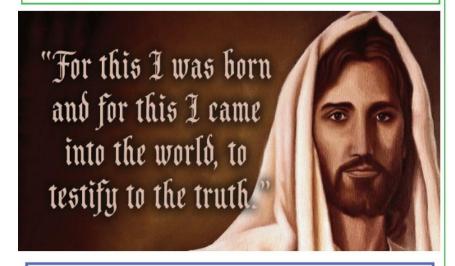
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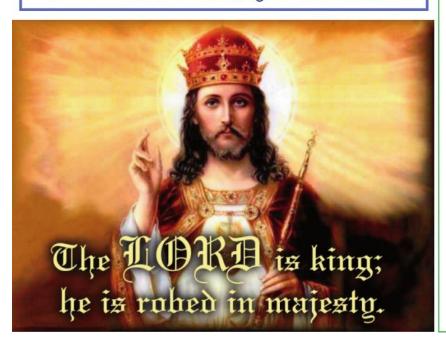


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Deacon Jerry Fust
Deacon Eric Elstro

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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

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BULLETIN DEADLINE

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



THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday ● November 22

Saint Cecilia

Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20 | Luke 21:1-4

No Mass

Tuesday ● November 23

Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

Daniel 2:31-45 | Luke 21:5-11

7:00 p.m. †James Cleaver

By: Jim & Mary Cosgrove

Wednesday • November 24

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 | Luke 21:12-19

12:05 p.m. †Alice Schneider

By: Robert Nurenberg Family

Thursday ● November 25 Saint Catherine of Alexandria

Daniel 6:12-28 | Luke 21:20-28

No Mass

Friday • November 26

Saint Columban

Daniel 7:2-14 | Luke 21:29-33

No Mass

Saturday • November 27

Saint Francesco Antonio Fasani

Daniel 7:15-27 | Luke 21:34-36

5:00 p.m. For the Sick & Troubled who seek Help &

Cure thru Blessed Frederic Ozanam's

Intercession

By: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Sunday • November 28

First Sunday of Advent

Saint James of the Marche

Jeremiah 33:14-16 | 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2 | Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. †Carol Burns

By: Diane Burns and Family

12:00 p.m. †Judy Armbrustmacher

By: The Family

6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Eucharist Adoration



"Viva Christi Rey!" (Long live Christ the King!) Words of Blessed Miguel Pro (1891-1927) prior to his execution; his memorial is November 23rd.

Blessed Miguel Pro boldly proclaimed Christ as his King. When we spend time adoring Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we acknowledge Christ as the King of our lives & of the entire universe.

We are in need of a scheduled adorer (just one hour per month) for First Fridays/Saturdays at the following times:

First Friday: 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. Saturday: midnight, 1, 4 & 5 a.m.

If you would like to join our adoration team as a regularly scheduled adorer at one of these times or to be on the sub list or have questions, call/text Rebecca 989 -292-2072.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN FROM NOVEMBER 21st - NOVEMBER 27th

In Memory of:

Leo & Laurina Simon and Deceased Family Members

The Parish office hours: Thanksgiving Hours

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

Thursday & Friday: Parish Office Closed

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
Carol Burgtorf

Our parishioners in the service, especially: 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 Joshua Szpont

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.



A THANKSGIVING REFLECTION By Deacon Marv

The preamble to our Michigan Constitution begins with these words: "We the people of the State of Michigan, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of freedom."

Our Thanksgiving holiday is a good reminder to thank God for His many blessings.

President Kennedy issued a proclamation in 1963, stating "Over three centuries ago, our forefathers in Virginia and in Massachusetts, far from home in a lonely wilderness, set aside a time of Thanksgiving. On the appointed day, they gave reverent thanks for their safety, for the health of their children, for the fertility of their fields, for the love which bound them together, and for the faith which united them with their God."

God deserves our heartfelt thanks for all his many blessings, not just one day per year, but 365 days a year.



WE ÅRE ÅLL Evangelizers

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

THANKS (LORD, FOR BEING SO) GIVING

And thank you Deacon Marv for summing up Thanksgiving Day in a nutshell. It is a holiday that asks us to stop complaining, stop worrying and stop being angry for a moment. It is a day to put aside our heartaches and misfortunes and instead look at all the good in our lives. Deacon Mary notes in his first sentence, that our state constitution starts out with an offering of thanks for our freedom. All politics aside, Americans still have more freedom than any anyone else in the world.

And it was religious freedom that drove the Puritans to forego their country of England and seek the freedom to live their faith in a new country. Between the rough journey over and the harsh first winter they endured here, 78 percent of the adult women died. Those who attended the first Thanksgiving in 1621 were thankful, not only because of a

fruitful harvest, but the simple fact they were alive.

The bottom line is that those who came over on the Mayflower accepted the fact that it would be dangerous to travel and survive here, but they were willing to do it if the trade-off was to celebrate their faith in God outside of government control. They gave thanks that Jesus was so giving. We should follow suit - he is still giving.

We can't celebrate this feast with all its trimmings on a daily basis, but, as Deacon Marv reminds us, we can be thankful every day of Jesus' sacrifice for us. Even though those of us who have a difficult time in recent months (or years) knows that we still have many blessings for which to be thankful.

Personally, I would like to thank all of you whose encouragement makes the writing of this column a pleasure. I offer a heartfelt "Happy Thanksgiving" from my household to yours.

Deacon Eric

deaconeric@hotmail.com

Thanksgiving's Coming Volunteers Still Needed

This is just a quick heads-up that the Clinton County Community Thanksgiving Dinner and Celebration will be held again this year and we are again asking St. Joe parishioners to help out.

For years now, diners have looked forward to quick breads and rolls from St. Joseph bakers and this year is no exception. Sign-up sheets for breads and rolls are at the Church exits.

We are looking for volunteer workers through our website **CCThanksgiving.org.** There's a link in the middle of that homepage taking you to sign-up sheets for food prep work on the days before the event or for work at the Thanksgiving celebration.

Please note that this dinner is open to all at no charge, so bring the family along and skip the mess at home. See the bulletin insert for more information on the event.

Thanks,

Deacon Eric and Mary Beth Elstro

Calling All Middle and High School Students

As you have noticed altar servers are back again at Sunday Masses. But since we lost a couple years of server training due to Covid, we don't have enough servers to cover all the Masses.

If you have been a server in the past, please prayerfully consider helping us out and serving the Lord and your parish the rest of this school year. By then we should have another young group trained. Just contact the parish office.

Thank you

Deacon Eric Elstro

Have a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving!

Religious Formation/Confirmation News

9th Grader Confirmation Session

The next 9th grade Confirmation session is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 21st from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the school cafeteria, following the Noon Mass. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Please bring your textbook with you to the session. For questions contact Jen Nelson at dre.stjoseph@gmail.com or call 989-224-8537



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ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL **LUNCH MENU**

For the week of November 22, 2021

Mon: Chicken Nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn,

applesauce & milk.

Tues: NO HOT LUNCH WILL BE SERVED, PLEASE BRING

A COLD LUNCH, School dismissed at 12:00 p.m.

Wed: No School ~ St. Joe Only

Thurs & Fri: Thanksgiving Break ~ No School

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

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

November 27/28

Altar Servers

5:00 PM Volunteers Needed 8:00 AM Volunteers Needed 10:00 AM Team 2

Volunteers Needed 12:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM Colleen Sutherland & Millie Wassa 8:00 AM Linda Karek, Bob Puralewski, and

John & Judi Thelen

10:00 AM Mary Beth Elstro & Janet McKeown

Dan Snyder, Debbie Thiede, 12:00 PM

Millie Fox and Dawn Lawless

Lectors

5:00 PM Lisa Wieber 8:00 AM Rich Hollis Joe Tomczyk 10:00 AM 12:00 PM **Dawn Lawless**

Ushers

5:00 PM Jay Henning and Group 5A 8:00 AM Roy Simon and Group 8E Jim Pontack and Group 10C 10:00 AM 12:00 PM Mike Stoddard and Group 12A

Counting Collections

November 29 • Group 2

Sanctuary Cleaners

Dec. 4th • Sue Fox & Millie Wassa

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

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Parish Office Closure

When St. Johns Public School closes for Inclement Weather, so does St. Joseph Catholic Church parish office. If there is a weekday Mass scheduled that day, the Mass will still take place. Please consider all precautions if you still plan on attending the weekday Mass. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the parish office.



St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary presents:

St. Joseph Parish Women's Advent Celebration

Waiting for Joy with Sheri Wohlfert

Friday, December 3, 2021
Church Basement
Social Time: 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Speaker & Dessert 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

\$10.00 per ticket Available at the parish office

You can be a hostess for your group Contact Mary Beth at (989) 227-0088

St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary Start Collecting ~ Update

St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary will be collaborating with Catholic Charities of Shiawassee and Genesee Counties in gathering used, but clean, empty water bottles for those in need, including the homeless. These bottles are relabeled and filled with various soaps such as shampoo, laundry and dish soaps.

The bottles will be collected on Tuesday, December 14 in the morning, Dawn will be dropping off the water bottles in Owosso at 1:30 p.m.

If you are unable to have your water bottle here on Tuesday, Dec 16, please bring them to the parish office before Dec. 16.

If you have questions, please contact Dawn Lawless by calling or texting 517-282-7648, Thank you.

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.

STEWARDSHIP

For the week ending November 14, 2021

Adults (240) Envelopes/Gifts:	\$17,271.11
(Including automated debits and online giving)	
Loose Cash:	\$336.50
Total:	\$17,607.61

Other Envelopes Received

Education Trust Fund:	\$125.00
Building Fund:	
Tuition Scholarship Fund:	\$252.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2021 is \$20,559.37 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:

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



DEVINE MERCY PRAYERS FOR GRIEF

Offered by the St. Joseph Prayer Tree and Path of Divine Hope Grief Ministry

The Path of Divine Hope Grief Ministry invites those who have experienced the

passing of a loved one this past year to join us after the 5PM mass on November 27th as we hold a memorial reflection with Divine Mercy chaplet. The chaplet was recommended by our Lord to St. Faustina for the repose of souls and for their families. The death of our loved ones is precious time to our Lord. We hope that you can join us for this special time of remembrance and prayer.

Grand Rapids, MI Veterans Home Wish List.

From November 1 to November 22, we will be accepting a number of items to donate to the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans.

BELOW ARE SOME OF THE REQUESTED ITEMS FROM THE VETERANS HOME.

Candy Bars: full size (no nuts) ~ Hershey, Milky Way, or 3 Musketeers

Snack sized package of cookies ~ Oreo, Fig Bars, or Soft Batch Cookies

Crackers, breadsticks or pretzels with dip-able cheese, Granola Bars, Welch's gummies,

bottled water, flavored water, Sunny D, Gatorade and single serving powdered drink mix,

Alcohol free mouthwash, Power Stick deodorant body spray from the Dollar Store, New

Jeans size 34" - 40" waist, New Men's pockets T-shirts (S - 4XL), New Men's and Ladies

Coats (all sizes), New Ladies pajamas or nightgowns (M-4X), Boom boxes/CD players, Re-

chargeable book lights, Reading glasses (2.5 strength or stronger).

Last Day to Donate: Monday, November 22nd

Please watch for the posters at the doors of the Church telling you more.

Any questions, contact Janet P. 517-331-3835



Married Couples Weekend -December 3 - 5, 2021 St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt, MI

The weekend features inspiring presentations focused on refreshing and renewing your marriage. Plus, a renewal of vows and blessing of wedding rings ceremony, Mass, fun social receptions, and down time for prayer with your spouse. Registration fee is \$325 per couple, which covers all lodging, meals, and retreat materials. Check in/social hour on Friday begins at 5:30. Register online at www.stfrancis.ws or call 517 -669-8321.

Reconciliation

When was the last time, you felt renewed by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation? It is so easy to celebrate Reconciliation with Fr. Mike. St. Joe has scheduled times of Tuesday's @ 6:30 p.m. and Saturday's @ 4:00 p.m. If you can not make one of these times, call the parish office to schedule an appointment with Fr. Mike, it can be very confidential, no name is needed. Schedule a time, and meet Fr. Mike by the confessional.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

Scheduled Events the week of Nov. 21, 2021

Sunday, 11/21/21 ~ 8 a.m. Mass

10 a.m. Mass

12 p.m. Mass

Monday, 11/22/21 ~ No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, 11/23/21 ~ 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (L)

6:30 p.m. Confession

7:00 p.m. Mass

12:05 p.m. Mass Wed, 11/24/21 ~

5:00 p.m. Bible Study (L)

No Youth Group

No Religious Formation

Thur., 11/25/21 ~

Happy Thanksgiving!

No Mass Scheduled

Parish Office Closed

Fri., 11/26/21 ~ No Mass Scheduled

Parish Office Closed

4:00 p.m. Confession Sat., 11/27/21 ~

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sun., 11/28/21 ~ 8 a.m. Mass

10 a.m. Mass

11 a.m. - 3 p.m. 9th grade Confirmation Prep in the

School cafeteria 12 p.m. Mass

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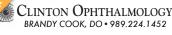
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