



If You Can't Take The Heat, Get Out Of The Kitchen

Reflection from Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.

July 4, 2021 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 2:2-5 & Mark 6:1-6 with 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

“The Spirit set me on my feet.” The prophet is not accepted in his own town. Whoever is being spoken about better be ready not to be popular. But what gets me is how the person is “trained,” the sting of the flesh. The person is simply too weak to do it!

Today we celebrate 1776 – the Declaration of Independence from England. To make that decision and then to do it took courage. It was not acceptable. A lot of people lost their lives in the name of “freedom” from oppressive rules.

But they kept the slaves. They found a way to hold on to that aspect of their way of life. It would take a Civil War that split families to emancipate on paper those who were oppressed by the very people fighting for their freedom from oppression.

While these are a few reflections on our history, it is more important to look at the call to be prophetic in the world. It's more important for the Spirit to set us on our feet in terms of what we are meant to do as Confirmed Catholic Christians.

Take some of the moral issues of our day: the inequity of our educational system between the poor and the rich; The racial divide periodically surfacing in violence; The right to life issue; the “trauma” young people are facing - to name a few.

When I am looking to our Eucharistic Community, I want to ask you to hear the call to be prophetic. I want you to look at an issue of injustice that touches the lives of people you know. What would it take for you to respond to one of the challenges?

I am coordinating two different audiences – one among those of other faith communities with a focus on racial healing and the other engaging with people of good will searching for truth to guide their children who are in grade or high school.

Do you hear Jesus calling you to step up to being involved in issues that need to be addressed? Do you believe we as a Catholic Christian Community ought to be seen with the racial issues, the abortion issues, the “trauma” issues? Do you believe it is important enough for the next generation to be set on our feet and act?

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to the Sacred Heart Chapel here at Marygrove - our church! We thank everyone for their patience over the past month, and especially all those who helped move, setup, clean, etc. in order to prepare for today's Mass. Once again, we also thank our friends at Marygrove Conservancy for their commitment and assistance to our parish.

Praise Dancers

Our young Apprentices-In-Motion Praise Dancers will help us celebrate the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother on Sunday, August 15, at our 10:00 a.m. Mass. If you have a child or grandchild who might enjoy joining in this fun activity that enhances our worship experience, contact Stephanie Flounory. Costumes are provided, and no prior dance experience is required. A rehearsal schedule will be provided. Let's celebrate Mary's glorious entry into heaven with dance and praise!

2021 Catholic Services Appeal!

It's time to kick off the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). Contributions to the CSA enables the Archdiocese of Detroit to continue its work to Unleash the Gospel through supporting programs that Fuel the Mission. Your commitment supports more than 100 ministries, services, and programs that share Christ throughout Southeast Michigan.

Each year, every parish in the Archdiocese is assigned a CSA Target based on its offertory collections for the past 3 years. For 2020, our parish target was \$6,736 - pledges of \$7,016 were received. As is our parish tradition, the amount over target, which the AOD refunds to the parish, was shared 50/50 with our St. Vincent de Paul ministry. **This year, our target is \$7,637.**

Many of you received a direct CSA solicitation from the Archdiocese. If you have already responded, thank you! If not, please respond as soon as possible. If you did not receive a solicitation, or if you have misplaced it, we will provide one to you. You can return it directly to the Archdiocese in the envelope provided, or drop it in our weekly collection bowl. Even easier, you can donate online through the parish website.

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.

COVID-19 Protocols

We continue to follow the Archdiocese's recommendations regarding COVID-19 protocols, including:

- Fully vaccinated individuals no longer are required to wear face masks in church or to maintain social distancing.
- Anyone who is not fully vaccinated must wear a face mask and maintain social distancing in church.

We recognize each individual's decision on these matters. Please respect others by wearing a mask if you are not fully vaccinated, and by maintaining social distancing when someone is wearing a mask or indicates a desire for caution, especially as we share the sign of peace or enjoy fellowship after Mass.



St. Paul of the Cross
Passionist Retreat Center

Mondays with *mystics*

Monday,
July 26
Francis de Sales

Faith Offman will lead this live online experience of exploration and prayer. Using ZOOM, participants will learn about each mystic and his or her spirituality and join in a shared prayer experience.

Monthly events will take place on Mondays from 7 - 8:30 pm. Cost is \$35 per event.



register online at stpaulretreat.org

Questions? Contact Cathy at cadamk@stpaulretreat.org or (313)286-2800.

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Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Intercessory Prayer Team

Beverly Alessio, Inez (Retinella) Alls, Florine Anderson, Alberta Asmar, Sylvia Baker, Warren Bridges, Donald & Barbara Carter, Michael Clarence Carter, Johnnie Davis, Peggy Endlein, 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

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

July 11, 2021

Celebrant: Rev. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.

Minister of Service: Alan Flounory

Lector: Patricia Woods

Meetings/Events This Week

Sunday	10:00 am	Mass in Church and via Zoom
Monday		<i>Independence Day Observance</i>
Tuesday	10:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon
Wednesday	11:00 am	Lectio Divina via Zoom
Thursday	7:00 pm	Formation Team via Zoom
Friday	1:00 pm	Staff Meeting 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
For the "live" Parish Calendar, go to spcccdetroit.org

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

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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 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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