

Parish Intentions for May 2019

On behalf of Fr. Gordon and our parish leadership team, we ask that you include the following intercessions as part of your personal prayer throughout the month of May:

May Intentions . . .

--For our MSU students . . . for those taking final exams, for graduates beginning a new chapter in their lives, and for all embarking on summer pursuits . . . may they seek the guidance of God's Spirit in all they do through daily prayer and weekly Eucharist.

--For those students about to celebrate their First Communion, may they experience God's love in this special celebration of the Eucharist and, with the rest of their parish family, continue to grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus through the Eucharist.

--During this month of May, in which we honor Mary, the Blessed Mother of Jesus, may we take the time to renew our own devotion to the Blessed Mother, and partake in many of the parish events honoring her, so that we might draw closer to her Son.

--For all mothers, grandmothers, step-mothers, godmothers, adoptive mothers, birth-mothers, and spiritual mothers – those who have nourished us and strengthened us in our daily lives and especially in our faith -- that they may know our love and gratitude, and continue to deepen their relationships with the Blessed Mother and Jesus, which ultimately benefit all their children.

--For victims of religious persecutions, violence, crime and injustice, and for victims of sexual assault and harassment, as well as those we remember who died in active military service as we celebrate Memorial Day at the end of this month.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for Evangelization for May: Church in Africa

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for the continent.

Bishop Boyea has called for a Year of Prayer, so that the Diocese of Lansing and each of us can discern the particular ways in which God is calling us to form missionary disciples. In addition to the prayer below, Bishop Boyea asks each family or household to pray a Marian devotion once a week, asking for the intercession of Mary, our patron and the first disciple.

Year of Prayer Forming Missionary Disciples

Father,

You invite each of us to share in the life and ministry of your Son, Jesus.

Send your Holy Spirit to form our parish as a community of missionary disciples.

Teach us how to hear Jesus, to love Jesus, and to share your gift of salvation with everyone we meet.

Through the witness and intercession of Mary,
guide me to deepen my commitment as a disciple of Jesus.

Lead our parish to grow as an intentional community,
committed to go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.
We ask these blessings in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION TIMES

Mondays, 4:00-5:00 pm at SJSC

Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30 pm at SJSC

Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00 pm at SJSC

Fridays, 9:00 am-3:30 pm at STA (Benediction at 3:00 pm)

Come for 10 minutes or for an hour to sit with Jesus and know His presence and peace!