St. Foseph Catholic Church

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With You. nothing is lost; You are my hope. Pope Trancis

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 • Dave Klein

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 RCIA • Amanda Grigar High School Catechesis • Chris Groves 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. (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 to stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 9, 2023



THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday • April 10

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Matthew 28:8-15 No Mass

- Tuesday April 11
- Acts 2:36-41/John 20:11-18 **No Mass**

Wednesday • April 12 Acts 3:1-10/Luke 24:13-35

- No Mass Thursday • April 13
- Acts 3:11-26/Luke 24:35-48

Friday • April 14 Acts 4:1-12/John 21:1-14 No Mass

Saturday • April 15 Acts 4:13-21/Mark 16:9-15

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass People of the Parish

Sunday • April 16 Acts 2:42-47/1 Peter 1:3-9/John 20:19-31

8:00 a.m. Mass +Patrick Day By: Susan Cardosa

10:00 a.m. Mass †Nic

†Nick Kurncz By: Wife and Family

12:00 p.m. Mass Living and deceased members of the Leon Armbrustmacher family By: Lynn and Deb Denovich

6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish



Please note: There will be no Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday, APRIL 11, 2023

> The Sanctuary Lamp Will burn from April 9 to April 15, 2023 In memory of

Don Rademacher

Parish Office Hours

Monday- Thursday:

9:00 a.m. to noon 1:00 p.m.to 5:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. to Noon 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



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Eucharistic Adoration

"To stay at Your feet, O hidden God, Is the delight and paradise of my soul. Here, You give me to know You. O incomprehensible One, And You speak to me sweetly: Give Me, give Me your heart." St. Faustina Kowalska

Eucharistic Adoration allows us the opportunity to listen to our risen Lord speak to our heart. If you are interested in spending an hour each month in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, text/call 989-292-2072 for more information.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially: Adam Beverly Sawyer Ballinger Daniel Blair Bob Joan Bozung

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

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Noah Danielle P. Patricia Leon Kramer Jenny Pytlowanyj Jerry Schafer Donna Smith Jason Thelen Jeff Wadell Brad Walker Millie Wassa Fr. Don Wieber Bill Darnell Susan Darnell

Please pray for our parishioners in the service, especially: Bryce Bongard 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: 989-224-8994 or email Stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com

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

THE SACRAMENTS ARE CELEBRATED

EASTER SUNDAY

WE ARE ALL

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

"He Has Been Raised, Just as He Said"

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothing was white as snow. The guards were shaken with fear of him and became like dead men. Then the angel said to the women in reply, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here. for he has been raised just as he said. (Mt 28:1-6)

Well, it shouldn't have come as a surprise, but apparently it did. Matthew tells us today that the women were "fearful yet overjoyed" to see Jesus actually fulfilled his own prophecy. Three times he told his disciples that he would be killed and raised on the third day, yet they could not grasp the truth. Hopefully we do understand the Resurrection for its underlying truth - that in dying for our sins, and rising from the dead, he has opened the door for all who follow his Word to spend eternal life with him. Jesus didn't come to save only the Apostles, Mary Magdalene and the other disciples of his day, but he came for us, "just as he said."

Today we celebrate Easter, the Resurrection of Jesus. While our young children and grandchildren enjoy all the trappings of secular Easter, with candy and Easter Egg hunts, we adults are reminded of the essence of our faith, Jesus has risen and we will too, IF we live the Gospel he preached. We must remember that. Now, we don't have to spend the day in deep contemplation -- after all we may have to help the little ones find those hidden eggs and we most certainly want to enjoy a family meal. And though we often take time at Thanksgiving and Christmas to

offer our thanks to God, there is no better time than Easter Sunday to say "Thanks," because this is the day when we remember the Lord for the biggest sacrifice in the history of the world. The Resurrection is the event that forever changed the world.

The angel told Mary Magdalene and "the other Mary" in today's gospel to "not be afraid." At the end of the gospel, Jesus also tells them "do not be afraid." It is a very common phrase not only in the gospels but throughout Scripture. The Lord doesn't want us to live in fear, but would rather we live in joy within his love. So let's be joyful today whether we will be with family or not, because Jesus has sacrificed his life that we may live with him in eternal life. Nothing could bring greater Joy.

Hallejuiah!!!

Deacon Eric deaconeric@hotmail.com



St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary

All ladies of the parish are invited to the St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary meeting on Monday, April 10th at 6:30 p.m. at the Columbian Hall. Share with us prayers, faith, and

fellowship. The Ladies Spring Tea plans will be finalized so your input will be appreciated. The book *The Difficult Teachings of Jesus* will lead to some faithful discussion. As always, there will be snacks available. We look forward to welcoming new members.

For more information call Mary Beth at (989) 227-0088.

St. John Knights of Columbus #3281 Tootsie Roll Drive

On April 14-15, the St. John Knights of Columbus will be accepting monetary donations and passing out tootsie rolls for their 49th annual MI drive. The donations are used to support people in local groups with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities. The collection also supports St. Joseph School. The Knights can be found at Walmart and Kroger in St. Johns and after Masses that weekend.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING

This year's Lenten Almsgiving to our *Local Food Banks* can be turned in to the parish office at any time during Lent.

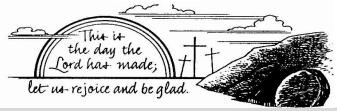


We ask that you <u>write a check</u> instead of turning in a box of coin. Not only will it ensure your donation is credited to your account, but will also help us tremendously in the office!

Prayers and Support for those entering the church at Easter

Please show your support for those completing their sacraments of initiation into the Catholic Church this Easter by leaving cards, notes, words of encouragement. There is a board with photos in the gathering space with a box to leave notes. Thank you for showing your support during this exciting time in their lives.





Parents with one or more students attending Lansing Catholic High School may apply for a parish subsidy grant from St. Joseph Church to help with tuition costs. There are basic requirements to apply and forms are available through the parish office or at our website: stjoecatholic.com/forms.

Application deadline is April 24, 2023 for the 2023/24 school year.

St. Joseph Catholic School LUNCH MENU

food availability from suppliers. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Menu is subject to change, based on

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 10-14, 2023

Monday:	Cheese stuffed breadsticks with dipping sauce, green beans, fruit, and milk	
Tuesday:	Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, applesauce, and milk.	
Wednesday:	Loaded baked potato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, fresh fruit, and milk.	
Thursday:	Hot dog on a bun, french fries, fresh fruit, and milk.	
Friday:	Taco salad in an edible bowl, yogurt, fresh fruit, and milk.	
Lunches are \$3.2	5 Milk \$0.50	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 15/16

5:00 p.m.	Brayden Cook
	Audrey Denovich
8:00 a.m.	Kara Brewbaker
	Nolan Carn
10:00 a.m.	Mara Thelen
	Ellis Thelen
12:00 p.m.	Marie Wallen
	Charleigh Flegel

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Altar Servers:

	5:00 p.m.	Group 1	
	8:00 a.m.	Group 1	
	10:00 a.m.	Group 1 Group 1	
	12:00 p.m.	Group 1	
Lectors:	5:00 p.m.	Ann Parker	
	8:00 a.m.	Bob Puralewski	
	10:00 a.m.	Ted Suidgeest	
	12:00 p.m.	Debbie Thiede	
Ushers:	5:00 p.m.	Group 5C	
	8:00 a.m.	Group 8B	
	10:00 a.m.	Group 10C	
	12:00 p.m.	Group 12A	
Collection Counters:	April 10	Group 3 and 4	
Sanctuary Cleaners:	Becky Swender and Barb Longoria		



STEWARDSHIP

For the weekend of April 3, 2023

Adults (212) Envelopes/Gifts:	\$15,638.40
(Including online giving)	
Loose Cash:	\$707.50
Total:	\$ 16,345.90

Other Gifts Received

Education Trust Fund:	\$173.00
Building Fund:	\$194.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund:	\$110.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2022 is \$18,799.62. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.

BE A PART OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

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EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS 2023

Dale and Isabell Baker and family John A. Ballinger Amelia Bartkowiak Reszke Ron Berghorst Mick Bishop Louis and Margaret Brya Jean and Tom Burns Larry and Mary Burns Dennis e. Carn Alphonse and Agnes Caudy Jim Clark Ronald and Rose Coultes Terese Croyle Ronald and Rita Cuthbert Jack Cuthbert Alma "Knaus" Damaska Herb and Lorraine Davis Dorothy Denovich Roy and Mary Dieter L:awrence and Stella Donahue James Donahue L. J. Donahue John A. Eiseler Larry A. Eiseler Gerald and Kay Eisler Maurice Eisler Etha Eisler Henry and Betty Elstro Shelly Elstro Ambrose and Francis Enneking Thayer and Bezemek Families Dershem and Schafer families Droste and Exelby Families Faye Salisbury E. Bruce Fech Robert Fedewa Judith Fedewa Viola and Francis Fedewa

James and Agatha Feldpausch Dale Feldpausch Deceased members of the Sylvester Feldpausch family Stephen and Stu Fitzpatrick Terry Fleming Justin, Paul and Helen Fox Dennis M. Fox Bernard Fox The deceased members of the Fox and Wagner Families Kathleen Freel Agnes French Lyle French Agnes Galecka Reese Gallagher Frank and Anna Glowacki Frank and Jan Glowacki Anthony and Ronald Goerge Donald Goerge Ann Green Art Halfmann John and Ruth Hall Kristie Harper Tom and Pat Handloser William and Florence Hawk Brenda Hogan Joe and Alma Hogan Hope Hoskins Carl Hufnagel Linda Hufnagel Joan Huhn Donald and Laura Jorae Bernard and Joan Jorae Jim Jorae Deceased members of the Jorae Family Larry Karber Rich Kerr

FRIENDSHIP IS OFFERED

EASTER SUNDAY

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

Bill Kissane Leo and Phyllis Klein Peter W. and Margaret M. Klein Leonard and Bernita Koenigsknecht Sister Donna Marie Koenigsknecht Nicholas Kurncz Donna Kus **Bob** Lineberger Grandma Sweetie pie and Papa Lorenc Sally Lorenc Cindy Lumbert Curt Luttig Deceased members of the Mankey Family Andy Minarik Jackie Jorae moore Carol A. Murphy Cindy Nunn Germaine and Debra Nurenberg Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Nurenberg Kim Ohlemacher Our grandparents Alexandra Parker Janice Parker Avelino (Pee Wee) Pena Deceased members of the Francis Pline Family Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pung Brian Ritter Roland and Esther Ritter-Carey Fred Rogers Joaquin Rojas Milt and Norene Rozen Susan K., Scarchilli Mark and Kevin Schafer Edward and Alice Schneider Ron Schneider Don and Alice Schneider Jeanette Schomisch Dave Schroeder Deceased members of the Schroeder and Fernholz Families

Emma Jean Sharp Alan Simon Stan and Joan Smith Cecil and JoAnn Smith Tank and Gert Smith Janet Smith Deceased members of the Smith and Andrews Families Donald Stoddard Diane (Klein) Thelen Arnold and Irmina Thelen Margaret and Claire Thelen Leon and Bertine Thelen Carl and Laurene Thelen Elmer and Wilma Thelen Elmer and Esther Thelen Fred Thompson Joe and Josephine Villarreal Alex and Bernita Vitek Stan Wassa George and Therese Weber Ken weber Urban and Marie Weber Melvin Wieber Doris and Herb Wieber Ed and Verena Witgen Helen Gunterman Yahn

<u>In Honor of:</u> Clayton, Nicholas and Victoria Lawless Ann Boynton Myra Fleming Paul and Eugenia Pung Anne Wieser



THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

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