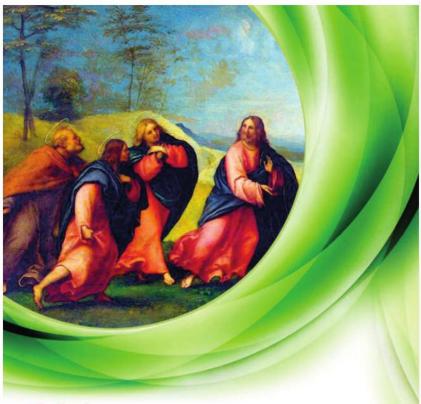
St. Foseph Catholic Church

109 Linden Street Saint Johns, Michigan 48879-1837 (989) 224-8994

Fax: (989) 224-3475

www.stjoecatholic.com

stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me."

Matthew 10:38

Christ Leading the Apostes to Mount Tabor, by Lorenzo Lotto, 1512

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



THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday ● July 3

Ephesians 2:19-22/John 20:24-29

No Mass

Tuesday ● July 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Genesis 19:15-29/Matthew 8:23-27

No Mass

Wednesday ● July 5

Genesis 21:5, 8-20a/Matthew 8:28-34

No Mass

Thursday ● July 6

Genesis 22:1b-19/Matthew 9:1-8

No Mass

Friday • July 7

Genesis 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67/Matthew 9:9-13

No Mass

Saturday ● July 8

Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29/Matthew 9:14-17 5:00 p.m. Mass For the People of the Parish

Sunday • July 9

Zechariah 9:9-10/Romans 8:9, 11-13/Matthew 11:25-30

8:00 a.m. Mass

†Cullen Simon and the living and deceased

members of the Simon Family

By: Family

10:00 a.m. Mass

†Fay Salisbury (4th anniversary)

By: Brian and Deb Spontz

12:00 p.m. Mass

†Darrel Garner

By: Camilla Hufnagel

Mass in Spanish 6:00 p.m. Mass





The parish office will be closed Tuesday, July 4th, 2023 In observance of Independence Day

The Sanctuary Lamp

Will burn from July 2 to July 8, 2023 In memory of

Austin Fox



First Friday Exposition of the **Blessed Sacrament** on July 7 and 8th

The Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, July 7th and Reposed at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, July 8th.

There will not be Mass at St. Joseph this Friday or Saturday morning this month.

All are welcome to attend this beautiful time of prayer in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord!

You do not have to be scheduled for a specific hour, however, we are in need of subs for the following hours this month:

10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 1:00 a.m., 5:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m.

Please text or call Rebecca at 989-292-2072 if you plan to attend at one of the these hours or if you have any questions..

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 Brenda Higgins Judy Kissane Korine Mary

Matthew Myah Noah Danielle P. Patricia Jenny Pytlowanyj Jerry Schafer Joany Schrauben 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 Stiosephchurchstjohns@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)

Sunday, Funday 2.0

(Since I am on vacation this week, primarily to baptize my grand-daughter and celebrate my daughter's 40th birthday in Tennessee, I thought I would leave my readers with some light-hearted fare. If I'm having fun, why shouldn't everyone else, right? Hence we have "Sunday, Funday 2.0." So grin, groan or guffaw at a couple of Catholic-oriented jokes I'm leaving back in mid-Michigan. The first one is a Golden Oldie {or Moldy Oldie if you don't like it.})

This is a story about a pastor (probably not Fr. Mike) and a deacon (probably not me) who decided to help the less fortunate one summer by repairing roofs.

The deacon was on a ladder nailing shingles on. Each time he needed a nail, he reached in his pouch and pulled one out. He would look at it and either toss it over his shoulder or nail it to the roof.

This puzzled the pastor observing from the ground. (He was doing a wonderful job of supervising his deacon, by the way.) Finally he asked his deacon "Why are you throwing some of the nails away?"

The deacon responded that if he pulled out a nail that was pointing at him he would toss it, but if it was pointing toward the roof he would nail it to the roof.

The pastor (again, probably not Fr. Mike) was frustrated at the deacon's answer and said "Don't you understand how to do this? Don't throw away those nails. The ones pointed at you are for the other side of the roof."

I can tell you want one more sparkling gem, so here's one to cool you off.

A deacon (definitely not me) decided to try ice fishing one winter and started drilling a hole in the ice. He looked inside it but didn't see any

fish. "Then he heard a voice from above say "There's no fish in there."

So he moved about 20 yards away and drilled another hole, only again to here "There's no fish in there." Getting frustrated, he moved another 20 yards away and drilled a third hole and again he heard that voice saying "I told you, there are no fish there."

Totally perplexed, the frustrated deacon and would-be ice fisherman looked up and said "Is that you Lord?"

"No, you slow learner," the voice replied "I'm the skating rink manager."

(I know you're all thinking, "don't quit your day job," but I hope I got a grin or two out of you nonetheless. Have a wonderful Fourth of July week and I'll see you soon.)

Deacon Eric deaconeric@hotmail.com

Summer Scripture Days August 22-24, 2023

St. Peter: His letters and Life

Spend three summer days exploring the life and letters of St. Peter with our featured speaker, **Bishop Earl Boyea!**

Any adult over the age of 18 that is interested in deepening their understanding of St. Peter is welcome to attend.

For more information and registration go to www.stfrancis.ws/ssd

St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary

will be hosting
Women of Hope
Day Retreat
Theme:
Faith, Not fear...or Worry

St. Francis Retreat Center DeWitt, MI

October 7, 2023 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic School – St. Johns, MI. 2nd Grade Teaching position

St. Joseph Catholic School in St. Johns, MI is accepting applications for a full time Second Grade teaching position. Candidates must hold a valid state of Michigan teaching certificate, with an Elementary Education endorsement for the 2023-2024 school year. The candidate will also be attending Protecting God's Children (VIRTUS) training and pass a criminal background check.

The successful candidate must be dynamic, enthusiastic and possess the ability to work collaboratively within the school environment. The candidate will be teaching Religion daily and therefore the hired candidate's employment will be considered ministerial under the First Amendment. Similarly, the successful candidate should be a practicing Catholic who can speak thoroughly to his or her ability to infuse Catholic faith and teaching throughout the curriculum. The ultimate hiring decision is made in consultation with St. Joseph's pastor. To learn more about St. Joseph Parish and School, please visit our website at www.school.stjoecatholic.com.

Interested candidates should send a cover letter of application, resume' and credentials to: Chris Wells, Principal, to principal@stjoecatholicschool.org., drop off at the school, or send to the following address: St. Joseph Catholic School, 201 E. Cass Street, Saint Johns, MI 48879.



Don't Forget to Let Us Know Your 2023/24 Meeting and Fundraising Schedules!!

If you are part of a parish, school, or outside organization that meets at the Church or School building, all meetings and events **must** be scheduled through the parish office. **Don't assume we know about your meetings.**

We'd rather be told 10 times than not know at all! All organizations planning on fundraising after Masses must also confirm dates with the parish office.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

July 8/9

Altar Servers: 5:00 p.m. Joslynn R.

Sophia R.

8:00 a.m. Joanne H.

Volunteer

10:00 a.m. Caroline V.

Quinn D.

12:00 p.m. Cassie S.

Anna H.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

5:00 p.m. Group 1 8:00 a.m. Group 1 10:00 a.m. Group 1

12:00 p.m. Group 1

Lectors: 5:00 p.m. Lisa W.

8:00 a.m. Trevor H. 10:00 a.m. Ted S.

12:00 p.m. Dawn L.

Ushers: 5:00 p.m. Group 5C

8:00 a.m. Group 8D 10:00 a.m. Group 10C 12:00 p.m. Group 12A

Collection Counters: July 3 Group 4

Sanctuary Cleaners: Kate Mullen and Kari Schneider

STEWARDSHIP

For the weekend of June 26, 2023

Adults (160) Envelopes/Gifts:\$13,307.33 (Including online giving)

Loose Cash: \$659.00

Total:.....\$13,966.33

Other Gifts Received

Education Trust Fund:\$66.00Building Fund:\$171.00Tuition Scholarship Fund:\$ 10.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2022 is \$18,677.39. If e continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.

4

THE NEW PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY SIGN UP IS UNDERWAY

Church sign-ups for Photo Session are available after ALL weekend Masses.

Please note there will be NO sign up July 8/9 weekend

You may also sign up online, Weekdays (Mon-Fri ONLY)
Visit ucdir.com

Click on the "Photography Appointment Scheduling Login" link, use

the church code: mi1803

Password Code: photos (case sensitive).

OR This **QR** code will take you directly to the online portrait scheduling login page.

If you have questions, contact the parish office.

We are so excited to be able to update our church family photo album and we want EVERYONE to be a part of it!

- Every family photographed by Universal Church Directories will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 and a Parish Pictorial Directory
- Plan for 45-60 minutes at Photo Session: registration, photos, viewing, and selection.

Our church pictorial directory will not be complete without you.

MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY!

volunteer opportunity!

If you can spare a few hours of your time, WE WANT YOU!!

We will need folks (couples would be nice) to be a Host/Hostess at the Church Pictorial Directory photo sessions. Our directory will be a wonderful tool to meet others in our faith community, and you can be a part of helping make it happen!

Sign up One *or Two* volunteers per shift; two would be most helpful. NOTE: Couples are encouraged to sign up together; and what a great way to meet other parishioners!

HOST/GREETER INSTRUCTIONS will be available at Photography Registration Table in addition to being shared prior to your volunteer date.

--> You may sign up to **volunteer** after all Masses or Online at this link (enter into the address bar of your browser)

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/5080f48afab22aafd0volunteer#/

Your time is valued and appreciated. Thank you!

Pictorial Directory Committee



Part-Time Food Service St. Joseph School

St. Joseph Catholic School is accepting applications for a part-time food service position. This position has the potential to increase to full-time employment. The applicant will work along with the food service supervisor in the areas of ordering supplies, bookkeeping, and preparing school lunch. This position will be 2 days per week for the 2023-2024 school year.

Interested persons please contact Chris Wells, principal@stjoecatholicschool.org or Ann Parker, mrsparkerstjoecatholic@gmail.com for further details.

FORMED

Would like to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ?

Do you know someone who has fallen away from the Church and you want to reach them but you just don't know how to?

This is why our parish has invested in FORMED, so that each of us might grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and in our desire to share our Faith with others, especially those closest to us.

With your free access to FORMED, 24/7 on your smartphone, computer, iPad, or Kindle, you can:

- Prepare for Mass each week by watching an insightful fiveminute video on the Sunday Readings
- Enjoy movies as a family that are both nourishing and entertaining
- Enrich your marriage with the award-winning video program Beloved
- Help your children grow in faith and character with engaging children's materials.

Sign up for your free Formed account at: FORMED.ORG





Rest in Peace
Our prayers and sympathies
to the family and friends of
Michael F. Schneider

The theme is "Quenched" and our guiding Bible verse is from Isaiah 58:11 - "Then the Lord will guide you always and satisfy your thirst in parched places, will give strength to your bones and you shall be like a watered garden, like a flowing spring whose waters never fail." Lisa Brenninkmeyer, founder of Walking with Purpose, will be the Keynote Speaker, and Sheri Wohlfert, Karen Ervin and Fr. Dan Westermann will also share messages on this theme during the conference. The day will be filled with music and activities to build your spirit through the love of Jesus and the energy of the Holy Spirit.

Learn more about the conference and register now at **MichiganCWC.org**.

Tickets are \$72.50 for a regular admission, and Seniors (62+) and students are \$65.

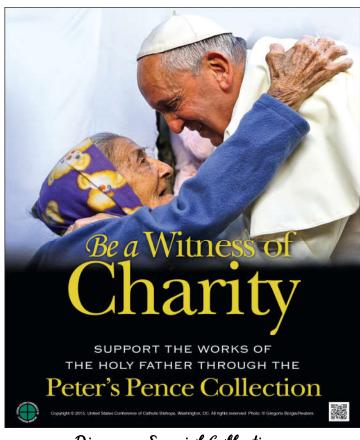
We will offer conference T-shirts - only available for purchase during registration. If you'd like a T-shirt, be sure to order when you register.



Are you interested in serving the Church in the Diocese of Lansing? We are currently accepting resumes for several positions including a Planned Giving Officer with the Catholic Foundation, Parttime Director of Catholic Charities, an Administrative Assistant for Marriage and Family Life Ministries, and an Administrative Assistant for the Office of New Evangelization.

To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit our careers page at

https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers



Diocesan Special Collections

Our Diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering. Please use the white Peter Pence envelope found in your bi-monthly envelope packets.



FAITH magazine **Story Search**

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary and FAITH Magazine is looking for people who have stories to tell about how praying the Holy Rosary has impacted their life. Do you have such a story? Has praying the Rosary changed your life? Or made it much better? And Why?

FAITH wants to hear from you. E-mail your story to faithstories@dioceseoflansing.org.



St. Vincent DePaul Store

(1009 S US 27, St. Johns)

is recruiting volunteers (men and women) to help process and /or price incoming donations.

Having the knowledge/interest in clothing brands/ quality are important to maintain the quality of merchandise in our store.

Volunteers are also needed to sort and process incoming miscellaneous non-clothes items, like household items, crafts, toys, hardware, etc.

Volunteer shifts are generally 3 hours long either 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays. Saturdays are also available between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

If interested in finding out more about this opportunity, please call John Thelen at 989-292-7057.

3 locations to serve you:

ST. JOHNS OFFICE 989-224-9511

FOWLER BRANCH 989-593-4240

OVID BRANCH

989-834-9800

www.journeyfcu.org

MIII







923 N OAKLAND • ST. JOHNS

224-2968

Amy Thelen-Sullivan

517.743.1713

AUTUMN RIDGE APARTMENTS 224-1770

autumnridgestjohns@yahoo.com 1220 SUNVIEW - ST. JOHNS

Lowell Granite Company

CALL ME FOR YOUR MONUMENT NEEDS, I WILL MEET WITH YOU AT YOUR HOME.

DALE THELEN

989.640.3331

11263 W. 3rd · FOWLER





Text Mi328 to 38000 McDonald's of St. Johns Owners, Brandon & Kelly Van Poppelen

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural

10760 E. 2nd St

989-593-2300



By frequenting these advertisers you are directly supporting the publication of this bulletin.

OURNEY

NCUA 🖹

ST. JOHN'S

Big Boy

224-6828

IOIN US AFTER MASS!

Call Greg Pope: 616-295-0390 or email: gpope@diocesan.com for details!

Remodeling & New Construction

www.kfedewabuilders.com • (517) 388-6123 Kurt & Kelly Fedewa • Owners

catholicmatch⁶ Michigan

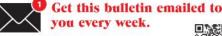
CatholicMatch.com/goMI

estoratio DAMAGE EXPE Residential - Commercial

New Construction and Rebuilds 7 Year Workmanship Warranty

517-622-3377 - ameri-pro.com

Fire Damage Boardups
Protecting People & Property **Fire Damage Boardups**







989-593-2533 • 10653 W. M-21 • Fowler, MI 48835 www.KensKarKare.com

For Advertising Information call: GREG POPE 616-295-0390



 Scheduled Maintenance • Engine Repair • Air Conditioning Service
 • Transmissions • Brake Service • Alignments • Shocks & Struts • Exhaust System Repair • Tires • Tune-ups • Oil Changes

ith family funeral homes (()



Our family, Serving yours.

104 E Cass St., St. Johns • 989-224.2365



HARR'S JEWELRY. INC. - Your Diamond Source -110 N Whittemore (Bus. US-27) 224-7443

MJF CONSTRUCTION

Building and Remodeling

MARK FEDEWA 224-7118



989-640-3308



Rehmann's Men's Wear & Shoes TUXEDO RENTAL 224-2139 **JEAN SHOP and BIG & TALL DEPARTMENT**

AGRICULTURAL . COMMERCIAL . RESIDENTIAL





St. Vincent de Paul Store

1009 S. US-27 St. Johns

Mon - Sat. 10am - 4pm



THE HUB TIRE CENTER

BFGoodrich

Alignment, Brake, Diesel & Gas Engine Repair Serving Clinton County Since 1963

819 N US 27

RSI

hubtires.com

224-3218

When it comes to insurance, the

EXPERIENCE MATTERS. Call Eric Silm today! (989) 593-3104

FARM BUREAU A Comp



Jandernoa Water Systems, Inc. Locally Owned & Operated

Water Well Drilling & Repair of FARM • HOME • COMMERCIAL TimJandernoa@live.com

Call TIM JANDERNOA

Cell 989.666.6426 • Kent 989.292.7502

ELEVATOR CO. 989-593-2111

athews

Knights of Columbus

989-292-1583

Life Insurance

Annuities

Long Term Care

Disability Income

INSURANCE

DOUG

NURENBERG

FICF, LUTCF

· Roasted Beans · Canola Meal · Custom Mixing Soybean Meal • Soyhull Pellets • Cottonseed Dry Distillers Grain
 Dry Animal Fat

135 N. BATH smith **FOWLER**

www.smithlawnscapes.com 989.224.9211

Mark Smith, Owner

*ROOFING *SIDING

EAVESTROUGH

DOORS

WINDOWS

GARAGE DOORS

rsiwaynedoor.com

989-224-3691

504 E. Steel

THELEN COLLISION AUTO CARE 2761 N. US Highway 27 • St. Johns

989-224-0004

Collision & Light Mechanical Repairs Parishioner Tom Thelen • Owner



St. Johns 989-227-5404 Laingsburg 517-651-1322 Portland 517-743-6122







MULLANEY JOE

Broker • Owner

Over 3710 Homes Listed & Sold By Joe!

517-204-4004

Local Realtor for the last 25 years! remaxfinestjoe@gmail.com



KOENIGSKNECHTDENTISTRY.COM

7.01

Clover Carpet Cleaning "Call Us On The Carpet" 989-224-0605

www.clovercarpetcleaning.com Ron & Maurine Mitchell, Owners/Operators

RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL • 24 HR. EMERGENCY SERVICE



517-333-9473(WIRE) RESIDENTIAL . COMMERCIAL . INDUSTRIAL TOM MULLANEY, MASTER ELECTRICIAN 24 Hr. SERVICE WWW.WIREWORKSINC.COM • SCHEDULING@WIREWORKSINC.COM

Residential & Commercial **GLEN MILLER** Pole Buildings Decks
 Doors & Windows
 D.I.Y. Projects OWNER



Ray Vitek Broker/Owner

Vitek Real Estate

Open by appointment only

Residential • Farms • Income • Commercial

Home: 989 224-4730 Email: rayvitek@charter.net

989-593-2280 132 N Main St • Fowler sales@wieberlumber.com



"We Dig Michigan 3026 W. M-21, ST. JOHNS, MI 48879 Family Owned & Operated Since 1946



Downtown Fowler Interior design service available

stjohnsdentist.com

DENTAL IMPLAN

beckerfurniturefowler.com 989-593-3500



Gentner Bamily Dentistry

MILLER'S

REDI-MIX, INC.

Quality Concrete

6218 Wright Rd. - Westphalia • 587-6511

Dr. Amy Gentner www.gentnerfamilydentistry.com 989-224-7559



LES MILLER & SONS AGGREGATES INC.

PICK UP OR DELIVERY

Located downtown St. Johns We are not just AMAZING PIZZA! For our menu and in-house dining

specials, go to: www.brunosbarmi.com www.deanospizzami.com

Bring in this coupon for 10% OFF all food at Deano's

989-593-2055



Implant and **General Dentistry**

989-224-2379

St. Johns, MI 48879

I) RAGE Lee & Dori Smith ~ Owners

Office: 989-224-4000

asco PLUMBING & HEATING, LLC

Office: 989-224-3034 • www.chasco1.com 407 N. Clinton Ave. • St. Johns, MI 48879



McGeehan Funeral Homes Keck-Coleman Chapel

(989) 224-4422 www.mcgeehanfh.com 1500 Waterford Pkwy



CELEBRATING THOSE BEFORE US, SUPPORTING THOSE BESIDE US