



SAINT LUKE UNIVERSITY PARISH

GVSU CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

TWO MINISTRIES, ONE PARISH

November 29, 2015

Sunday Mass

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

Weekday Mass (Parish Ctr)

Advent Mass Monday, **5 p.m.**
Word & Communion Service Wednesday, **7 p.m.**
Friday, **5 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.

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In those days,
at that time,
I will make a
just shoot spring
up for David;
he shall do
what is right
and just
in the land.
Jeremiah 33:15

Altar flowers this Sunday:

Given in memory of Anthony Geglio by Bill & Kim Geglio

Readings for 1st Week of Advent

Sun.,	11/29	First Sunday of Advent Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Mon.,	11/30	Andrew, Apostle Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8,9,10,11; Mt 4:18-22
Tue.,	12/01	Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wed.,	12/02	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37
Thu.,	12/03	Francis Xavier, Priest Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri.,	12/04	John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Sat.,	12/05	Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sun.,	12/06	Second Sunday of Advent Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Faith Formation

**No Faith Formation, Young Disciples
or Youth Ministry this week.**

Classes resume next week Dec. 6.

**Adult Bible Study
Meets Dec. 2**

SACRAMENTS AT SAINT LUKE

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

Food Pantry Needs**Spaghetti & Pasta**

The food pantry is looking for store bought spaghetti sauce and pasta. Please consider donating extra.

Our next pantry day: Dec. 3

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.

This Week...**Sun., Nov 29 1st Sunday of Advent**

		No Faith Formation, YM, or YD	
8:00 a.m.	Mass	For Our People	Parish Ctr
10:30	Mass	+ Mary Ann Taylor	Parish Ctr
4:30 p.m.	Choir Practice		Cook-DeWitt
5:30	Mass	Thanksgiving	Cook-DeWitt

Mon., Nov 30

9:30 a.m.	Advent Pastor Conversation		Biggby Allendale
5:00 p.m.	Mass	+ Robert Corlett	Parish Ctr
7:00	Exposition & Adoration		Cook-DeWitt
7:00	Confession		Cook-DeWitt Rm 120

Tues., Dec 1

7:00 p.m.	Parish Building Information Meeting		Parish Ctr
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Wed., Dec 2

7:00 p.m.	Word & Communion Service		Parish Ctr
7:30	Bible Study		Parish Ctr
7:30	Choir Practice		Parish Ctr

Thurs., Dec 3

3:30 p.m.	Food Pantry		Parish Ctr
8:00	Corpus Christi Student Group		Thornapple Rm

Fri., Dec 4

5:00 p.m.	Mass	Patricia Tierney	Parish Ctr
5:30	Reconciliation		Parish Ctr

Sat., Dec 5

7:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship		Parish Ctr
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Sun., Dec 6 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m.	Mass		Parish Ctr
9:15	First Communion Parent Meeting		Parish Ctr
9:15	Faith Formation (K-3)		Parish Ctr
10:30	Mass		Parish Ctr
1:00 p.m.	Cookie Exchange & St. Nick Fest		Parish Ctr
2:00	Youth Ministry		Thornapple Rm
2:15	Young Disciples (4-5)		Cook-DeWitt
2:30	Confirmation Parent Session		Kirkoff Ctr
4:30	Choir Practice		Cook-DeWitt
5:30	Mass		Cook-DeWitt

Ministries for Dec 6**Lectors**

8:00 a.m.	Jason Horton (Reader 1), Terri Rowland (Reader 2)
10:30	Patricia Roslund (Reader 1), John Graveline (Reader 2), Val Lehti (Intentions)

Altar Servers

8:00 a.m.	Ethan Thomas, Katina Nadda
10:30	Simon Morgan, Grace Morgan

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

8:00 a.m.	Sheryl Horton, Pat Warren, Shirley Valentovich
10:30	Rod Morgan, Amy Wolf, Devin Hilla, Barb & Bruce Grzegorzcyk, Linda Mitchell

Ushers

8:00 a.m.	Tim Rowland (Lead), Sue Sandberg
10:30	Rich Conflitti (Lead), Howard Lehti, Joe Schmidt

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Year of Mercy

Aren't indulgences part of a Jubilee Year?

When speaking about this, the Holy Father brings a new understanding to this traditional aspect of a Jubilee Year.

A Jubilee also entails the granting of indulgences. This practice will acquire an even more important meaning in the Holy Year of Mercy. God's forgiveness knows no bounds. In the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God makes even more evident his love and its power to destroy all human sin. Reconciliation with God is made possible through the paschal mystery and the mediation of the Church. Thus God is always ready to forgive, and he never tires of forgiving in ways that are continually new and surprising. Nevertheless, all of us know well the experience of sin. We know that we are called to perfection (cf. Mt 5:48), yet we feel the heavy burden of sin. Though we feel the transforming power of grace, we also feel the effects of sin typical of our fallen state. Despite being forgiven, the conflicting consequences of our sins remain. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God forgives our sins, which he truly blots out; and yet sin leaves a negative effect on the way we think and act. But the mercy of God is stronger even than this. It becomes indulgence on the part of the Father who, through the Bride of Christ, his Church, reaches the pardoned sinner and frees him from every residue left by the consequences of sin, enabling him to act with charity, to grow in love rather than to fall back into sin.

The Church lives within the communion of the saints. In the Eucharist, this communion, which is a gift from God, becomes a spiritual union binding us to the saints and blessed ones whose number is beyond counting (cf. Rev 7:4). Their holiness comes to the aid of our weakness in a way that enables the Church, with her maternal prayers and her way of life, to fortify the weakness of some with the strength of others. Hence, to live the indulgence of the Holy Year means to approach the Father's mercy with the certainty that his forgiveness extends to the entire life of the believer. To gain an indulgence is to experience the holiness of the Church, who bestows upon all the fruits of Christ's redemption, so that God's love and forgiveness may extend everywhere. Let us live this Jubilee intensely, begging the Father to forgive our sins and to bathe us in his merciful "indulgence." (MV, par. 22)

How do I receive an indulgence of the Jubilee Year of Mercy?

On September 1, 2015, Pope Francis wrote to Archbishop Rino Fisichella, the President of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization, about the **reception of the Jubilee Indulgence**. Pope Francis wrote

It is important that this moment (a pilgrimage to a Holy Door) be linked, first and foremost, to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to the celebration of

the Holy Eucharist with a reflection on mercy. It will be necessary to accompany these celebrations with the profession of faith and with prayer for me and for the intentions that I bear in my heart for the good of the Church and of the entire world.

The Jubilee Indulgence is **not limited to just those who are able to go on pilgrimage**. The Holy Father continued in his letter

Additionally, I am thinking of those for whom, for various reasons, it will be impossible to enter the Holy Door, particularly the sick and people who are elderly and alone, often confined to the home. For them it will be of great help to live their sickness and suffering as an experience of closeness to the Lord who in the mystery of his Passion, death and Resurrection indicates the royal road which gives meaning to pain and loneliness. Living with faith and joyful hope this moment of trial, receiving communion or attending Holy Mass and community prayer, even through the various means of communication, will be for them the means of obtaining the Jubilee Indulgence. My thoughts also turn to those incarcerated, whose freedom is limited. The Jubilee Year has always constituted an opportunity for great amnesty, which is intended to include the many people who, despite deserving punishment, have become conscious of the injustice they worked and sincerely wish to re-enter society and make their honest contribution to it. May they all be touched in a tangible way by the mercy of the Father who wants to be close to those who have the greatest need of his forgiveness. They may obtain the Indulgence in the chapels of the prisons. May the gesture of directing their thought and prayer to the Father each time they cross the threshold of their cell signify for them their passage through the Holy Door, because the mercy of God is able to transform hearts, and is also able to transform bars into an experience of freedom.

Year of Mercy Continued

In times past, to receive an indulgence required people to be involved in often-rigorous actions. Pope Francis opens our lives to God's love when he offers the Church

... in this Jubilee Year to rediscover the richness encompassed by the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. The experience of mercy, indeed, becomes visible in the witness of concrete signs as Jesus himself taught us. Each time that one of the faithful personally performs one or more of these actions, he or she shall surely obtain the Jubilee Indulgence. Hence the commitment to live by mercy so as to obtain the grace of complete and exhaustive forgiveness by the power of the love of the Father who excludes no one. The Jubilee Indulgence is thus full, the fruit of the very event which is to be celebrated and experienced with faith, hope and charity.

~frchuck

Christmas Flowers

You are invited to donate towards the purchase of our Christmas poinsettias “In Memory of ...” or “In honor of...” loved ones or friends. A suggested donation of \$15 per name/ poinsettia will assist us in continuing the tradition of making our worship space beautiful for Christmas. Envelopes are available in your envelope packet and on the welcome table. They can be returned via the Sunday offertory basket. Deadline is Dec. 15, in order to have the names published in the Christmas bulletin.



SCRIP

Chocolate Lovers! Ghirardelli scrip is available for the holidays! \$25 Ghirardelli gift cards are available with a 10% rebate. Ghirardelli has a 150-year history of making distinctively rich, slow-melting and unforgettable premium chocolate. Available during the holiday season only.

eBay Buyers! eBay ScripNow® has joined the scrip program. Earn rebates on your spontaneous online shopping now available in \$20 and \$100 denominations with a 3% rebate.

The perfect gift, every time. The eBay Gift Card is the perfect way to give them exactly what they're hoping for—even if you don't know what that is.

If you haven't tried ScripNow yet, give it a shot today! You can shop online and redeem them at checkout. You can even order and redeem eCards from MyScripWallet™ on your phone, so your ScripNow is always with you. Plus, when you pay for your order with PrestoPay™, your ScripNow is delivered to your account in minutes - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Mass on Monday during Advent

We will have a 5 p.m. daily Mass on Monday during the Season of Advent.

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 Dec. 1, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the parish center**, to see some drawings and hear about what is going on and a proposed timeline.

Cookie Exchange is Back!!

Sunday, December 6 on the Feast Day of St. Nicholas, 1 p.m., at the Parish Center. Bring 6 dozen cookies [1 dozen for sampling, 1 dozen for our GVSU students, and 4 dozen to be exchanged/swapped]. Refreshments will be provided. Not for adults only. Bring the children! A special appearance from St. Nicholas children will not want to miss.



Knights of Columbus at Peppino's

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, from 5-9 p.m. Peppino's Restaurant will donate 15% of your food purchase to the St. Luke University Parish Knights of Columbus Council. These funds will be used to support the Knight's charitable activities within the parish and local community.

**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



Paolo Puccini
Second Year Theology
Hometown: Houston, TX



Colin Mulhall
Theology
Hometown: Caledonia, MI



Calling all hunters, anglers, and outdoor-enthusiasts: Join us for a fun evening for a great cause with wildgame dinner, raffle prizes, games, and special guest speaker Denny Geurink on Saturday, Jan. 16 from 3-6 p.m. at Second Church in Allendale. All funds raised will go to Love INC of Allendale to help people in need. Tickets are \$15 in advanced and \$20 after Jan. 8. For more information, please call Love INC at 895-5683

Visit Aquinas College

Aquinas College is hosting two AQDays for high school juniors and seniors interested in visiting their beautiful 117-acre campus. You're invited to come and discover what life at AQ is all about. Get the inside scoop on academics, athletics, scholarships, service learning, study abroad, and more. Friday, Dec. 4: General AQDay (open to all academic majors). Saturday, Dec. 12: Athletic AQDay (open to student-athletes) Please visit aquinas.edu/undergraduate for more details or to register.

PJM 2015 CHRISTMAS DRIVE



The Diocese of Grand Rapids is asking parishioners for donations to the annual Prison/Jail Ministry Christmas Drive. The donated items will be used at the various jails, work release centers, women & children shelters, and juvenile detention centers within the Grand Rapids Diocese.

Deadline is Dec. 15.

They are collecting: **NEW** packaged white tube socks and **NEW** reading glasses, **PLASTIC** framed, in +1.00 to +1.75 strengths.



ICONS OF GOD'S MERCY:

Emmanuel, Pope Francis and You, Dec 14, 7 p.m., St. Mary's Church in Marne. Pope Francis has declared a Jubilee Year of Mercy. Discover again a God who is kind and merciful in the pages of the Old Testament and the Gospels, in the teachings and ministry of Pope Francis. Fr. Phil Shangraw is a priest of the Diocese of Grand Rapids who lives like a monk and serves as needed in parishes around our diocese. He is highly sought after for his ability to inspire. The evening will begin with Evening Prayer, followed by Father Shangraw's presentation, and concludes with refreshments and discussion. Everyone in the community is invited to attend this FREE event. A Christmas Gift to you from St. Mary's Parish.

