



**World Mission Sunday - Sent to Speak!
Reflection from Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.**

October 24, 2021 – Mission Sunday

Isaiah 60:1-6 & Matthew 28:16-20 with Romans 10:9-18

We have great encouragement in the Word of Life from St. Paul. He is writing to those who are sent – to those confirmed in the Resurrected Life reborn in baptism. He breaks down the teaching for those sent to speak – those who know Jesus in Eucharist!

First step – how can we call on Christ Jesus, if we don't believe? Surrounded by the darkness of division and hate, to call on Christ Jesus is only possible to the extent we believe in His bond of unity and love... if we know someone reaching out to us.

Second step – how can we believe if we have not heard? It's one thing to see you reaching out to us. It's important for you to tell us why you do what you do. We can imagine what your actions mean. It's far more clear as you explain why you reach out.

Third step – how can we hear if it is not preached? Explaining what motivates you is good. But when you share how you are inspired by the Word of God, there is an energy that draws me to want to know the Person Who chose you.

Fourth step – how can we preach if we are not sent? Now it all makes sense. We were chosen to know Jesus by hearing His Word. We heard His Word through someone who believed. We believed because someone called. Now we are called to be sent!

Notice the part of the body that is most important to the preacher - not the mouth to speak, the mind to think, the heart to believe. All are important, true. But the most important – the feet. We are to walk where we are sent – where the Word is not alive!

The message from Isaiah and Matthew is to rise up where people have fallen down. The Word is the light to penetrate the darkness. The Word is rich in mercy for those poor in spirit and in fact. All this is given to us to make disciples.

We are chosen to be sent to do the same four steps that led us to know Jesus. The mission to those not hungry for the Bread of Life is ours. Let's do it! The ministry with those thirsty for the Cup of Salvation is ours. Let's show it! Our talents given by God is what we use to walk the walk and not just talk the talk. Let's make it happen!

2021 Catholic Services Appeal

Our 2021 CSA campaign is well underway. Our target is **\$7,637**. To date, we have pledges totaling **\$2,440 (32% of total)**. In addition, we have commitments of **\$1,385**, which, once fulfilled, will put us at **50%** of total. We thank all those who have made their pledges and commitments to the AOD, to its many ministries, and to St. Peter Claver, and we ask all others to consider making their commitments as soon as possible. Remember – amounts pledged over target, which the AOD refunds to the parish, will be shared 50/50 with our St. Vincent de Paul ministry, directly benefitting those in need in our parish neighborhoods.

Solicitation packets are available here in church, or by contacting the Parish Office. **There are three ways to make your pledge: 1. Return your pledge card directly to the Archdiocese in the envelope provided, 2. Drop your pledge card in our weekly collection bowl or mail it to the Parish Office, or 3. Pledge online through the parish website. Choose whichever way works best for you!**

5th Annual Harvest Talent Fest

Our Leaders In Motion and Leaders On Mission will present the 5th Annual Harvest Talent Festival via YouTube on Saturday, November 27, at 6:00 p.m. Youth and Young Adults are encouraged to showcase their talents, with prizes awarded. Sign up at spcccdetroit.org, or send an email to leadersinmotion@spcccdetroit.org. Please pass this information to friends, children, grandchildren, schools, neighbors, etc.

World Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses throughout the world, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the most vulnerable communities. Please be generous. Envelopes are available in the rear of the church, or give online on the parish website; click **ONLINE GIVING** and use the *Mission Sunday* fund.

10th Anniversary Concert

The Black Catholic Ministries Gospel Choir will celebrate its 10th anniversary on Sunday, November 7, at 5:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church (1000 Eliot St). Admission is \$10. A face mask is required. For tickets or information, contact Mary Caroline Jonah or Aurelia Smith, or call Marilyn Webb at (313) 596-7140.

All Saints Day and All Souls Day

All Saints Day is on Monday, November 1. Mass will be at 6:00 p.m. All Souls Day is Tuesday, November 2, with Eucharistic Adoration at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Memorial Mass at 6:00 p.m. Forms are available in the rear of the church to submit names of loved ones who have past away in the past year (10/1/20 – 10/15/21), or you can use the online form on 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.

Calling All Confirmed Catholics

When someone questions your Catholic Faith,
do you struggle giving an explanation?

When you were “confirmed” did you think that simply meant
you have chosen “To Be Catholic?”

Was your Catholic Faith formed pre-Vatican II?
post-Vatican II? Ever wondered about Vatican II?
If you answered yes to any question above, come.
If you have other questions and are looking for
understanding, **join us for:**
“Reconfirming Our Faith.”



Saturday, October 30, 2021, at 1:00 pm
In Person at the Parish Office: 13305 Grove Street
or Virtual via Zoom: spcccdetroit.org

Maintaining COVID Precautions

Recent developments in the fight against COVID have necessitated a reevaluation of precautions during celebration of the Eucharist. Accordingly, the AOD has recommended that parishes encourage masking and social distancing, regardless of vaccination status. We request that all attendees, out of Christian love and respect for one another, follow these guidelines and any other posted instructions. Note that the Archdiocese has not changed its guidance on Mass attendance - only those who are sick, homebound, or at serious risk from COVID are dispensed from the obligation to attend.

Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Intercessory Prayer Team

Beverly Alessio, Inez (Retinella) Aills, 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, 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

October 31, 2021

Celebrant: Rev. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.
Minister of Service: Bill Tidwell
Lector: Arianna Caderao

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	Finance Council via Zoom
Tuesday	9:00 am	Staff Meeting at PH
	10:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon
Wednesday	11:00 am	Lectio Divina via Zoom
Thursday	7:00 pm	Community Peace Circle via Zoom
Saturday	1:00 am	ROCC 1.0 at PH & 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



Save the Date. Cherish the Memory.

This year, our annual Legacy Night will be a true homecoming. We'll be gathering back on campus for mass, a strolling dinner and a special evening program celebrating the Loyola mission and the love and support of friends like you who have helped us thrive for 29 years. Catch up with your old friends. Make new ones. Don't miss it. Mark your calendars today!

Legacy Night 2021
Wednesday November 10th at 6:00
p.m.

More details coming soon.

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
(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.

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LaTanya Mahdi, Finance Council Chair