St. Peter Claver Catholic Community at 8425 W. McNichols Road Detroit, Michigan 48221



God Is Constant By Constantly Changing! Reflection from Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R. January 24, 2021 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Jonah 3:1-10 & Mark 1:14-20 with 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Jonah walked through Nineveh after he did his best to go the other way. Simon and Andrew along with James and John were doing their work only to be called to leave their comfortable career. God is constant by constantly changing.

Paul is training us today to embrace the proper attitude to share with others what we ourselves want to take on as a way of life. Time is short. Live like today could be the last day of our life. Just know the world in its present form is passing away.

The insight given to us to understand the world as the Word of God explains, as the Creator expresses, as the Spirit's gifts are ready to work through us – we will grow as people of hope as we let go of yesterday, encourage each other to know God is!

Our globe is in the midst of a great change caused by pandemic. Our country is shifting its priorities caused by the election. Our Archdiocese is re-purposing parishes through the process of "Families of Parishes." And where are we?

Each of us may be asked to speak like Jonah no matter how reluctant you or I may be. If we keep doing what we are doing and expect different results, be ready for a shock. Jesus is choosing us like He did the apostles to do our part to unleash the Word!

All of us who want the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation to nourish and heal us are being called to re-imagine parish life. We, the chosen few from among the many who were called, are to discern what talents we have and how Jesus needs them now.

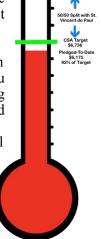
Tomorrow is the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. Talk about turning his life around! He was chosen by Jesus Whom he was persecuting. From being a murderer to become a martyr. It won't be that dramatic. Come to the workshop and see our talents.

Each of the five Mondays will have an insight seeking to open us to understand what we have to contribute to our team called St. Peter Claver Eucharistic People. By February 22, the feast of the Chair of St. Peter, I pray we are ready to follow our role models from Jonah to the disciples – willing to change when Jesus needs us to do so!

2020 Catholic Services Appeal

The 2020 CSA Campaign continues. All are invited to visit www.AOD.org for more information about the CSA, or you can make a donation at www.givecsa.org. If you require assistance in making a pledge, please contact Ed Shea.

To date, our total amount pledged is \$6,175, or 92% of our target. Remember, any amounts received over the target are returned to the parish, and will be shared 50/50 with our St. Vincent de Paul ministry.



"Discovering Your Gifts" Workshop

Beginning tomorrow, January 25, and for the 4 consecutive Mondays afterwards, we will host the "Discovering Your Gifts" Workshop via Zoom. This is an opportunity for each of us, and for the parish, to identify the gifts and talents that we have to give to others as we advance the mission of St. Peter Claver. Each week's session will run for 90 minutes, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The cost, including the workbook, is only \$20.

As we celebrate 15 years as a parish and especially as we prepare to join our new "Family of Parishes," let's prepare for the future by identifying our true treasury - the time and talent of those chosen to be sent to others.

As of today, we have 25 participants in the Workshop, and there is still room for more. If you would like to attend, please see Ed Shea after Mass, or call him at (248) 633-4476.

In Memory of Sister Marie Roy, CSJ

Sr. Marie Roy, a dear friend of our parish community, entered eternal life earlier this week. Sr. Marie dedicated her life to the church in Detroit. She will be remembered at a live-streamed Memorial Mass this Wednesday, January 27, at 5:00 p.m. To view the Mass, go to http://www.facebook.com/stcharlesdetroit.

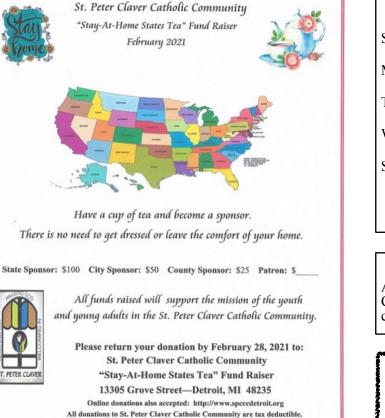
The Parish Finance Council will meet this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

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.

Virtual States Tea

Our first "Virtual" States Tea is off to a great start. To date, we have raised \$2,240 from 36 donors, with 25 of the donors non-parishioners. The States Tea runs through February, so there's still plenty of time to join in. For information, see the flyer below, or go to our parish website. You can donate on the website, by mail, or by dropping an envelope in the collection basket.



Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Intercessory Prayer Team

Beverly Alessio, Inez (Retinella) Alls, Florine Anderson, Alberta Asmar, Sylvia Baker, Warren & Marcella Bridges, Donald & Barbara Carter, Michael Clarence Carter, Johnnie Davis, Peggy Endlein, Ron Gallesero, Ara Grier, Sandra Griffin, Karen Hickman, Myrtis Hildebrandt, Jacqueline Johnson, Bobbie Lewis, Addison Martin, Augusta Martin, Dorothy (Vicki) Martin, Charles Nelson, Joan S. Noland, Nancy Oberhausen, Grady & Celestine Parker, Fred & Villa Ray, Romaine Redd, Flossie Ryles, Jeanne Schuldt, Irene Scott, Gussie Seay, Augusta Starks, Mary Tyler, Christine Versele, Helen Wajda, Anna Washington, Lillie Washington, Carmel Weems, 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, 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, *and relatives of our parishioners*

Ministers Schedule January 31, 2021 Celebrant: Rev, John Phelps, C.Ss.R. Minister of Service: Pearl Crutcher Lector: Kathryn Crutcher

Meetings/Events This Week

Sunday	10:00 am	Mass in Church and via Zoom
-	2:00 pm	Knights of Peter Claver
Monday	6:30 pm	"Discovering Your Gifts" Workshop
-		via Zoom
Tuesday	10:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon
-	7:00 pm	Vicariate Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday	1:00 pm	Lectio Divina via Zoom
-	6:30 pm	Finance Council via Zoom
Sunday	10:00 am	Mass in Church and via Zoom

Legend: PH=Parish House; MC=Marygrove College Church refers to the Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove College

Sacramental Preparation

Are you, or someone you know, interested in joining the Catholic Church or receiving one of the sacraments? Please contact Jennie Sinatra at the Parish Office.

Collection Results

We continue to rely on your support. Please send your weekly donation to the Parish Office. Or you may want to consider online giving. It's convenient, secure, and totally in your control!

Give Online at spcccdetroit.org

St. Peter Claver Catholic Community Parish Office: 13305 Grove St., Detroit, MI 48235 (313) 342-5292 Church: Marygrove College - Sacred Heart Chapel 8425 W. McNichols Rd., Detroit, MI 48221 email: parishoffice@spcccdetroit.org website: www.spcccdetroit.org Mass: Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Church (Chash the bulletin for help drug and energied corrigon)

(Check the bulletin for holy days and special services) **Reconciliation:** Before Mass or By Appointment **Parish Office Hours:** Parish Staff is currently working from home. Please contact Ed Shea if you require assistance.

Reverend John Phelps, C.Ss.R., Pastor

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