

# The Good News

Presentation Our Lady Of Victory Parish  
Detroit, Michigan

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 8, 2019

## DISCIPLESHIP IS A PROCESS

It's said that upon reading the Gospels, Gandhi commented that he very much liked Jesus Christ. It was Christ's followers he found troublesome. One wonders who Gandhi had met and if these Christians had truly counted the cost of their faith. Following Jesus, really following Jesus, is much more challenging than we may think. He emphasizes this with strong language in this Sunday's Gospel. He compares discipleship to the carrying of one's own execution device - "his own cross" - and for the need even to "hate" what could disrupt one's commitment. Some of this is standard hyperbole, exaggeration for effect common to the time period. Some of this should make us wonder how deep our discipleship goes.

"Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost?" Jesus imagines this construction project gone wrong. Someone may lay the foundation but not have enough resources to finish. We've received the firm foundation of the sacraments - our baptism, for one, along with weekly Mass attendance and regular confession. Yet how often do we find ourselves too distracted, exhausted, or uninterested to truly build our lives on our faith? We have all met such Christians. Some days, we may be those Christians ourselves. We become the incomplete tower that confuses and baffles the onlookers. "This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish!"

For some of us, our cross may feel heavier than we expected upon the first lift. Building a tower means laying stone upon stone. It's a process. We don't arrive at completion overnight. Grace is always sufficient to provide the resources, but we need to keep saying yes to the task. This week, consider your own discipleship. What is one area where you've become distracted or discouraged? How can that improve this week? Let God lay another brick on the tower.



23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"WHOEVER DOES NOT CARRY HIS OWN  
CROSS AND COME AFTER ME CANNOT  
BE MY DISCIPLE." - LK 14:27

*Presentation Our Lady of Victory Church is an urban parish that strives to proclaim the Good News of Christ and the beliefs of the Roman Catholic faith, focuses on increasing our love for God through worship; serves as stewards in the community and continues the ministry of Jesus Christ through prayer and evangelization.*

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

<u>Wednesday, September 11</u>	
Parish Council (Convent)	7:00 pm
<u>Thursday, September 12</u>	
Bible Study (Convent)	1:00 pm
<u>Friday, September 13</u>	
Just For Christ (Convent)	7:00 pm
<u>Saturday, September 14</u>	
Worship Commission (Convent)	10:00 am
<u>Sunday, September 15</u>	
Prayer Gathering (Chapel)	10:45 am
Celebration of Mass (Chapel)	11:30 am
Youth Sunday/Fun Day	1:00 pm



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Carol Harris

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Devin Busby  
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Welton LaGarde

Ushers  
Pat Foster  
Anthony Timbers

Coffee & Donuts  
St. Vincent dePaul

Counters - September 16th

Anthony Timbers



## WEEKLY COLLECTION

The weekend of September 1, 2019  
we received a total of **\$935.00**  
*Thank you for your continued support!!!*



### Prayer for Peace

I think we all remember where we were on 9/11. We saw the tower fall and we saw the selfless first responders run toward the falling towers and debris without concern for their well-being, but for that of the fallen men and women. This is the model of patriotism, and why we now celebrate Patriot Day. Let us pray...

*O God of selfless love,  
we are a blest people to have a God like you.  
You instill your love for us  
into the hearts of your human creatures.  
Even if those human creatures do not acknowledge  
you, your love for us still shines through.  
We ask your blessing upon all first responders today  
and ask you to protect them and their families.  
Help us love people of all nations, races, and creeds,  
which will bring about the end to wars and terrorism.  
We ask all this in your peace. Amen.*

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Sunday, September 8  
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Wis 9:13-18b  
Phlm 9-10, 12-17  
Lk 14:25-33

Monday, September 9  
Col 1:24-2:3  
Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 10  
Col 2:6-15  
Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 11  
Col 3:1-11  
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 12  
Col 3:12-17  
Lk 6:27-38

Friday, September 13  
1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14  
Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 14  
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
Nm 21:4b-9  
Phil 2:6-11  
Jn 3:13-17

Sunday, September 15  
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Ex 32:7-11, 13-14  
1 Tm 1:12-17  
Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10



AT HOME

*Lindsay Bond, Cynthia Carter,  
Donald & Barbara Carter, Theora Carter,  
Sarah & Thomas Diggs, Ruth Donaldson,  
Wesley Duggan, Emily McGhee, Doris Robinson,  
Deacon Sanders, Alexander Stubbs Jr., June Sutton,  
Larry Wegrzyn, Janice Wilson*

OTHER

*Wayne Bradley, Mary Elizabeth Robinson*

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by calling the Parish Office at  
313.255.9000



## Prayer to Unleash the Gospel

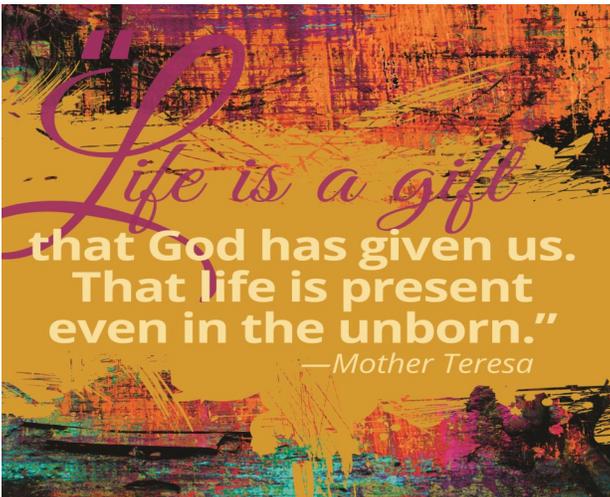
God our Father, you have called us to be witnesses to Jesus and have commissioned us to lead all people to encounter him.

Send your Holy Spirit to enlighten our minds so that your will may be clear to us and that we may accept it.

Dwell within our souls and make our hearts your own.

Transform us into a band of joyful missionary disciples embracing the fruits of Synod 16 so as to share the good news of Jesus Christ in Southeast Michigan through joyful evangelization and service.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Amen.



Take the time to visit the Trinity Vicariate website

[www.trinityvicariatedetroit.org](http://www.trinityvicariatedetroit.org)



# Youth

As we start our academic school year,  
our Religious Education school year also begins.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS



Join us as we walk in Solidarity as  
Friends of the Poor  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH**

**Belle Isle**

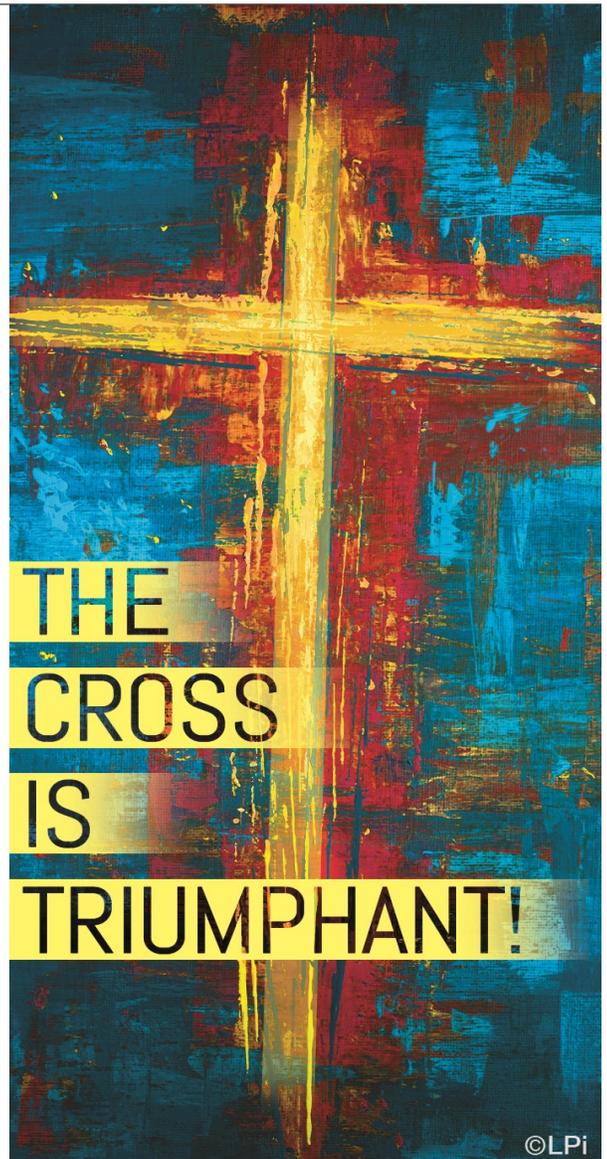
**Check-in at 9am**

**Walk begins at 10am**

Lunch, T-shirts and a great time for all!

Register online at <http://fopwalk.org>

For more information, see Monika Uriel



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You can download the app in the following ways:

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## ADVERTISE WITH US

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## JOIN US IN PRAYER Every Sunday @ 10:45am

Everyone is invited and encouraged to gather with others from our parish as we pray for the mission of our Church. Just as we are seeing revitalization in our city, we seek to bring about rebirth of the Church in Detroit.

## 2019 MASS INTENTIONS

The 2019 Mass book is now available for you to reserve a Mass. Call soon to get your preferred date while many dates are open.

If you would like to request a date, please contact the Parish Office to request a date at 313.255.9000.

## CANONIZATION PRAYER

O God, I adore You. I give myself to You. May I be the person You want me to be, and May Your will be done in my life today. I thank You for the gifts You gave Father Solanus.

If it is Your Will, bless us with the Canonization of Father Solanus so that others may imitate and carry on his love for all the poor and suffering of our world.

As he joyfully accepted Your divine plans, I ask You, according to Your Will, to hear my prayer for... (your intention) through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*"Blessed be God in all His Designs."*

## Tolton Prayer

God, \* we give you thanks for your servant and priest, Father Augustus Tolton, \* who labored among us in times of contradiction, \* times that were both beautiful and paradoxical. \* His ministry helped lay the foundation for a truly Catholic gathering in faith in our time.

\* We stand in the shadow of his ministry. \* May his life continue to inspire us \* and imbue us with that confidence and hope \* that will forge a new evangelization for the Church we love.

Father in heaven, \* Father Tolton's suffering service sheds light upon our sorrows; \* we see them through the prism of your Son's passion and death. \* If it be your Will, O God, \* glorify your servant, Father Tolton,

\* by granting the favor I now request through his intercession \* (mention your request) \* so that all may know the goodness of this priest \* whose memory looms large in the Church he loved.

Complete what you have begun in us \* that we might work for the fulfillment of your kingdom. \* Not to us the glory, \* but glory to you O God, through Jesus Christ, your Son \* and our Lord; \* Father, Son and Holy Spirit, \* you are our God, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen

## MAKING A REPORT OF SEXUAL ABUSE

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others – no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or by emailing [vac@aod.org](mailto:vac@aod.org). In addition, the Michigan Attorney General's Office can be contacted at its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or by email [ataginvestigations@michigan.gov](mailto:ataginvestigations@michigan.gov). More information about the Archdiocese's efforts to address abuse may be found at [protect.aod.org](http://protect.aod.org).

Join Msgr. Daniel Trapp & Fr. Stephen Burr  
on Pilgrimage

## IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST THROUGH THE HOLY LAND June 22 - July 1, 2020

### ITINERARY

Monday, June 22 •

Departure from USA

Tuesday, June 23 •

Arrival in Israel | Galilee | Tiberias

Wednesday, June 24 •

Mount of Transfiguration | Cana | Tiberias

Thursday, June 25 •

Mount of Beatitudes | Tabgha | Tiberias

Friday, June 26 •

Sea of Galilee | Capernaum | Jerusalem

Saturday, June 27 •

Bethlehem | Jerusalem

Sunday, June 28 •

Via Dolorosa | Calvary | Mt. Zion | Jerusalem

Monday, June 29 •

Gethsemane | Western Wall | Jerusalem

Tuesday, June 30 • Free Day

Optional Dead Sea Excursion | Jerusalem

See Fr. Burr for more information or to get a  
flyer with detailed information



## Let's Save the Earth One K-Cup at a time!

I believe it's true when I say, that most of us love a good cup of coffee at some point during the day. And with the help of a Keurig coffeemaker, making that cup is pretty easy. But have we really thought.....**AT WHAT COST?**

"It is said that all of the K-cups sold in 2013 (8.3 billion) would wrap around earth 10.5 times". In 2014, it shot up to 9.8 billion. Whoa.....that made me stop and think..... "no more throwing them in the garbage".

I hope you'll join me on a quest to make our earth a beautiful place for all generations. **How can you help?** Start by saving all of your used K-cups. Put them in a bag (preferably paper) and dispose of them in the container located at the entrance every Sunday. I will personally prepare them to be recycled. If you wish to be a part of this endeavor, please call me at 313.255.9000. Thank you in advance for caring about this awesome gift given us.



*Helping every soul within our reach to attain eternal life in Jesus Christ.*

Powered by prayer and the Holy Spirit, with roots dating back to 1701, the Archdiocese of Detroit forms disciples and builds Catholic community in southeast Michigan. We administer Roman Catholic parishes and schools within the city of Detroit as well as Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, St. Clair, Monroe and Lapeer counties. We serve with a spirit of gratitude and joy, going forth with apostolic boldness to *Unleash the Gospel*.



The archdiocese is under the care of the Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron, Archbishop of Detroit.

### **Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month**

October is National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month

The Most Reverend Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, October 6 at 11 a.m. in honor of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month. Join us to remember those who have been lost, and to pray for couples hoping to conceive a child.

At the service:

- a blessing will be given to married couples who desire a baby
- a prayer will be offered for families who have lost a pregnancy, infant, baby or child.

Please RSVP and tell us:

- if you would like a blessing for desiring a pregnancy
- the name of the baby, infant or child who died.

### **Mass for Commerce**

Please join His Excellency Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron and the Catholic business and professional community for a morning of inspiration at the 26th Annual Mass for Commerce on Wednesday, October 23, at 8 a.m. in the Chapel of Sacred Heart Major Seminary, 2701 W. Chicago Blvd, Detroit 48206.

This celebration of the Eucharist reminds Catholic men and women that they are not merely business and professional people who happen to be Catholic, but people who recognize they are stewards of God's gifts and their need for the Holy Spirit to be with them, guiding them every day.

A breakfast will follow Mass. At the end of breakfast, a panel of local business leaders will discuss how their Catholic faith has impacted their business life. For more information, call 313-596-7430 or visit the web at [www.massforcommerce.org](http://www.massforcommerce.org).

### **Campus Ministry**

Gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal help foster the spiritual growth of young adults attending area colleges and universities.

The Office of Young Adults and Campus Ministry helps form communities of faith on campuses, either by incorporating and strengthening the faith of those who live on campus or by building community, forming leadership, and collaborating with area parishes on commuter campuses.

The office sponsors activities and programs for students, such as one-on-one pastoral counseling, spiritual direction, social justice projects, and retreats.

For more information on CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to [aod.org](http://aod.org).

### **Catechetical Sunday**

This year, the Archdiocese of Detroit will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 15, 2019 with the theme of "*Encountering the Risen Christ*."

On this special day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to our parish community to pass on the Catholic Faith to our families. We also celebrate our parents, grandparents, and guardians by recognizing their important role in teaching the faith.

The parish community is encouraged to pray for all catechists who dedicate themselves to the mission of helping those they teach to encounter Jesus and grow in their love for Him.

**PRESENTATION OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH****Reverend Stephen Burr, Pastor****Reverend Mr. Hubert Sanders, Pastoral Administrator****PARISH OFFICE**

Ms. Jeanine Murphy, Business Manager

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday & Tuesday 10am - 4pm, Wednesday - Closed, Thursday 10am - 4pm, Friday 12pm - 6pm**EMERGENCY CONTACT: 586.596.2089 or 313.330.1332****OFFICE LOCATION AND NEW MAILING ADDRESS** 17305 Ashton Avenue † Detroit MI 48219 (located on North East side of Convent)**CHURCH/CHAPEL LOCATION:** 8201 W. Outer Drive Parish Website: [www.presentationourladyofvictory.org](http://www.presentationourladyofvictory.org)**COORDINATOR CONTACTS****Sacristan:** Ms. Mary Maurant**Music Minister:** Mr. Brown W. Leonard**Religious Education:** Mrs. Wanda Sanders**Adult Formation:** Reverend Mr. Hubert Sanders**Minister of Service:** Mrs. Gail Bond, Mr. Michael Heard, Mr. Bob Thomas**Ushers Ministry:** Mr. Anthony Timbers**Worship:** Ms. Pamela Heard**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Ms. Monika Uriel**50 & Over Group:** Mrs. Gail Bond/Mrs. Wesley Duggan**Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary, Court #189:** Ms. Monika Uriel**PARISH COUNCIL**

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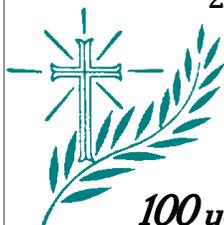
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