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ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Joseph is a place of refreshment, peace and love, a place of ministry and renewal. We welcome you to be part of our faith community where the Word of God is proclaimed, friendship is offered and the Sacraments are celebrated.

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Fr. Michael Williams
Deacon Marv Robertson (retired)
Deacon Jerry Fust
Deacon Eric Elstro

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St. Joseph School • Chris Wells
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Confirmation • Jen Nelson
Christian Initiation of Adults • Amanda Grigar

Please call the parish office for more information on our Family Ministries.

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Regular Mass Schedule

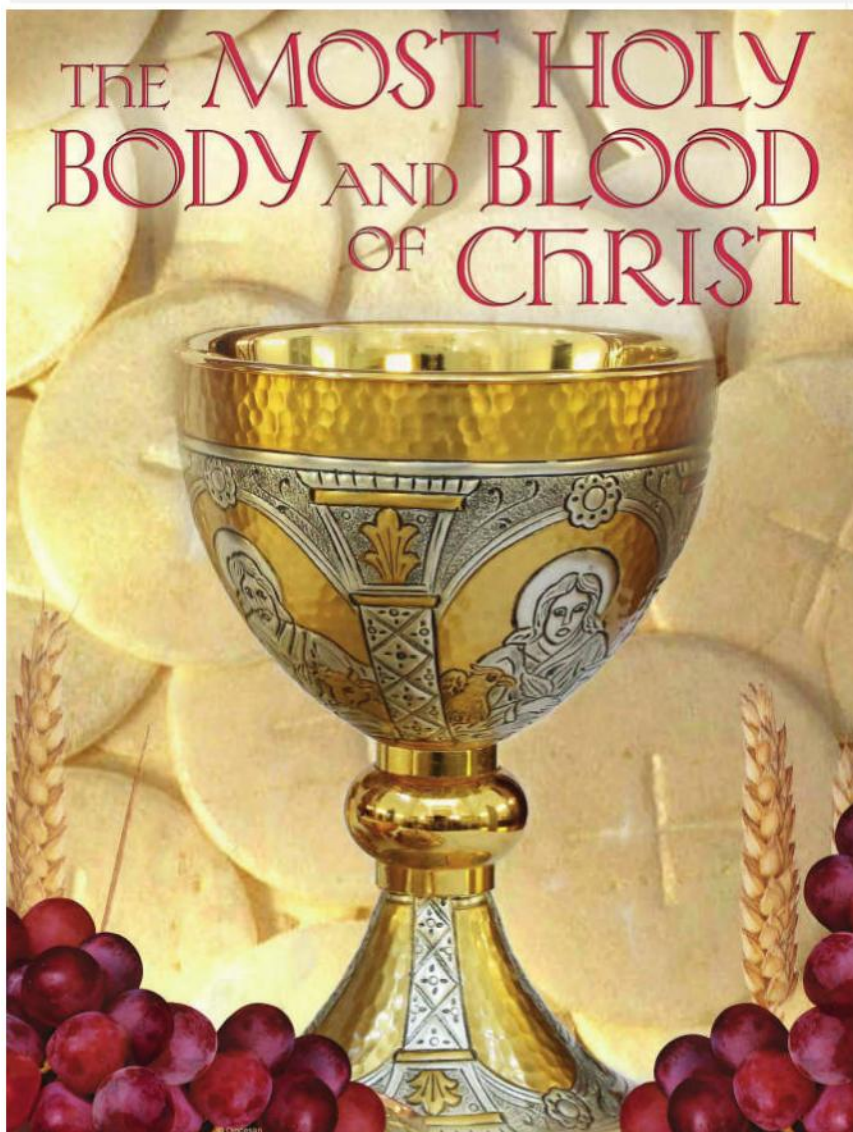
Saturday • 5:00 p.m.
Sunday • 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.
Mass in Spanish • 6:00 p.m.
(Holy Days • Consult the bulletin)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday • 6:30 p.m.
Saturday • 4:00 p.m.

Prayer Tree

Parish Office: (989)-224-8994





THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday • June 3

2 Peter 1:2-7/Mark 12:1-12

No Mass

Tuesday • June 4

2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18/Mark 12:13-17

7:00 p.m. Mass †Karl Hufnagel

By: Family

Wednesday • June 5

2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12/Mark 12:18-27

12:05 p.m. Mass In honor of Chris Spaulding

By: Matt and Monica Poff

Thursday • June 6

2 Timothy 2:8-15/Mark 12:28-34

*8:30 a.m. Mass †Robert, †Martha and †Bobby Salisburg,
and †Scotty and †Bobby Seelhoff*

By: Brian and Deb Szpont

Friday • June 7

Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19/John 19:31-37

8:30 a.m. Mass †Judith Ann Reeves

By: Brian and Deb Szpont

Saturday • June 8

2 Timothy 4:1-8/Luke 2:41-51

8:30 a.m. Benediction

5:00 p.m. Mass †Bill Fox

By: Tom Fox

Sunday • June 9

Genesis 3:9-15/2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1/Mark 3:20-35

8:00 a.m. †Rita Thelen

By: Lee and Dori Smith

10:00 a.m. †Clair and †Margaret Thelen

By: Family

12:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish

6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

**SUMMER
Parish Office Hours
Monday - Thursday**

**9:00 a.m. to noon
1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Friday Closed**



The Sanctuary Lamp
will burn from
June 2 to 8, 2024

in memory of
Leon and Bertine Thelen

**First Friday Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament on June 7 and 8**

The Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed for Adoration following the 8:30 a.m. Mass on First Friday, June 7 and Reposed Saturday, June 8, at 8:30 a.m. (no Mass)

All are welcome to attend this beautiful time of prayer in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord. You do not have to be scheduled for a specific hour, however, **we are in need of subs for the following hours this month:**

Friday: 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 1:00 a.m.



Please call/text 989-292-2072 if you plan to attend at one of these hours or sign up in the gathering space during the Eucharistic Mission.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially:

Adam
Sawyer Ballinger
Lisa Clarizio
Sherri Couch
Friend
Cindy Fontus

Marcia Goerge
Brenda Higgins
David Higgins
Korine
Alissa Mckeown
Myah
Jenny Pytlowanyj
Frank Rademacher
Deacon Marv & Tita
Joan Schrauben

Michael VanElls
Jeff Wadell
Jerry
Brad Walker
Millie Wassa
Fr. Don Wieber
Bill Darnell
Susan Darnell

Please pray for our parishioners in the service, especially:

William Hess
Jake Hoskins
Jacob Longoria
Eric Martin
Jessica Mitchell
Colby Munger

Adam Novak
Alex Rojas
David Seperic
Noel Smith II
Joshua Szpont
Jordan Van Amburg
Jacob Wells

To add or remove a name from the bulletin prayer list,

please call the parish office: 989-224-8994 or email Stjosephchurchst-johns@gmail.com

***Please note: only immediate family members may add names to the bulletin.**



WE ARE ALL EVANGELIZERS

(and whatever else is on
Deacon Eric's mind)

Where Are the Boys?

I was an interested observer last week at the State Finals of the Michigan Right to Life Oratory Contest and as the wonderful high-school speakers presented their speeches a question came to mind: "Where are the boys?" In the end there were 18 speakers from around the state and only three of them were boys -- a 5:1 ratio of girls to boys. Again, I wondered why that ratio was so lopsided.

Those who participated were from all over the state -- each having won a county or tri-county RTL competition. As a group, they tackled difficult adult-level topics like abortion, euthanasia and infanticide and they did it well. Some were a little better than others in presentation or projection and other specific categories that judges use in order to decide who the top three speakers were. But all showed a characteristic that is lacking in society as a whole -- COURAGE. With courage to put ourselves out there, exposing ourselves and our beliefs, we overcome our fears. To put themselves out in

public as being pro-life in a culture that runs counter to that showed great courage by these teenagers and gives hope to those of us worried about the state of society.

But I still come back to question of why so few boys participated. In many instances it would have been easy money for them, with most local RTL affiliates awarding \$100 for the winners for a six-minute speech. I don't think it's a fear of competition because great numbers of high school boys participate in sports. I wonder if parents just don't encourage boys enough in other parts of life. Perhaps boys are just taking their cues from their fathers who encourage them to participate in sports but not in speech contests or becoming altar servers. Courage, obviously, is the root of encourage. Maybe us dads as a whole need to help our boys by encouraging them in wider areas of life. As adults, they are much more likely to need courage in expressing their beliefs than in hitting a free throw in a professional basketball game.

REMINDER: Don't forget about our three-night "Draw Near, Eucharistic Mission" this week presented by Fr. Matthew Bonk. Fr. Matthew has great experience in preaching missions and retreats throughout the

country and promises us some great insights into the Eucharist and the deep mysteries of the Blessed Sacrament. The mission will start at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, with his final talk being a homily at Tuesday evening Mass. Fr. Matthew will also join us for our neighborhood procession of the Eucharist after 12:00 Mass. Let's show up "en masse" after Noon Mass and show the city of St. Johns our love for the Eucharist.

NOTE: In an attempt to get young people to understand and think about vocations at an earlier age, a small team of parishioners got together to produce a couple short videos about vocations. with St. Joseph School students sharing their talents both on-screen and off-screen. Follow this link to the Parish's YouTube channel and watch 5th -grader Quinn Densmore and 6th -grader Ellis Thelen interview a couple of what Quinn calls "very important people."

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC611mHhn4KfJ3H0XuIPA-BQ>

Deacon Eric

deaconeric@hotmail.com

CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

We need your help! Were looking for a few people who would be interested in taking an hour out of your schedule once a week to water flowers outside the church (until the first frost). We would also be happy to have volunteers who like dead-heading and weeding.

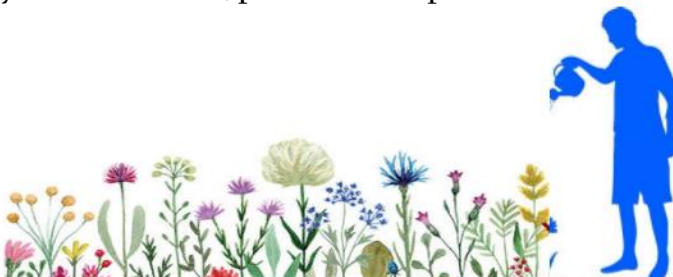
If you're interested, please call the parish office.



St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary Summer Picnic Potluck!

St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary will hold a Summer Picnic Potluck at 6:30 p.m. on June 10th at the Columbian Hall.

The evening will include discussion of future events, but our focus will be on food, faith, fellowship and fun (with a capital F). Please join us for some good food, a 50/50 drawing and a picnic raffle. All ladies of the parish are invited to share in this fun night as we begin the restful summer season. There will be no meeting in July so join us for a doubly good time in June. Looking forward to seeing many new faces.





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DRAW NEAR
EUCCHARISTIC MISSION

June 2 - 3 - 4, 2024 at 7:00 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 2: WHAT IS THE EUCHARIST?
 Experience joy and gratitude in the deep mysteries of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

MONDAY, JUNE 3: WHO ARE WE TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNION?
 Allow the fire of the Holy Spirit and revival to cleanse our souls and minds. Confessions available.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4: WHAT ARE WE DOING AT MASS?
 Approach Our Lord through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with renewed love and faith. Mass at 7:00 PM.

Be renewed in your faith life by joining Fr. Matthew Bonk, C.Ss.R. for this mission in honor of the Parish Year of the Eucharistic Revival.

Fr. Bonk is a Redemptorist priest ordained in 2004. Since that time, Fr. Bonk has served in a variety of roles around the world, including: the Congregation for the Cause of Saints in the Vatican, preaching missions and retreats throughout the United States and as the host of a Catholic television show, *Called to Serve*. Fr. Bonk currently serves as parochial vicar of St. John Vianney Parish in Flint, Michigan.



A Parishioner's Prayer

My parish is composed of people like me.

I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am.

It will be holy, if I am.

Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.

It will do great work, if I work.

It will be prayerful, if I pray

It will make generous gifts to many causes.

If I am a generous giver.

It will bring others into worship,

if I invite and bring them.

It will be a parish of loyalty and love,
of fearlessness and faith, of compassion,
charity and mercy,

if I, who make it what it is,

am filled with these same things.

Therefore, with the help of God,

I now dedicate myself to the task of being all things
that I want my parish to be.

Amen.

Rest in Peace

Our prayers and sympathies
to the family and friends of

Patricia Bassett

and

Gerald Schafer



Eucharistic Revival

Friday, June 7, 7:00 p.m.

St. Martin Church

4010 W. Cleveland Rd., Perrinton, MI,

Fr. Mathias Thelen, National Eucharistic Preacher from the Lansing Diocese, will speak about the Eucharistic Revival and what it means for those of us in mid-Michigan. What difference can you make in the lives of others? How might you go about doing it? Come and hear his answers to these and other topics related to the Eucharistic Revival. A potluck meal at 6:00 p.m. will precede the talk.

Have you liked us on FACEBOOK?



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CATHOLIC FAMILY SUMMER CHECKLIST

Daily:

- ◇ Pray
- ◇ Move
- ◇ Learn
- ◇ Play
- ◇ Eat together
- ◇ Fresh air

Weekly:

- ◇ Adoration visit
- ◇ Family Rosary
- ◇ Family Adventure

Monthly:

June:
 ◇ Celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 7th

July:

◇ Pray for Eucharistic Congress July 17-21

August:

◇ Celebrate the Assumption of Mary on August 15th

GO ON A SUMMER PILGRIMAGE



“Dear Children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth” - 1 John 3:17-18

St. Joseph Catholic School

If you are interested in a tour or registration information about St. Joseph School, please call the school office at (989) 224-2421 and leave a message or email Mr. Chris Wells at principal@stjoecatholicsschool.org. Someone will get back with you as soon as possible to set up your tour or process your application.

Liturgical Minsters

June 8/9

Altar Servers:	5:00 p.m.	Averie D. Charleigh F.
	8:00 a.m.	Miles S. Volunteer
	10:00 a.m.	Quinn D. Bryson S.
	12:00 p.m.	Nolan C. Emelia C.
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		
	5:00 p.m.	Group 3
	8:00 a.m.	Group 3
	10:00 a.m.	Group 3
	12:00 p.m.	Group 3
Lectors:	5:00 p.m.	Diane A.
	8:00 a.m.	Kathleen W.
	10:00 a.m.	Rose R.
	12:00 p.m.	Mary Beth E.
Ushers:	5:00 p.m.	Group 5B
	8:00 a.m.	Group 8B
	10:00 a.m.	Group 10C
	12:00 p.m.	Group 12A
Collection Counters:	June 3	Group 2
Sanctuary Cleaners:	Ramona Smith/Leona Thayer	

STEWARDSHIP

For the weekend of May 27, 2024

Adults (309 gifts Including online giving):\$17,511.14
 Loose Cash:.....\$431.00
 Total:\$17,942.14

Other Gifts Received

Education Trust Fund:\$162.00
 Building Fund:\$,492.00
 Tuition Scholarship Fund:\$187.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2023 is \$19,267.56. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.



Traveling this summer?

MassTimes.org provides worship times, locations, contact info, websites and maps of over 117,000 churches in 201 countries and territories.



St. Vincent Catholic Charities and Cristo Rey Community now known as CCIEC General Facilities Lead Position

CCIEC is a human services agency dedicated to serving the most vulnerable in our community. Our work is carried out by employees and volunteers and we welcome those passionate about serving other to join us on this journey of providing help and hope. We most recently brought the two Catholic Charities--St. Vincent Catholic Charities and Cristo Rey Community Center) into one Agency with a new name.

Catholic Charities of Ingham, Eaton and Clinton Counties (CCIEC) has an opening as General Facilities Lead. This position requires pick-up and delivery of donated items and help with housing set-up of newly arriving refugees, storing and tracking inventory, upkeep of agency vehicles, properties and landscape. Special event set up and tear down duties, as well. Please send resume to robbink@stvcc.org.

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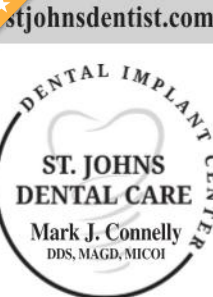
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