



**Remember The Vision in the Valley
Reflection from Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.**

March 8, 2020 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 12:1-4 & Matthew 17:1-9 with 2 Timothy 1:8-10

“Saved and called us to a holy life ... according to his own design and grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began.” Did you hear what I heard? The Father designed our relationship to His Son. Why? So we would respond to the call!

Did God design Abram before he became Abraham? Could it have been that others said no? Did Jesus design and grace Peter, James and John to come to the mountain top? Could others have been asked and said no?

Is Christ Jesus designing and gracing those He has chosen to call to a holy life with Him here in Eucharist? Are we here because He called us, like He called Abram and Peter, James and John? Could others have said no? Will we?

Do you know what happened to Abram? He became Abraham – the father fashioned a people out of many nations. He only had one son, had to believe in the One Who chose him and be willing to sacrifice his son, Isaac.

Do you know what happened to Peter, James and John? They were the three to be with Him in the garden to support Him. Jesus let them see His Transfigured Body. He explained His death as they were coming down the mountain. Only John stayed.

We’ve been chosen for this moment to live in Motown as it’s becoming rich. We are not that rich. We average \$2,444.00 a month - \$81.50 a day – based on what we all wrote on the cards last Sunday. Let’s reflect on our talents and time. They are priceless.

The capitalistic community wouldn’t see what we have as worth much. But the Christian community? That’s a different story. We know the value of our time and talent even in the absence of treasury. Let me quote what some people wrote on their cards.

“I tithe on my \$3,200 a month.” “All I have is \$20.00 but I have time and a heart to give.” “I am limited living on social security.” “All I have is time. I have nothing.” Church, we are so blessed to be together. We are a blessing to fellow Catholics and Christians. We have life worth living. Isn’t it a joy that we have each other just the way we are?

Mass/Stations of the Cross

Each Friday during Lent, we celebrate the Eucharist and pray the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the church. All are welcome.

Also, since we are now in the solemn season of Lent, it’s good to remind everyone that Father offers the Sacrament of Reconciliation every Sunday beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the sacristy to the left of the altar.

Community Meal

This month’s Community Meal, to take place this Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m., will be the first one hosted in the cafeteria of Loyola High School. This is our opportunity to meet and get to know our neighbors. We ask all parishioners to consider attending and to invite a neighbor or friend. We can only build our community by reaching out to others!

**ROCC 2.0: Reconciling Our Catholic Commitment:
The Journey Towards 2nd Conversion...**

6th Awareness –

FEAR OF THE LORD heals SLOTH through FAITH

Mary chose the better part.

Sent to share her spark.

Monday, March 16: 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm; Mass: 12:00 noon

Repeated on Friday, March 20: 6:30

pm - 8:00 pm; Mass: 6:00 pm

All Sessions take place at Marygrove

College in the LA Building

8425 W. McNichols

Detroit, MI 48221

Brown bag your refreshments!

BRING YOUR OWN BIBLE!



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.



FRI, MARCH 20 – 7:00PM
vs. GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS

Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan has secured special pricing not available to the general public. Through this offer, CCSEM Donors, Employees, Family, & Friends will receive exclusive savings to see the Pistons take on Golden State Warriors at Little Caesars Arena on Friday, March 29 at 7pm. Each ticket purchase to the Pistons vs. Warriors game includes a Pistons item and a donation to CCSEM!

EXCLUSIVE TICKET PRICING:

100 LEVEL CORNER: **\$85** (\$135 REG.)

MEZZANINE LEVEL END: **\$48** (\$80 REG.)

200 LEVEL END: **\$30** (\$51 REG.)

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT:

PISTONS.COM/CATHOLICCHARITIES

ALL PISTONS HOME GAMES & SEATING LOCATIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE THROUGH THE LINK BELOW

Offer cannot be redeemed at the ticket store.
For more information, please contact:

KIM BISCHER: (313) 771-7578 / KBISCHER@PISTONS.COM

All tickets are subject to availability and handled on a first-come, first-served basis. All prices on orders received after the indicated deadline are subject to change. Refunds or exchanges will not be issued. Please provide an accurate cell phone number and email address in order to access your tickets. All tickets purchased will be available on your Pistons Account. You will receive an email once they are available.



Earline Gaston

The funeral for Earline Gaston will be Saturday, March 14, here at Marygrove. The family hour starts at 10:00 a.m., and the Mass will be at 11:00 a.m. Please continue to pray for Earline and her family and friends.

2020 DATES

BOYS' 2-WEEK CAMPS

Ages 8-16 yrs | \$699

Session 1
Sunday, June 21 - Sunday, July 5

Session 2
Sunday, July 5 - Sunday, July 19

Session 3
Sunday, July 19 - Sunday, August 2

HORSE CAMPS

Girls Ages 10-16 yrs | \$460

Sunday, June 14 - Saturday, June 20

Boys Ages 10-16 yrs | \$460

Sunday, August 2 - Saturday, August 8

BOYS' ROPES ADVENTURE CAMP

Ages 11-16 yrs | \$460

Sunday, August 2 - Saturday, August 8

BOYS' 1-WEEK CAMPS

Ages 8-13 yrs | \$460

Mini Camp A
Sunday, June 21 - Sunday, June 28

Mini Camp B
Sunday, June 28 - Sunday, July 5

Mini Camp C
Sunday, July 5 - Sunday, July 12

Mini Camp D
Sunday, July 12 - Sunday, July 19

Mini Camp E
Sunday, July 19 - Sunday, July 26

Mini Camp F
Sunday, July 26 - Sunday, August 2

Mini Camp G
Sunday, August 2 - Saturday, August 8

GIRLS' CAMPS

Ages 8-16 yrs | \$460

Sunday, June 14 - Saturday, June 20

Sunday, August 9 - Saturday, August 15

PARENT & CHILD WEEKENDS

MOTHER & DAUGHTER

\$205 Parent and 1 Child (\$50 for each additional child)
Friday, June 12 - Sunday, June 14
Friday, August 14 - Sunday, August 16

FATHER & SON

\$205 Parent and 1 Child (\$50 for each additional child)
Friday, June 26 - Sunday, June 28
Friday, July 24 - Sunday, July 26

DISCOUNTS

Multi-session and sibling discounts are available.
Check out www.campsanctamaria.org for more info.

Since our founding in 1933, Camp Sancta Maria, located in the wooded landscape of Gaylord in the heart of Northern Lower Michigan, has been offering young people ages 8 to 16 a summer full of fun, personal growth, and spiritual development.



At Camp Sancta Maria, our campers escape their daily routines of electronics and digital media in a technology-free zone to enjoy 96 acres of sacred space filled with excitement and adventure, while they make new friends and learn interpersonal skills in an atmosphere of Christian faith.

Camp Sancta Maria is fully accredited by the American Camp Association.



For more information and to register, visit us at www.campsanctamaria.org.
For questions, contact us at 248-822-8199 or office@campsanctamaria.org.

WWW.CAMPSANCTAMARIA.ORG

Date: 03-21-20

Time: 4:00PM – 6:00 PM

**Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary
Michigan Central Committee
Fundraising Event**

A BOWLING PARTY \$20.00 per person
Saturday March 21, 2020
ARRIVE 20 MINUTES EARLY
WHERE: MAYFLOWER LANES
26600 PLYMOUTH RD.
REDFORD, MI. 48239

Contact: Bill Tidwell 313-706-6459
Robin L. Johnson 810-814-7399

Make check payable to:

KPC Michigan Ctr. Committee
Mail to: Bill Tidwell

13232 Broadstreet Ave.

Detroit, MI 48238

2 hours Of fun
At the bowling party
Enjoy eating pizzas
And drinking soda.

★ *Deadline for this wonderful*
fun Upcoming event is:
3-14-20.

prepare to celebrate

THE TRIDUUM
in your parish

Holy Saturday
April 11

Good Friday
April 10

Holy Thursday
April 9

St. Paul of the Cross
Passionist Retreat Center
23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit

We invite you to enhance your participation in your parish's Triduum liturgy by spending some time in reflection at St. Paul's. Join us as we celebrate this one unique and unrepeatable event: the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Discover the significance of this event on your life today and grow in understanding of its eternal impact.

Freewill Offering • Join us on one day or all three • All are Welcome



Daily Format

9:00 am: Gathering

9:30 to noon:

Presentation by a member of our ministry team

Personal prayer and reflection

Small group sharing

Opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Call us at

(313)286-2800

or visit

stpaulretreat.org

for more

information.

Collection Results

March 1 – 1st Sunday of Lent

Envelopes:	\$1,076.00
Loose:	130.00
Online:	365.00
Total Collection:	\$1,571.00

February 23 – 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Envelopes:	\$1,178.00
Loose:	125.00
Online:	140.00
Total Collection:	\$1,443.00



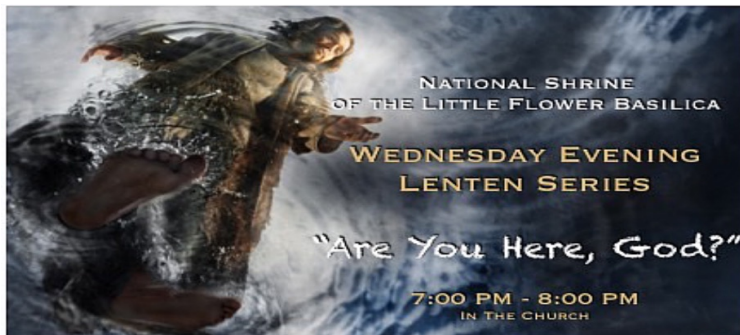
Give Online at spccdetroit.org

Stewardship Thoughts

In today's Scripture passage from the Book of Genesis, God calls Abram (later Abraham) to a new land, vowing to bless him and make of him a great nation. Abraham faithfully and immediately follows God's directive. In the Gospel from the evangelist St. Matthew, Jesus' divinity is revealed to Peter, James, and John through His Transfiguration on the mountaintop. The Lord directs the disciples to not disclose the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead. They faithfully obey this command. In his Second Letter to Timothy, St. Paul refers to holiness: He [God] saved us and called us to a holy life. Church leaders embraced this invitation to holiness at the Second Vatican Council. Pursuing evangelization through Christian stewardship brings us to a closer relationship with Christ. Are we striving to obey God's will in our lives? And, in this effort, are we striving for holiness? This Lenten season, make a spiritual retreat to open your heart to Jesus.

DCPA Meeting

On Wednesday, March 18, The Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance will host its March membership meeting at St. Elizabeth Center 3127 E. Canfield St. Detroit, MI 48207. There will be food and fellowship at 6 p.m., followed by the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Three major things will take place: presentation on the 2020 Census, presentation from FORC (Friends of Returning Citizens) and of course our popular 50/50 raffle! **We hope you will join us!**



There are times when it seems the waves of life are crashing all around us and we may wonder if God is near. Join us as we discover how to find God in the midst of life's ups and downs.

March 4

Will I Ever Feel Normal Again? Healing & Mercy

Fr. Joseph Horn, Rector,

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica

March 11

You Want Me To Do What?? Forgiveness & Reconciliation

Fr. Anthony Camilleri, Associate Pastor, Our Lady of Good Counsel

March 18

How Do I Know What To Do?

Making Good Choices With God's Help

Sr. Mary Martha Becnel, OP

March 25

Where Do I Begin? Forming Holy Habits

Fr. John Kopson, Associate Pastor

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica

April 1

How Do I Know What To Believe? Faith & Reason

Msrgr. Ronald Browne, Judicial Vicar, Archdiocese of Detroit

Judy Maten, Via Maria Consulting, LLC

Refreshments to Follow in Heritage Hall

Lenten Day of Spiritual Reflection

All are invited to a Lenten Day of Spiritual Renewal on Saturday, March 14, at St. Joan of Arc Parish in St. Clair Shores. The theme for the day is Reconciliation: God's Mercy Has No End. Lent is a perfect opportunity to reflect on reconciliation, forgiveness and mercy to grow in your relationship with Jesus to live as his dedicated disciple.

Presentations will include: Reconciliation by Rev. Joseph Horn, pastor, National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak; and Divine Mercy by Catherine Lanni, founder of the Divine Mercy Center, Clinton Township. Bishop Donald Hanchon will celebrate Mass. Reconciliation, individual prayer and lunch are offered. Fee for the day is \$10. Visit march14dayofspiritualreflection.eventbrite.com to register for this spiritually-enriching experience.

Your gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal make possible events such as this, ensuring that all in the Archdiocese have access to spiritual enrichment and faith formation events. Visit aod.org for more information on CSA-supported ministries and events.

Encountering Christ

A free self-paced online course offered through Sacred Heart Major Seminary this Lent

March 2-April 12, 2020

Do you have any plans to grow in your faith this Lent?

Join us for a Lenten retreat experience for the lay faithful, done at your own pace and guided by six dynamic professors from Sacred Heart Major Seminary. Each week, they will guide you to encounter Christ more fully in the sacraments, prayer and Scripture, through suffering and service, and in all the events of everyday life.

Learn more & register at shms.edu/encounter



Lenten Soup and Scripture Series

St. Moses the Black Catholic Church (1125 Oakman Blvd.) is hosting its 2020 Lenten Soup & Scripture Series - *Jesus is our Hope*. The dates and speakers are as follows:

- March 14 - Jesse Cox
- March 21 - Fr. Don Archambault
- March 28 - Fr. Chester Smith

All sessions are from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All are invited.

A Verse a Day For You to Pray

Today: 2 Timothy 1:8b: Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

Monday: Luke 6:36-37: Jesus said to his disciples: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven."

Tuesday: Isaiah 1:18-19: Come now, let us set things right, says the LORD: Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow; Though they be crimson red, they may become white as wool. If you are willing, and obey, you shall eat the good things of the land.

Wednesday: Matthew 20:26b-28: Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave. Just so, the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Thursday: Psalms 1:1-2: Blessed the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked, nor walks in the way of sinners, nor sits in the company of the insolent, But delights in the law of the LORD and meditates on his law day and night.

Friday: Matthew 21:43: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "I say to you, the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

Saturday: Micah 7:18: Who is there like you, the God who removes guilt and pardons sin for the remnant of his inheritance; Who does not persist in anger forever, but delights rather in clemency.

Note: All verses are taken from the Mass readings for the day.

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, 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, Wayne Weamer, Carmel Weems, Leonard & Ona Wilson

Please Pray for Them as They Pray for Us!!

Also, Please Remember in Prayer:

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

Ministers Schedule March 15, 2020

Celebrant	Fr. Phelps
Minister of Service	Mary Caroline Jonah
Altar Server	Brianna Smith
Sacristan	Patricia Shea
Prayers of the Faithful	Alther Redd
Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Kathryn Crutcher	Tanda Flounory
Mary Caroline Jonah	Arletha Robinson

Meetings/Events This Week

Tuesday	10:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon
Wednesday	1:00 pm	Lectio Divina at PH
Thursday	5:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal in Church
	6:30 pm	Community Meal at Loyola
Friday	6:00 pm	Mass/Stations of the Cross in Church
Saturday	10:00 am	Funeral for Earline Gaston at MC
	2:00 pm	Discernment Team Meeting at PH
Sunday	10:00 am	Mass/Lenten Mini-Series in Church

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

Missing In Action!

If you notice one of our fellow parishioners is absent from Mass for multiple weeks, please bring it to the attention of one of the ushers.

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.

St. Peter Claver Catholic Community

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(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: Monday - Thursday,
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

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Jennie Sinatra, Formation Director

Stephanie Flounory, Youth & Young Adult Minister

Mary Chavez-Thedford, Administrative Assistant

Ronald Galletero, Facilities Manager

Tanda Flounory, Parish Pastoral Council Chair

LaTanya Mahdi, Finance Council Chair