



# Catholic MUSKEGON PAGE

• **That Many Is You has returned to St. Francis!** All men ages 18+ are invited to join us any Monday evenings at 6:30 PM in the McCabe Center . Questions? Contact Pat McKeown 755-4986.

• **St. Francis Fall Programs have begun.** We are currently offering Catholicism, Introduction to the Bible, Grief Ministry and a Men’s Bible Study. If you would like to join one of our many Bible Study opportunities or want to learn more, please contact Rebecca Chicklon, Faith Formation Director 755-1953 x223.

• **Muskegon County Right to Life** invites you to their “FOCUS ON LIFE” Benefit Dinner with guest speaker Catherine Davis, advocate for the cause of life and family and founder of the Restoration Project. Dinner will be held on Thursday, October 12 at Holiday Inn Muskegon Harbor doors open at 6:00 p.m. dinner and program begin at 6:30 p.m. For more information or tickets, call 733-6300.

• **In Honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima,** please join us on Friday, October 13 at Sacred Heart with Rosary at 5:30 PM and Mass at 6 PM closing with benediction. Refreshments to follow.

• **Public Square Rosary Rally** on Saturday, October 14 at Noon at St. Mary Church in front of the Mary Garden. This rally is sponsored by the American Needs Fatima, will be one of over 20,000 rallies that will take place all across the US on that day. Please join us to fervently pray for America and the conversion of sinners at Our Lady of Fatima requested.

• **Attention Engaged Couples!** Prince of Peace (1110 Dykstra Rd) will host a Pre-Marriage Event (PreCana) on Friday, Oct. 20 from 7:00-9:30 PM & Saturday, October 21 from 8 AM—6 PM (you are invited to celebrate 5 PM Mass). Registration is \$85/couple and forms available at [www.popmuskegon.org](http://www.popmuskegon.org) (click on liturgy/sacrament tab then marriage tab). For more information, contact Becky Ostoin (231) 286-2974 or [rjostoin20@gmail.com](mailto:rjostoin20@gmail.com).

• **Red Cross Blood Drive** will be held on Wednesday, October 25 from Noon-5:45 PM at Prince of Peace Church (1110 Dykstra). The need is great, *especially after the tragedy in Las Vegas* ~ come and donate! Please bring ID.

• **Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 29 as we celebrate Priesthood Sunday!** This annual event is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United State. Contact The Serra Club of Greater Muskegon to learn ways you can honor your parish priest on their special day. Email [serra.muskegon@gmail.com](mailto:serra.muskegon@gmail.com).

• **Grieving with Great Hope** will be offered at Prince of Peace beginning Tuesday, November 7 from 6-8 PM **OR** Thursday, November 9 from 9-11 AM. Resource fee is \$15. This support group workshop series combines the Catholic faith with practical learning and personal fellowship. The DVD presentations will help you through your journey. Please RSVP to Barb Perri 740-9108 by October 23.

**Muskegon Catholic Central Faith.Moving.Forward**  
(231) 755-2201 or [www.muskegoncatholic.org](http://www.muskegoncatholic.org)

**Homecoming on Friday, October 6 MCC vs. Manistee.** If interested in performing with the Alumni Band, contact Jake Lubbers, MCC Band Director at [jlubbers@muskegoncatholic.org](mailto:jlubbers@muskegoncatholic.org) or if you would like to volunteer in the Alumni Tent, contact Melanie (Gabris) Lyonnais ‘96 at [mylonnais@muskegoncatholic.org](mailto:mylonnais@muskegoncatholic.org)

Several job opportunities are open at Muskegon Catholic Central. Visit their website under ‘about us ~ employment’ to learn more.

The recent natural disasters this past month the USCCB has created funds to receive any contributions individuals may wish to make to help relief efforts. These funds will be used to support the reconstruction and pastoral needs of the Church as well as humanitarian and recovery assistance through Catholic Relief Services & Catholic Charities USA.

*If you would like to make a donation, visit the Diocese of Grand Rapids website at [https://www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org/multimedia/Pages/Hurricane\\_Relief\\_2017.aspx](https://www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org/multimedia/Pages/Hurricane_Relief_2017.aspx)*

We continue to pray for all the relief efforts due to the recent hurricanes.

## BISHOP DAVID J. WALKOWIAK ASKS US TO PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Loving God,  
Raise up dedicated leaders who will shepherd your people and guide them to your Son. Give generous and willing hearts to the seminarians of our Diocese who have heard your call to live a life of service to the Church. Help us to encourage and support them as they strive to become priests who are models of discipleship, possessors of wisdom and on fire with love for your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**We especially pray for:  
Dominic T. Couturier**

University of  
St. Mary of the Lake  
Mundelein Seminary  
1000 East Maple Ave.  
Mundelein, IL 60060



### **October 8, 2017 ~ Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

Every family is visited by difficult times which can unite or divide. These hardships, which we would quickly reject, hold the potential to be the unifying “cornerstone” where we drop our pettiness and defenses and pull together, linked by a common bond and love for one another.

•**What To Know, Before You Go** series of presentations held Monday evenings in October from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Mark Lutheran Church (4475 Henry St.). These series are designed to let us look at opportunities for making our own decisions and giving our loved ones peace of mind. All are welcome.

•**An evening with Fr. Greg Boyle “Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion”** on Thursday, Oct. 12 at 7 pm at Lakeshore Middle School (600 Cutler St. Grand Haven). \$25 advanced tickets, \$30 at the door, \$15 students. Tickets available at The Bookman (715 Washington Ave) or online at [www.humanityforprisoners.org](http://www.humanityforprisoners.org).

•**Survivors of Suicide** meet the first and third Thursday of every month at St. Patrick Church (Grand Haven) Family Center at 7 p.m. and at St. Michael Church (Muskegon) every third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

•**Wedding Anniversary Mass**—Together with your families, the Church in the diocese of Grand Rapids honors the faithful witness to your vocation of marriage and wishes to celebrate with you. Bishop Walkowiak is inviting **all couples celebrating milestone anniversaries** to join him on **Sunday, October 22 at 10 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Andrew** (265 Sheldon Blvd. Grand Rapids). A simple reception will follow. Please RSVP by calling your parish office.

•**Dominican Center at Mary has many opportunities to Refresh and Reflect.** Visit their website to learn more at [www.dominicancenter.com](http://www.dominicancenter.com).

•**Muskegon Rescue Mission** is seeking a candidate for the position of Executive Director at the Muskegon Rescue Mission. The full time position with competitive pay and benefits. Send resume & cover letter to: HR Manager, Muskegon Rescue Mission, 1715 Peck St., Muskegon, MI 49441.