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 Masses
 Saturday 5:15 PM
 Sunday 9:30 AM
 Rev. J. J. Mech
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 Rev. Gregory Deters
 Associate

Sunday June 26 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:30 Mass for the repose of the soul of
 William McIver (56th anniversary of death),
 requested by his daughter Cathy Strunk;
 Our Leaders, World Peace
 Ministers: Brenda Denise Hytower, Jean-Marie Allion

Monday June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria

Tuesday June 28 St. Irenaeus

Wednesday June 29 Sts. Peter and Paul

Thursday June 30 The First Martyrs of the Roman Church

Friday July 1 Bl. Junipero Serra

Saturday July 2 5:15 Mass for Mr. & Mrs. Howard Shirkey,
 requested by their family; and names and
 intentions on the Rosary Prayer List

Sunday July 3 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary time
 9:30 Mass for Our Country; Our Leaders,
 World Peace
 Ministers: Ann Murphy, Trina Martell

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 66: 10 – 14c
 Galatians 6: 14 - 18
 Luke 10: 1 – 12, 17 – 20

Remember These Friends in Prayer

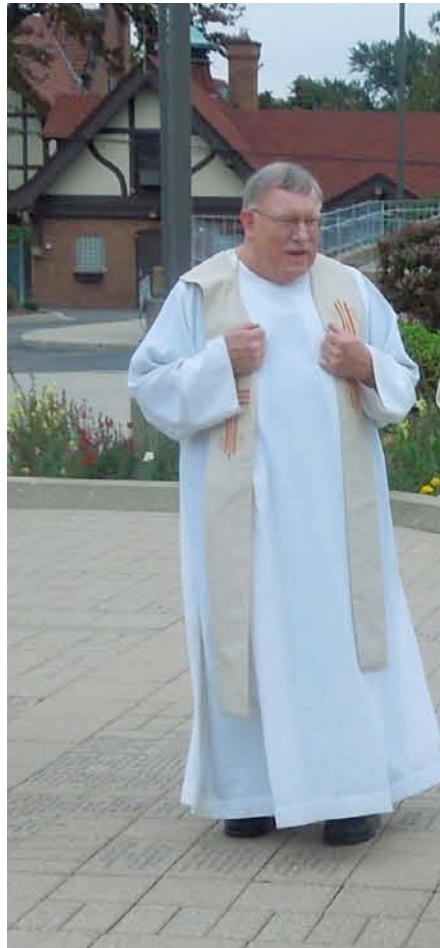
Catherine Speirs	Patrick Siev	Nicole Arvanitis	Kerry Barnes
Barnes Family	The Kolmetz Family	Julie, Ron & Marty Morin	Ken Jenkins
Alma Bojanic	Kay and Jim Morhard	Susan Amman	Lauren Reagan
Daniella McClendon	Roger Carlson Family	Miriam Levant	Allison Holley
D.A.K. Jones	Muriel Abrams	Tom W. & Family	Ricardo Patino
Didilus Family	Brenda Lumpkin	Taylor Wright	Fred Kammerer
Marie Therese Lucien	Burma Gilchrist	Cynthia Davis	Leonard Gross
Morand Family	Maureen S.	Linda Cummings	Natalie
Heather Lucido	Wimbush Family	Sandy Johnson	Sara Willis
Andrew Philka	Paul H. Mullin	Ann Sadje	Pat Bartkowski
Susanto Suprpto	Rita Bowers	Jane V.	Mary Rayes
Charles Jerry Williams	Ida Bailey	Cindy LaGosh	Mr. Simmons
Regina Burns	John T. Knox	Mark Tavin	Aileen Rosado
Calvin McFarland	Joseph Daoud	Brian Stump	Jasmine Wright
Reising Family	Cynthia Herron	Jason Morhard	Rosa Lee Vaughn
Bradley Morin	Rebecca Voigt	Leah James	Susan Wahl
Rev. James Meyer	Henrietta Jackson	Alice Brown	Joanie Stanesic
Marjorie Perdue	Harold Meek	Barbara Johnson	Patricia Ennis
Mrs. Zaciek	Grandma K.	Chris & Michael Shea	Carol Verbrugge
Elisa Martinez	Mary Ruskin	Ernestine Stephens	Dan Hall
Barthwell Family	Rhonda Maxine Irwin	Sherley Epps	Margie Pauline
Greg Varano	Vocations	Eliisa Bojanic	Winona Ware
Trotty Family	Ellie Finn Murphy	Orzechowski Family	Pat Roberts
Donna Asmar	Robert Ruffer	Phyliss Gossett	Rachel Lynn
James Teal	Clemencia Carmona	Caitlan Maloney	Gloria Graydon
Willis Family	Barbara Bedolla	Craig Burtch	Jean Baustian
Wade Gilchrist, Jr.	Mufide Mary	Tim Calloway	Carlos Vasquez
Toney Family`	Laura Anderson	Lois and Tim Turrin	Myrtha Johnson
John Carlos Swanson	Nick Van Heck	Ann Morey Franklin	Suzanne Welter
Lucille Sobocinski	Ray McConnell	The Jackson Family	Leonard Gross
Owen Patrick Strunk	Jeanne Powell	Honey, Tom & Zachary	Sandy Johnson
Bill Brazier	Tory Murray	The Mullin Family	Debbie Schaefer
Barbara Foley	Bob Delbeke	Mary Martin	Angelina Roberts
Ingrid McIntyre	Eileen Marie Finn	Matthew Elias	Allan Krupp
Rosa Maria Santos	Luchrisha Drake	Shirley Middleton	Eleanor Fuchs
Theresa Stinson	Sr, Georgene Schumacher	Michaela Norman	Shirley Seymour
Max Heirich	Jim Bellaire	Karen Kerns	Dr. Jay Pinney
Czarnik/Jankowski Family	Joyce James	Kenric Van Wyk	

PRAY FOR FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY AND IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Sgt. Muddy Peha Calvin Trotty Tommy Fitzpatrick David Guiroga Matthew Dixon
Sgt. Brandon & Tiffany Childs George Hurley Family of George Rayes Lance R. Stevens
Tonya Gray Gary Didilus

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of the Rosary is an open Christian Family, a mixture of unique beings in an inner-city setting. Gifted and guided by the Holy Spirit, called in Faith to prayer, love and concern, this apostolic community searches to creatively use its resources to become inviting, loving, healing and one with the distressed/alienated people of today.



FATHER GREG'S GRAB-BAG

Well.....the day has come: I am sitting down to write my final “Grab-Bag”! I’ve had a few months to think about what my final column would look like—now that I am here, my mind is all jumbled! LOL!! The experiences I have had at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, St. Moses the Black and Our Lady of the Rosary have been nothing short of spectacular!!

I remember thinking 2 years ago as I wrote my first Grab-Bag: “Is this going to be a good or a bad experience?” As a Priest, I have always had a positive outlook on life; I sort of applied that thinking as I began my journey 2 years ago. I am very much a people person—I love to be around, and engage with, other people. It didn’t matter which of the three parishes I went to—the parishioners were incredibly warm AND welcoming to me. There are people who ask me, “Father, which assignment did you enjoy the most?” That’s an extremely hard question to answer because every assignment, every parish I have been at, has been different. I know it sounds like a cop-out; it really isn’t!!

I had never had an “Inner-City” experience, so even though I arrived positive and ready for my 2 year journey, that little voice in the back of my head kept saying, “Hmmmmmmm ...are you SURE you’re ready for this?” In all honesty, from day one, the people of ALL 3 parishes reached out and made me feel welcome—that is my first thank you! What a wonderful group of living Saints you are—really!! The faith and love that you have for Our Lord and the Holy Eucharist is indescribable! You truly inspired me to go beyond MY limits as a priest—thank you!

The next “person” I want to thank is my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!! He has always looked over and taken care of me. He has put me in some challenging parishes and given me difficult people to deal with; however, I have ALWAYS felt His strength as I live and preach the Holy Word! Here at our 3 Cluster Parishes, I have been given new “tools” to work with: I walked into a new culture and way of doing things—Lord, you guided my hand and opened my heart to all these new experiences! Wow—what a great time I’ve had!!

There are soooooo many people from all 3 parishes I want to thank: of course, when you start thanking individual people, you get in trouble because you ALWAYS forget someone!! I will still try! Thank you to Monsignor Mike LeFevre for accepting me here 2 years ago. I was at a point in my life that I needed peace and serenity—he gave me that here at Cathedral. I also want to thank Norbert Kidd over at Our Lady of the Rosary. Norbert is truly the definition of what a Living Saint is: he is humble, kind, generous, holy....I could go on forever! He is the unofficial “caretaker“ of Our Lady of the Rosary. Monsignor LeFevre told me when I arrived 2 years ago; “Don’t let anything happen to Norbert”. I didn’t understand what he meant at the time, but I sure DO now!! Last, but certainly NOT least, I want to thank Father JJ for his love and guidance. It is NEVER easy to come to a Cluster Parish, certainly not a Cluster of 3!!! He has done a wonderful job and I have all the confidence that he will continue to do a GREAT job!! Thank You from the bottom of my heart for giving me space and being there when I needed you!! Well.....I guess that’s all I have to say. Once again, thank you so much for loving and caring about me. I think most of you know that I am going to St. James in Novi beginning on July 1st. There is an open invitation to please come and visit me---the people of Our Lady of the Rosary, St. Moses the Black and Blessed Sacrament Cathedral will always have a special place in my heart! I love you all!!!!

And now for my FINAL joke.....

There was a man Bulgaria who drove a train for a living. He loved his job, driving a train had been his dream ever since he was a child. He loved to make the train go as fast as possible. Unfortunately, one day he was a little too reckless and caused a crash. He made it out, but a single person died. Well, needless to say, he went to court over the incident. He was found guilty, and was sentenced to death by electrocution. When the day of the execution came, he requested a single banana, he was strapped into the electric chair. The switch was blown, sparks flew and smoke filled the air, but nothing happened. The man was perfectly fine. Well, at the time, there was an old Bulgarian law that said a failed execution was a sign of divine intervention, so that the was allowed to go free. And somehow, he managed to get his old job back driving the train. Having not learned his lesson at all, he went right back to driving the train with reckless abandon. Once again, he caused a train to crash, this time killing two people. The trial went much the same as the first, resulting in a sentence of execution. For his final meal, the man requested two bananas. After eating the bananas, he was strapped into the electric chair. The switch was thrown, sparks flew, and smoke filled the room, and the man was once again found unharmed. Well, this of course meant that he was free to go. And once again, he somehow manages to get his old job back, To what should have been the surprise of no one, he crashed yet another train and killed three people. And so he once again found himself being sentenced to death. On the day of his execution, he requested his final meal-three bananas, "You know what?

"No" said the executioner. "I've had it with you and your stupid bananas and walking out of here unharmed. I'm not giving you a thing to eat, we're strapping you in and doing this now.

Well, it was against protocol, but the man was strapped into the electric chair without a last meal. The switch was pulled, sparks flew, smoke filled the room and the man was still unharmed. The executioner was speechless. The man looked at the executioner and said" Oh, the bananas had nothing to do with it, I'm just a bad conductor.

Have a Great Summer! Please Visit Me!!

Father Greg

FAREWELL, FATHER GREG

Don't forget the special reception for Fr. Greg this afternoon, June 26, at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral. Friends from the three parishes in our cluster, along with his personal friends and relatives, will gather in the meeting rooms at the offices of the Cathedral—around 12:45 PM, to thank him and wish him well in his new assignment in the Wilds of Novi! Each parish will be providing some of the refreshments. An e-mail was sent last week asking for volunteers. If you have questions, etc. see Norbert. Hopefully, Father Greg's many friends from Rosary will be part of the celebration.

IT'S PICNIC TIME!

Once again, Rosary will join Blessed Sacrament and St. Moses the Black for a grand picnic on Belle Isle, While the picnic is not until August, we need some Rosary members to be part of a planning committee. This is your opportunity to share your ideas and plan a SUPER picnic. Come to the meeting Tuesday, June 28, at 6 PM in the Cathedral offices. Bring your ideas and suggestions. We need to have your Rosary input!

FINANCES

Last week's Offertory collection totaled \$1,918. 53 envelopes were used.

OUTREACH

We are still offering backpacks for distribution to homeless friends. Also, we are still collecting men's underwear, socks and T-shirts. We have a new need: body wipes. Dollar stores have packets of wipes, which really come in handy for those "on the street." At present, we have a lot of used clothing to process, so we ask that clothing donations be withheld for a while (except for the men's items mentioned above).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wilson Suprpto	Sunday
Marcus Oubre	Monday
Lauren Hollier	Monday
Barbara Murdock	Tuesday
Caitlyn Clarke	Wednesday
Dwight Whitfield	Friday
Rosemary Garvarino	Saturday
Monica Mitchem	Saturday