

# 234567 SEASON of EASTER

24 April 2016

Danner Hall

April  
23-24

After Masses

## Ministry Fair *Disciples Respond*

### TODAY

- Ministry Fair with Pizza (DH) after 5:30 Mass
- Elementary Religious Ed 9am
- Ministry Fair with Coffee & Donuts (DH) after Sunday Masses
- Nursery (Room #102) during 10:30am Mass
- Youth Meetings (DH) 4pm
- MS Edge (DH) 5:30pm

### MONDAY | April 25 | St. Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5-14 / Mk 16:15-20

- Men's Bible Study (Room #101) 7am
- Catholic Divorce Group (PC LL #4) 6:30pm

### TUESDAY | April 26

Acts 14:19-28 / Jn 14:27-31

- Mass in Chapel (+John Fields) 8:30am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel) 9am-7pm
- Mom's Group (DH) 7pm

### WEDNESDAY | April 27

Acts 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8

- Elementary Religious Ed 4pm & 6pm
- Mass in Chapel (Jessica Herringa) 6:30pm

### THURSDAY | April 28

Acts 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11

- Journey Through Grief (PC LL #1) 7pm

### FRIDAY | April 29 | St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Acts 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17

- Mass in Chapel (+Sophia Ostapowicz) 8:30am

### SATURDAY | April 30

Acts 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21

- Reconciliation/Confessions (Church) 4-4:45pm
- Contemporary Choir Practice (Church) 4:30pm

### LORD'S DAY LITURGIES | May 1, 2016

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 / Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 / Jn 14:23-29

**5:30pm Saturday**

+Virginia Hoogterp

**8:30am Sunday**

Parish Family

**10:30am Sunday**

+Albina Johnson +Jeannie Huyge +John Selpo

### Weekend of April 30 & May 1

- Fill the Bus for Haiti ~ remember your returnables!
- Coffee & Donuts ~ after Sunday Masses
- High School Leadership ~ after 10:30 Mass (Room #101)
- 8th Grade Parent Meeting (Youth Room) ~ Sunday, 5pm
- MS Edge (DH) ~ Sunday, 5:30pm



## REAL PEOPLE + REAL PRESENCE

... a welcoming Roman Catholic family of God  
empowered by the Holy Spirit  
to grow our relationship with Jesus Christ  
and with one another  
as we worship, pray, learn and serve.

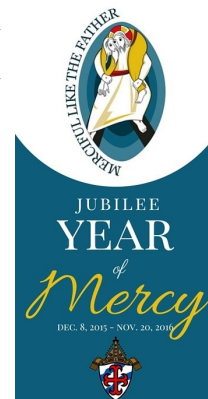


## Living in Mercy

**Known as lovers.** This Sunday, when we show up in church (the building) as Church (the People of God), we hear this command anew: love one another. It is what disciples (all of us) do. We love. But we are asked to stretch a bit, perhaps a lot. The command is to love—not only the ones who are easy to love, not only the ones we know and like, but everyone we meet, and even those we will not meet or know. Jesus tells the Church today, “Love.” Jesus tells the disciples today, “Be known as lovers.”

- Who seems unlikeable, unlovable and needs to be loved?
- What will I do?

**Prepare for next week:** Read and reflect on The Sixth Sunday of Easter (beginning on pg. 251) in the “Living Liturgy” missal.



**ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC PARISH**

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**Parish & Formation Office Hours:**

9-Noon; 1-5pm Mon-Thurs 9-Noon on Fridays

**Parish Book of Prayer** — This book near the main church entrance is for your prayers of intercession or gratitude. They are part of the intentions at Mass.

**Parish Membership** — Count yourself in! If you worship with us regularly, kindly register as a parishioner. You'll receive parish mailings, and it will help us provide pastoral care should you need it. Contact 532-9344; or [parishoffice@spxcatholic.org](mailto:parishoffice@spxcatholic.org).

**Infant Baptisms** are celebrated at various times throughout the year. If you believe raising your child in our Catholic faith is one of your most important duties as a parent, call the parish office.

**Sacrament of Marriage** — The lifelong covenant between a man and a woman is a sign of God's covenant with us. At least six months of prayer and preparation are needed before entering this commitment. Please contact Fr. Chris as soon as you are engaged. Couples celebrating an anniversary ending in a "0" or "5" may request a special blessing.

OTHER MARRIAGE RESOURCES: [www.foryourmarriage.org/](http://www.foryourmarriage.org/)

**Pastoral Care of the Sick** — If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound, or anticipating surgery, please contact Marjorie Flores or Fr. Chris in the parish office. The hospitals do not contact us.

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**An Easter View from 40th & Wilson**

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**THIS IS AN HISTORIC TIME OF DISCERNMENT FOR OUR PARISH****Suppose your car needs a brake job...**

Should you get the "premium package" or the "midgrade?" The premium features a 3-year, 36K warranty. The midgrade has a 1-year, 10K warranty.

We face such decisions all the time. In most of these situations there is no one "right" or "wrong" answer. But how does one determine the best option; the one God is calling you to?

St. Pius X Parish is engaged in discerning a project that is as essential to our journey as a faith community as a car is essential to a family in Grandville.

Every parishioner household has been mailed a "Case for Support" which describes plans to expand the church vestibule into a Gathering Space, build a Youth/Multipurpose Room and replace our crumbling parking lots and rusting boilers.

The mailing includes a short survey to complete and return by May 9. The survey can also be completed online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/StPiusParish>.

The Breton Group, a local consulting firm, has been hired to assist with this feasibility study. Some parishioners are being asked to personally meet with a member of The Breton Group for a confidential interview. If you received a survey and *prefer instead* to share your thoughts personally with The Breton Group, contact Marilyn Beckwith, parish business manager (616) 532-9344 x 102 | [mbeckwith@spxcatholic.org](mailto:mbeckwith@spxcatholic.org) this week to schedule your interview.

Whether you complete a survey or are interviewed, your feedback is *confidential*. All parishioner feedback will be

condensed into a final report with no names attached to specific responses.

**If you haven't received anything in the mail by mid-week, please contact Jane in the parish office, and she'll remedy that.**

**Discernment: Prayerfully making a wise choice**

Your feedback will be used by our leadership committees to determine whether we proceed with the project as envisioned, or adapt it based on the input that is gathered through the questionnaires.

The proposed project is the fruit of the **Campus and Facility Master Plan** we completed last year. The priorities reflect what the parish community expressed to the committee during that process.

**Back to the brake job** — That was a decision I needed to make last week for my car, a 2007 Saab 9-3 that I occasionally refer to as "my sin" because I enjoy it so much.

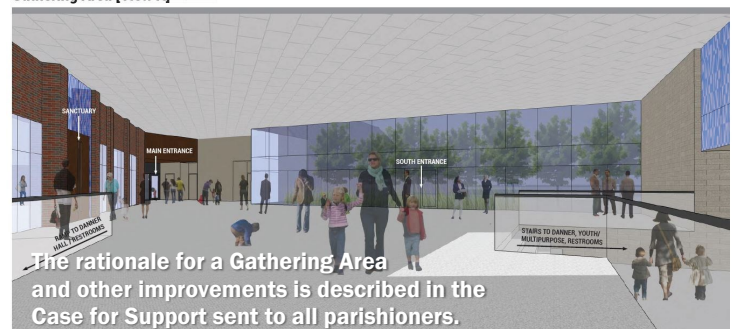
I opted to go with the premium brake job. It will cost \$70 more, but I tend to be rather heavy on the brakes and I want to keep that car for a long, long time. (I'd like to have some paint dings and nicks taken care of, but that's a want, not a need.)

Our parish will be here for a long time. Avoiding car payments is one way I will be able to do my share to help our parish continue its journey.

**PLEASE respond to this feasibility study prayerfully and sincerely. Let's all continue to pray that God's will be done at St. Pius X Parish.**



Gathering Area [View A]



The rationale for a Gathering Area and other improvements is described in the Case for Support sent to all parishioners.





## Faith Formation | Religious Education

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**FILL THE BUS WITH CANS NEXT WEEKEND!** We are holding our second "fill the bus" with returnable cans and bottles. We will be collecting on Wednesday, April 27, and before and after Masses on April 30 and May 1. We are raising money for Sr. Luvia's orphanage in Haiti. **These are very difficult times for Sr. Luvia's neighborhood, due to political unrest in Haiti.** Your prayers and your returnable cans are appreciated.



**ELEMENTARY FORMATION:** This is ALREADY our last week of Faith Formation. Thank you SO much to all the parents, catechists, and students who have made this year a success!

**ELEMENTARY SERVICE PROJECTS:** Our students embraced the Year of Mercy! Each class chose a different Corporal Work of Mercy to learn about and DO! Check out the Mercy bulletin board in the Formation Hallway to see how each class served.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ~ Looking Ahead:** This year's VBS will take place the week of July 18. Volunteers are needed and can be going in to the 6th grade and older.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL EDGE SCHEDULE

- Today (4/24) ~ No EDGE (service weekend)
- May 1 ~ Edge (8th graders arrive by 5pm)
- May 2 ~ Confirmation at the Cathedral of St. Andrew
- May 3 ~ RETURNING the cans for Haiti! Meet at 3:15pm at the bus!

**CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY:** To honor the Jubilee Year of Mercy, our Middle School students took an entire weekend to learn about the Corporal Works of Mercy. Not only did they learn about them, they also spent Saturday DOING all 7 Corporal Works of Mercy! The teens went to Mel Trotter, In the Image, Brookcrest, St. Ann's, Cook Funeral Home and prepared meals for Safe Haven and HQGR. What a great way to embrace the Year of Mercy!

**CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTER** will host Rabbi Lewis on Thursday, April 28 from 5:30-7pm. He will speak about the role of spirituality at work. To register call the CIC office at 459-7267 or email [register@catholicinformationcenter.org](mailto:register@catholicinformationcenter.org). The Center is located at 360 Division Ave. S suite 2A, in Grand Rapids.

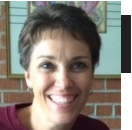


**NOVEL READERS BOOK CLUB** meets at 7pm Monday, May 9, in McDuffee to discuss *Boy, Snow, Bird* by Helen Oyeyemi. Contact Linda Stray ([lindastray@yahoo.com](mailto:lindastray@yahoo.com) or 249-8034) or Mary Boehm ([meb2904@aol.com](mailto:meb2904@aol.com) or 538-9635) with inquiries.

**IS CONSECRATED LIFE FOR YOU?** Come and join in conversion with the Dominican Sisters, Marywood, Grand Rapids, for Morning prayer, Mass, and dinner, followed by your questions. This will take place on May 10 from 9:15am-1pm. RSVP to Sister Doris Faber, OP at 616-514-3431 or email [dfaber@grdominicans.org](mailto:dfaber@grdominicans.org).

## High School Youth Ministry

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### UPCOMING YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

- **April 24** (All meetings in Danner Hall)  
4:30pm ~ Mission Trip 2017 Questionnaire Development  
5pm ~ CHWC 2016 Meeting  
6pm ~ YM 2016/17 Visioning meeting—all are welcome! (pizza served)  
6:55pm ~ Bus to Mass (Prom weekend); gather in front of Youth room
- **April 27** ~ Open Youth Room 5:30-8pm
- **May 1** ~ 11:45am ~ Leadership/50+ Planning Meeting  
5:30pm ~ 8th Grade Parent Meeting in Youth Room  
Evening ~ Return Cans for Haiti
- **May 15** ~ 8:30am ~ Graduate Mass with Breakfast following  
7pm ~ Mess War (8th Graders Invited)
- **May 21** ~ 50 Plussers Sock Hop

### DYMO CAMP 2016 ~ High School Youth Ministry Opportunity

*Come as you are ~ June 12-18.* Experience Catholic Community: discipleship, sacraments, discussion, hiking, swimming, talent show, bonfire, form lasting friendships. DYMO has impacted our Diocese for over 40 years. Register at [www.dymo.org](http://www.dymo.org).

**EXTRA DISHES:** Thanks to all who give so graciously in time of need when St. Pius hosts a funeral lunch, retreat, class, etc. However, dishes are "OVERFLOWING". Please pick up your dish, container, tray...whatever it may be. They are located on tables outside of Danner Hall. Thanks!

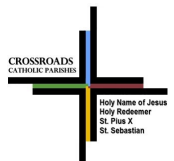


**A free conference to learn about the dangers of pornography and ways to protect your children and families.**

Pornography addiction is an epidemic in America. Millions are affected, and Catholics are not immune. Today, pornography use is one of the most common sins heard in confession. It damages marriages, families, careers, and personal lives. Dr. Peter Kleponis will be speaking to ALL people from 11yrs to 99yrs.

**Thursday, May 12 | 7-9pm**  
Holy Redeemer Parish in Jenison

To register please call 669-9220  
or register on-line at  
[www.holyredeemerparish.org](http://www.holyredeemerparish.org)  
or email  
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## Parish Life

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**ST. PIUS X MINISTRY FAIR ~ Disciples Respond:** How might God be calling you to respond? You're invited to come to Danner Hall after any of the weekend Masses to visit with some of the many ministries to possibly find an answer to this question. Pizza will be served after the 5:30pm Mass and donuts after the Sunday Masses. All are welcome and don't worry about having to commit to anything...just explore what's out there!

**MOM'S GROUP:** Join us for a relaxing, fun evening for dinner and watch the movie, *War Room*, on Tuesday, April 26 in the McDuffee Room. We will begin at 6pm...child care is available.

**COFFEE, DONUTS & MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT:** Next Sunday, May 1, join us for our regular coffee and donuts in Danner Hall...as an extra treat after the 10:30 Mass, kids can make a craft for a special someone.

### 50+ UPCOMING EVENTS

**SOCK HOP ~ Date Change Now May 21:** Shake, rattle and roll on into the 50+ Sock Hop...presented by the High School Youth Ministry teens following the 5:30 Mass on Saturday, May 21. If you are 50 years of age or older, join us for dinner, entertainment and dancing. RSVP to 538-2600 or formation@spxcatholic.org by Tuesday, May 17.

**MEIJER JAPANESE TEA GARDENS TRIP** will be on Wednesday, May 25 for the 50+ group. The trip will include a tram ride through the sculpture gardens, time in the Japanese Tea garden, and a little time to explore after lunch. We'll have lunch at the café. Cost is \$14 for the trip or \$4 if you are a Meijer Gardens Member...this does not include lunch. The bus WILL NOT be available, but we will carpool from St. Pius X...leaving at 10am. RSVP to the parish office by May 17; payment is due in advance.

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## Growing in Christ

### Weekly Stewardship Report

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:** In today's Gospel we return to the Last Supper to hear Jesus' new commandment to love one another. Good stewards, as the recipients of God's unending love, take this commandment seriously. Though we are reminded of his love throughout the year, it is Jesus' actions and words during the feast of Passover that show us the extent of his love and the way we too can live a life of stewardship: "...love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another" (John 13:34). Can we accept this commandment from Jesus? Are we able to embrace this kind of discipleship? Can we humbly offer ourselves in loving service to one another? from the ICSC Catholic Stewardship April 2016 e-bulletin

## Time and Talent

### MASS ATTENDANCE

April 16 & 17: 8:30pm—294 | 8:30am—247 | 10:30am—556

**BREAKFAST & BRUNCH THANK YOU'S!** Thank you to all the men and kids who helped with this year's parish breakfast on April 10. Special thanks to **Ed Krzeminski, Paul Pietrzak, and Andrew Kovac** who team up to coordinate the breakfast. And thanks to the Community Commission who helped organize our Welcoming Brunch last weekend, especially **Diane Schilo** who coordinated it.

**ANOINTING LUNCHEON** help is needed to prepare, serve and clean up at the luncheon that will follow a special Anointing Mass on Friday, May 6. Food prep starts at 9:30am and we should be done around 1:30pm. If you'd like to help, please contact Andy Rebollar at arebollar@spxcatholic.org or 532-9344.

**DONUT MINISTRY:** Help our parishioners connect with one another by offering a few hours of your time every other month before and after for the 8:30 or 10:30 Sunday Masses. It's an easy way to get involved as an individual, couple, or family. If you are interested or have questions, contact Sue VanGessel at suevangessel@gmail.com.

## Treasure

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL:** You have been asked to turn in your CSA pledge card this weekend. If you have already done so, thank you! Our participating in CSA as individuals and as a parish enables us to unite with all Catholics in the Diocese of Grand Rapids. Our collective blessings fund important work that benefits our parish and diocesan programs and individuals, families, and communities throughout our 11 counties. Every gift, regardless of amount, is important to funding essential ministries and programs. **Our parish goal for 2016 is \$124,595 and 100% participation**, which means a pledge card from every family. Please prayerfully consider how sharing your gifts will benefit many—in our parish and far beyond. We look forward to your participation and working together to accomplish more of our Lord's work.



| PARISH SUPPORT                    |  | Last week        | Year to Date     | Prior Year to Date |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Fiscal Year 2015-16   Week 42/52  |  | 4/16 & 4/17      |                  |                    |
| Adult Envelopes                   |  | \$ 14,372        | \$559,179        | \$ 572,935         |
| Electronic Giving spxcatholic.org |  | \$ 4,410         | \$179,769        | \$ 161,513         |
| Youth Envelopes                   |  | \$ 4             | \$ 176           | \$ 452             |
| Loose Offerings                   |  | \$ 721           | \$ 30,057        | \$ 27,740          |
| <b>Total Contributions</b>        |  | <b>\$ 19,507</b> | <b>\$769,181</b> | <b>\$762,640</b>   |
| Budget Overage/(Shortfall)        |  | \$ 1,177         | \$ 9,542         |                    |
| OTHER GIVING                      |  |                  |                  |                    |
| Master's Mission                  |  | \$ 420           | \$ 27,861        | \$ 29,359          |

St. Pius X has 938 registered households. Last week, 314 contributed either by using an offertory envelope or electronically. Every gift is gratefully received as a sacrifice united with Christ's own self-offering in the Eucharist to share God's love.

## Mass Assignments for April 30 & May 1

| Mass Coord.           | 5:30pm<br>Volunteer Needed  | 8:30am  | 10:30am  |
|-----------------------|---|---|--|
|                       |   | Tony & Sandy Grandy   | Linda DiCesare   |
| Greeters              | Madison & Nicole Tullio<br>C'Ann Tyson<br><b>Volunteer Needed</b>   | Sandy Grandy<br>Lexi Hass<br>Paul VanGessel<br><b>Volunteer Needed</b>  | Dick & Marianne Gebraad<br>Kathy Kohmescher<br>Pat VanderVeen  |
| Servers               | Carter Brink<br>Emi Zielinski<br>Lily Zielinski   | <b>3 Volunteers Needed</b>  | Colin David<br>Jacob Davis<br><b>Volunteer Needed</b>  |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Mattie Conlon<br>Mary Cook<br>Nick Dabbous<br>Angie Lemont<br>Harold Lemont<br>Andrew Smith<br><b>3 Volunteers Needed</b> | Lexi Hass<br>Brittany Klein<br>Steven LeQuia<br>Amanda London<br>Jerry London<br>Tara Pankratz<br>Michele Stutzky<br>Elaine Szarowicz<br>Kendall Wright | A.J. Burdick<br>Joe Burdick<br>Donna Huyge<br>Chris Marsh<br>Mike Miller<br>Kris Phillips<br>Rick Ruemenapp<br>Debbie Shereda<br>Tom Shereda<br>Mike Signore<br>Paul Sundstrom<br>Mary Tracey<br>Kim Wohlfel |
| Lector                | Paul Wojtas<br>Jennifer Castro  | Marc Larabel<br>Jan Sartorius   | Connor Fischer<br><b>Volunteer Needed</b>  |
| LWC                   |   |   | Holly Gomez  |
|                       | Usher Team: H   | Usher Team: E   | Usher Team: B  |

## Our prayer list for healing

Please continue to pray for the following and all the sick in our Parish, their families and friends, those hospitalized and home-bound, and those in care facilities. To be included on the Prayer Chain (separate from this bulletin list), call Jason George at (231) 736-7487.

|                       |                       |                           |                     |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Jenny Walsh           | Gerry Dekkinga        | Bob Brock                 | Joe Capriglione     |
| Kenneth Schumacher    | Mary LaSarge          | Jennifer Cook             | Erika Yonker        |
| Kelsey Gibson         | Leslie Kelsey         | Lenore Nufrio             | Marie Nevins        |
| Pat Deuling           | Catherine Cesare      | Diane & Mary Prindle      | Andy Wierzbicki     |
| Joe Lemont            | Henry Visscher        | Betty DiTrapani           | Judy Bonzheim       |
| Beverwyk Family       | Joe & Margaret Grandy | Rose Reilly               | Judy Wojtas         |
| Anthony McAndrew      | M. Forrester          | Laurie Bialik             | Sally Thome         |
| Jennifer Hassell      | Marty Schumacker      | Margaret Harman           | Pat Chichester      |
| Terry Freybler        | John Stoddard         | Carol Guffy               | Bob & Holly Ann Ott |
| Ben Baird             | Derek Bull            | Shannon Olman             | Diane Austin        |
| Rich Hubbard          | Stephen Meurer        | Dorothy Rennager          | Linda Meagher       |
| Kathy Maslowski       | Charles & Mag Frodl   | Patrick Bartz             | Ilene Topolinski    |
| Deb Russo             | Tom & Becky Hoffmann  | Ellen O'Toole             | Sarah Johnson       |
| Catherine Owens       | Mike Connell          | Edward Kaminski           | Justin Vriezema     |
| Jeff Zylstra          | Mary Jebb             | Markell Barnhart          | Josina Galaszewski  |
| Marlene Strong        | Mary Beth Jensen      | Pat Rummer                | Robert Ryzanca      |
| Cindy Cole            | Megan Reynolds        | Chris VanderSlice         | Mary Benson-Slosser |
| Jill Moyer            | Jim & Mary Norcutt    | Leo Raap                  | Deb Finnigan        |
| Nell Wouters          | Allen Mulligan        | Jim & Madeleine Stotenbur | Martha VanDyke      |
| Brianne Bassett       | Jon Hannan            | Roberta Hagen             | Ken Jenkins         |
| Tom Wojtas            | Winnie Kulaga         | Jonathan Kolenda          | Sandy Ressel        |
| Kerry Deboer          | Donna Waters          | Marlene Stroung           | John Blanchard      |
| Sr. Jean Marie Wojtas | Pat DeJong            | Norm Pokora               | Linda Wood          |
| Terri Bernott         | Clara Jo Braybrook    | Barbara Barney            | Zachary Matzke      |
| Ann Berg              | Jane Voss             | Karen Bourassa            | Pam Willemstein     |
| Virginia Bieber       | Gisela Foote          | Judy Perrin               | Bob Bagin           |
| Matt Rich             | Diane Rudnik          | John Wheat                | Clara Raaymakers    |
| Mick Vaughn           |                       |                           |                     |

## Christian Initiation & Pastoral Care

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**MASS OF ANOINTING:** All are welcome to share in the **Mass of Anointing at 10am Friday, May 6** with lunch to follow.

Who should receive the Sacrament of the Sick:

- Those suffering from chronic or terminal illness
- Those anticipating surgery
- Those whose age has made them "notably weakened although no serious illness is present."



Please RSVP to the parish office at 532-9344 or email me by **May 1** if you plan to be anointed and attend the luncheon.

**NEW MINISTRY AT SPX:** We need compassionate people!

Our parish is launching a new ministry of grief support to walk along with and offer support to those who have lost loved ones during the first year of bereavement. People are needed to minister in teams of two through simple contact such as phone calls and cards. No experience necessary, training provided. Contact Nancy Hoekstra (457-3391) or Diane Schilo (808-1888) to sign up or ask questions. **Check out our table today at the Ministries Fair!**



# May Events

|                          |   |  |
|--------------------------|---|--|
| <b>FRIDAY<br/>MAY 6</b>  | <b>Anointing Mass</b><br>10am with lunch to follow  |  |
| <b>SUNDAY<br/>MAY 8</b>  | <b>The Ascension of the Lord</b><br>This wonderful feast reveals our destiny with Christ.   |  |
| <b>MONDAY<br/>MAY 9</b>  | <b>Feasibility Survey Deadline</b><br>please return in the collection basket or mail back to the Parish Office  |  |
| <b>THURS.<br/>MAY 12</b> | <b>Fighting Porn in our Culture</b><br>Holy Redeemer ~ Featuring Dr. Peter Kleponis for all ages 11-99yrs.<br>7-9pm   |  |
| <b>SUNDAY<br/>MAY 15</b> | <b>Pentecost Sunday</b><br>The Season of Easter ends with our celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit.<br><b>High School Senior Graduation Mass</b><br>8:30am Mass with breakfast to follow |  |



*We offer the sympathy, love, and prayers  
of our parish to the families of:*

**RON UTRUP**

*Godfather & Uncle of Julie Utrup*

**ROBERT WIRT**

*brother of Lisa (Paul) Pietrzak*

**JOSH HALL**

*father of Julia & Riley Hall*

**ROBERT SCHAB**

## ROSARY AT HOLY CROSS CEMETERY ~ May 1 ~ 3pm

The Diocese of Grand Rapids Catholic Cemeteries invites everyone to **Holy Cross Cemetery** (2000 Walker NW, Grand Rapids) to celebrate the month of May with a dedication to the Blessed Virgin Mary by praying the Rosary.

Please meet at the Mausoleum where we will process from there to the Blessed Virgin Mary Feature.

**Please bring your own chairs—rain or shine!**  
**Refreshments will be served.**



## PRAYER POST: Imaginative Prayer

St. Ignatius presents two ways of imagining during prayer. The first way is demonstrated in a meditation on the mystery of the Incarnation. He asks us to "enter into the vision of God." God is looking down on our turbulent world. We imagine God's concern for the world. We see God intervening by sending Jesus into the maelstrom of life. This type of imagining helps us see things from God's perspective and take on God's qualities of love, compassion, and understanding. (David Fleming S.J.

[www.ignatianspirituality.com](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com)). *Pray with this Sunday's Readings: Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27*



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