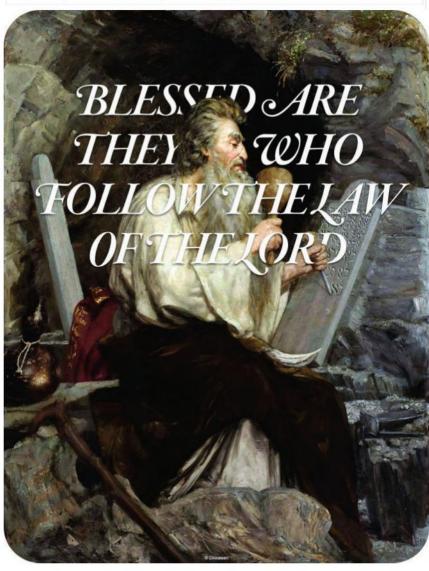
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Confirmation • Jen Nelson
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Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday • 5:00 p.m.

Sunday • 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

(Holy Days • Consult the bulletin.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (in the church)

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

Prayer Tree

Parish Office: (989)-224-8994

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Mondays at Noon for the following weekend. Send

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THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday ● February 13

Genesis 4:1-15, 25/Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday ● February 14

Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10/Mark 8:14-21

7:00 p.m. Mass (in the church)

†Robert Cardosa and Silvano Alvarado

Bv: Susan Cardosa

Wednesday ● February 15

Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22/Mark 8:22-26 12:05 p.m. Mass (in the church)

†Charles Wadell By: Gail Wadell

Thursday ● February 16

Genesis 9:1-13/Mark 8:27-33

8:30 a.m. Mass (in the church)

†Terry Peiffer By: Eric, Monica and Camilla

Hufnagel

Friday ● February 17 Genesis 11:1-9/Mark 8:34--9:1

8:30 a.m. Mass (in the church) †Jim Jorae

By: Jenny Jorge and family

Saturday ● February 18 Hebrews 11:1-7/Mark 9:2-13

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass (in the church)

People of the Parish

Sunday ● February 19

Levitcus 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Corinthians 3:16-23/Matthew 5:38-48

8:00 a.m. Mass (in the church)

†Brian Ritter

By: Linda and family

10:00 a.m. Mass (in the church)

†Bobbie Simon

By: Susie Schroeder

12:00 p.m. Mass (in the church)

†Carol Pung

By: Lee and Ann Parker

6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish (in the church)

†Margareta Alor By: Eric, Monica, and Camilla

Hufnagel

The Sanctuary Lamp Will burn from February 12 to February 18, 2023 In memory of

Robert Cardosa and Sílvan Alvarado

Parish Office Hours

Monday- Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to noon 1:00 p.m.to 5:30 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. to noon 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Rosary is prayed every weekend a half hour before Mass at the 5:00 p.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and-Noon Mass.



Eucharistic Adoration

"Reflect on the precepts of the Lord, let His commandments be your constant meditation. Then He will enlighten your mind, and the wisdom you desire He will grant."

Sirach 6:37

"What am I supposed to do when I am at Adoration?" That is up to you, but here are some ideas if this is new to you: Read, meditate on the words of Scripture, pray the Rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet, spend time in praise and thanksgiving, pour out your concerns to the Lord, sit in silence and let God speak to your heart, bring decisions you need to make before the Lord and ask Him to enlighten your mind and give you wisdom.

If you have questions about becoming a monthly adorer or sub, call or text Rebecca 989-292--2072...

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families. especially:

> Adam Beverly Sawyer Ballinger Daniel Blair Bob Joan Bozung

Carol Burgtorf Joseph Caudy Sherri Couch Jacob Epling Friend Marcia Goerge Robert Harte Korine Mary Matthew Myah

Noah Danielle P. Patricia Leon Kramer Jenny Pytlowanyj Jerry Schafer Donna Smith Jason Thelen Jeff Wadell **Brad Walker** Millie Wassa

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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: 989-224-8994 or Stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com

*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)

Big Hearts, Angry People and Otto

I am not a movie critic, but every now and then I like to share a movie experience that dovetails with the Gospel. Such is the case today. My wife and I recently went to see the new movie "Otto" starring Tom Hanks. Though nitpickers might say this movie is just a rework of Clint Eastwood's 2008 film "Gran Torino," it is different enough to warrant a look. (Besides, if you like palindromes like I do, you have to love "Otto.")

One difference in the movie seems like a shallow one, but struck me as perhaps a light-hearted jab between Hollywood superstar actors. Whereas Eastwood's character owned the Gran Torino from which the title is drawn, it is a Ford product. Hanks' character makes his preference for General Motors' vehicles known a couple of times in "Otto." With regards to their charac-

ters, both were angry people, but Eastwood's character was also hateful and more foul-mouthed than Hanks' Otto.

But sticking to "Otto," the character, despite himself, is a big-hearted person, though reluctantly so through much of the movie. Without giving too much away about the plot, Hanks' anger is a broad one. It is an anger against the world after the loss of his wife -- an anger many of us have experienced after the unexpected loss of a loved one.

Anger is one of the many sins of mankind that Jesus addresses in today's Gospel from Matthew. Jesus acknowledges that we are aware of the consequences of killing someone, but he wants us to go beyond the act of killing to see what lies at the core stimulus of such an act saying:

"But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment, and whoever says to his bother 'Raqa' will be answerable to the Sanhedrin, and whoever says 'You fool' will be liable to fiery Gehenna."

Raqa means imbecile or idiot. In his anger against the world, Otto constantly identifies those who can't follow simple rules as idiots. In many cases, it's hard to disagree with his assessments.

In today's gospel Jesus also goes on to point out a couple scenarios underscoring the importance of not letting anger persist. I think any of us who have allowed anger against someone to fester know the anguish and hurt from not rectifying our angry feelings toward another. It really helps when we have bighearted friends like Otto does in the movie.

Actually we all do have such a friend, don't we? No one has a bigger heart than the Lord and he's more than willing to help us deal with our anger. Let's let him help.

Deacon Eric deaconeric@hotmail.com

The CHOSEN

Whether you have been following "The Chosen" through its first seasons or not, I invite all to join us as we watch and discuss season three on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Joes Church basement.

See what the hubbub is all about. Give it two weeks and chances are you'll want to stay with us throughout Lent. You're planning to do something Scriptural for Lent anyhow, "Right?"



St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary

Attention all Ladies of the parish! The St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary would love to see you at the next meeting, Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Columbian Hall, 1108 Old US 27., St. Johns

The plans for Lenten Soup Suppers to be held on March 15 and March 29 will be finalized. Your input will be greatly appreciated. There will also be time during the evening for Faith sharing and conversation. Discussion of Jesus's difficult teachings will continue. As always, there will be snacks to share. Please come to join in this faith-filled evening. For more information call Mary Beth at (989) 227-0088.

Volunteers

Middle and High School Students with altar server experience "HELP".

We could really use your help (at least until the end of the school year). We have a large number of new St. Joe students freshly trained as altar servers, but we could really use some older, experienced servers to help them through. Please consider assisting at Mass to help our younger servers as they gain confidence in serving the Lord. Please contact the parish office so we can put you on a team for the next few months.

Peace in Ohrist - Deacon Eric

9th Grade Confirmation Candidate and Sponsor Session

February 15th is scheduled for the next 9th grade Confirmation session for the candidates and sponsors. Session is at 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. February 15th is also the due date for teens to turn in Confirmation letters and service reflection sheets if you haven't already done so.

Contact Jen Nelson at dre.stjoseph@gmail.com for questions.

Prayers from parishioners

Please pray for all the 9th grade Confirmation candidates and their families as they will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on March 26th. Pray for an increase in their desire to know and follow Jesus as a disciple.

Thank you!

St. Joseph Catholic School LUNCH MENU

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 13, 2023

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

Monday: Pancakes

Pancakes with syrup, sausage, hash browns,

fruit, and milk

Tuesday: Ziti, breadsticks, carrots, fruit, and milk. Wednesday: Corn Dog, tator tots, blueberry crisp, and milk. Thursday: Hamburger on a bun with cheese, fried chips,

fresh fruit, and milk.

Friday: Half day of school. No hot lunch will be served. Students released at 11:00 a.m.

Lunches are \$3.25 Milk \$0.50

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

February 18/19

Altar Servers 5:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. Volunteers 10:00 a.m. Group 1 12:00 p.m. Group 2

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 p.m. Group 2 8:00 a.m. Group 2 10:00 a.m. Group 2 12:00 p.m. Group 2

Lectors 5:00 p.m. Lisa W. 8:00 a.m. Lu Anne C.

10:00 a.m. Tori S. 12:00 p.m. Mary Beth E.

Ushers

5:00 p.m. Jay H. Group 5A 8:00 a.m. John T. Group 8D 10:00 a.m. Henry B. Group 10C 12:00 p.m. Pat Thiede. Group 12B

Collection Counters

February 13 ● Group 3

Sanctuary Cleaners

On hiatus until the renovation is finished

ATTENTION: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST (EM)

and those who are interested in becoming Ems:

Fr. Mike calls you to an EM meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Now that we are back in church for good, Father Mike wants to restore the Mass to its pre-COVID glory. That means we will need Ems not only for the Body of Christ, but for His Precious Blood as well. We've been operating with a skeleton crew of Ems since the renovation began, and we need to put dependable teams back in operation and add new faces as well.

See you on the 15th!

(there will be a brief Homebound EM training as well)

BE A PART OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Substitute Teaching at St. Joseph Catholic School

St. Joseph Catholic School is looking for people interested in substitute teaching. If you have an interest, please contact the school office at 989-224-2421.



WE NEED YOUR HELP TO KEEP OUR NEWLY REMODELED CHURCH BEAUTIFUL!

We hope you are enjoying our newly renovated church! A lot of time and talent went into updating our church to create an inspiring and welcoming place to worship. Now that our mission is complete, we are looking for volunteers to help keep it fresh and clean. If you are interested in spending an hour or so every 2-3 months to take on this role, WE NEED YOU! Tasks include basic dusting, vacuuming, win-

dow washing and other simple jobs that may arise as the season change. Teams of two are welcome or you could make this a family project. If you would like to be a part of this ministry or have additional questions, please call or email the parish office!

Do you like to sing?

Have you ever thought about spreading the joys of our faith singing in our choir? We are always looking for new members, especially those inter-

ested in becoming Cantors!
Please join us on Wednesday
evenings at 7 p.m. in the
church choir loft. If you
would like more information,
contact our Music Director,
Jeff Richards, at

Attention: Husbands, dads, brothers, sons and grandsons All are invited!

The Average Joes Men's Group meet each Saturday morning in the church basement from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to discuss issues affecting men in society today.



Gatherings include speakers and videos to provide a variety of perspectives on how men think about and act on challenges in every day life.

The informal meetings also provide an opportunity for men of the parish to learn from each other.

All faiths are welcome

Ushers

You should have received your new schedule in the mail. We are in the process of renovating our usher groups. If you are interested in becoming an usher or are currently in an usher group and would like to be removed, please call the parish office by March 1, 2023.

STEWARDSHIP

For the weekend of February 6, 2023

Other Gifts Received

Education Trust Fund: \$286.00
Building Fund: \$133.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund: 205.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2022 is \$19,065.33. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.

THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION

The Children's Collection will be donated to:

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Pilgrimage to Solanus Casey Center and the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica Thursday, March 9, 2023

Join us on this day long pilgrimage to Detroit to visit the Solanus Casey Center and the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica. Transportation will be provided via a deluxe 56 seat Dean coach (equipped with restroom). Mass will be held at the Center, confessions will be available, and guided tours will be provided at both locations. Lunch is included. There will also be free time for shopping at both locations.

The bus will depart at 7:30 a.m. from the Catholic Community of St. Jude in DeWitt, and return around 6:30 p.m. Please be early to board the bus prior to 7:30 a.m. Fr. Bob Irish will be joining us for the tour. **Space is limited**. Payment is to be submitted with your registration form.

Registration fee: \$75/person (includes lunch)
Register: WWW.STFRANCIS.WS/PILGRIMAGE

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Catholic Foundation is seeking candidates for temporary employment. Responsibilities will include data entry and charitable gift processing; paid training will be provided. Training will begin the week of March 6 and scheduled hours may continue through June 2023. Shifts of 4 to 8 hours, Monday through Friday may be scheduled and part-time options will be considered subject to availability of qualified candidates. Candidates with availability beginning after March 6th may also be considered.

If you know of anyone who would be interested in data entry work who has availability 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, please contact Julie Gill, Donor Services Manager of The Catholic Foundation at 517 253 8792 or

donorservices@dioceseoflansing.org.

Are You or Someone You Love Struggling with Same-Sex Attraction?

Courage is a group of Catholics who experience same-sex attractions and who are committed to helping one another to live chaste lives marked by prayer, fellowship, and mutual support. Members are guided by caring priest chaplains who offer reconciliation and direction for the spiritual life.

Encourage is a group of family and friends of those who have loved ones struggling with samesex attraction. It is a way to gain greater understanding of what your loved one is going through and how you can best support them.

There is currently a chapter of Courage and EnCourage in the Brighton area. If you are interested in either ministry please call (517) 342-2440



Living the Gospel of the Family

Fr. Sean Kilcawley, a priest of the Diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska, will be in Lansing to present to parents about the challenges of growing up (and forming children) in the Twenty-first Century. His presentation to parents will be **Wednesday, February 15 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Lansing Catholic High School auditorium, 501 Marshall Street., Lansing MI Fr, Kilcawley will provide tools and insight to help parents in their role as leaders of the domestic Church in the midst of the hyper-sexualized culture.

Fr. Kilcawley studied at the JPII Institute for Marriage and Family and has certification as a Pastoral Sexual Addiction Practitioner from the International Institute for Trauma and addictions professionals.

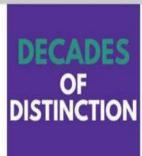
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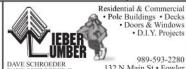
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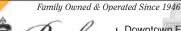
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