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# SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Need for  
Watchfulness



## SAINT LUKE UNIVERSITY PARISH GVSU CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

TWO MINISTRIES, ONE PARISH

November 15, 2015

### Sunday Mass

8 a.m. (Parish Ctr)  
10:30 a.m. (Parish Ctr)  
5:30 p.m. (Cook-DeWitt)

### Weekday Mass (Parish Ctr)

Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
Friday, 5:00 p.m.

### Reconciliation

Monday, 7 - 9 p.m.  
(Cook-DeWitt, campus)

Friday, 5:30 p.m. (Parish)  
By Appointment

### Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday, 7 - 10 p.m.  
(Cook DeWitt, campus)

### Parish Information

Parish Center Office  
M-F 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
6163 Lake Michigan Drive  
Allendale

Campus Office  
Cook-DeWitt Center Rm 120  
M-F 1:30 - 4 p.m.  
Websites  
LukeSpot.com  
GVSUCatholic.org



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Saint Luke University Parish

### Please pray for our 2015 - 2016 Paulist and Diocesan Seminarians

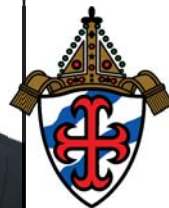
Come, Holy Spirit, fill our hearts and minds with the fire of your love. Make us courageous witnesses to the death and resurrection of Jesus. May the Eucharist enable us to live faithfully the vocation we have received. Inspire more of us to give our lives in service to the Gospel. Amen



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“But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”

Mark 13:32

Alter flower this Sunday for:  
**Max & Terri Ainslie 38th Wedding Anniversary**

# Faith Formation

**Faith Formation (K-3)** meets at the Parish Center at 9:15 a.m.

**Young Disciples** meets at Cook-Dewitt Center **GVSU** at 2:15 p.m.

**Youth Ministry** meets at Kirkhof Center Thornapple Room, GVSU, at 2 p.m.

## Adult Bible Study

Meets Nov. 18

## SACRAMENTS AT SAINT LUKE

For sacramental information, contact John Graveline or speak with one of the priests

## Food Pantry Needs

### TURKEYS & FIXINGS

The food pantry could really use your help in making someones Thanksgiving. We are looking for frozen turkeys, stuffing, cranberry sauce, cake mixes and frosting. Please donate by Tuesday, Nov. 17

**Our next pantry day: Nov. 19**

**Notice:** Feeding America has a strict policy of only allowing store bought and unopened cans or items. Please no homemade goods.

### Can Tabs

Don't forget to bring in your *pop and beer tabs* from the cans. These are recyclable and we use this money to help support the St. Luke Food Pantry. There is a large jug in the entrance of the building. We appreciate your support very much. Thank you.

### Readings for 33rd Week in Ordinary Time

- Sun. 11/15 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32
- Mon. 11/16 Margaret of Scotland; Gertrude, Virgin  
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119;  
Lk 18:35-43
- Tue. 11/17 Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious  
2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3; Lk 19:1-10
- Wed. 11/18 Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin  
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17; Lk 19:11-28
- Thu. 11/19 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50; Lk 19:41-44
- Fri. 11/20 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29; Lk 19:45-48
- Sat. 11/21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9; Lk 20:27-40
- Sun. 11/22 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

## This Week...

<b>Sun., Nov 15 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
8:00 a.m.	Mass + Mary Ann Taylor	Parish Ctr
9:15	Faith Formation (K-3)	Parish Ctr
9:15	RCIA Catechumens & Candidates	Parish Ctr
10:30	Mass + Carol Wehner	Parish Ctr
2:00 p.m.	Youth Ministry	Thornapple Rm
2:15	Young Disciples (4-5)	Cook-DeWitt
4:30	Choir Practice	Cook-DeWitt
5:30	Mass For Our People	Cook-DeWitt

<b>Mon., Nov 16</b>		
7:00 p.m.	Exposition & Adoration	Cook-DeWitt
7:00	Confession	Cook-DeWitt Rm 120
7:00	Finance Council	Parish Ctr

<b>Tues., Nov 17</b>		
7:00 p.m.	Parish Building Information Session	Kirkhof Ctr

<b>Wed., Nov 18</b>		
7:00 p.m.	Mass + Robert & Marilyn Brack	Parish Ctr
7:30	Bible Study	Parish Ctr
7:30	Choir Practice	Parish Ctr

<b>Thurs., Nov 19</b>		
3:30 p.m.	Food Pantry	Parish Ctr
6:30	RCIA Inquiry	Parish Ctr
7:00	Woman's Fellowship	Parish Ctr
8:00	Corpus Christi, Student Group	Cook-DeWitt

<b>Fri., Nov 20</b>		
9:30 a.m.	Parish Breakfast Club	Grand Coney
5:00 p.m.	Mass + Charles Salter	Parish Ctr
5:30	Confession	Parish Ctr

<b>Sat., Nov 21</b>		
7:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship	Parish Ctr

<b>Sun., Nov 22 Christ the King</b>		
8:00 a.m.	Mass	Parish Ctr
9:15	Faith Formation (K-3)	Parish Ctr
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## Ministries for Nov 22

### Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

8:00 a.m.	Kim Thomas, Nanette Casha, Deb Buursta
10:30	Barb & Bruce Grzegorzczuk, Devin Hilla, Carol Schoenborn, Amy Wolf, Cathy Talbert

### Lectors

8:00 a.m.	Elyse Underhill (Reader 1), Jaymie Perry (Reader 2)
10:30	Patricia Roslund (Reader 1), Deb Morello (Reader 2), Joe Morello (Intentions)

### Altar Servers

8:00 a.m.	Isaac Perry, Kalib Perry
10:30	Ella Bingle, Eve Miller

### Ushers

8:00 a.m.	Jerry Casha (Lead), Bob Fox
10:30	Rich Conflitti (Lead), Joe Schmidt, Larry Flagg

### Saint Luke University Parish

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### ***Time to Look Ahead***

Here we are, the 15th of November, the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time of Church year B – our readings this Sunday are ominous – in a good way. The Gospel portends the signs of the end of time, and Jesus urges us to know how to interpret those signs for our own good. I think he means, we should always be alert to living our faith well, and looking for new ways to engage our faith lives more fully.

The final line of the Gospel is what drives us to be ready at any moment – because the end is known only by the Father. That gives us relief when we hear people forecasting precisely when the end of the world is coming, because they don't know. But it also grabs our hearts because it could happen anytime, and are we ready?

Our faith says Christ is coming again. Next week we celebrate Christ the King, the King to rule in God's Kingdom, which is nothing like any earthly kingdom. And Advent picks up the chant, "prepare for he who is coming," the Messiah and Lord. And we get the unexpected – God, come in human form, the entire Kingdom we await has entered the world and we seem content to see only a special baby born in manger.

On this 33rd Sunday, we can drop back and pause to think about all that is coming – and we need to, because the Christmas rush, the Jubilee year of Mercy, parish building, a new semester, Lent – Triduum – Easter and back to Ordinary Time are all about to break upon us, led by our parish's favorite Gospel, LUKE. I ask us all to take some time this week, before stuff really ramps up, to consider who Christ is and what he means to each of us and the whole world.

Luke's Gospel will remind us of the very compassionate Christ, who seeks to meet and eat with the lowly and outcast of Jesus' day and age. And he has not stopped, now through his disciples (us), he is eating and meeting with the lowly of our own day and age.

### ***Women's Fellowship***

Our next meeting is on Thursday, Nov. 19, at the Parish Center at 7 p.m. Bring a snack to share. Not joined yet? Please feel free to come join in and meet some of the other ladies from St. Luke's. All Christian ladies need a fun night out or a day away with some other Christian ladies, just to have a good relaxing time of fellowship.

It is on this foundation of Luke that the "Jubilee of Mercy" makes most sense. The Pope is hoping for something radical, that people will look to Christ first not as the afterthought in their everyday life. Specifically, the jubilee begins on the feast of the Immaculate Conception, that feast where the mystery of God's love became touchable in our world, where the Infinite, Eternal and Almighty God show's mercy to his sinful creation by deigning to become one of them, one of us. Hail Mary! The Lord is with you! Really! And the Lord is with us all.

Then, watch for what we Catholics so often do, we try to capture intangible spiritual realities with tangible signs – the Advent wreath reminds us of light drawing near. But this year, the Holy Doors of Mercy, first at St. Peter's, then St. John Lateran and every Cathedral in the world – the door to mercy is open, will we accept it?

Perhaps this will be a year for us to discover the Sacrament of Reconciliation anew? Or maybe we'll discover ways to give up grudges, or be the first to say we're sorry, or swallow our pride and not start an argument in the first place. Maybe this will be a year to let go of a debt, or to give someone an expected blessing. How will we tell the "God Mercy Story," that is, the unexpected "salvation and forgiveness from greater to lesser" story and recognize the power of doing so. Let's carry that idea into Lent.

By Easter, mercy helps us reflect that the bondage and tombs that keep us from loving (even loving and appreciating ourselves) are to be eternally broken open by the Resurrection of Christ. That's what we are getting to, the realization and joy of God's love.

Other methods the Church will suggest to us this year, alongside of reconciliation are: pilgrimages to holy sites or special churches; learning to understand ways of justice better and work to help our society understand what that means; making inroads to understanding with fellow Christians, fellow believers and even people of no or contradictory faiths.

So step back this Sunday, glimpse ahead – we know not the day nor the hour. But we do know the Father is coming (maybe quicker than we'd like). But Jesus is already here, that Kingdom of Mercy and Love is already here. Enter in, but take a step back to consider what you are entering into first.

-Fr. Brad



## SCRIP

The Clock Strikes Thank-Scrip-ing Day!

The holiday shopping season is here, and that means great deals from retailers! On November 26th from 12:00am – 11:59 pm partake in the highest rebate offers on popular ScripNow and ReloadNow prepaid cards and get your electronic cards delivered to you in minutes – just in time for Black Friday!

To participate, make sure you are registered with ShopwithScrip.com. If you need help, please contact Carol at 616-283-4449 and she will be happy to help you. If you use Presto-Pay, you will have your e-cards in minutes or you can use the mobile app MyScripWallet.com to pay for your purchases. You can also pay by check, but you must notify Carol so your order can be released and you can receive your e-cards in time for shopping. You must use the Reload Now option in order to receive your order in minutes. If you select Reload, it will take 24 hours to reload your card.

The list of retailers won't be released until the clock strikes 12 on Thanksgiving so you'll have to wait until then but last year's retailers were awesome! You can find flyers on the scrip table.

### “Adoption is SUPER”

Are babies ever unwanted? How much does adoption cost? Do birth moms have to say goodbye to their babies forever? Grand Rapids Students for Life will learn the answers to these questions and more during National Adoption Month. Students may come and share their own adoption stories too. Join the fun with Erin, student coordinator, at the “Adoption is SUPER” gathering on Tuesday, Nov. 17, at 4 p.m. at the Grand Rapids Right to Life office (2340 Porter St. SW, Wyoming). For more info or to RSVP for this event contact Erin at 616-532-2300 or at [info@grrtl.org](mailto:info@grrtl.org).

### Special Events at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

Sunday, Nov. 22 Solemnity of Christ the King and Saint Cecilia's Day

3:00 p.m. Free Concert by our new ensemble-in-residence Brass Action Quintet of Grand Valley State University assisted by the Bassment Boys. Come hear award-winning young musicians before they're famous!

### New building update

We have reached the point in the development of the plans for the building at our new location that allows the architects to start developing detailed aspects for the overall construction plan. Changes from the earlier plan are: the new location; change in the orientation of the building (was north/south now it will be east/west); and making the building a bit larger. Nothing has substantially changed from the earlier plans.

You are invited to come to an information session on Nov. 17 (Kirkhof Center, 2201 - on campus) or Dec. 1 (parish center) to see some drawings and hear about what is going on and a proposed timeline. Both are Tuesday evenings, 7-8:30 p.m.

### Cookie Exchange is Back!!

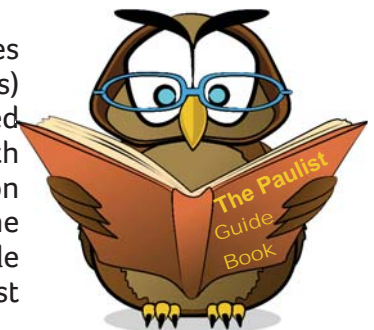
Sunday, December 6 on the Feast Day of St. Nicholas, 1PM, at the Parish Center. Bring 6 dozen cookies [1 dozen for sampling, 1 dozen for our GVSU students, and 4 dozen to be exchange/swaped]. Refreshments will be provided. Not for adults only. Bring the children!

### Girl Scouts Book Drive

Girl Scout Troop 3238 is sponsoring a book drive Nov. 7-18 to collect books for the Little Free Library they're building in the Allendale Township Park and for the Ottawa County Great Start Parent Coalition. Books can be for all ages. A bin will be available in the church entry way.

### Bird Feed for Sale

The Young Disciples (4th and 5th Graders) will be selling bird seed suet cakes after both the morning Masses on Sunday, Nov. 22. The proceeds from the sale will go to the Paulist Formation Program.



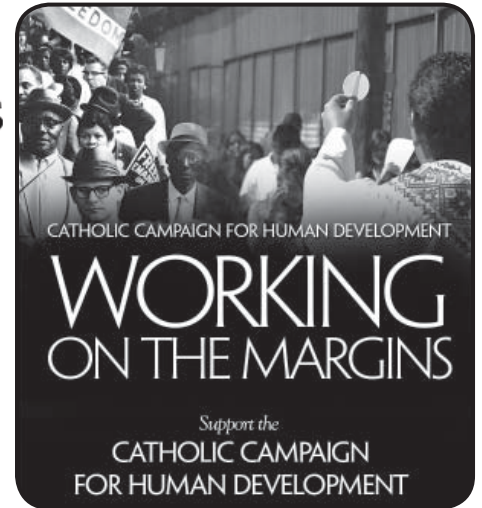
### Evening of Worship

Saturday, Nov. 21, Holy Spirit Parish at 7:30PM. Appropriate for ALL AGES and free -- come and be spiritually uplifted through contemporary song and prayer. This month's theme is “Discipleship.”



## DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

*Office of the Bishop*



November 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During World Youth Day 2013, Pope Francis said, “The measure of greatness of a society is found in the way it treats those most in need.” Through his words and actions, Pope Francis continues to draw our attention back to the Gospel message concerning care of the poor and our responsibility toward them. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) responds by addressing the root causes of poverty in the United States.

November 22 has been designated as the CCHD national collection in our parishes. This collection is the primary source of funding for the CCHD’s anti-poverty grants and education programs by giving a “hand up,” rather than a “handout.” CCHD helps people living in poverty join together to identify problems, make decisions, and find solutions to improve their lives and neighborhoods.

Of the CCHD funds collected in our parishes, 25 percent is retained by our diocese to help fund local anti-poverty projects. Through your generosity in 2014 four programs in West Michigan received grants. One such outreach is the Salvation Army’s Congregational Partnership Program. Using the rapid rehousing model, this program assists homeless families to obtain long-term stable housing pairing them with local church congregations. Another is Catholic Charities West Michigan’s Pregnancy Support Services which offers help and support to women throughout their pregnancies.

CCHD funded organizations that address poverty issues in a variety of areas including housing, education, neighborhood improvement, and criminal justice reform. One such organization, Ex-prisoners and Prisoners Organizing for Community Advancement (EPOCA), works to change the future for men and women returning to society after incarceration. Since inception, EPOCA has steadily grown in membership, influence, and vision. Today, its diverse team works with allies to win legislative victories that improve the lives of families around the country.

The CCHD collection offers new hope to those living in poverty throughout the United States. May our experience of God’s love continue to open our heart to those in need and move us to action.

Thank you for your continued support of this important outreach of the Church. For more information about the CCHD collection and the groups it funds, please visit [www.povertyusa.org](http://www.povertyusa.org)

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+ David J. Walkowiak*

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