

THE

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SAINT BENEDICT

SAINT SCHOLASTICA

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 26 , 2018



St. Scholastica Parish  
17320 Rosemont  
Detroit, Michigan 48219  
[www.stscholasticachurch.org](http://www.stscholasticachurch.org)

Fr. John Paul Bolger, CC , Pastor

### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday through Friday	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Holydays	8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

### MARRIAGE

Parish priest must be contacted six months prior to date of intended marriage.

### BAPTISMS

Contact Fr. John Paul Bolger, CC

### CONFESSIONS

Tuesday - Saturday Mornings: Immediately Following Mass

Saturday Evening Mass: 3:45 p.m. until 4:15 p.m.

Sunday: 9:15 a.m. until 9:45 a.m.

All other times - Call Parish Office For Appointment

### ROSARY

Sunday 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

### PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office .....	(313) 531-0140
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**FR. JOHN PAUL BOLGER, CC**



**REFLECTING ON GOD’S WORD**

“If it does not please you to serve the LORD,” Joshua enjoins the tribes of Israel at Shechem, “decide today whom you will serve.” And the people answered: “Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods,” going on to name the deeds the Lord had done for them (Joshua 24:15, 16).

Centuries later, after hearing Jesus call himself bread to be eaten, descendants of those at Shechem said: “This saying is hard; who can accept it?” And they “no longer accompanied him.” Jesus then asked the Twelve if they would leave too. Simon answered for all: “We have come to believe and are convinced you are the Holy One of God” (John 6:60, 66, 69).

Our response is a simple but weighty *Amen* (meaning “So be it”). When the consecrated host is held up, accompanied by “The Body of Christ,” and the cup offered with “The Blood of Christ,” we are asked to put our faith on the line and say, “Amen.”

Has familiarity bred contentment? Are we so used to this mystery that we rarely have a sense of awe or wonder? The first act of faith is believing that God is present in things as ordinary as this bread and wine. We believe that the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. What is the change in us that should accompany receiving them?

But of such stuff dreams are made—God’s dream of a family, loving daughters and sons, gathered around a table to say “Amen,” then to live Communion in a world of broken bodies, shed blood, wounded hearts, and crushed spirits. When we say “Amen” to this mystery, who knows what might happen?

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.  
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**LIVING GOD’S WORD**

Jesus, you came from the Father and returned to the Father and remain ever near the Father’s heart. You remain the Father’s Word of love to us, the Word of the Father’s commitment to us; draw us into being “Amen” as you were also “Amen” to the Father’s will. Amen.

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**ALPHA**

**PRESENTED BY THE SEMINARIANS OF THE COMPANIONS OF THE CROSS**

*Is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus die? Why and how should I read the Bible?*

For answers to these questions and many more, attend “Alpha” at St. Scholastica Parish. Alpha begins on Tuesday, September 11 at 6:15 p.m. and continues until November 13th. Alpha is free and includes dinner.

To register, call the Parish Office at 313-531-0140 during regular business hours. EVERYONE IS WELCOME! See the flyer in this week’s bulletin.

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**THE LITURGY OF THE DAY**

It is time to take a stand. Just like the faithful in today’s first reading and the disciples in the Gospel, we must decide if we really believe things that are beyond our human understanding: that we are made in the divine image, that Jesus is both divine and human, that the Holy Spirit dwells inside of us, and so on. When we pray the Creed today, take note of all that we believe, pronounce firmly each “I believe,” and take note the assent of those around you who share our beliefs.

Both the tribes of Israel and the disciples of Jesus are put on the spot in the readings we hear today. Both groups are asked to commit themselves to the One in whom they believe. Will they follow the Lord or will they turn away? In the first reading, everyone pledges to continue to serve the Lord, but in the Gospel not all the disciples remain in the fold. What is our response today?

*From Pastoral Patterns*

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

The 90th Gala , celebrating St. Scholastica’s 90th year as a parish, will be held on Saturday, October 27th. More information will be coming soon. Please plan to come and spread the word about this historical event.

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**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**



It is time to take a stand. Can I say, like Simon Peter, “I believe”? Can I say, like Joshua, “I will serve the Lord”? How can I show others where I stand?

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**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK**

FIND US AT : [stscholasticachurch.org](http://stscholasticachurch.org)





**Tuesday, August 28, 2018**

8:00 a.m. † Frank Banas by Jay and Maria Fetizanan

**Wednesday, August 29, 2018**

8:00 a. m.

**Thursday, August 30, 2018**

8:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Ruth Cordeiro

**Friday, August 31, 2018**

8:00 a.m.

**Saturday, September 1, 2018**

8:00 a. m. † Adela M. Pili by Marianna Bailey

4:30 p. m. † E. Napoleon Burton by Helen Burton

**Sunday, September 2, 2018**

10:00 a.m. For Parishioners



**MASS ASSIGNMENTS**

**Saturday, September 1, 2018**

4:30 p. m. Lector:  
Blood of Christ: Gubbie Bey

**Sunday, September 2, 2018**

10:00 a.m. Lector: Jonathan Jackson  
Body of Christ: Jay Fetizanan  
Blood of Christ: Cheryl Sanders  
Blood of Christ: Mary P. McDougall



We continue to pray for our sick and homebound parish members, Bruce Henderson, Elma Thorpe, Annie Laurie Shannan, Courtney Atlas, Eileen Clark, Sandra Moulton, Christopher Staff, Mary Madigan, Margaret Porath, Drew Lund, Roland Martin, Marian Hubbard, Willie Beale, Jean Geran, Betty Kell, Gloria Seacord, Fermon Sanders, Diverna Stephenson, E. Napoleon Burton, William Walker, Albert Jackson, Daisy Allen, Victoria Crowe, Dennis Lund, Gertrude Strale, Matthew Onwudingo, Irma Gisstennar, Justin Doucette, Ellen Casey, Denise Goodine, Jonathan Jackson, Gwendolyn Dickerson, and Yolanda Stephens.

**Parish Calendar:**



**September 1, 2018**

Men's Group—6:30 a. m.—Chapel  
Mass 8:00 a.m. Followed by Adoration  
Mass—4:30 p. m.

**September 2, 2018**

Rosary—9:30 a. m.  
Mass— 10:00 a. m. – Church

**September 3, 2018**

Holiday-Parish Office Closed



That this week's edition of the Michigan Catholic is the last to be printed? That the paper will be an on-line digital newspaper beginning in November?

That the newspaper was printed for 146 years?

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

Sunday, September 16, 2018, Fr. John Paul Bolger will be installed as the pastor of St. Scholastica Parish at the 10:00 a. m. Mass. Please join Bishop Hanchon and Fr. John Paul in celebrating this special occasion.

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**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

**Offering Envelopes**



**July, 2018**

**Collected: \$6,510.00**



**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS**

In today’s First Reading from the Book of Joshua, he gives the ancient Israelites a choice to either serve their God, the God of Israel, or the pagan gods: Amorite gods or gods *beyond the River*. Joshua then boldly professes, *As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord*. In St. Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians, he raises marriage to a sacrament and likens the marital bond in love between husband and wife to Christ’s relationship with the Church. In St. John’s Gospel, many of the disciples find Christ’s truth on the everlasting gift of His Body and Blood hard to accept and leave His company. Jesus questions His Apostles to see if they, too, will leave Him and go back to *their former way of life*. Discipleship in the Lord is challenging, but Simon-Peter proclaims to Jesus, *Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life*. Being Christ’s disciple has a definite cost, but He assures us of His strength to accept that cost. Jesus’ strength, peace, and joy can be attained through Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction in your parish, or at an Awaken Eucharistic Adoration in your area.

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**CCSEM MERCY IN ACTION DAY**

The third annual Mercy in Action Day is set for **Saturday, October 20, 2018**. Sponsored by Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan (CCSEM), the event involves parishes throughout the six-county region of the Archdiocese of Detroit organizing service projects to help their local communities. Please join us again this year to answer our universal calling to serve those in need. For more information about getting involved, see the roster of regional contacts on the CCSEM website [here](#), or contact Joyce Hyttinen at CCSEM at 568-416-2300 ext. 4032 or [hyttinenj@ccsem.org](mailto:hyttinenj@ccsem.org).



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IN THIS SPACE ARE THE HYMN SELECTIONS FOR THE DAY. PLEASE LIFT YOUR VOICES AND JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION OF THE MASS.

TODAY’S HYMNS ARE FOUND IN THE “WE CELEBRATE HYMNAL” AND THE “SEASONAL MISSALETTE”

	<u>WC</u>	<u>SM</u>
<b>OPENING HYMN:</b>		
“We Bring God’s Holy Love”	923	344
<b>OFFERTORY:</b>		
“The Summons”	830	305
<b>COMMUNION:</b>		
“Take Our Bread”	689	
<b>CLOSING HYMN:</b>		
“You Are the Light of the World”	964	298