of our one human family, regardless of race, ethnicity, religious, or economic differences; fair wages and treatment in civic matters; peace, equality, and justice among all; and discipleship of Christ. Please join us in praying for continued progress on the work begun by The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Intercessory Prayer Team

Beverly Alessio, Inez (Retinella) Alls, Florine Anderson, Alberta Asmar, Sylvia Baker, Warren Bridges, Donald Carter Michael Clarence Carter, Johnnie Davis, Peggy Endlein, David Gallesero, Tequilla Garrett, Ara Grier, Sandra Griffin, Karen Hickman, Myrtis Hildebrandt, Jacqueline Johnson, Bobbie Lewis, Addison Martin, Dorothy (Vicki) Martin, Dorrell Moore, Charles Nelson, Joan S. Noland, Nancy Oberhausen, Celestine Parker, Fred & Villa Ray, Alther Redd Romaine Redd, Flossie Ryles, Jeanne Schuldt, Irene Scott, Gussie Seay, Augusta Starks, Christine Versele, Helen Wajda, Anna Washington, Lillie Washington, Carmel Weems, Diana Wicker, Leonard & Ona Wilson

Please Pray for Them as They Pray for Us!!

Also, Please Remember in Prayer:

Wayne Bradley, Olivia Boulden, Christopher Durant, Rochelle Evans, Andre Fox, Kiara Harris, Marley Jonah, Mary Caroline Jonah, Johnetta Mutes, Elke Rittenhouse, Elaine Ryles, Terrence Tidwell, Charles Tilghman, Jon Viado, Vickee Viado, Constance Washington-Daniel, Larry Washington, Wayne Washington, and relatives of our parishioners

MEETINGS / EVENTS Jan. 15th to Jan. 22nd

Sunday	Jan. 15th 10:00 am Mass at MC and via Zoom
Celebrant: Fr. Alex Steinmiller C. P.	
Minister of Service: Sandra Horn	
Lector: Jay Jones	
Monday	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Tuesday	10:00 am St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon
	14400 Puritan St. Detroit 48227
Wednesday	11:00 am Lectio Divina via Zoom
Thursday	7:00 pm Community Peace Circle via Zoom
Sunday	Jan. 22nd 10:00 am Mass at MC and via Zoom
Celebrant: Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R Priest in Solidum	
Minister of Service: Bill Tidwell	
Lector: Arianna Caderao	
Legend: PH=Parish House; MC=Marygrove College	

Support the States Tea

Our Third Annual Virtual States Tea began in December and runs through February. If you did not receive information in the mail, contact the parish office or the parish website at spcccdetroit.org. You can make your contribution under the special

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Please pray for Elmira Chase, a relative of Anna Washington, who is critically ill. She is a long time parishioner of SPCCC.

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Parish Office: 13305 Grove St., Detroit, MI 48235 (313) 342-5292 Church Location: Marygrove College-Sacred Heart Chalel 8424 W. McNichols Rd. Detroit, MI 48221 Email parishoffice@spcccdetroit.org Mass: Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Church (check the bulletin for holy days and special services) Reconciliation: Before Mass by Appointment Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 10 am-2 pm After hours please contact the Administrative Coordinator Patricia Woods at (313) 342-5292 **Reverend John Phelps, Priest in Solidum** Chris Kendall, Engagement Coordinator / Music Director Patricia Woods, Administrative Coordinator *Team Captains:* Evangelization: Ed Shea Formation, Mary Radford Administration, Jeff Flounory Commission Chairs:

> Mission Commission, Tanda Flounory Ministry Commission, Sandra Horn Stewardship, Clarence Watts Elders Counsel, Larry and Willetta Rhodes