Food for Thought.....

Papal Tweets
Pope Francis @Pontifex

♦ Today is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Let us work and pray.

♦ Lord, help us always to be more generous and closer to poor families.

Please Note

♦ Monday, September 7th (Labor Day) there will be no 7:30 a.m. Mass. Mass will be celebrated at St. Lucy Church at 9:00 a.m.

♦ The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 7th for the holiday and will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th.

♦ Our new statue, Our Lady Queen of the Universe will be blessed on Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m. Please join us in front of the statue on Morningside. All are welcome.

♦ On September 11th, Friday morning Mass will start at 8:30 a.m. for the duration of the school year.

♦ Next weekend, we will celebrate Grandparents Day with a special blessing at our Masses.
Happy Labor Day Holiday! We all know that this marks the “unofficial” end of the summer. How fast time has flown!! Hopefully everyone can take that additional break on Sunday and Monday and enjoy at least two days of rest and relaxation from the fruits of our labors.

I want to thank all those on staff at our parish and school. They all labor so hard for the good of the parish and the school. They are very dedicated in what they do and strive to bring the best to the people of Our Lady Star of the Sea. There are also a host of super volunteers who labor and give their all through a wide variety of ministries and volunteer opportunities to enhance the parish, bring people closer to the Lord and help build a stronger community. There are many who go above and beyond the call of duty and give countless of hours without counting the cost! To the staff and all these volunteers – a very grateful thanks for all you do and I hope that this Labor Day God will continue to bless you and reward you for your goodness!

As we celebrate Labor Day this weekend, we know we are blessed to take and enjoy such a holiday. Truly, work is a good thing and we take the time to not only honor working men and women but to celebrate the meaning and value of work.

We find in our Hebrew scriptures the important relationship between people and the land and their work (Leviticus 25). We are also reminded that all these things come from God and we work the resources of the earth in order to benefit each and every member of society. In this way we share in the continued creation of God as we also direct our human work and activity toward God.

As we celebrate our work and rest from it this weekend, perhaps we might be a little more aware of some of the economic and work related injustices that are present in our society and world. Our faith calls us to form economic policies that protect human dignity, promote strong families and create active, vibrant communities. One fundamental moral test in any society is how well the poor, the weak and the vulnerable are faring.

Labor Day is a day to remember that a person is more valuable for what she or he is than for what they have. We all come together — workers and employers, entrepreneurs and union leaders, trades people and policy makers — to build a society that respects each person and their work. May we enjoy this Labor Day weekend as we rest from our labors and pray for an increase of respect for all people, no matter what they do, because they are all created in God’s image and love.

** Please join us for Mass on Labor Day. We will celebrate the day at St. Lucy Church at 9 a.m.
** Our school begins Tuesday. Many are happy. Many are sad. But time tells us it is time to reconvene. We do so, however, with some wonderful improvements in the school and on campus. Thank you for your prayers and support for our school students, faculty and staff.
** At 7 pm Tuesday, Sept. 8, feast of the Birth of Our Blessed Mother, we will gather for a blessing upon our new statue, Our Lady Queen of the Universe. All are welcome. Please gather in front of the statue on Morningside.
** Remember beginning this Friday Mass will now be at 8:30 am.
** Next weekend, we will celebrate Grandparents Day with a special blessing at our Masses. Please invite the grandparents in your life to be present, and then maybe you can take them out after! Grandparents are a treasure to us, sharing wisdom with us and spoiling us along the way.
** For some reason I was shocked with a recent report that a majority of Americans and Catholics are unaware Pope Francis is coming to the United States. He arrives Tuesday, Sept 22 and will address the US Congress, the United Nations Assembly, and conclude on Sunday, Sept. 27 with a Mass in Philadelphia for the World Meeting of Families, the ultimate reason for his visit. This visit will obviously be historic and needs our prayers!
** Have a good, safe and restful holiday weekend!
Msgr. Gary Smetanka
Go and Make Disciples

Do you know the date of your Baptism?
In a papal audience last year, Pope Francis spoke of the importance of knowing our own Baptismal date. He asked those present to try to find out their date if they didn’t already know it.
He called it a “blessed day” and a “feast day” saying that it was the day we were “immersed in that current of Jesus’ salvation”.
Jesus participated in John the Baptist’s baptism of repentance by being baptized Himself even though there was no need for Him to do so.
In his book, Jesus of Nazareth, Pope Benedict XVI discussed the significance of the Baptism of Jesus:
“Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind’s guilt upon his shoulders; he bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners. His inaugural gesture is an anticipation of the Cross.”
From this excerpt, we learn that Jesus’ Baptism points to His ultimate death and resurrection and to our salvation.
Pope Francis elaborated on the significance of our Baptism when he said: “We, by Baptism, are immersed in that inexhaustible source of life which is the death of Jesus, the greatest act of love in all of history; and thanks to this love we can live a new life, no longer at the mercy of evil, of sin and of death, but in communion with God and with our brothers and sisters.”
Let us thank God for our gift of faith and ask ourselves how well we are taking care of our special gift. By continually developing our faith, we are able to participate in the Eucharist more fully and share the love of Jesus with others.
September is the time when adult faith development and renewal offerings are announced. The ChristLife series will again be presented during the coming year, as well as new Bible Study sessions and a number of other opportunities.
Check the bulletin or the parish website (www.olsos.org) for details on these and other faith development programs in the coming weeks and throughout the year.
Participating in these offerings helps us cherish and grow the gift of faith we received through Baptism.

One in the Spirit,
Jean Wersching
Evangelization Commission

RJK - Labor

What is the one characteristic of every human being? Activity, insists St. Thomas Aquinas. Activity ranges from the tiny babe who first observes his flexing fingers to the aged person who writes their memoirs. Inability to be active is a curse. Prisoners of war in solitary confinement have been known to spend hours blowing a feather to keep it in mid-air, just to be active. The thrust of health care is to restore an individual to his or her ability to be more active. Human activity builds cars and houses, designs computers and flies airplanes, teaches the young, and feeds the poor.

Laws involve human activity, not those of birds or beasts. Possession of an intellect and free will makes the difference. The fullness of human nature would be lacking without physical, intellectual and judgmental activity.
The end result of human activity is all important. While the Ten Commandments dwell on activity, they actually involve the results. Commission of adultery and failure to honor parents tend to destroy the family. Killing destroys life. Both are bad results. The Sermon on the Mount enumerates the rewards of human activity, among them, The Kingdom of God.

Not all human activity is good. The cunning thief perverts the efficacy of activity. A poorly fabricated product demeanes. The products of activity are works and the process is labor. Monday is Labor Day, the season to step back and observe the works we have created. May we take pride in those which have approached the relative perfection permitted by our talents, decry those which have not, give prayerful thanks for the opportunity to labor intellectually as well as physically and live in the hope of ultimately hearing the words, “Well done.”

See you in church.

RJK
(first published September 5th, 1982)
Pray the Rosary

Please join us in praying the Rosary in church weekday mornings at 7:05 a.m. "The Rosary of the Seven Sorrows" is prayed following the Tuesday and Friday morning Masses.

Both the Rosary and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy are usually recited in the chapel following the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Weekly Readings

Sunday, September 6
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Monday, September 7
Col 1:24 - 2:3; Ps 62; Lk 6:6 -11

Tuesday, September 8
Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13; Mt 1:1-16; 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wednesday, September 9
Col 3:1-11; Ps 145; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 10
Col 3:12-17; Ps 150; Lk 6:27-38

Friday, September 11
1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 12
1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday, September 13
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Please Note
Mass intentions may be arranged in the Parish Office. According to Archdiocesan Policy, the suggested donation is $10 per Mass. The (†) indicates deceased. Mass intentions must be received 14 days prior to publication to be published and read at Mass.
Please Pray for ...

THE SICK
Elizabeth Brousseau
Robert Caldwell
Cassidy Christie
Alma Cook
Nellie Oxholm Drake
Pat Golla
Laurie (Breckenridge) Hanna
Cecilia Nowakowski
Elizabeth Pendy
John Reuter
Angelina Russo
Jerry Szynkowski
Jim Testori
John Trzeciak
Mark Wehner
Robert Wehner

THOSE IN THE MILITARY
James Patrick Carrier
Kyle Cone
Emily de Brun
Jason T. Erbecker
Kevin Hanley
Matt Helm
Matt Hoffman
Matthew Johnston
Justin Kelly
Paul Koss
Matt Lacy
Kyle Lechner
Thomas Miller
Joseph Misuraca
Vincent Scalabrino
Meghan Servais
Dan Sheppard
Robert Skowronski
Michael Trondle
Nick Trybus
Michael Ullman
John Walker
Joseph Youngblood

Please Note
Names will remain on the sick list for one (1) month unless the parish is notified otherwise.

In Memoriam
9/6/1967  Albert Charles Bean
9/6/1982  Elsie Stoff
9/6/2001  Mary Kathleen Geymann
9/6/2002  Edward Gendernalik
9/6/2005  Mary Rudzinski
9/6/2005  Florence Hanna
9/6/2005  Theresa Duross
9/7/1967  Arthur Burchett
9/7/1984  Rosemund Rahaim
9/7/1989  Henry Kafarski
9/7/2001  Louise Birmingham
9/8/1974  Warren Winstanley
9/8/1980  Walter VanGoethem
9/8/1994  John Verbiest
9/8/1997  Vincent Ryszewski
9/8/2008  Ilene Sattler
9/9/1969  William Bogdanski
9/9/1971  Cordelia Kessler
9/9/2004  Arthur Baker
9/9/2007  Patricia Couvreur
9/10/1970  Agnes G. Benoit
9/10/1985  Geraldine Ansel
9/10/1994  Mark Kafarski
9/10/1995  Patricia Hancheruk
9/10/1998  Kathleen Zosel
9/10/1999  Katherine Steiner
9/10/2002  Charlotte Graul
9/11/1983  Filippo Veneri
9/11/1991  Irene Kaspari
9/12/1975  Donald St. Armour
9/12/1977  Norbert Gorski
9/12/1989  Joseph A. Quasarano
9/12/1989  Nicholas J. Ritter
9/12/2000  Edward Schmid
9/12/2008  Sam LaGrasso
9/12/2008  Don Endres
9/13/1977  Robert Bangert
9/13/1987  Elizabeth Jones
9/13/1990  Richard R. Huetter
9/13/1997  Lena Fontana

Word of Life

“Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique.”

~ Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage 2014-15
Respect Life Program, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
www.goo.gl/1BM5HC

We pray to the Lord:
For the most vulnerable among us:
May the Lord protect their lives and bring healing to hearts wounded by disregard and disrespect.

Praise The Lord!
O My Soul

SERF Vicariate Website

Did you know that the SERF Vicariate website is available for your use to acquire information about surrounding parishes and their events.

The SERF Vicariate website link is http://serfvic.com/

The address to submit information for the website is goodnews@serfvic.com
This Week

Sunday, September 6
No Scheduled Events

Monday, September 7
Labor Day
Parish Office Closed
7:30 a.m. — NO Mass (CH)
9:00 a.m. — Mass at St. Lucy Parish

Tuesday, September 8
School Starts
Preschool & Young 5's Orientation
12:00 p.m. — School Dismissal (SC)
4:30 p.m. — Volleyball Practice (G)
7:00 p.m. — Worship Comm. Mtg. (CR)
7:30 p.m. — Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy (CHP)

Wednesday, September 9
Grades 1-8 Regular Schedule
Kindergarten Visitation
4:30 p.m. — Volleyball Practice (G)
6:00 p.m. — GPS String Rehearsal (GS)
7:30 p.m. — SVdP Mtg. (MR)

Thursday, September 10
Preschool, Young 5’s & Kindergarten
Regular Schedule
6:30 a.m. — Men’s Fellowship (CR)
3:15 p.m. — Youth Choir Rehearsal (SC)
4:30 p.m. — Volleyball Practice (G)

Friday, September 11
4:30 p.m. — Volleyball Games (G)

Saturday, September 12
8:30 a.m. — Volleyball Practice (G)
10:00 a.m. — Catechist Orientation (BR)
5:00 p.m. — Teen Ministries (BR)

Sunday, September 13
12:30 p.m. — Baptisms (CH)

Rosary Altar Society

Monday, September 14, 2015
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Place: Parish Center

At our first meeting of the 2015-2016 year, we will discuss our calendar of activities for the coming year.

All women of the parish are invited to join the Rosary Altar Society and attend this meeting.

The Rosary Altar Society has been an integral part of the parish since its founding and has contributed to a vibrant parish life in many ways.

As a service to our parish, we actively participate in many parish activities including May Crowning, Good Friday Services, making Healing Quilts for the home-bound, the purchase of replacement altar linens, maintain the holy water font, provide a day of recollection and retreat opportunities, include guest speakers on occasion at our meetings, offer social events such as our annual Christmas party, and much more....

We would encourage you to attend one of our meetings to see what we are all about and to see how we can enrich your parish life. Even, if at the present time you are unable to attend our meetings, we hope you will use the pink envelope included with the packet of church envelopes to support us in our endeavors.

Marianne Carlisle and Lilian Rogers
Co-Presidents

New Parishioners

Christopher Prost
and children, Lauren and Philip

WELCOME TO STAR!

Men’s Bible Study
and Fellowship

Join us Thursday mornings at 6:30 in the Parish Office Conference Room as we read and discuss the Scriptures of the day. If your schedule permits, you then can attend 7:30 a.m. Mass with the group and continue fellowship by going to breakfast after Mass.

Holy Water Care

September 11………………Charlotte Ellis
September 18……………….Need Help
September 25………………….Liz Abood

Please honor our Blessed Mother by signing up for Altar Care. Call Elsie at 313-884-3084

Teen Ministries

The first Fall Teen Ministries gathering will be on Saturday, September 12th from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the new parish offices. Come and see what we are all about and share ideas on how to make us better!

For more information contact Carolyn Mikula 313-884-7407 ext. 208
Everyone is encouraged to pray the special prayer for the World Meeting of Families in 2015. It is a prayer of supplication to the Holy Family for the meeting’s success and your own family’s intentions.

God and Father of us all,
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior,
you have made us
your sons and daughters
in the family of the Church.
May your grace and love
help our families
in every part of the world
be united to one another
in fidelity to the Gospel.
May the example of the Holy Family,
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,
guide all families, especially those most troubled,
to be homes of communion and prayer
and to always seek your truth and live in your love.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Evangelization

The Archdiocese of Detroit is partnering with ChristLife for next Saturday’s “Following Christ and Sharing Christ” training conference, which will provide discipleship and evangelization tools to those engaged in adult faith formation and evangelization in our parishes.

Attendees will learn to more fully embrace the Church’s universal call to holiness and evangelization; help others establish the spiritual disciplines of a Catholic disciple; learn how to lead the Holy Spirit, forgiveness, and renunciation prayer sessions presented in Following Christ; and discover how to follow and share Jesus Christ in their ordinary daily lives and become more fully a parish of missionary disciples.

Your gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal help fund “Following Christ and Sharing Christ,” to be led by ChristLife founder and director Dave Nodar at Sacred Heart Major Seminary on September 12, so those ministering in the Archdiocese can attend for only $20, including training materials and meals.

For more information about CSA-funded programs, ministries, and services, please go to www.AOD.org
Our Lady Star of the Sea Men’s Retreat

1390 Quarton Road
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan
48304
www.manresa-sja.org
248-644-4933

Manresa Jesuit Retreat House
October 30 – November 1
Retreat Director: Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ.

Check in: October 30 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Dinner at 7:00 p.m. followed by evening Mass.

All men are invited and welcome.
Please join us!!

For information please contact:
Ray Kettel
313-882-9798

Tom Youngblood
313-600-2005

Stewardship Update
Sunday Offering Budget: $22,288
Sunday Offering: August 30: $16,422
YTD Average: $18,406
Over/Under: -$34,935

Online Giving
You can make weekly, monthly or quarterly contributions or other donations online, either from your personal checking account or a debit/credit card. Go to our website: www.olsos.org and click on Electronic Giving in the lower right hand corner to follow the instructions.

We hope this service will provide convenience and ease to our parishioners and visitors. Thank you for your generous support and continued commitment to our parish.

Meals on Wheels
Volunteer Needed
Starting Now

Deliver meals to seniors once every five weeks on TUESDAYS. Pick up at 10:30AM from Services for Older Citizens (SOC) in Grosse Pointe Farms - local delivery route. Time commitment approximately 1.5 hrs. Application process requires TB test & references.

Please call Joy Rakowicz to sign up: 313-805-9375.

This is a great activity to do with your young preschool children - the seniors love to see your kids!

Meals on Wheels
We deliver smiles™
Community News

Your Kids Will Thank You for Going on a Marriage Encounter Weekend!

The kids are continuing their education, why don’t married couples get a tune-up for their marriage? Worldwide Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones—and focus only on each other. If you’d like growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you’ll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can make!

Weekends fill up quickly, so a prompt response is encouraged.

WWME weekends in 2015 are:
Sept. 25-27 – Holiday Inn Express, Troy
October 23-25 – Holiday Inn Express, Troy
December 4-6 – Holiday Inn Express, Troy

Call: 888-322-9963 ----- wwme-detroit.org -----(Application Fee: $75)

St. Lucy Church
Inner Healing

A new inner Healing Class, also known as Shepherd Group, will begin in September. Mondays (September 14) at 1:30 p.m. or Fridays (September 11) at 7:00 p.m.

Learn to open and surrender yourself to God's direction. Ask for healing from emotional, mental and spiritual brokenness and painful memories.

For more information or to register, please call Darlene Czop for Mondays at 586-772-0047 or Cis Zelinski for Fridays at 586-596-7137

The Christ Child Society

invites you to its annual Night of Angels – 2015 Oktoberfest!
Friday, October 16, 2015 at the Royal Oak Farmer’s Market.
Tickets $125
Cocktails and Silent auction 6:30
Strolling dinner, live auction and music by the band Good Gravy.

Please visit www.ccsdetroit.org for ticket and event information.

The Christ Child Society serves the needs of disadvantaged children in Detroit; including the Christ Child house, a residential treatment facility center for abused and neglected boys. In addition, CCS members also make and distribute more than 2,000 layettes each year for the newborns of needy families and they also run a literacy and tutorial program in the Pontiac school system.

An Invitation for Women!

“My Peace I Give You” (John 14:27)

Dynamic Retreat Facilitators

Nancy Trudell
Spiritual Director with formation
At Manresa Retreat Center

Rev. Brian K. Cokonougher
Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Port Huron
Adjunct Spiritual Director
at Sacred Heart Seminary

Friday, October 9 (7:00 p.m) - Sunday, October 11 (1:00 p.m.)
St. Mary Retreat House, Oxford, MI
Cost: $160.00

To confirm your reservation, download form at: stmarysretreathouse.org

You will find peace only God can give!

Invictus Christus Conference

Calling all men to end the INVICTUS CHRISTUS day long conference on 11/14/2015 from 7:30-5pm at St. Cyril’s Catholic Church in Sterling Heights, Michigan, which will strengthen all Christian men spiritually in a time of great uneasiness that we find ourselves in.

To register please contact the parish of St Cyril’s Church at 586-726-6911.

Please make an effort to attend this Conference for men!

MOM 2 MOM SALE

October 3, 2015 ~ 9AM-1PM – Early Bird 8:30AM

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES SCHOOL
21100 Madison ~ SCS ~ MI ~ 48081

Sell your gently-used kids clothes and toys, $25 per 8ft table (includes rack space). All sellers eligible to win a free table! Refer another seller, be entered to win prizes! All proceeds benefit the students of St. Isaac Jogues School!

Shoppers Admission: $2 Early Bird (8:30A-9:00A)/ $1 (9:00A-1:00P)

Please contact us for more information:
Email: m2msj@gmail.com ~ Phone: (586) 778-5100 x193
Follow us on Facebook: facebook.com/SJPMomsClub
Faith Formation

GALATIANS
Set Free to Live

An Eight-Part Bible Study Featuring Jeff Cavins

Dates, Times, Location
Starts September 30, 2015
Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

Offered in both the morning (9:30-11:00 am) and the evening (7:30-9:00pm) in the Parish Offices.

Cost/Registration
$30 for the Student Workbook

Register: email c.naubert@stargp.org
-OR-
313.884.7407, ext. 206

For More Information
Visit www.olsos.org

Paul’s letter to the Galatians speaks directly to the heart of Christians and addresses the most important question we can ask: “What must we do to be saved?” This fascinating letter reveals the merciful love that God the Father has for us, his children. It speaks of the extraordinary gift of salvation that Jesus has won for us, and it explains how we can unite ourselves to Christ’s redeeming sacrifice through faith and love. Galatians is a study that will reignite your love for God as you learn of the astonishing love God has for you.

“It’s just incredible. I never really knew what it meant to be free, what it meant to be a son or daughter of God… Now I do. My entire faith is enriched by it.”

—Sharon

Visit BibleStudyForCatholics.com to learn more!
Faith Formation

SYMBOLON - New Updates!
New website with new parishioner registration.
Access to 20 amazing topical lessons, including video and guides.
New Lighthouse Catholic media—Free CDs (mp3) and eBooks.
New Marriage Ministry.
Register NOW online www.olsos.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Registration is now open!
Classes starting in September.
Some Classes are Limited. Register NOW.
Register Online www.olsos.org

Looking for a few good men and women....
The few, the proud, the CATECHIST!

Contact Judy Zedan at j.zedan@stargp.org
to arrange an interview or to ask any questions you may have.

Re-presenting in Fall 2015-16
Watch for Schedule

CHRISTLIFE™
CATHOLIC MINISTRY FOR EVANGELIZATION

Would you like to invite someone to know Jesus or the Catholic faith more intimately?

Feel like the Lord is calling YOU?

Coming Fall 2015
Marriage Enrichment

Topics
♦ Christ at the Center
♦ A Deeper Unity
♦ Conflict and Communication
♦ Protecting the Bond
♦ Sexuality and Authentic Love

Never been baptized?

Baptized into another faith but now you are interested in knowing more becoming Catholic?

Ask, Seek, Know

Contact:
Michael King
Mj.king@stargp.org
884-7407
Christian Service

Service Sundays 2015
Monthly Service Projects
Mother Teresa spoke about doing small things with great love.
If EVERY parishioner and family would participate monthly in our Christian Service projects, our small acts of kindness would become HUGE contributions to those who need us.

September - Sock and Underwear Drive/
Children of Nepal Drive
October - Laundry Supplies
November - Fall Food Drive
December - Giving Tree

Please place items in the containers at the doors of the gathering space.

Women’s Retreat
Capuchin Retreat Center
Washington, MI
October 2nd — October 4th
Theme: “Listening to the Sacred”
Check in is October 2nd from 6:30pm—7:30pm
Opening prayer will begin at 8:00pm
The retreat ends Sunday, October 4th around 1:00pm
The requested donation for the retreat is $160 per person (includes the deposit). $50.00 deposit due with your registration.
To register please contact Debby Veltri in the Parish Office 313.884.5554

Knights of Columbus
Blood Drive
September 27, 2015
9am - 2:45pm • Parish Center
Register online at: http://www.redcrossblood.org/rcmbmobile/drive/chooseDonationTime.jsp

Thank You!
For supporting the Back Pack Drive
Through all of your support we were able to send approximately 85 back packs and numerous school supplies to families in need throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Also Thank you for your donations of Sundries.
We collected over 300 to give to the homeless in our area
God Bless

Donate your car to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The car will be picked up within 24 hours, the tax paperwork will be sent to you, and the donation stays in the community: www.svdpusacars.com, or call (800) 322-8284.

We are asking you to please donate gently used:
• tents
• back packs
• sleeping bags
• small toys
• clothes
We can help give these children some sort of shelter, something to sleep in and things that can just bring smiles to their faces.

We will be collecting these items from September 1st—30th in the gathering space.
### Parish Office

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### Christian Formation

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<th>Tel No. 313.884.7407</th>
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<td>Director of Religious Education</td>
<td>Judy Zedan</td>
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### School

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<th>Grade School</th>
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<td>Fax No. 313.884.0406</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.starschoolgrossepointe.org">www.starschoolgrossepointe.org</a></td>
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### Finance Council

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### Organizations

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Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.