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HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD,

Opening Prayer: May we always be grateful to the Almighty God for creating us and for sustaining us body and soul with the good things we enjoy here on earth.

God is Good towards His Children: Human beings in general particularly Christens are called to realize that they have one maker-God who is their Father Almighty who is good towards them. To say that God is good means God always acts in a way that is true, noble, and right. Goodness is a part of the nature of God and God cannot contradict His nature. Since God is inherently good by nature, he is good all the time. The Psalmists admits the goodness of God: "Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the stalwart one who takes refuge in him" (Psalm 34: 8). The goodness of God is also without limit: "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his mercy endures forever!" (Psalm 107: 1). The goodness of God is evident in the things He made such as night and day; sky and sea; land and vegetation; stars, sun and moon; sea creatures and other animals. Everything God made was originally "good" (Cfs. Genesis 1: 4, 10, 18, 31 1 Timothy 4: 4). The goodness of God is not just illustrated in what he has made and even in us whom He created in His own image and likeness, but the goodness of God is expressed through His gift of eternal life (Cf. John 3: 16); His love (Cf. Romans 8: 38-39); His forgiveness or mercy (Cfs. Psalm 86: 5; Psalm 100: 5; 1 John 1: 9); His healing (Cfs. Psalm 30: 2; 107: 19-21); and His protection and guidance (Cf. Isaiah 41: 10).

The Good Things we Enjoy are not the Result of our own Strength or Initiative Alone: God is behind every human success as Scripture state: "For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen" (Romans 11: 36). Good things do not just happen but they are produced by God. It is wrong for us to think that all we have been able to obtain in this life is the result of our own hard work or labor alone. Even the children of Israel were warned when they thought that all they have is the result of their own sweat and that their possessions did not come from God: "But when you have eaten and are satisfied, you must bless the LORD, your God, for the good land he has given you. Be careful not to forget the LORD, your God, by failing to keep his commandments and ordinances and statutes which I enjoin on you today: lest, when you have eaten and are satisfied, and have built fine houses and lived in them, and your herds and flocks have increased, your silver and gold has increased, and all your property has increased, you then become haughty of heart and forget the LORD, your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that house of slavery; he guided you through the vast and terrible wilderness with its saraph serpents and scorpions, its parched and waterless ground; he brought forth water for you from the flinty rock and fed you in the wilderness with manna, a food unknown to your ancestors, that he might afflict you and test you, but also make you prosperous in the end. Otherwise, you might say in your heart, "It is my own power and the strength of my own hand that has got me this wealth." Remember then the LORD, your God, for he is the one who gives you the power to get wealth, by fulfilling, as he has now done, the covenant he swore to your ancestors" (Deuteronomy 8: 10-18). The blessings that come into our lives are God's blessings before they become our achievements. Let us not grow accustomed to our blessings and forget to give thanks God and the people who have helped us. Never take it for granted that what you own is because of your effort or intelligence and so you do not need to thank anyone or be grateful to God.

Praise, Gratitude and Faith in God: In today's Gospel story of the healing of the ten lepers, the story of the Samaritan is singled out as the unique example of someone who praised God, thanked God and exercised faith in God. First, among the ten lepers who were cured by Jesus only the Samaritan returned and praised God. At the beginning of their encounter with Jesus when the ten lepers were asking Jesus for healing the ten lepers raised their voices and asked Jesus: "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" Nevertheless, after obtaining their cleansing, nine lepers went their way and only the Samaritan realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice. Second, out of the ten lepers only the Samaritan also returned to with grateful heart to appreciate Jesus for curing him. The same is also true of Naaman who after he was healed acknowledged the greatness of the God of Israel and went on to offer Elisha a present which Elisha would not take because it was God who had cured Naaman. Naaman, although a non-Jew proceeded to verbally give thanks to God and asked to take back some earth to set up an altar in his homeland to the God of Elisha. For us who daily enjoy the good things of the Lord God, we are invited to act like the Samaritan leper and Naaman who after obtaining the desires of their hearts returned with joy to give thanks to God. In all situations we are to be thankful to God for the things we like and do not like: "In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" (1 Thessalonians 5: 18). Third, the Samaritan is also an outstanding example of faith because of Jesus' acknowledgment: "Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you" (Luke 17: 19). All the ten lepers exhibited faith in Jesus when they asked to be healed, but it only to this Samaritan who returned to Jesus with a grateful heart that Jesus says: "Your faith has saved you." The connection between faith and retuning to give thanks to Jesus is that if the Samaritan had not trusted Jesus, he could not have returned to show appreciation to Jesus for healing him. The fact that he returned to thank Jesus meant he trusted Jesus. Not only did he trust Jesus but Jesus himself acknowledged his faith. Naaman too voiced his faith when after he was healed went on to make a profession of faith: "... Now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel. Please accept a gift from your servant" (2 Kings 5: 15). The good things we enjoy in life should move us to deeper faith in God.

Closing Prayer: May God who is good all the time help us to be mindful of His many blessings towards us and may we always lift up our hearts and voices to him in praise, thanksgiving and trust. ~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP		<u>St. Anne</u>	<u>St. Catherine</u>	<u>St. Raphael</u>	<u>St. Gabriel</u>
<i>Everything I have is yours.</i> " <i>Luke 15:31</i> Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son, we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do you really want to turn your back on all that God offers in exchange for material wealth that has no lasting value? God wants us to be happy on earth as well. But, that requires us to freely accept His gift of faith; putting Him first in all things and detaching from our own self-sufficiency.	Needed Each Week:	\$2,467.41	\$2,807.70	\$815.76	\$533.66
	Needed Year-to-Date:	34,543.74	39,307.80	11,420.64	7,471.16
	Actual Year-to-Date:	35,786.89	37,014.44	10,940.29	8,324.40
	Date: Oct. 2, 2022:	2,329.33	2,507.35	1,251.00	522.50
	Other Collections:	237.75	170.00	0	40.00

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

Saturday, October 8, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(For the Parishioners of St. Anne,

St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(Cheryl Kacvinsky)

Sunday, October 9, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Lorraine Probst)11:00am Mass at St. Anne (Charlie, Jan & Cathy Dettling)

Monday, October 10, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (For our Faithful Departed)

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (For those on a spiritual journey)9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Living/Deceased members of the John Beatty Family) 5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration and Reconciliation at St. Catherine

Thursday, October 13, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Ed Paulson)
9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine
7:00pm St. Gabriel Men's Club Meeting

Friday, October 14, 2022 No Mass Today

Saturday, October 15, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(For all Priests, Deacons, Brothers & Sisters)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Mass at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(Donald Bushey)

Sunday, October 16, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Phyllis Tessmer)
11:00am Mass at St. Anne (For the Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)
12:15 pm Luncheon with Bishop Walsh in Maria Hall following Mass!

**St. Catherine parish office will be closed Monday October 10 – 14th

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- St. Gabriel Men's Club Meeting: Thursday, October 13 at 7:00pm.
- St. Catherine parish office will be closed Monday October 10 14th
- SAVE THE DATE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022, ST. RAPHAEL SODALITY ECUMENICAL CHRISTMAS PARTY—ALL LADIES ARE INVITED! More information will follow soon.
- ATTENTION ST CATHERINE AND ST GABRIEL PARISHIONERS: The Ossineke Council of Knights of Columbus #6851 have placed kiosks in the main entrance of St. Catherine and St. Gabriel churches. The kiosks contain fifteen different booklets focusing on Building the Domestic Church. A variety of interesting and informational topics are covered. Stop by the kiosks and have a look at what is available. Booklets are yours to keep and are free.

COFFEE & DONUTS ~ A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY SOCIAL TIME WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS! St. Catherine: The next Coffee & Donuts will be Sunday, October 23rd following mass. St. Anne: Coffee & Donuts will be after mass on Sundays! St. Raphael: Refreshments will be after mass on Saturdays!

- Volunteers needed in the St. Anne Cemetery to fill in the potholes. There is a pile of topsoil behind the shed. Please contact the office to get all the details.
- Volunteers are needed to clean St. Anne Church for the months of October and December.
- MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year C)

SUNDAY: 2 KGS 5:14-17, 2 TM 2:8-13, LK 17:11-19

<u>MONDAY:</u> GAL 4:22-24, 26-27, 31–5:1, LK 11:29-32

<u>TUESDAY:</u> GAL 5:1-6, LK 11:37-41

WEDNESDAY: GAL 5:18-25, LK 11:42-46

THURSDAY: EPH 1:1-10, LK 11:47-54

FRIDAY: EPH 1:11-14, LK 12:1-7

SATURDAY: EPH 1:15-23, LK 12:8-12

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday: Rev. Emmanuel Tizhe

Monday: Rev. Bernard Tyler

Tuesday: Rev. Michael Verschaeve

Wednesday: Rev. Duane Wachowiak

Thursday: Rev. Matthew Wigton

> **Friday**: All Deacons

Saturday: Rev. Peter Wigton

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OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AQUINAS COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE | NOV. 12

Aquinas College welcomes any high school students and families to our Fall Open House on **Saturday, November 12**! Choose your own path throughout the day to get the inside scoop on academics, athletics and scholarships, as well as our Dominican pillars of prayer, study, community and service! Details and registration information can be found at aquinas.edu/openhouse.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE NOVEMBER 3-6

On November 3, 4, 5, and 6, 2022, the Knights of Columbus will hold a bottle and can drive to benefit the Options Pregnancy Center in Alpena. The following Knights have volunteered to collect them now until November if you do not want to store them. Please call one of them and they will be happy to pick them up.

Jim Youngblood - 989-335-3588 Chris Gauthier - 989-471-2429 Greg Szydlo - 989-736-3916 Gerald Labaza - 989-724-5682 Bob Sierota - 863-558-1872 Gerald Boerner - 517-449-7352

Thank you in advance for your support. Anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION:

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL 2022: As of Monday, October 3, 2022: St. Anne has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$17,720 which is 75.8% of our goal. We need an additional \$5,672. To date, 46 parishioners have contributed or pledged to the CSA. This represents 28% of our members. St. Catherine has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$27,045.00 which is 96% of our goal. We need an additional \$1,059.00. To date 65 parishioners have contributed or pledged to the CSA. This represents 65% of our members. St. Gabriel & St. Raphael have both reached there CSA goal in contributions but not in participation. If you have not already contributed or pledged, please do so soon! It is imperative that we reach our goal. Thank you to all who have responded so far!

JOIN US FOR A LUNCHEON! SUN 10/16 | 12:15PM

BISHOP WALSH IS COMING TO VISIT OUR PARISHES - OCT. 16:

St. Catherine at 9am | St. Anne at 11am. There will be a luncheon after 11am mass. All parishioners are welcome to join in welcoming Bishop Walsh.

Beef Stew and Sandwiches provided. Please bring a side dish to share!

BOX OF JOY SPOOKTACULAR SUNDAY 10/30 | 12-3PM

Crafts, Games, Trunk-or-Treating, refreshments and a great way to give back to those in need! BOX OF JOY brings hope to children in developing countries, providing them with Christmas gifts and a much needed reminder of God's Love. **Volunteers Needed!!** Vehicles for Trunkor-Treat, event staff, and more! Contact Jaci Fitzgerald or Kayla Adams at kadams@resurrectionacgr.org



MARIAN CONFERENCE 31-WEEKEND RETREAT- GAYLORD OCT. 21-23, 2022

This year our focus is on the Eucharist, as the Bishops have set aside the next three years to be a Eucharistic Revival. The conference features daily Mass, confessions, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a Eucharistic Healing Service, the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Marian Center Gift Shop and talks that will help you grow in your Faith. Bishop Jeffrey Walsh of the Diocese of Gaylord, will also be with us on Sunday, October 23, as the Main Celebrant for our closing Mass. For more information on Marian Conference 31, visit marianconference.org or call us at (231) 347-MARY.



'FIGHT LIKE HEAVEN' AND JOIN CAMPAIGN TO PRAY AND FAST FOR DEFEAT OF PROPOSAL 3

Catholics know the battle to defeat Proposal 3 must also be waged on the spiritual front. That's why the faithful across the state are invited to join a 54-day Rosary Novena that will cover the entire campaign season leading up to Election Day on November 8 to pray for the defeat of Proposal 3. The novena began this past Thursday, but sign-ups are still welcome. To do so, text the phrase "FightLikeHeaven" to 84576 to receive text alerts and daily prompts. The prayer campaign was initiated by Bishop Boyea of the Diocese of Lansing, but the invitation to pray and fast is extended to every Michigander and beyond.



Prayer for Life and Right Laws: Almighty ever-living God, you bestow the gift of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb. Look on our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart reverence for life. Protect our state from unjust laws. In your Name, bring to defeat every attack against the sacredness of life. Safeguard the rights of parents, whom you have entrusted with the care and formation of their children. Help all who believe in Jesus to proclaim the Gospel of Life to their neighbors. Dispel every anxiety and fear. Strengthen the bond between parents and their unborn child. May mothers and fathers accept and nurture the gift of life made in your image and likeness. Our Lady, Queen of the Family, pray for us! St. Michael the Archangel, pray for us! St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

