



Life Is a Game of Golf

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When the British colonized India, they brought with them the game of golf.

A worse hazard than sand traps turned out to be monkeys. Wherever the ball landed, a monkey would run onto the fairway, pick it up, and drop it somewhere else—from the fairway into the rough, out of a sand trap onto the green, from the green back onto the fairway. The Brits tried everything to keep the monkeys off the course—fences, sirens, booming noises. Nothing worked. In the end, they ended up changing the rule book: play the ball where the monkey drops it.

The scriptures today tell of people who lived with an openness to wherever it was that God would take them. They played the ball wherever the monkey dropped it. It is the story of the Hebrews enslaved in Egypt when they were about to be led out into a God-knew-where desert. It is the story of aged Abraham and Sarah, called to travel to an alien land and then into parenthood in their old age. Faith is not trusting that God will always take us to where we want to be; it is trusting that wherever it is that God takes us will ultimately bring us into fuller life. So, watch and be ready to recognize the coming of God. It may be in times of darkness for you (as when the master comes late at night, says Luke's Gospel) or when you find yourself in an "alien land," a place in life you've never been before. ●

[Jesus said to his disciples,]
"For where your treasure is,
there also will your heart be."

LUKE 12:34



Reflect

What surprising places has God led me?

"Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own." Psalm 33

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 9th: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Martyr
4:00pm Mass: Pro Populo (For the People)

Sunday, August 10th: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass: For the intentions of Shari Nachazel

By Dan & Margaret Nachazel

Tuesday, August 12th: St. Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:00am Mass

Wednesday, August 13th: St. Pontian and St. Hippolytus

12:00pm Mass

12:30pm Holy Hour of Adoration

Thursday, August 14th: St. Maximillian Kolbe, Martyr & Priest

8:00am Mass

5:00pm Holy Hour of Adoration *Different time this week*

6:00pm †Kate Bingham by Ruth Vallance (Holy Day of Oblig)

Friday, August 15th: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am Mass Holy Day of Obligation

8:30am Holy Hour of Adoration

Saturday, August 16th: St. Stephen of Hungary

4:00pm Mass: †Leon Dunson by Trudi Dunson

Sunday, August 17th: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass: Pro Populo (For the People)

St. Joseph & St. John of Praga

Parish Directory

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Confession 30 minutes before all Masses or
by appointment

Ministry Schedule for August 16th and 17th

August 16th: Saturday at 4:00pm

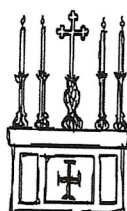
Lector: Dee Skrocki

Ushers: Jeff Crane and Jodie Crane

August 17th: Sunday at 9:00am

Lector: Nancy Redwine

Ushers: Keith Smith and Dan Nachazel



Future Dates of Parish Hospitality

Needed are volunteers for set up,
cooks and clean up. More dates upcoming!

Fr. Matthew's 50th Birthday Celebration

Saturday, September 20th (App Night)

Sunday, September 21st (Breakfast)

Fr. Joe Graff visiting and

Deacon Mark's Ordination Anniversary

Saturday, September 27th (App Night)

Sunday, September 28th (Breakfast)



Please call the office if
you or someone you
know should be
included on this list

Nancy Admunsen
Matt Barnadyn
Braylan Blackwell
Ray Borowiak
Connie Bricker-Shaler
Lee & Barbara Carlisimo
Pat Castaneda
Pat Chapman
Bonnie Courter
Roger & Nancy Danforth
Kendra Davis
Doug Drenth
John Ennest
Myron Ennest
Joe Gaffney
Issac Gardner
Padrick & Eileen Gardner
Douglas Hagedon
Gail Hagedon
Marian Hanson
Samantha Harris
Joyce Hoult
Elaine Hurst
Carol Kerr
Janet (Mumich) Krussell
Bobby Kupovits
Anne LaCross
Ellie Maza

Betty McKinnon
Pat Messink
Barb Mumich
Lilly Nowka
Tony Nessel
Mary O'Connor
Jeremy Palmrose
Steve Paterka
Gretchen Peck
Keith Peters
Bart Petrich
Abigail Ponchart
Lori Ponchart
Daniel Powers
John Powers
Tom & Ruth Repichowski
Gary Roberts
Tom Robison
Susan Shay
Michael Sheridan
Betty Skrocki
Josh Spears
Robbie Startzel
Phyllis (Jeanie) Sumner
Boden Vrondran
Virginia Wabamimkee
Grandvue Staff/ Residents
All Souls in Purgatory

Food Pantry Messages to the Parish:

Care and Share Food Pantry:

Thank you for your continued & incredibly kind donation of \$2,980.00 to help support our pantry. This donation will go a long way in helping provide food and personal items for our East Jordan Community. We know with your donation that we can achieve our goals of helping those in our community that have food insecurities.

Thank you,

Lori Argetsinger

Executive Director

Good Samaritan Family Services:

Thank you for your gift of \$2,980.00! We currently have 650-700 visits each month. We have had 144,000 total visits to the pantry as we celebrate our 35th year of ministry. We will continue to live out our mission: Serving God by reaching out to our neighbors in need. With the continued support of friends like you we will keep this ministry of love going for another 35 years! Grateful for your support of what we do.

David Kroon

Pantry Supervisor

Mass Intentions

All Weekend dates are full. **Weekday Masses are available.** To schedule, stop by, call the parish office or drop information in the collection basket

ONLINE GIVING

Check out our website for the tab at the top of the page or down at the bottom that says, "Giving". The format is simple and easy.

Thank you for all your support to our parish!

We received for July: \$3,909.00

Adult Faith Formation

**Tuesdays starting August 12th:
9:00am and 5:30pm**

Bishop Robert Barron's "The Creed"

This will be an 8 week look into the meaning of the words and history of the Apostles and the Nicene Creeds. Not always do the words match what we think the meaning is! These studies are free and the books are provided. Books can be picked up in the parish office. Bring your Bible & your Catechism, but others will be available.

WEEKLY OFFERING

August 2nd and 3rd

Envelopes.....	\$2,255.00
Loose.....	\$1,453.00
Building Fund.....	\$260.00
Candles.....	\$5.00
OFFERING TOTAL.....	\$3,973.00
Bishop Oliver Fund.....	\$200.00

Thank
You

Holy Day of Obligation

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin, Mary

Masses

Thursday, August 14th at 6:00pm

Friday, August 15th at 8:00am



Marian Center at Joy Valley

2680 Maxwell Rd, Petoskey, MI 49770
Phone 231-347-6279

**Open on Tuesday and Saturday:
10am to 3pm.**

**Educational Exhibits!
Great Gift and Book Store!**



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Traveling Prayer Box

Pray for our diocese and parish by taking home this prayer box filled with devotional books and prayer cards. This statue of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel represents the patron saint of our diocese. Sign up sheets are in the gathering space.

We need each family to take this prayer box home as we continue our diocese pastoral planning!
Uniting our prayers together for our parish and community!



CARE & SHARE FOOD PANTRY

August collection items for St. Joseph is
Fresh Produce: Corn, Beans, Tomatoes and
Squash and Peppers.

Additionally from all the churches they are
looking for **Toiletry Items:** Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Hand
Soap, Laundry items, Shampoo and Conditioners.



Food Pantry Collection

August 16th and 17th

Collection envelopes and basket are in the gathering space. Along with a list of items needed. Monetary donations can be placed in the collection at Mass.

**Thank you to all who
are generous
within our own community!**

St. Joseph Parish T-shirts and Sweatshirts

Gray or red T-shirts for \$10.00.
Blue Sweatshirts with hoods for \$20.00.
Small to 2XL available.
Supports our Garden Ministry



Dear Padre,

Where did the Virgin Mary spend her last days on earth? Ephesus or Jerusalem?

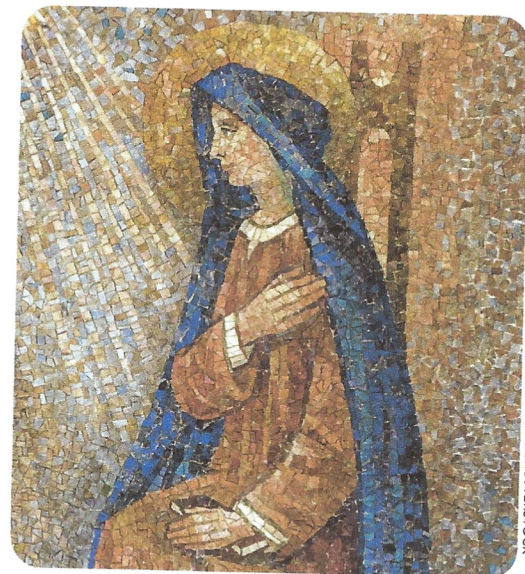
Shortly before Jesus died on the cross, he entrusted his widowed mother to the protective care of John the Evangelist. (See John 19:26–27.) Accordingly, when John lived his final years in Ephesus, it is believed that Mary also spent her last days nearby in a modest stone dwelling, before being assumed body and soul into heaven “to be preserved from the corruption of the tomb” (Pope Pius XII, *Munificentissimus Deus*, 1950). Moreover, it is likely in Ephesus (present-day Turkey) where the tradition of Mary’s Assumption started.

Pope Benedict XIV (1740–1758) declared Ephesus was “where the Blessed Mother...proceeded from this life into heaven.” More recent popes, such as Paul VI in 1967 and John Paul II in 1979, prayed in this venerable home, known as Mother Mary’s House.

However, close to Gethsemane in Jerusalem is the Basilica of the Tomb of Mary from the fifth century. It is built around an ancient crypt where Mary’s body was believed to have been laid before it was assumed into heaven.

While both Ephesus and Jerusalem claim to be the location where the Virgin Mary spent her last years on earth, experts contend the latter is the older tradition and the more credible place. Even if Mary temporarily left Jerusalem, it is probable she returned to the land of her birth and resided there at the end of her earthly life. ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*And at the end of our
life, [the Lord] will call us
to account for the goods
he has entrusted to us....
We have received so
much: life, faith, family,
relationships, work, but
also the places where we
live, our city, creation....
[A]re we guardians of all
that has been given to us?*

ANGELUS, ROME,
AUGUST 7, 2022



RICCARDO DE LUCA - UPDATE / SHUTTERSTOCK

Monday

August 11
St. Clare, Virgin
Dt 10:12–22
Mt 17:22–27

Tuesday

August 12
Weekday
Dt 31:1–8
Mt 18:1–5, 10, 12–14

Wednesday

August 13
Weekday
Dt 34:1–12
Mt 18:15–20

Thursday

August 14
*St. Maximilian Kolbe,
Priest and Martyr*
Jos 3:7–10a, 11, 13–17
Mt 18:21–19:1

Friday

August 15
*The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*
Rv 11:19a; 12:1–6a,
10ab
1 Cor 15:20–27
Lk 1:39–56

Saturday

August 16
Weekday
Jos 24:14–29
Mt 19:13–15

Sunday

August 17
*Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*
Jer 38:4–6, 8–10
Heb 12:1–4
Lk 12:49–53