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Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them. Bless them and their families. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen



To whom should I go and how exactly can we share together the renewing presence of the Spirit's gentle love "resting" upon us?

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"Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change.
 Patience achieves everything."
 St. Teresa of Avila

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December 8, 2019

Pastor: Rev. Patrick Maher

Second Sunday of Advent

Sacraments

Baptisms
 Call the Parish Office to schedule.

Marriage
 Couples are invited to call the Parish Office, minimally six months in advance, to prepare for and schedule their marriage.

Confirmation
 Adults who have not been confirmed are invited to call the Parish Office to arrange for classes.

Adult Faith Formation
 Anyone inquiring about the Catholic Faith or simply wishing to deepen their own understanding of the Catholic Faith.

Mass Schedule
 Tuesday: 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday - Thursday - Friday 9:00 a.m.
 Confession 1 hour prior to Mass
 Saturday Mass 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m.

The Office

Office Hours:
 Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
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SECOND SUNDAY
 OF
 Advent

MISSION STATEMENT
 We, the parishioners of St. Paul, Onaway, open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are dedicated to preserve, live and proclaim the Good News brought by Jesus. As a sacramental people, we are committed to welcome all into Christ's presence among us.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus,

Why Purple During Advent?

Which brings us to a common question: Why does Advent share the color purple with Lent? As a reader once wrote to me:

I noticed our priest started wearing purple vestments on the first Sunday of Advent. Aren't purple vestments usually worn during Lent? At Christmas time, I would have expected something more festive, like red or green or white.

Beyond the color of the vestments used during the season, Advent shares some other features with Lent: The altar cloth is purple, and if your church normally has flowers or plants near the altar, those are removed. And during Mass, the Gloria ("Glory to God in the highest") is not sung during Advent, either.

Advent Is a "Little Lent"

All of these things are signs of the penitential nature of Advent and a reminder that, during Advent, the Christmas season hasn't started yet. Purple is the color of penance, preparation, and sacrifice—three things that, alas, too often fall by the wayside during Advent these days, since Advent roughly corresponds to the secular "holiday season" that extends, in the United States, from Thanksgiving Day until Christmas Day.

But historically, Advent was indeed a time of penance, preparation, and sacrifice, and the season was known as a "little Lent." That's why the penitential color of purple makes an appearance during Advent, the organ is muted, and the Gloria—one of the most festive hymns of the Mass—isn't sung. During Advent, our thoughts, even on Sunday, are supposed to be on preparing ourselves for the coming of Christ, both at Christmas and at the Second Coming. (by Scott P. Richert)

As our preparation continues....
And remember,

You are loved,
Father Patrick



- New doors for the church
- Replace furnace in hall
- Kitchen renovations
- Replacing ceiling tiles in hall
- Carpet cleaning in hall



Coffee and Doughnuts
after Mass
Sunday, December 15, 2019

Thank you to all who brought items for our local food bank. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 9th @ 9:00 am
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
For all the Children of the World

Tuesday, December 10th @ 4:30 pm
Our Lady of Loretto
All Missionaries

Wednesday, December 11th @ 9:00
Military men, women and their families

Thursday, December 12th @ 9:00am
Sick Parishioners and their caregivers

Friday, December 13th @ 9:00a am
Deceased of our Parish

Saturday, December 14th @ 4:00pm
+ Barbara Corriveau
Req. Corriveau & Cryderman Families

Sunday, December 15th @ 10am
Parishioners of St Paul & St Monica

Readings for Week of December 9

Mon: Gn 3:9-15, 20 / Ps 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD4 / Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 / Lk 1:26-38

Tues: Is 40:1-11 / Mt 18:12-14

Wed: Is 40:25-31 / Mt 11:28-30

Thurs: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab / Lk 1:26-38

Fri: Is 48:17-19 / Mt 11:16-19

Sat: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 / Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sun: Is 35:1-6a, 10 / Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 / Jas 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, December 10th
AA 8 pm, Hall (Rm. 1)

Thursday, December 12th
9-12 COPISD Meeting in hall

Friday, December 13th
AA 8 pm, Hall (Rm. 1)

Saturday, December 14th @ 10:00 a.m. - Church Cleaning Bee

Sunday, December 15th
Coffee & Doughnuts after Mass
2:00 Penance Service

YOUTH GROUP

Looking for furnishing in good condition.
Ex: Couch, chair, end tables and a couple of lamps.
If you are able to donate any of these items please Call Pam Willey @ 989-614-7467
Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
Thank you

East Region—Gaylord DCCW Meeting

Tuesday, January 14, 2020
9:30 Registration
10:00 Mass
Where: St Augustine Catholic Church
24138 Veterans Memorial Highway
Hillman, MI 49746
\$10.00 Reservation Fee—Luncheon
To register please call
Mary Marquardt at 989-742-1499
(leave a message if no answer) by
January 7, 2020 with parish name and attendees.

Bless you for your Stewardship

St. Paul: 12/1/19
Reg. \$1,380.00 + Loose \$280.00 + Fuel \$75.00
= \$1,735.00
Restoration \$244.00

St. Monica 12/1/19
Reg. \$155.00+ Loose \$0.00
= \$ 155.00

Financial Position (as of 10/31/19)

	St. Paul YTD 10/31/2019	YTD 10/31/2018
Income	54,951.58	61,644.75
Expenses	52,815.33	46,140.50
Net Income	2,136.25	15,504.25

	St. Monica YTD 2019	YTD 2018
Income	4,466.52	6,229.76
Expenses	5,024.23	4,798.96
Net Income	- 557.71	1,430.80

Penance Service
Sunday,
December 15, 2019
at 2:00 p.m.



Church Cleaning Bee
Saturday, December 14th @ 10:00 a.m.
Hope to see you all there!
Many hands make for light work!



K-12 Faith Formation:
Class December 15, 22, 29

Those in need of our prayers...

Ann Bandish	Adam Cripps	Brianne Giddis	Jim Thimmes	Ann Osantowski	Dave Tesmer
Deb Bandish	Donna Diller	Donna Giessinger	Starr Ittu	Marty Osantowski	Sue Tesmer
Andrea Bauman	Lyle Diller	Vicki Giessinger	Madison Leonard	Anya Pecova	Teddy Turner
Dorothy Brama	Louise Dorton	Vicki Gosinski	Glenn Luceford	Bev Rathbun	Griffin Turner
Jeannie Brewbaker	Elvin Eagleson	Catherine Green	Brittany Maynard	Diana Rogers	Bob Turney
Mike Butler	Ted Elick	Susie Heron	Dennis McGuire	Gary Shepherd	Randy Veihl
Sandra Bunk	William Ellenberger	Jim Hayes	Bob Merrick	Jenna Shiel	Randy Weber
Abel Canales	Marion Manners	Harry Hopkins	Carolyn Mousseau	Leaton Stevens	Warren Weber
Dorothy Connors	Debra Flynn	Carol Horning	Patrick Mousseau	Pete Szala	Richard Witulski