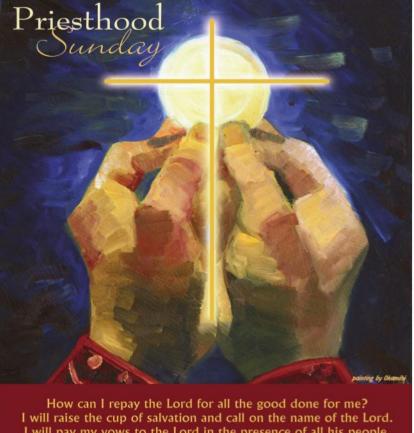


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Regular Mass Schedule

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

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Saturday • 4:00 pm Tuesday • 6:30 pm

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



THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday ● September 27

Saint Vincent de Paul

Zechariah 8:1-8 | Luke 9:46-50

No Mass

Tuesday • September 28

Saint Wenceslaus

Zechariah 8:20-23 | Luke 9:51-56

7:00 p.m. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul By: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday • September 29

** This Mass will be at the Columbian Hall**

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a | John 1:47-51

12:05 p.m. †Joe Houska

By: Feldpausch Family

Thursday • September 30

Saint Jerome

Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 | Luke 10:1-12

8:30 a.m. †Brenda Hogan

By: Ray Schomisch

Friday • October 1

Saint Therese of Lisieux

Baruch 1:15-22 | Luke 10:13-16

8:30 a.m. †Peter Schrauben

By: Knight of Columbus #3281

Saturday ● October 2
Feast of the Guardian Angels

Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29 | Matthew 18:1-5, 10

8:30 a.m. For an end to abortion 5:00 p.m. †Herb & Doris Wieber

By: Lisa & Charlie Wieber

Sunday • October 3

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Theodora Guerin

Genesis 2:18-24 | Hebrews 2:9-11 | Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

8:00 a.m. †Leonard & Bernita Koenigsknecht

By: Family

10:00 a.m. †Dale, James & Agatha Feldpausch

By: Family

12:00 p.m. People of the Parish

6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

First Friday/First Saturday Exposition: October 1st & 2nd

The Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed on Friday, October 1st following 8:30 a.m. Mass through October 2nd prior to 8:30 a.m. Mass. You are welcome to stop to visit Our Lord at anytime for as long or short as you would like; however

in order to have the Blessed Sacrament Exposed we must have someone in attendance at all times.

Subs are needed at the following times:

Friday, October lst: 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Saturday, October 2nd: midnight, I, 4, & 5 a.m.

Please call or text Rebecca 989-292-2072 is you will attend for one of these hours.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN FROM SEPTEMBER 26TH - OCTOBER 2ND

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The Parish office hours:

Monday - Thursday ~ 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday ~ 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially:

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 Friend Roger Dershem Bernard Jorae

Our parishioners in the service, especially: Joseph Dershem Alex Detloff Jake Hoskins Joseph Larsen

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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)

MAGNETIC PERSONALITY WISDOM

Are people with magnetic personalities by nature drawn to Superman,

"The Man of Steel?" (Just wondern')

That was just one of many different thoughts that ran through my mind after I read a clip from a St. Joe Sunday Bulletin from sometime "way back Clue number one: the when." bulletin was not printed on the firm paper stock now used, but was of a newspaper grade; clue number two: there was a partial picture of the inside of our church, and it appears the communion rail was still intact, meaning this was from sometime before Vatican II in the early 1960s.

A parishioner recently found this bulletin article while doing some deep housecleaning. The clip was entitled "Personality and

Character" and was essentially a listing of various characteristics describing someone with a magnetic personality. What struck me was how closely some of the descriptions matched with our second reading from St. James last Sunday. I referenced the reading in my homily, but did not include the part in which James described divine Wisdom. James put it this way:

"wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits...sown in peace."

Now here are some of the qualities of a magnetic person as listed some 60 years ago: someone who speaks gently and kindly...who is unselfish and willing to serve others...a friend to all, regardless of creed, nationality or color... one who is able to converse, without being drawn into gossip...who sympathizes with those who are in trouble...who forgives acts of unkindness. There are several other bullet points, but I believe we all get the picture - there are close ties between following Wisdom and divine attractive and magnetic to others.

Following the Lord in a gentle, merciful. peaceful wav magnetic. That means others are attracted by the way we live our lives. If we flip that coin, we probably realize that we don't want to spend time with people who are always angry, rude, merciless, unkind or gossipy. When we live our lives according to the one modeled by Jesus, we become evangelizers by our actions, as well as our words. We are like magnets drawing people to us. That's how the Church grew over the first few centuries. As the great Christian thinkers dug into the deep questions of theology, the joy that spread throughout the Christian community drew others into it based on the desire "to have what they have."

So whether we see ourselves as "characters with personality" or "personalities with character," let's live our lives in the wisdom of the Lord and attract others to him

Deacon Eric

deaconeric@hotmail.com

Calling all Prayer Warriors

Prayer is as essential to the life of the Church as breathing is to each human life. These chaotic and troubled times call for us to come together as a Diocese in prayer. In the spirit of faith, hope and love ,with the Blessing of Bishop Earl Boyea we are invited to participate in a weeklong Rosary Congress to join in prayer for our Church and our world. The 3rd annual Lansing Diocese Rosary Congress will be held from Noon Sunday, October 3rd to Noon Sunday, October 10th. St. Michael Parish in Grand Ledge will open the Congress with 11:00 a.m. Mass on October 3rd and close with 11 a.m. Mass on October 10th.

During the week there will be 24-hour Perpetual Adoration of the Holy Eucharist. We will recite the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet at the beginning of each hour. St. Joe's have been signed up to provide prayer warriors for Tuesday, October 5th from 6:00 a.m. until Noon. We need volunteers to cover each of these hours at St. Michael's. Please call Mary Beth at (989) 227-0088 to schedule a time.

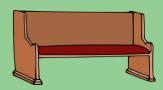
Next Sunday is Lansing's annual LIFE CHAIN

Please join us on Grand River at Brookfield Plaza in East Lansing at 2:30 p.m. for an hour of prayer for our nation. This is a beautiful way to express our gratitude for God's gift of life, while reminding our community that life is sacred and abortion is not the solution to an unplanned pregnancy. If you need further information, call Mary Beth at 989-227-0088.



Tape will be staying on the pews for the time being

Our plan originally was to remove the tape from the pews in the addition of the Church on September 19. However at the Bishop's request we will continue to provide the extra social distancing in the addition by leaving the tape up for the time being.





October Dresser Ministry For Shared Pregnancy in Lansing

Beginning Oct. 1 the dresser will be back up in the new section of the Church Bring in items to share with the Moms and Babies at *Shared Pregnancy*. The dresser will be up until the end of October.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

For the week of September 27, 2021

Mon: Corn Dogs, green beans, peaches & milk.

Tues: Pizza, peas, applesauce & milk.

Wed: Ham, scalloped potatoes, fruit & milk. Thurs: Hamburger on a bun w/cheese, fried chips, fresh fruit & milk.

Fri: Chicken poppers, carrots, pears & milk.

Please Note Lunch Price has changed.
Student's \$3.00 (includes milk) Milk Only \$0.50
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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

October 2/3

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM Mark Fedewa & Ed Thelen 8:00 AM Cindy Coulter, Lana Hufnagel,

> Pam Feldpausch and Teri Gladden-Seperic

10:00 AM Karen Wood & Sharon Conley12:00 PM Mike Stoddard and Stu & Sharon

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Lectors

5:00 PM Diane Armbrustmacher
8:00 AM Dean Hartenburg
10:00 AM Ted Suidgeest
12:00 PM Debbie Thiede

Ushers

5:00 PM Ron McCarty and Group 5B 8:00 AM Mike White and Group 8B 10:00 AM Jim Pontack and Group 10C 12:00 PM Glenn Voisin and Group 12C

Counting Collections

October 4 • Group 2

Sanctuary Cleaners

October 9th • Shari Pung & Hannah Spitzley

Full schedules are available at www.stjoecathlic.com/schedules

40 Days for Life

This peaceful and prayerful vigil is being held outside abortion facilities across the world from September 22nd through October 31st. The prayers at these vigils are being said to end abortion. In Lansing, the 40 Days vigil is being held in the public grassy area near the Planned Parenthood in Frandor daily from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. You can go to the vigil site and pray at any time, but to sign up for a specific time, go to 40daysforlifelansing.com to view the time schedule. Prayers to end abortion at any time and any place are always needed.



Sarah Sochor & Tyler Gillespie



Ellie Nicole Forae

Was Baptized on Thursday, September 16, 2021, she is the daughter of CJ Michael Jorae & Bailey Nicole (Mageli) Jorae



Connor Michael Simmon

Was Baptized on Thursday, September 16, 2021, he is the son of Nathaniel Thomas Simon & Kari Lynn (Walters) Simon

Attention, all Eucharistic Ministers and those who are interested in being Eucharistic Ministers

We will have a brief meeting on Thursday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. If you are a Eucharistic Minister during Mass to the homebound or in the nursing homes and you would like to continue being a Eucharistic Minister please come to this meeting. If you are not a Eucharistic Minister and are interested in becoming one I also invite you to attend the meeting on Oct. 7. We are in desperate need of Eucharistic Ministers for all areas. Please consider participating in this very important ministry. ~ Fr. Mike

Altar Servers Needed!!

Training was completed on Thursday, September 23 for our experienced Altar Servers as well as our new Altar Servers. We are still in need of Altar Servers for the 5 p.m. Saturday Mass and the 8 a.m. Sunday Mass times.

We are looking for experienced Altar Servers to help the new Altar Servers. If the Holy Spirit is calling to you, please call the parish office to volunteer your time and talent to this ministry.

STEWARDSHIP

For the week ending September 19, 2021

Adults (232) Envelopes/Gifts:	\$15,337.10	
(Including automated debits and online giving)		
Loose Cash:	\$665.50	
Total:	\$16,002.60	

Other Envelopes Received

Education Trust Fund:	\$765.00
Building Fund:	\$355.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund:	\$95.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2021 is \$21,420.57 If we continue to keep this average we will meet our budgeted goal.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HAITI

Checks:	\$1,200.00
Loose Cash:	\$3,352.00
Total:	\$4552.00

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.



The Food Box

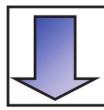
Donations help families in our community

through the *Emergency Food Assistance Program at Beacon of Hope* (First Baptist Church). Donations can be placed in the wooden box in the back of church, next to the free resources rack.

If each family brought just one item for the Food Box with them on Sunday, we could fill that wooden box every week.

Help Spread the Faith Appeal is This Sunday, September 26

This benefits FAITH magazine, The Diocesan Outreach Mass, and national media programming. Envelopes are found in your FAITH magazine, there are some extra envelopes in the parish office. These envelopes <u>DO NOT</u> directly cover your automatic subscription to FAITH through the parish. Each year it costs the parish over \$7,500 for each family to receive the magazine at no cost to them. If you would like to help the parish cover this cost, you can by paying your discounted subscription rate through the parish of \$6.00 by dropping an envelope marked "FAITH subscription" into the collection **OR** you can contact the office and request that you no longer get a subscription through the parish and subscribe yourself by calling 517-853-7600.



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Wednesday, September 29 at Columbian (K of C) Hall, 1108 N. US-127

We will start with Mass at 12:05 p.m. followed by lunch and a sharing by Sr. Maria Rosario from the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist in Ann Arbor.

All seniors of the parish and those who care for them are invited!

No cost for attending. If you need extra help getting to this event, please let us know!

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

Attention Parishioners!

The Mass on Wednesday, September 29 will be at the Columbian Hall at 12:05 p.m. The Senior Appreciation Lunch will follow Mass.

Attention Parishioners!



Contact the parish office, if you are interested in donating your time or a homemade pie for the Senior Appreciation Lunch.

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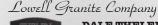
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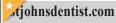
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