25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?" - Lk 16:11

"Si ustedes no son fieles administradores del dinero, tan lleno de injusticias, ¿quién les confiará los bienes verdaderos?" - Lc 16, 10-11
ARE WE REALLY THAT BUSY?
BY FR. MARK MOSSA, SJ-DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS MINISTRY

Every time I receive a note that begins, “I know you’re busy . . .” it makes me sad. We almost presume that everyone is too busy for us, and so we hedge our bets, assuming that they will have to say “no.” As a priest, teacher, and simply as a human being, I don’t want it to be the case that I am not available to people! So, I’m quick to tell students and others, “PLEASE bother me.” I don’t ever want to be so busy that someone presumes, without even asking, that they are a bother to me. What I’m busy with may be important, but it’s not more important than them, even if at times I can’t be available right away. This is all due, I think, to the fact that we have come to presume that busyness is just the normal state of affairs, and so our first response is sometimes, “do I have time for this?” instead of “when can I do this?” It’s almost as if we are under pressure to be busy. But, maybe we are not as busy as we think we are.

I think that many of us just need a change of mindset. Instead of wondering how we can possibly find the time for other things and other people, we ought to be wondering how we can be more present to others, to ourselves and to God. Imagine removing yourself from your busyness for 30 days of silent prayer. That’s what St. Ignatius had in mind when he created The Spiritual Exercises. Impossible? How about 8 or 5 days? More possible? St. Ignatius knew that not everyone would be able to find the time to remove themselves so completely from their day-to-day life, so he made the Exercises adaptable in such a way that people could even do a version of the retreat in their daily life. In that spirit, twice a year here at St. Mary, we invite undergrads, grads, and young professionals to choose to be present to God in prayer for 15-20 minutes a day, and present with a spiritual companion for 40 minutes a week, for a Retreat in Daily Life. This is a great opportunity to practice being present to God, to another person, and to your life! A chance to find God in the everyday, instead of busyness. The retreat begins with a kickoff event on September 29, where retreatants and companions will meet, and plan their time together, and the retreat will continue until just before the Thanksgiving break. Give it a try, and I bet that by setting aside this time for your relationship with God, you’ll find that you are not as busy as you thought you were.

Registration and information is now available through the parish website http://bit.ly/2luYSbb. Contact me at mmossa@smsspnewman.org with any questions. You are not too busy for this, so why not register right now! Deadline to register is Monday, September 23.
MEETINGS & EVENTS: SEPT 22–SEPT 29

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
Children’s Liturgy
10:15 AM
Newman Hall+

ESL
12:45 PM
Donnelly Hall

Hispanic/Latino Children’s Lit
2:00 PM
Donnelly Hall

St. Mary Discussion Group
3:00 PM
Donnelly Hall

Catechist Retreat
7:00 PM
Newman Hall+

Reconciliation
7:30 PM
Church

Liturgical Ministry Training
7:30 PM
Church

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
Centering Prayer
6:30 PM
Richard Room

Bible Study
7:00 PM
Rectory Lounge

Born for Joy
7:00 PM
Monteith Room

Grad/YP Spiritual Directions
7:00 PM
Church

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
Rosary
5:45 PM
Donnelly Hall

Catechist Planning Session
5:45 PM
Newman Hall

Adoration
6:00 PM
Donnelly Hall

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
Reconciliation
6:00 PM
Donnelly Hall

RCIA
7:00 PM
Newman Hall

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
Ig.nite
5:10 PM
Newman Hall

ASB Information Meeting
7:00 PM
Donnelly Hall

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
8:30 AM
Mass for
Clementine & Joe Springer
52nd Anniversary

10:00 AM
Mass for
+Irene Pyzik

12:00 PM
Mass for
People of the Parish

12:10 PM
Mass for

5:00 PM
Mass for

9:00 PM
Mass for

WEDDING BANNS
September 28
Sebastian Alcantara & Guadalupe Hernandez

October 12
Sara Johnson & Andrew Romeo
Angela Guo & Matthew Carey

October 13
Lindsay Rye & Matthew Lewandowski

October 19
Trisha Guerrero & Ronald Deang

OFFICE HOURS & MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, Noon, 2:00 PM (Spanish), 5:00 PM & 9:00 PM
DAILY MASSES Monday-Thursday 5:10 PM & Friday 12:10 PM
OFFICE HOURS Sunday 8:00 AM-9:00 PM, Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM-9:00 PM, Friday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM & Saturday Varies
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Wednesday 6:00-6:45 PM, Sunday 7:30-8:15 PM or by appointment
**Faith Doing Justice**

**45TH ANNUAL CROP HUNGER WALK—SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6**

Let’s walk together to raise awareness about hunger and food insecurity and, of course, to raise money for programs doing so. The steps we take - and the funds we raise - will make a real impact! Join us starting at 2:00 PM at St Clare Church/ Beth Emeth Temple on Packard in Ann Arbor.

A representative will be in the atrium after Masses today. Sponsored by Church World Service, this annual ecumenical, interfaith walk raises funds for local as well as international hunger fighting agencies. Donors can designate Catholic Relief Services as a recipient if desired.

**CATHOLIC WORKER CELEBRATION—SUNDAY, SEPT 29 FROM 9:30-NOON**

Come celebrate with us! August marked 5 years that Mercy House has been at 805 Huron and Sept is the first birthday of Peace House, Ypsilanti. Join us in Newman Hall to eat, socialize and learn about The Catholic Worker movement, and the local houses of hospitality. To get a sense of what we are about, here is an excerpt of Mercy House’s mission statement “In forming this community, we dedicate ourselves to fostering relationships of kindness, gentleness, generosity and mercy among ourselves, and to supporting and encouraging each other in works of mercy. As a community, we dedicate ourselves to daily works of mercy in all their manifestations—words and actions by which we care for others.” Come learn more and celebrate with us! If you are unable to come but would like more info on the Houses and how to support their work, contact Anna Boesch aboesch@smspnewman.org  Hope to see you there!

**Grad Group/Young Professionals**

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTIONS**

**MON, SEP 23 | 7:00 PM**

The peaks and valleys in our faith journey provide some of the most illuminating lessons of our lives. Inspired by The Moth storytelling feature on NPR and the power of sharing our faith journeys with others, we invite you to an evening of sharing in and learning from the stories of one another’s faith journeys!

We will hear from several members of the Grad/YP community as they tell us the story of a significant moment in their own faith journeys. After sharing, there will be time for discussion and fellowship.

We hope that you will join us for this special evening to grow in faith both individually and as a community!

**MASS & DINNER**

**MON, OCT 7 | 7:00 PM**

Monthly Mass & Dinner for Grad/YP. Join us to worship, connect, and enjoy a delicious dinner with our Grad/YP community.

For more information or to be added to our email list, contact the Grad/YP Lead Team at smsp.grads.lead@umich.edu or Fr. Joe at jwagner@smspnewman.org

**RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE**

SEPTEMBER 30-NOVEMBER 17

Registration is now open for the Fall Retreat in Daily Life, that will take place from September 30-November 17. Participants commit to daily prayer of 15-30 minutes, and a weekly meeting with a spiritual companion for about 45 minutes. This is a great opportunity to deepen your relationship with God this first semester, especially for those who can’t take a weekend away for our other retreats.

Contact Fr. Mark Mossa for further information mmossa@smspnewman.org or register at http://bit.ly/2luYSbb. Sign up by Monday, September 23.
**Undergraduate Events**

**CIDER IN THE COURTYARD**
SUN, SEP 29 | 3:00-5:00 PM
Take a study break and enjoy a fall afternoon with your friends! We will have yard games, cider, doughnuts, and a lot of fun. Feel free to stay as long as you'd like.

**PARENTS/FAMILY WEEKEND MASS & BRUNCH**
SAT, OCT 5 | 9:00-11:00 AM
Students and their families are invited to join St. Mary Student Parish for Mass at 9AM followed by a delicious brunch before heading out to the football game! You'll meet our Pastor and staff and learn how - for nearly 100 years - St. Mary has encouraged Catholic students to grow in faith as they grow in knowledge.
Please RSVP Danielle Kopin dkopin@smspnewman.org

**LOVE GOD? LOVE MUSIC?**
Join the SMSP Music Ministry and come sing and or play as we "Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord!" We are looking for more musicians at all of our Masses, including Grad/YP and Ig.Nite.
Please speak with the director at each Mass or email Kristin Berger, Music Coordinator kberger@smspnewman.org.

**RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE FOR STUDENTS**
Participants commit to daily prayer of 15-30 minutes, and a weekly meeting with a spiritual companion for about 45 minutes. This is a great opportunity to deepen your relationship with God this first semester, especially for those who can't take a weekend away for our other retreats.
Registration and information: http://bit.ly/2luY5bb. Contact Fr. Mark mmossa@smspnewman.org with any questions.
Deadline to register is Monday, September 23.

**LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING**
SUN, SEPT 22 | 7:30-8:30 PM
SMSP is hosting a training for Liturgical Ministers. This training is for readers and Eucharistic Ministers. Whether you've been trained at your home church or you'd like to become a new Liturgical minister, please attend this quick training! No RSVP needed - simply show up at this training event.
Contact Lanette lmele@umich.edu or Emily Wittrup ewittrup@umich.edu

**Ig.nite**
THURSDAYS AT 5:10 PM
St. Ignatius told his fellow Jesuits to “go forth and set the world on fire.” Our undergraduate-led ministry draws its inspiration from Ignatius with a dual purpose: to welcome students into the parish, bringing them together as an under-graduate community through celebrating mass, sharing a meal, and also to allow you to engage with faith as it interacts in your everyday life as a college student.
Ig.nite meets every Thursday of the academic year (except holidays) for a student-led 5:10 pm mass in the church followed by a meal, some guided conversation, and socializing. The evening typically wraps up by 7:00 pm.
Contact Brian bcerabona@smspnewman.org

**SUNDAY NIGHTS**
SMSP is open until 10:30 PM for students. Enjoy snacks in the Newman Lounge.
Monday-Thursday Nights SMSP is open until 10 PM for students only to hang out and/or study!

**FALL RETREAT**
SAVE THE DATE! OCT 18-20
UNDERGRAD FALL RETREAT
Nourish Your Spirit

TUESDAYS | 6:00-9:30 PM
Eucharistic Adoration is a time to reflect and pray quietly before the Lord. People are invited to come when they can and stay as long as they like.
Contact Emily ewittrup@umich.edu

PRAY THE ROSARY
TUESDAYS AFTER THE 5:10 PM MASS
Reciting this ancient and powerful prayer with others can be a heart-opening experience and a way to promote peace in the world and in ourselves. We will provide you the texts of the prayers if needed. If you have intentions for which you’d like us to pray, or any questions, please send them to Toni weena@umich.edu

PARISH BIBLE STUDY
MONDAYS | 7:00-8:30 PM
Why not start the school year off right by learning more about your faith? Please consider joining St. Mary's Bible Study in delving into the Old Testament. (NO HOMEWORK, we promise.) In a relaxed setting, we’ll open the Scriptures, practice small group faith sharing & enjoy snacks on Mondays, 7-8:30 pm. We’d love to have you join us!
Contact Kathy Ann 734.668.7437

CENTERING PRAYER
MONDAYS | 6:30 PM
Centering Prayer is a silent practice of prayer that rests on the faith that Christ is present within by His Holy Spirit. It is an excellent preparation for contemplative prayer, which is a grace or gift bestowed by God. The first Monday of each month we listen to an introduction to centering prayer and then pray for 20 minutes. Otherwise, we typically sit and pray for two 20-minute sessions with a short meditative walk in between. All are welcome.
Contact Serena serena68@comcast.net

LGBT OUTREACH MINISTRY
1ST & 3RD TUES | 7-8:30 PM
Meetings are private and confidential. As a diverse community of believers, we respect each person as a unique reflection of God’s presence in our midst. We commit ourselves to being a community of care, support, formation, reconciliation, and witness to justice with and among gay and lesbian persons, parents, family members, and friends. We teach that all love comes from God and focus on helping people reconcile their faith with their orientation. We provide a safe space for discussion, healing, and prayer. Together we reflect on Scripture and listen to the lived experiences of gay and lesbian persons and their allies.
Contact: Rodrigo rodi_cg@hotmail.com or Cynthia jcynthia@umich.edu

SMSP MUSIC MINISTRY
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INFANT BAPTISM
Baptism classes are held in English and Spanish one Monday evening each month. Information packets are available in the parish office and should be picked up at least one week prior to class date.
Please visit the baptism section on our webpage for our baptism requirements here at St. Mary Student Parish: https://tinyurl.com/ybj7m83I
BAPTISM CLASS DATES: ATTEND ONE CLASS
ONLY—Sept 30, Oct 28, Nov 11 & Dec 9
Contact Carol ckonczal@umich.edu for English
Contact Amy aketner@smspnewman.org for Spanish

BORN FOR JOY
MONDAYS | 7:00 PM
A 12-step recovery group for men (ages 18+), who struggle with sexual acting out/pornography and are sincerely looking for hope and help in a community of fellow strugglers. Visit www.saa-recovery.org
Women of every age are invited to connect, be inspired, and celebrate their faith with one another. This year’s theme: Journeying In Hope. Guest speakers will be providing their insights each month. September’s guest speaker will be Tom Lumpkin who will share on Hope for World Peace.

We meet the second Thursday of each month, from September to May, from 10:15 to 12:00 noon in Donnelly Hall.

- Oct. 10 - Jim Gartland, S.J. Hope for the Future of the Church
- Nov. 14 - Carol Weber, O.P. and Associate of the New Life Center in Flint Hope for Victims of Poverty and Oppression
- Dec.12 - Patty Gillis - Dominican Associate Hope for the World and for Our Children - Environmental Sustainability
- January 9 - Mariane Fahlman, O.P. - Professor in Health Science - Wayne State University Hope for Personal Change, Healing and Happiness
- February 13 - Barb Cervenka, O.P. / Marion Jackson - Art Educators Hope for Transformation through Creativity - Detroit
- March 12 - Carleen Maly, O.P. Director - Dominican Literacy Center - Adrian Hope through Education
- April 16 - Patricia Walter, O.P. - Theology Professor - Retired Hope for Eternal Life
- May 14 - Sister Carol and Nancy Closing Session

Contact Patty pmmm@comcast.net or Phyllis pbmclaughlin@comcast.net

**SMALL CHURCH COMMUNITY (SCC)**

Small Church Communities are a great way to meet new friends while deepening faith through sharing and studying the Sunday readings. Groups will meet for seven weeks this fall. Sign up online for a group that fits your schedule or personal needs.

Register by Sept. 23: https://tinyurl.com/y68qj6t
For information, contact Rita rzyber@smspnewman.org

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

Each year, we guide and walk with a group of people who are thinking about becoming Catholic, and those who want to complete their Confirmation as an adult. Our meetings are held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays, beginning on Sept. 11. Join us at the meeting, or contact one of us to talk. We are happy to discuss what God might be calling you to explore.

For information, contact Rita rzyber@smspnewman.org 663-0557, ext 230 or Fr. Joe jwagner@smspnewman.org. 663-0557, ext 225.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**

**SUN, SEPT 29 | 6:30 PM**

All area high school students are invited to the next gathering of the Youth Group. The group meets two Sunday evenings a month throughout the school year to help students meet new friends, to hang out, and to talk about the ways God is present in your busy lives. U-M college students lead the gatherings.

Future Youth Group nights are set for Oct. 20 and 27, Nov. 10 and 24. For more info contact Rita Zyber at rzyber@smspnewman.org

**CATHOLIC THINKERS BOOK CLUB**

**SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH | 7:00 PM—8:30 PM**

All are welcome and encouraged to participate in The St Mary Student Parish Catholic Thinkers Book Club. The books we will be reading and discussing are listed below. The books will be available for purchase from Literati Bookstore.

**FALL BOOKS**

- **OCTOBER 8 - Jesus and the Disinherited.** Howard Thurman. Amazon review called this book a "manual of resistance for the poor and disinherited".

- **NOVEMBER 12 - Here I Stand. A Life of Martin Luther.** Roland Bainton. Bainton was an English theological historian. This book is noted as "the definitive introduction to Martin Luther and is essential reading for anyone seeking to understand this towering historical figure".

- **DECEMBER 10 - Heretics and Heroes.** Thomas Cahill. This book is Volume VI of a series of histories written by Cahill. It takes a broader view of the times of the reformation and includes the "humanism of the Renaissance and the radical religious alterations of the Reformation".

Contact John Paglione if you have any questions about the book club at jgpone@sbcglobal.net. If you are not already on the Book Club e-mail list and wish to be included please send an email to John.
We’re almost there! We have reached about 85% of our DSA goal of $88,896. Some of you mentioned you still need to send in your contribution. Please do so and thank to those who have. If we reach our goal, about one third will come back to us to support our Latino Ministry and Campus Ministry efforts. Let’s reach our goal. Thank you for your generosity.

If you have not yet made a gift or a pledge, I invite you to do so today. Gift envelopes are available at both church entrances or the parish office. Or you may submit your gift online at www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa.

**FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020**  
*Year-to-Date Offering Report as of 09/15/2019*

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WELCOME THE STRANGER AMONG US
FRI OCT 11 | 8:30 AM-3:30 PM
The goal of this conference on Pastoral Care of Immigrants is to inform the participants about the reality of immigration and the immigrants in our Diocese, and to provide tools to bring pastoral care and protection to immigrants, all from the perspective of the Catholic faith.

SPEAKERS:
F. JAVIER OROZCO—Executive Director of Human Dignity and Intercultural Affairs for the Archdiocese of St. Louis.
SISTER ATTRACTIONA KELLY, OP—Director of the Office of Immigration Assistance for the Adrian Dominican Sisters.
FR. TIMOTHY NELSON—Pastor at St. Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Church and Sacred Heart Community in Jackson.
AMY KETNER—Hispanic/Latino Ministry Coordinator at St. Mary Student Parish in Ann Arbor will present “Better Practices on Pastoral Care to Immigrants.”
Open to anyone interested in learning why and how to welcome and care for the immigrants in the Diocese of Lansing.
Bishop Earl Boyea will celebrate Mass.
For details and tickets, go to https://www.eventbee.com/v/welcomethestranger#tickets

IMMIGRATION DRIVERS' ORIENTATION
MON, SEP 30 | 6:30 PM or SUN, OCT 27 | 1:00 PM
Would you like to support your fellow parishioners who are immigrants? Do you have a valid driver’s license? If so, please join us at one of two upcoming orientations for Immigration Drivers to learn how to provide rides to our fellow parishioners.
Facilitated by the St. Mary Immigration Team, this orientation will explain why some of our parishioners are in need of rides, and what to expect when driving a fellow parishioner. There will also be an opportunity to meet other drivers, and to share experiences and ask questions.
Whether you have already provided several rides, or are just curious to learn more, you are welcome! Please join us at St. Mary either Monday, September 30th at 6:30 PM or Sunday, October 27th at 1:00 PM.
Contact Amy Ketner aketner@smspnewman.org if you are interested in attending. We hope you will join us!

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
The church has been celebrating the World Day of Migrants and Refugees since 1914. It is an occasion to express concern for many different vulnerable people on the move, to pray for the challenges migrants face and to increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers.
Pope Francis has chosen the theme “It is not just about migrants” to help us recognize our blind spots and ensure that no one remains excluded from society, whether a longtime resident or someone newly-arrived.
The materials found at http://jesuitmigrantsolidarity.org/ and www.jesuits.org/migration is for you to download, use and share... to help overcome fear with hope!
In addition, the Jesuit Provincials have successful petitioned for a meeting with Acting Secretary of Homeland Security, Kevin McAleenan on October 10 in Washington D.C. to express our concerns with the current treatment of migrants and asylum seekers (Walking with the Excluded). Among the concerns raised will be detention of migrant children, gang violence and environmental destruction.

IG.NITE SPONSORSHIP
St. Ignatius told his followers to "go set the world on fire". Our undergraduate ministry draws its inspiration from Ignatius with welcoming students into the parish, bringing them together in the Eucharist, sharing a meal together, and engaging them with our faith and how our faith makes a difference on our everyday lives.
Ignite meets every Thursday with Mass at 5:10 P.M. followed by a meal and brief testimony of faith.. We typically wrap things up by 7:00 PM. We are looking for parish sponsors of these evenings. Typically we have 200 students and the cost of the evening is $800. If you would like to sponsor an evening and come along with your family to be part of the evening, we would love to have you join us. Thanks for your generous support.
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**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**


To add or remove a name: stmarys@umich.edu or call the office 734-663-0557.
SEPTEMBER 22  
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I  Am  8:4-7
Psalm  Ps  113:1-2, 4-8
Reading II  1 Tm  2:1-8
Gospel  Lk  16:1-13

Amos cries out against those who exploit the poor for the sake of extortion and greed. They seek to serve only themselves rather than the Lord. By giving ourselves to God rather than money, we can truly pray with blameless hands for all those in need, especially the poor whom the Lord will raise up.

SEPTEMBER 29  
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I  Am  6:1a, 4-7
Psalm  Ps  146:7-10
Reading II  1 Tm  6:11-16
Gospel  Lk  16:19-31

Amos condemns the complacency of the rich who seek only their own comfort. In his parable about the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus echoes Amos, exhorting those who have to share with those who have not. Self-sufficiency must never blind us to the needs of others. Only in this way do we keep God’s commandments in integrity and in truth.
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