

míssion..... - to heal and to encourage each other.

Be United In Mind And Purpose! Third Sunday – Is.8:23-9:3 & Mt.4:12-23 with 1Cor.1:10-17 – January 22, 2023 By Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R. – Priest in Solidum

Zebulun and Naphtali are the twin cities mentioned eight centuries before Jesus. They were called the "Galilee of the Gentiles." Sometimes a clue goes unnoticed until it's time to bring forth its meaning.

Isaiah pointed to the birth of the Messiah in the previous chapter. Now he speaks of the call to see the light removing the darkness, bringing about a harvest, lifting the burden of the taskmasters. Jesus left Nazareth to make his home in the twin cities.

There He chose two sets of brothers. He called them to be fishers of people. He was very intentional. Jesus was beginning His Mission and Matthew made it clear that He was coming to heal the wound caused by the division between Jews and Gentiles.

Listen to St. Paul when he calls for us to have no divisions among us. We are to be united in the same mind. We are to have the same purpose. He calls us to better behavior. None of the Apostles are the center. Christ's cross calls us to unity.

A Christian, especially a Catholic Christian, has a predilection to heal. It is in the DNA of the Confirmed to want to turn our wound into our vocation. We want to be and we want to support wounded healers. And what a time for this vocation!

Church Unity Octave began last Wednesday and ends on the feast of the conversion of St. Paul. He was a Jew against followers of the Way of the Cross only to become its greatest preacher and teacher – in words and in action.

Our democracy has been the focus of a lot of media attention. Our call as Catholic Christians is to be true to our reason to be chosen. We are to rejoice as we look to ways to move our mission forward – to heal and to encourage each other.

Let's order our thinking with the meaning of the cross. One way to move toward such a way of thinking is to ask the first question – "Where is the common ground to be found?" Follow it with the second question – "What led each side to come to the position they now hold?" May our social media initiative and our Community Meal encourage us.



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Total Pledged \$6035

Total Paid \$5646

Pledge Bal. \$389

"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 - Today, 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.

Our deepest sympathy for the Flounory family for the passing of Jeff's Mother. The Funeral Services are listed here:

JANUARY 27, 2023 VIEWING AT KEMP'S FUNERAL HOME 24585 EVERGREEN RD SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075 3P.M.TO 7P.M.

JANUARY 28, 2023
FAMILY HOUR 10AM- 11AM
FUNERAL 11AM
VERNON CHAPEL AME CHURCH
18500 NORWOOD
DETROIT, MI 48234

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. 22nd to Jan. 29th

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

2:00pm Knights of Peter Claver TBD 4:00pm Intern Team via Zoom

Tuesday 10:00 am St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon 14400 Puritan St. Detroit 48227

Wednesday 11:00 am Lectio Divina via Zoom

Saturday 9:00am Mentor Coaches Meeting PH and Zoom

11:00 am Knights of Peter Claver TBD 1:00pm Reclaiming Our Faith Formation PH

And Zoom

Sunday Jan. 29th 10:00 am Mass at MC and via Zoom

Celebrant: Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R Priest in Solidum

Minister of Service: Pearl Crutcher Lector: Patricia Woods

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 speccedetroit.org.

You can make your contribution under the special events on the parish website online giving.

St. Peter Claver Catholic Community

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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

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