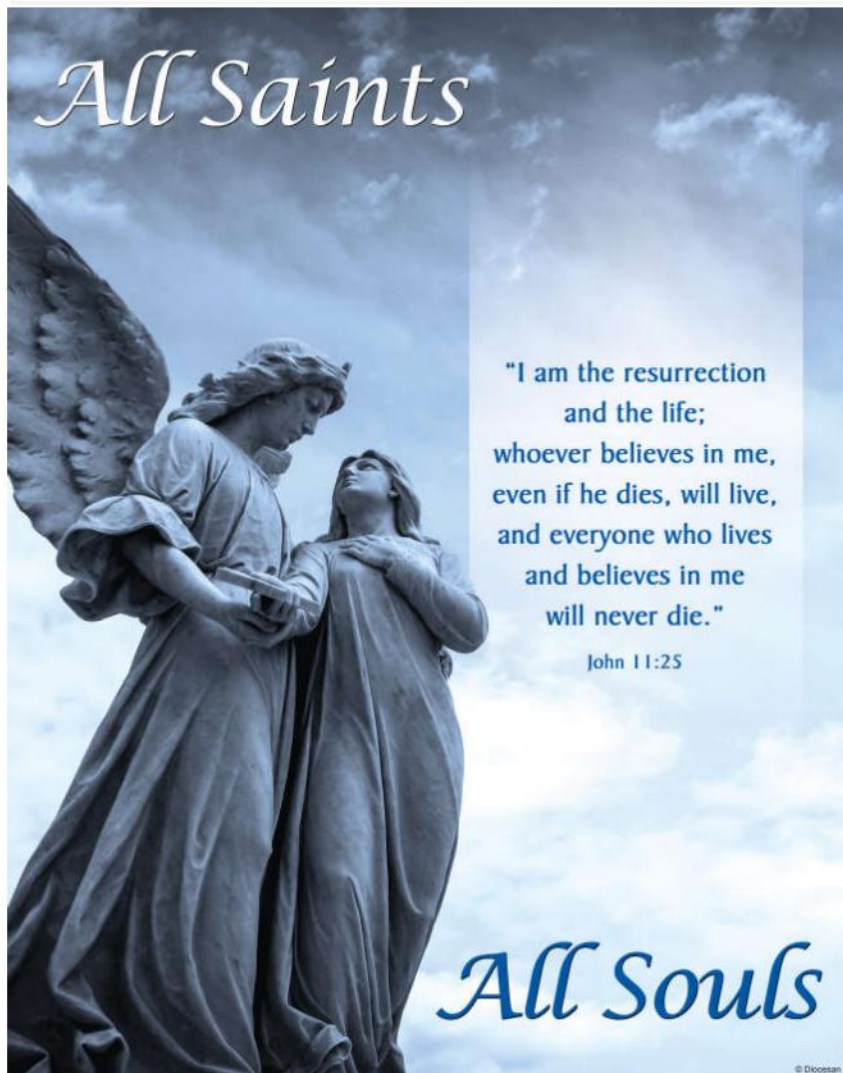


# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.

### Pastoral Care

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

### Worship

Music • Jeff Richards

### Parish Life

Parish Council • Dick Weller  
Finance Council • Scott Dzurka  
Parish Secretary • Judi Thelen  
Business Manager • Susan Mahoney  
Maintenance • Paul Atchley

### Family Ministries

Marriage Preparation • Fr. Michael Williams  
Baptism • Please contact the parish office  
St. Joseph School • Chris Wells  
Religious Education • Jen Nelson  
Confirmation • Jen Nelson  
Christian Initiation of Adults • Amanda Grigar

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

**Medical Emergencies requiring an Anointing of the Sick, please call 989-227-1244.**

**St. Joseph School:** (989) 224-2421

**Religious Education Office:** (989) 224-8537

### 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 • October 28**

*Ephesians 2:19-22/Luke 6:12-16*

**No Mass**

**Tuesday • October 29**

*Ephesians 5:21-33/Luke 13:18-21*

**7:00 p.m. Mass †Mark Alman**

*By: Deacon Eric & Mary Beth Elstro*

**Wednesday • October 30**

*Ephesians 6:1-9/Luke 13:22-30*

**12:05 p.m. †Etha Eisler**

*By: Ron and Kay Atkinson*

**Thursday • October 31**

*Ephesians 6:10-20/Luke 13:31-35*

**8:30 a.m. Mass Education Trust Fund**

**Friday • November 1 Solemnity of All Saints**

*Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14/1 John 3:1-3/Matthew 5:1-12a*

**8:30 a.m. Mass †Hilary Schmitz**

*By: Family*

**12:05 p.m. Mass †Mark and †Cheryl Williams**

*By: Millie Wassa*

**6:00 p.m. Mass The Deceased Poor**

*By: Society of St Vincent DePaul*

**Saturday • November 2 All Souls**

*Wisdom 3:1-9/Romans 6:3-9/ John 6:37-40*

**8:30 a.m. Mass For and End to Abortion**

**5:00 p.m. Mass The People of the Parish**

**Sunday • November 3**

*Deuteronomy 6:2-6/Hebrews 7:23-28/Mark 12:28b-34*

**8:00 a.m. †Bob and †Germaine Nurenberg**

*By: Family*

**10:00 a.m. †Kenneth J Price**

*By: The Price Family*

**12:00 p.m. In Honor of Estella Kramer (100th Birthday)**

*By: Family*

**6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish**

It's that time of year again!

**Daylight Savings Ends  
November 3, 2024**

Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday night.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn from October 28 to November 2, 2024 in memory of *Denis and Mary Lou Rademacher, Dee Thelen, Ron and Dave Rademacher*



*Katelyn P. Childers and Dustin Sulcer*

*Maria A. Thelen and Greg C. Smith*

**First Friday Exposition of the**

**Blessed Sacrament: November 1 and 2**

The Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed for Adoration following the 8:30 a.m. Mass on First Friday, November 1st until Benediction prior to the 8:30 a.m. Mass on First Saturday, November 2nd.



All are welcome to attend this 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:

**Friday:** 11:00 a.m., (2 needed), 2:00 p.m. (2 needed), and 3:00 p.m.

**Saturday:** 1:00 a.m. and 3:00 a.m.

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

Please note: There are also three (3) Masses on November 1st, for All Saints Day. The Adoration schedule has been adjusted accordingly.

**KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially:**

- Adam Sawyer Ballinger
- Lisa Clarizio
- Sherri Couch
- Mary Enneking
- Keith Enneking
- Friend

- Cindy Fontus
- Marcia Goerge
- Brenda Higgins
- David Higgins
- Korine
- Alissa McKeown
- Gabrielle Meece
- Myah
- Jenny Pytlowanyj
- Frank Rademacher
- Deacon Marv & Tita Robertson

- Patricia Rojas
- 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)

### So You Think You Know Your Faith

Sometimes, us cradle Catholics get pretty comfortable in our faith journey, perhaps thinking we know more than we really do about Catholicism -- especially those of us who are over the age of 50. But the harsh reality is that, unless we have dived into the teachings of our faith, we have only scratched the surface. Though many of us can say we've been "around the block" a few times and have picked up substantial knowledge of the Church and its teachings, the hard truth is that a vast majority of Catholics, not just St. Joe parishioners, haven't had any formal Catholic instruction since we received the sacrament of Confirmation as teenagers.

It is with that in mind, that an adult faith formation team has been formed here at St. Joe's. (Adult Faith Director Amanda Grigar spoke about it before Masses last month.) It's pur-

pose is to generate ideas and attractive programs to encourage adult parishioners at all age levels to find new ways to explore the depths of our faith. We've had bible study groups here for decades and they will continue. There's a group of die-hard "The Chosen" fans who can't help but watch each episode over and over again. But they need to watch it within a group in order to discuss the intricacies of each episode, so we provide a forum for that to happen. And this too will continue -- the object of the adult faith formation team is not to replace what has already been working, but to find avenues for the hundreds of other parishioners who don't do bible studies or "The Chosen" to grow in their knowledge and practice of their Catholic faith.

The faith formation team met for the first time last week, and from what I took away, this group has great passion for their faith along with strong leadership qualities. (There may still be a spot or two left on the team, if anyone's interested.) There certainly is great potential for this team to take parishioners to the next level of faith

understanding and formation.

What we will see in one form or another is the six dimensions of adult faith formation as established by Catholic bishops in the United States: Knowledge of the Faith, Liturgical Life, Moral Formation, Prayer, Communal Life and Missionary Spirit. For too many regular Mass-goers, everything about our faith is within the confines of St. Joseph Church, when in actuality, we should be taking what we've learned and carry it out into the secular world. Our knowledge of our faith (including biblical knowledge), a moral foundation, (including why the Church teaches what it does on today's social issues) and missionary spirit, (including the ability to talk confidently about our faith in the secular world). The new team will help us in growing stronger in these areas.

Keep your eyes open and read all of the bulletin for these upcoming faith initiatives. Let's prepare this parish for a strong future.

*Deacon Eric*  
[deaconeric@hotmail.com](mailto:deaconeric@hotmail.com)

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Election Day

**November 5th, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Please come join us in praying for our country and for a good outcome to the elections. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering space if you can commit to a specific hour of prayer, or text/call Rebecca at 989-292-2072.

*Remember to come back to pray at Mass at 7:00 p.m.*

## The Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join the Path of Divine Hope Grief Ministry after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on All Soul's Day, November 2, 2024, when the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said for all the parishioners who died during the year. It will be part of a memorial and will be preceded by a brief candle lighting ceremony.



## Are you grieving and missing a beloved spouse?

Are you lonely and wishing you could meet with other like-minded men and women who are experiencing similar situations? We are attempting to establish a widows/widowers group where you can gather for coffee, conversation and companionship.

Come to our first meeting on  
**Wednesday, November 13th  
at 10:00 a.m. in the church basement.**  
Bring your thoughts and ideas on what you would like this group to be.  
We will break in time for Noon Mass.  
Any questions, please call 517-896-5441.



**St. Joseph School - Job Opportunity  
Temporary kitchen staff worker**

We have an open job position for a kitchen staff worker for the months between January 6 and April 7, 2025. This is a temporary position. Anyone interested, please contact the school office (989) 224-2421, or email Erica Denovich, Kitchen Supervisor, at [kitchen@stjoecatholicsschool.org](mailto:kitchen@stjoecatholicsschool.org).

**New Position Opening:  
Part-time School Custodian**

We have an opening for a part-time School Custodian to do basic cleaning and sanitizing of the school building. Position is for three (3) hours per day for each school day; may include full-time summer work if desired. Shift is from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. for training and can change to evening hours, if preferred. Physical demands include moving heavy loads, bending, squatting, and climbing ladders. Previous experience not necessary, but knowledge of commercial cleaning procedures and supplies is helpful. Apply at [www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers). Direct questions to Susan in the parish office (989) 224-8994, [business.stjoseph@gmail.com](mailto:business.stjoseph@gmail.com)

**St. Joseph School Wish List:**

Donation needed to go towards materials for the Beginnergarten cooking class \$220.00

**St. Joseph Catholic School  
LUNCH MENU**

**FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 28-NOV 1, 2024**

- Monday: Grilled cheese, loaded baked potato soup, fruit, and milk
- Tuesday: Chicken and cheese quesadilla with salsa, carrots, fruit, and milk
- Wednesday: Macaroni and cheese, broccoli, fruit, and milk.
- Thursday: Hot dog on a bun, French fries, fruit and milk.
- Friday: **No School**

Lunches are \$3.25 Milk \$0.50

Menu is subject to change, based on food availability from suppliers.

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**Liturgical Minsters  
November 2/3**

<b>Altar Servers:</b>	5:00 p.m.	Caroline V Blaze V
	8:00 a.m.	Nolan C. Ella C.
	10:00 a.m.	Bryson S. Paisley S.
	12:00 p.m.	Mason W. Derek 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

<b>Lectors:</b>	5:00 p.m.	Icnacio O.
	8:00 a.m.	Bob P.
	10:00 a.m.	Ted S.
	12:00 p.m.	Mary Beth E.

<b>Ushers:</b>	5:00 p.m.	Group 5C
	8:00 a.m.	Group 8C
	10:00 a.m.	Group 10D
	12:00 p.m.	Group 12A

**Collection Counters:** October 28 Group 3

**Sanctuary Cleaners:** Christine Boak & Mary Jane Boak

**STEWARDSHIP**

**For the weekend of October 20, 2024**

Adults (266 gifts Including online giving): .....\$18,463.03  
 Loose Cash:.....\$699.00  
 Total: .....\$19,162.03

**Other Gifts Received**




Education Trust Fund: .....\$166.00  
 Building Fund: .....\$382.00  
 Tuition Scholarship Fund: .....\$80.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2024 is \$18,793.03. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.

# ST. JOSEPH PARISH CALENDAR

# NOVEMBER 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>3 Masses:</b> 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and, Noon <i>Daylight Savings Time</i> Ends-fall back 8:30 a.m. KC Pancake Breakfast (SH) 6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish	<b>4 No Mass</b>  7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus meeting (KCH)	<b>5 7:00 p.m. Mass</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (L) 8:30 a.m. All day Adoration  6:30 p.m. Confessions (C) 7:00 p.m. Mass.	<b>6 12:05 p.m. Mass</b> 4:00 p.m. Bible Study (L) 6:30 p.m. "The Chosen" (RR) 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (CL)	<b>7 8:30 a.m. Mass</b>  9:00 a.m. Bible Study (L)	<b>1 8:30 a.m. 1st Friday Mass</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Through 8:30 a.m. Saturday 12:05 p.m. Mass <b>All Saints' Day</b> (Holy Day of Obligation) 6:00 p.m. Mass	<b>2 8:30 a.m. Benediction</b> and 1st Saturday Mass  All Soul's Day 4:00 PM Confession 5:00 PM Mass 6:00 p.m. Divine Grief Ministry Memorial Service
<b>10 Masses:</b> 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and Noon  <b>Baptisms</b>  6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish	<b>11 No Mass</b>  Veterans Day 6:00 p.m. PSC (TL) 6:30 p.m. St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary meeting (KCH)	<b>12 7:00 p.m. Mass</b> 9:30 AM Bible Study (B)  6:30 p.m. Confessions (C) 7:00 p.m. Mass	<b>13 12:05 p.m. Mass</b> 10:00 a.m. Widow/Widower meeting (L) 4:00 p.m. Bible Study (L) 6:00 p.m. Rel Ed (Sch) 6:30 p.m. "The Chosen" (RR) 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (CL)	<b>14 8:30 a.m. Mass</b>  9:00 a.m. Bible Study (L)	<b>8 8:30 a.m. Mass</b> Adoration (C) from after Mass until 8pm 7:00 p.m. Kofc Wine and Cheese Brown Bag Auction (KCH) 6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal	<b>9</b> 8:30 AM The Average Joes (RR) 1:00 p.m. Sulcer/Childers wedding 4:00 p.m. Confession 5:00 p.m. Mass
<b>17 Masses:</b> 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and Noon  6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish	<b>18 No Mass</b>	<b>19 7:00 p.m. Mass</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (L) 6:30 p.m. Confessions (C) 7:00 p.m. Mass	<b>20 12:05 p.m. Mass</b> 4:00 p.m. Bible Study (L) 6:00 p.m. Rel Ed (Sch) 7:30 p.m. Youth Group (Rel R) Session 6:30 p.m. 9 <sup>th</sup> grade Confirm 7:00 p.m. "The Chosen" (RR) 7:00 p.m. Choir (CL)	<b>21 8:30 a.m. Mass</b> 9:00 a.m. Bible Study (L) School half day-early release	<b>22 8:30 a.m. Mass</b> Adoration (C) from after Mass until 8pm 6:00 p.m. wedding rehearsal	<b>23</b> 8:30 a.m. Average Joes (RR)  4:00 Confession 5:00 PM Mass
<b>24 Masses:</b> 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and Noon  6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish	<b>25 No Mass</b>	<b>26 7:00 p.m. Mass</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (L)  6:30 p.m. Confessions (C) 7:00 p.m. Mass	<b>27 12:05 p.m. Mass</b>  4:00 p.m. Bible Study (L)  No Rel Ed No Youth Group	<b>28 No Mass</b> Happy Thanksgiving 11am -2pm Clinton Community Thanksgiving Dinner 	<b>29</b> NO MASS OR ADORATION  NO SCHOOL	<b>30</b> 8:30 a.m. NO Average Joes  4:00 PM Confession 5:00 PM Mass

**Abbreviation Key:** (L) Library (RR) Reception Room (RoR) Reception overflow Room (C) Church (CL) Choir Loft (SH) Social Hall/Cafeteria (TL) Teacher's Lounge (Rel R) Religion Room (G) Gym (K) Kitchen (Sch) School (KCH) K of C Hall (KC) - Knights of Columbus (RCIA) Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (Rel Ed) - Religious Education

*Events on this calendar can change without notice.*



Congratulations to  
newly Baptized  
on October 13, 2024  
*Mia Marie DeLong*

She is the daughter to  
Travis DeLong and  
Tonya (Thelen) DeLong

Baptized on October 20, 2024

*Guadalupe Sarahi Sanchez*  
*Salome*

She is the daughter of  
Guadalupe Sanchez Lopez  
and Sarita Salome Guerrero



## Veterans Shower

to benefit

*Michigan Veteran Homes/Marquette Michigan*

The gathering space will once again be the location to receive your donations for the Veterans who have served our country.

November 2-17, 2024

**Please NO Monetary donations!**

- \* New T-Shirts (men's L-3X)
- \* New women's sweatpants (1X-2X)
- \* New men's sweatpants (1X-3X)
- \* Soft, individually wrapped snack bars (NO NUTS)
- \* Soft individually wrapped sugar-free candies
- \* Hot chocolate packets
- \* Microwave popcorn
- \* Lotions - Eucerin or Cera Ve (sensitive skin)
- \* Razors - Gillette fusion, Mach 3, Progilde
- \* 3 in 1 Shampoo/body wash
- \* Batteries AA, AAA, C
- \* Large face watches with stretchy bands
- \* 2025 Wall Calendars (animals, nature, sports, military)
- \* Forever Postage stamps - **Please leave at the parish office downstairs.**

Michigan Veteran Homes-Jacobetti Veteran Homes has 106 members living there. Most are from the Upper Peninsula, but a few are transplanted to be closer to loved ones.

- ◆ 23 Air Force
- ◆ 40 Army
- ◆ 13 Marines
- ◆ 26 Navy

Services: 5 WWII, 12 Korean, 71 Vietnam, 1 Gulf and 13 others

Please show your appreciation for ALL veterans by helping these heroes.

## Knights of Columbus

### Membership Drive/ Exemplification

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a membership drive the weekend of November 2nd /3rd . All men (over 18) are invited to join for free for the first year. Members will be available to answer questions after all Masses.

There will also be an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on Thursday, November 7th at 6:30-7:00 pm at St. Joseph Church and all new members and First Degree members are encouraged to attend.

Please contact Membership Director,  
Doug Nurenberg at 989-292-1583 with questions.





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**EVERY FIRST SUNDAY**




**Clinton County Right to Life**

You will notice that the church yard is filled with tiny white crosses. This display is presented by Clinton County Right to Life as a reminder of the thousands of innocent babies in Michigan who have lost their lives due to abortion. It is also a reminder of the anguish of the mothers who made this decision, **often** due to the pressure from those around them. It is also to remind us to pray during this Respect Life Month for the end of abortion, for the women who suffer because of abortion and for the conversion of those who support abortion. Prayers can be made here in the our church, at home or as a part of the 40 days of Life prayer.

Sign up a [www.40daysforlife.com/lansing](http://www.40daysforlife.com/lansing). Feel free to join me in prayer on Thursdays from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Call Mary Beth at (989)227-0088.

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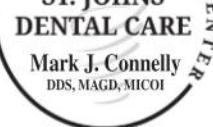
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