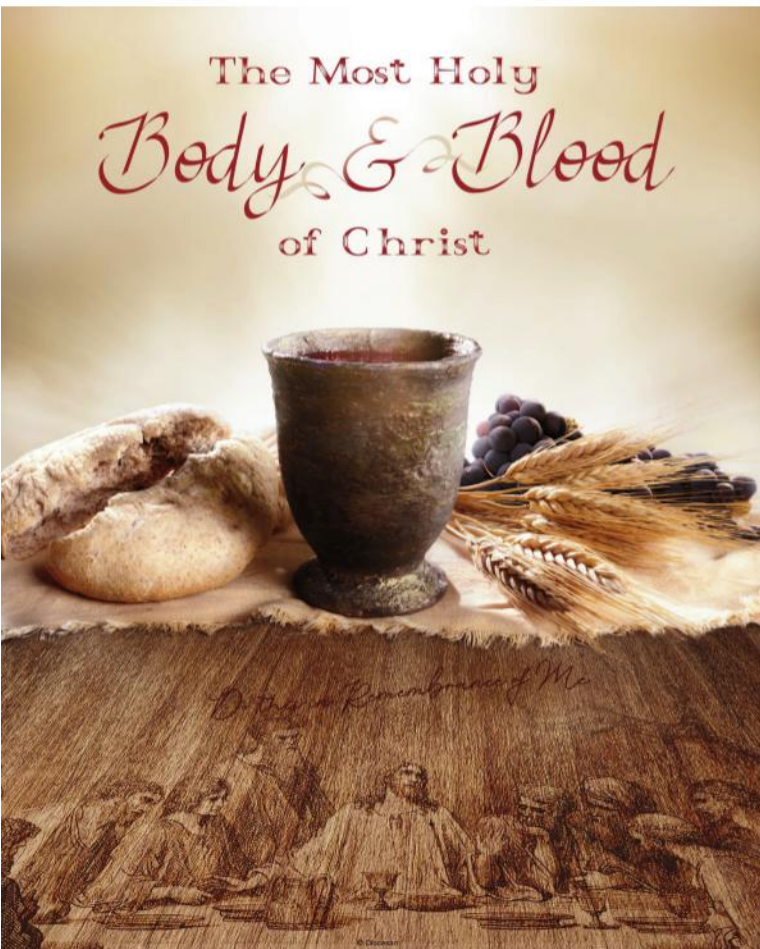




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**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**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**

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Parish Council • Dick Weller  
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Confirmation • Michelle Parker  
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*Please call the parish office for more information on our Family Ministries.*

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**Regular Mass Schedule**

Saturday • 5:00 pm  
Sunday • 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 PM  
(Holy Days • Consult the bulletin.)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday • 4:00 pm  
Tuesday • 6:30 pm

**Prayer Tree & To Bring Up The Gifts**

Parish Office, 989-224-8994

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Mondays at Noon for the following weekend. Send to stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com



**THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES**

**Monday • June 7**

2 Corinthians 1:1-7 | Matthew 5:1-12

No Mass

**Tuesday • June 8**

2 Corinthians 1:18-22 | Matthew 5:13-16

7:00 p.m. †**Arlene Davis**  
By: Elliott & Ann Smith

**Wednesday • June 9**

*Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church*

2 Corinthians 3:4-11 | Matthew 5:17-19

12:05 p.m. †**Oscar Simon**  
*Deceased family members*  
By: Phyllis Gilroy

**Thursday • June 10**

2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1, 3-6 | Matthew 5:20-26

8:30 a.m. †**Donald Goerge**  
By: The Sunshine Club

**Friday • June 11**

*The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Solemnity*

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

8:30 a.m. †**Michael Braun**

**Saturday • June 12**

*The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 | Luke 2:41-51

5:00 p.m. †**Richard Schneider**  
*Deceased family members*  
By: Family

**Sunday • June 13**

*Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Ezekiel 17:22-24 | 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 | Mark 4:26-34

8:00 a.m. †**Mildred Brown**  
By: Ann Green

10:00 a.m. **People of the Parish**

12:00 p.m. †**Howard Blasen**  
By: Jorae Family

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



*Eucharistic Adoration*

“While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to His disciples said, “Take and eat, this is **My Body.**”

Then He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you, for this is **My Blood** of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins.”

**Matthew 26:27-28**

As we celebrate the The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) this Sunday, we remember the words of Christ Himself declare His Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

If you are interested in joining our adoration team, please call/text Rebecca 989-292-2072.

*THE SANCTUARY LAMP*

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN FROM

JUNE 6TH - JUNE 12TH

*In Memory of*

*Ed Ladiski*

THE PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS WILL BE:

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY

9:00 A.M. to NOON  
1:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

**KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS**

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

Linda Shirley  
Stan & Millie Wassa,  
Jeff & Charles Wadell

Dan Boak  
Daniel Blair  
Mary Noah  
Donna Smith  
Joan Bozung  
Brian Ritter  
Beverly Patricia  
Walter & Jennie  
Pytlowanyj  
Myah

Sally Lorenc,  
Brad Walker  
Matthew Joseph Caudy  
Bob Jason Thelen  
Jacob Epling  
Rhonda Chamberlain  
Adam

**Our parishioners in the service, especially:**

Joseph Dershem  
Alex Detloff  
Jake Hoskins  
Joseph Larsen  
Jacob Longoria  
Eric Martin  
Jessica Mitchell  
Colby Munger

Adam Novak  
Alex Rojas  
David Seperic  
Noel Smith II  
Jordan Van Amburg  
Jacob Wells  
William Hess

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

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



**WE ARE ALL  
EVANGELIZERS**  
(and whatever else is on  
Deacon Eric's mind)

**Knowledge and Love**

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you," (Jer 1:5)

"It's a good thing for me, that you loved me before you knew me," (Deacon Eric, Sunday May 30, 2021).

The Jeremiah quote is God speaking to Jeremiah, calling him to be a prophet. The bible footnote for the Jeremiah quote tells us that the Lord's words "I knew you" mean "I loved you and I chose you."

The Deacon Eric quote is just one of his typical flippant remarks at the end of a short dialogue between the deacon and his wife that went like this:

Deacon: "left back pocket - wallet,

left front pocket - rosary, right front pocket - phone, in hand, car keys. I'm ready to go."

Wife: "What are you talking about?"

Deacon: "Just going through my checklist so I don't forget anything."

Wife: "Well don't forget a hat. Otherwise, we'll be halfway there and you'll be saying 'I should have grabbed a hat and we'll probably be sitting in the sun most off the afternoon at the barbecue.'"

Deacon: "Wow, you really know me don't you? It's a good thing for me, that you loved me before you knew me."

When he said that, the deacon didn't realize how close to the Jeremiah passage his remark was. He thought it was more of a "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus" kind of thing. If we plug the biblical footnote description into the deacon's comment "you knew me", however, it takes on a slightly different context - I loved you and I

chose you. The deacon liked the idea of that. Of course, the Lord "knew" all of us before he formed us in the womb - he chose all of us and he loves all of us.

Deacon Eric reflected on a prayer card he received a few years back entitled "13 Good Things God Says to All of Us." The first thing listed is "I created you out of love." The fourth thing is "I love you" three times. Later on there is a series of statements that are unique because of their order: "I have a plan for you, I call you by name, I send you. I equip you." We are called and sent, THEN the Lord equips us.

Let's keep that in mind as God calls us to evangelize and "reignite" our parish.

*(The deacon wanted to have some fun with "third-person" writing today. He will return to his customary "first-person" style next week.)*

Deacon Eric  
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**Ignatian Weekend Retreat  
July 9 - 11, 2021  
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For men and women. This silent retreat includes an overview of Ignatian spirituality, the Examen Prayer, practice of Lectio Divina, and meeting with a spiritual director. The cost is \$185.00 Register online at [www.stfrancis.ws](http://www.stfrancis.ws) or call the Retreat Center at 517-669-8321.

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July 11 - 17, 2021  
St. Francis Retreat Center,  
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For men and women. This silent Ignatian retreat is built around the elements of Lectio Divina and the Examen prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola. On this retreat, you meet daily with a spiritual direction, who will help you review your life from a spiritual, God-Centered perspective. The cost is \$620 per person, this includes all meals, materials, lodging, and spiritual direction. A non-refundable deposit of \$75 is requested with your registration. Register online at [www.stfrancis.ws](http://www.stfrancis.ws) or call the Retreat Center at 517-669-8321

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**Job Posting at St. Thomas Aquinas.**

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish is seeking a professional, courteous, Catholic individual to work full time in the office. Successful candidates must have excellent organizational skills, ability to deal with frequent interruptions, accurate keyboarding skills, and excellent knowledge and experience with Microsoft Office Products. Database experience would be a plus.

Working in the parish office requires a pleasant and welcoming manner, willingness to work in a team environment and good verbal and written communication skills. High school diploma or equivalent with three years general secretarial experience required.

This is a full-time position; benefits package available. Interested individuals may submit a resume with references and a cover letter by June 16, 2021 to [dioceseoflansing.org](mailto:dioceseoflansing.org)/employment.



**Enrollment at LCHS**

Lansing Catholic High School is currently accepting online applications for incoming 9th graders and for transfer students into grades 10 and 11 for next school year. Families should apply through LCHS's website: [www.lansingcatholic.org](http://www.lansingcatholic.org). Families who would like more information should contact the admissions office at 517-267-2158 or email at [admissions@lansingcatholic.org](mailto:admissions@lansingcatholic.org) or tuition office at 517-267-2107 or email at [tuition@lansingcatholic.org](mailto:tuition@lansingcatholic.org)

**Cougar Summer Camps**

Summer sports camps are back at Lansing Catholic! Registration now open for softball, lacrosse, girls basketball, cheerleading and baseball. More details can be found at [www.lansingcatholic.org/athletics](http://www.lansingcatholic.org/athletics).

**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL LUNCH MENU**

*For the week of June 7, 2021*

Mon: Mini Pancakes w/syrup, sausage, hash browns, fruit & milk.

Tues: **Field Day:** No lunch will be served, pack a cold lunch for eating at the park.

Wed. & Thurs: No lunch will be served, bring a cold lunch, students dismissed at Noon.

Have a safe and Happy Summer Break!

School Lunch Price: \$2.90 Milk Price: \$0.50  
*(The price for milk cannot be deducted from the lunch price)*

**This institution is an equal opportunity provider**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**June 12/13**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 5:00 PM Colleen Sutherland & Millie Wassa
- 8:00 AM Linda Karek, Bob Puralowski, and John & Judi Thelen
- 10:00 AM Mary Beth Elstro & Janet McKeown
- 12:00 PM Dan Snyder, Debbie Thiede, Millie Fox and Dawn Lawless

**Only three are needed for each Mass.**

**Lectors**

- 5:00 PM Beth Swears
- 8:00 AM Lu Anne Cuthbert
- 10:00 AM Stu Fitzpatrick
- 12:00 PM Dawn Lawless

**Ushers**

- 5:00 PM Jay Henning & Group 5A
- 8:00 AM Robert Karek & Group 8A
- 10:00 AM Jim Pontack & Group 10C
- 12:00 PM Pat Thiede & Group 12B

**5 to 6 Ushers are preferred for each Mass.**

**Counting Collections**

June 7 • Group 1

**Sanctuary Cleaners**

June 12th • Shari Pung & Hannah Spitzley

*Full schedules are available at [www.stjoecatholic.com/schedules](http://www.stjoecatholic.com/schedules)*



**Volunteers needed!**

Want to give back to your community, but not sure where or how? Consider giving your time and talents to Clinton-Gratiot Habitat for Humanity! We are always in need of help in the ReStore, located at 2352 N US 27 in St. Johns. Think you are too busy to help? Answer: If you only have 1-2 hours to spare a week, that's the amount of time it will take to make a difference in many lives! Have time for a deeper commitment? We are periodically in need of skilled help on projects that keep people in their homes longer. If you feel called to help in any way, please call 989-227-1771, ext. 4 or email [volunteer@cghabitat.org](mailto:volunteer@cghabitat.org)





Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or pledge commitment to our Diocesan Services Appeal so far.

We are getting so close to meeting our goal of \$95,789.00. As of 5/30/2021, families have donated \$94,020.53 over 98.1% of our goal. If you haven't already, please remember to fill out your pledge form and put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office during the week. Or you may submit

your gift online at [www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa).

Our gifts to DSA enable our diocese to provide services crucial to our parish. The programs and services funded by DSA offer direct assistance to individuals and families, and to parishes, schools, and Catholic Charities agencies. Evangelization occurs through dozens of ongoing ministries made possible by our contributions to DSA.

**Did you get your yard sign?**



**Did you get your candle and prayer card?**

St. Joseph Church is taking steps to Reignite and Reunite our Catholic Community, we are giving our parishioners yard signs to celebrate our Church and Faith.

In addition to the yard signs, the Diocese of Lansing is giving every household at St Joseph a candle and prayer card

We would like to get the yard signs and candles out to everyone.

**Homebound Parishioners** ~ Please contact the parish office at (989) 224-8994, let us know you would like a sign or candle. Our youth group has volunteered to bring the yard signs to our homebound parishioners and put them in the ground for you.

**Parishioners** ~ If you did not get your yard sign and/or candle, please stop by the parish office to pick one up.

If you know of a homebound parishioner, please encourage them to contact the parish office, so the youth group can bring them their yard sign. *Thank You*

**Large Print Living Faith Magazines**

**A parishioner recently donated about 8 large print Living Faith Magazines, they are in the book rack by the Cry Room. Enjoy!**

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Sunday, May 30, 2021**

Adults (231) Envelopes/Gifts. \$13,741.10  
 (Including automated debits and online giving)  
 Loose Cash.....\$382.00  
 TOTAL..... \$14,123.10

**Other Envelopes Received**

Education Trust Fund .....\$50.00  
 Building Fund .....\$175.00  
 Tuition Scholarship Fund.....\$155.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2020 is \$18,724.28 If we continue to keep this average we will meet our budgeted goal.

**THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION**

The Children's Collection will be donated to:



**Missionary Childhood Association**

*Children's and Youth envelopes are available at the back of the church and from the parish office.*

**“GOD’S LOVE HAS BEEN  
 Poured INTO OUR HEARTS  
 THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT  
 THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN US.” ~**

**ROMANS 5:5**

**The FIRST Annual Michigan Catholic Women’s Conference**

Women from five Diocese - Detroit, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Lansing, and Saginaw - come together to focus on their faith and experience the fellowship of sisterhood in Christ Jesus. Throughout the day, women will be encouraged and inspired to focus and grow their faith by hearing from Catholic speakers, engaging in praise and worship music, and celebrating holy Mass with our bishops. The conference will be held at the Lansing Center in Lansing on Oct. 16

**Registration to open**  
**SOON!**

## THE MOST BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### Greeting

We pray the Sign of the Cross. The priest welcomes us.

### Penitential Rite

*We remember our sins and ask God for mercy.*

### Gloria

*An ancient song praising God dating back to the 6<sup>th</sup> century*

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

### Collect (Opening Prayer)

*All of our prayers are "collected" into one, when the priest prays the opening prayer*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading (Ex 24:3-8)

When Moses came to the people and related all the words and ordinances of the LORD, they all answered with one voice, "We will do everything that the LORD has told us."

Moses then wrote down all the words of the LORD and, rising early the next day, he erected at the foot of the mountain an altar and twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then, having sent certain young men of the Israelites to offer holocausts and sacrifice young bulls as peace offerings to the LORD, Moses took half of the blood and put it in large bowls; the other half he splashed on the altar.

Taking the book of the covenant, he read it aloud to the people, who answered, "All that the LORD has said,

we will heed and do."

Then he took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his."

### Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18)

**I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.**

### Second Reading (Heb. 9:11-15)

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, he entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.

For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant: since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

### Gospel Reading (Mk 14:12-16, 22-26)

**On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?"**

**He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him.**

**Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?'"**

**Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there."**

**The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.**

**While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my**

**body."**

**Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it.**

**He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."**

**Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.**

### Profession of Faith (Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Prayer of the Faithful or General Intercessions

**A collection of short prayers of petition. After each petition is said the congregation will respond by saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."**

**We pray for the Church, Her leadership, the World and it's leadership and then we pray for our parish and local needs.**



# THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 6, 2021

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist, along with communion, is the most sacred part of the Mass. Catholics will kneel during the Eucharistic prayer, but non-Catholics may remain seated.*

### Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Gifts

*The bread and wine are brought to the altar along with any monetary offerings for the poor that may have been collected from the congregation. These offerings as well as the bread and wine (our "first fruits") represent the offering of ourselves (our lives) to God.*

### Preface and Sanctus

*After the Preface prayer is prayed we all join in the song of praise being sung by the saints and angels as they gather around God's throne in heaven.*

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### Eucharistic Prayer

*At this time the congregation will kneel.*

**Pater Noster (Our Father or Lord's Prayer)** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us

not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the glory forever, Amen

### Fraction Rite — Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) Communion Rite (and Prayer for Spiritual Communion)

*Act of Spiritual Communion (for those worshiping at home)* My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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