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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday and Thursday 8 AM (except on the *First Thursday* of the month the daily Mass is at 6:30 PM)
 1ST and 3RD Wednesday of the month at 9 AM
First Thursday of the month 6:30 PM (*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7pm and Night prayer 8pm to follow Mass*)
First Friday of the month 8 AM
 Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 9:30 AM

NEW PARISHIONERS

Contact Parish Office for appointment to register.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Must be active, registered member of parish. Contact the Parish Office for more details.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made by contacting the Parish Office at least six months in advance. Must be active, registered member of parish family.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Notify Parish Office of parishioners experiencing serious illness, injury, or hospitalization. Communal Anointing of the Sick is celebrated annually in the Fall.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Also, by appointment. Please email Fr. Marc

5:00 PM on the *First Thursday* of the month
 3-4 PM Saturday at Church

AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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SCHOOL ENDOWMENT: "SPREADING THE SPIRIT FUND"

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WEATHER POLICY

If Bay City Public Schools or AACCS close due to inclement weather, daytime (8:00 AM –4:00 PM), parish activities are canceled. Cancellation of evening activities will be announced by 3:00 PM. Closures will be posted on TV: NBC 25, ABC 12, CBS 5.

Week of November 13th, 2023

MONDAY

491: Wis 1:1-7 Ps 139:1-10 Lk 17:1-6

TUESDAY *Mass 8 am*

492: Wis 2:23—3:9 Ps 34:2-3, 16-19 Lk 17:7-10

WEDNESDAY *Mass 9 am*

493: Wis 6:1-11 Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 Lk 17:11-19

THURSDAY *Mass 8 am*

494: Wis 7:22b—8:1 Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175 Lk 17:20-25

FRIDAY

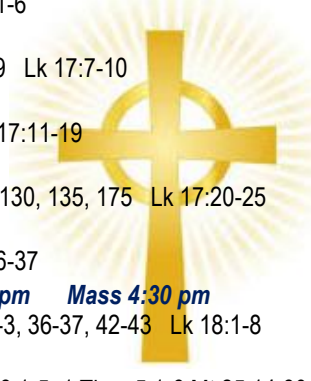
495: Wis 13:1-9 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 17:26-37

SATURDAY *Confessions 3-4 pm Mass 4:30 pm*

496: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Lk 18:1-8

SUNDAY *Mass 9:30 am*

157:Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 Ps 128:1-5 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30



UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday, November 13th – Choir Practice 6:30 pm

Tuesday, November 14th – Sacramental Prep 6:30 pm

Wednesday, November 15th – Knitters 10 am

Thursday, November 16th – Turkey Box Giveaway

Sunday, November 19th – CLOW 9:30 am Religious Ed 10:45 am

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Target: \$11,153.84 Offering: \$1,857

Food Pantry: \$425 World Mission Sunday: \$100

Champaign for Human Development: \$25

Children's Good Deeds

...Helped Papa with dishes & put other people's toys away...

...Listening to my teacher...Making birthday invitations...

...Listening nicely to my teacher...

AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Clark Switalski, Principal

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Our volleyball teams have just wrapped up their seasons and had a very successful year! Great job everyone and thank you to our coaches who gave their time, talents, and energy to making our season a success. Our next sport is basketball, and it will begin after the first of the year. Our 5th grade students are working on being generous with their time by going to help at the Good Samaritan Mission this Wednesday. This is one of my favorite things for our children to do, I appreciate their efforts in being good stewards! *...God Bless ...*



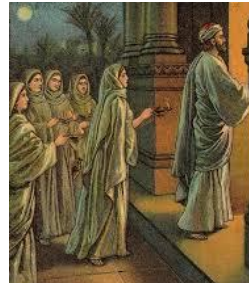
EDUCATION / FORMATION

Family Talk Time:

Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families, Sara McGinnis Lee
Ask your children, "How can we be prepared to receive Jesus when he comes to us?" Think about ways you prepare yourself for Mass and to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. What else can you do to prepare your hearts for Mass? What do you think Jesus meant when he talked about keeping our light burning? How can we make sure we are ready to meet him when he comes?

Reflecting on the Word:

As parents, we often prepare for a myriad of family gatherings, taking care of arrangements and putting every detail in order. Preparation is essential, whether we are getting ready for a birthday party, a family reunion, or a wedding feast as in today's Gospel. At the time of Jesus, oil was used in clay lamps to provide light. Five of the young women bring extra oil, so that their lamps would remain lit,



while five foolish young women are unprepared and do not have the necessary oil. They find themselves in darkness, locked outside of the wedding feast. We are called to be diligent in our spiritual preparation, so we may walk in the light.

Living the Word:

Recall your children's response to the question of how we can keep our lights burning. Invite them to choose one idea to live out in the week ahead, so that you are prepared to welcome the bridegroom when he comes.

Save the Date, ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT...

A special event for women of faith

The Education Commission is hosting this event on Sunday December 3rd, from 3:00pm-4:30pm. The commission is asking for 12 volunteer hostesses to set up a holiday table lit with candles, invite 5 family members or friends to join your table, and lastly provide a dessert for your group. Any woman of the parish can be a hostess! This year the commission will sponsor an open table for women who would like to attend as an **individual**, the sign-up sheet is at the church front entrance, RSVP by 11/27. **To be a hostess** there is an *additional* sign-up sheet at the entrance or contact Ashley Bock at 989-529-5755





Father Marc's Minutes...

Pursue Vigilance in Wisdom

The first reading comes from the book of Wisdom. This book falls within the wisdom literature of the Old Testament. Wisdom literature deals with how to be virtuous and live a good life. In the book of

Proverbs and Wisdom there are some personifications and archetypes whose attributes are compared. Some of these include comparing the wise person to the fool, and Lady Wisdom to folly and lust. In this passage we hear a bit about wisdom. The author encourages the listener to pursue wisdom ardently and resolutely. Wisdom can be found, but it takes intentionality and persistence. When we learn a new skill or behavior it is not immediately mastered. Instead, it takes time, effort, and diligence to acquire wisdom with a new skill. Wisdom is described here as an active agent who is looking for individuals who are eager and willing to pursue her. Wisdom wants to be perceived and help shape the life of people for the better. What exactly is wisdom? In Eerdmans's Dictionary of the Bible, wisdom is defined as "the ability to make sound judgments on what we know, especially as it relates to life and conduct. The wise do not value the quantity of knowledge by itself, but the ethical and moral dimensions of how we evaluate human experience and act on it." Wisdom is not simply "book" smarts or knowing a multiplicity of facts. Rather, wisdom is the ability to make decisions and sound evaluations about human behavior. Wisdom seeks to know and understand the ethical dimensions of behavior and the world. Someone may be very intelligent, but very foolish and unwise at the same time. I pray we pursue wisdom in our everyday life on this day. Jesus is the ultimate source of prudence and wisdom.



Keep Up the Good Work!

I want to applaud our parish for several things. First, thank you to everyone who has responded to our call to support Christ Mission Appeal. We are off to a good start for this annual campaign. I once again encourage all families and households to please support our diocesan church. When we support the diocese we also support St. Gabriel too. *Secondly*, the generosity with the Thanksgiving boxes is truly awe-inspiring. Every time I walk into the parish offices my jaw drops and I cannot wait to see the look on their faces as people receive these gifts. You have been very gracious and generous.



Update on Confirmation

Bishop Gruss has approved the program "Purpose" by LifeTeen as the preparatory program for Confirmation. It will be a 2-year program that focuses on journeying with young people as the encounter Jesus and so make an intentional decision to follow Him with their lives. Some parishes have begun piloting this program. The plan is to have in-person training in the spring of next year with the hope of instituting this program next year. I will let you know as more information becomes available.

Fun Fact

My personal ranking of the seasons from favorite to least favorite: fall, spring, winter, summer--- I don't like the heat!



"Adopt a family" program for the holidays ... we have received several family lists from the Middle School with more to come. If you are interested in supporting a family for the holidays call or come into the Parish Office, choose a family, take their list, and buy for the whole family. We hope to provide a special Christmas for at least 10 needy families. We have been so fortunate to always have such a generous Parish!

Funeral Luncheon Meeting

There will be an informational meeting for anyone interested in joining the funeral luncheon team. On Tuesday November 14th at the Parish Office. If you are interested in attending please contact the office at 989-662-6861 for more information.

Assumption Church 52nd Annual Bazaar



Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale
Saturday, November 11th
8:30 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.

Thanks

St. Gabriel Parish would like to extend a Big Thank You to the Knights of Columbus Auburn for the very generous donation of \$600 to our Food Pantry. We really appreciate this wonderful and much needed gesture!



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	Parishioner	Non-Parishioner
COLUMBARIUM		
Single (1 Urn)	\$1,100	\$1,600
Double (2 Urns)	\$1,500	\$1,850
Inurnment	\$ 250 per niche	\$ 350 per niche
CEMETERY		
Plot	\$ 600	\$1,300
Burial	\$ 750	\$ 900
Burial of Cremains	\$ 250	\$ 275
Saturday Burial	\$ 250 additional	\$ 250 additional
Foundation	\$ 0.40 per sq. inch	\$ 0.40 per sq. inch