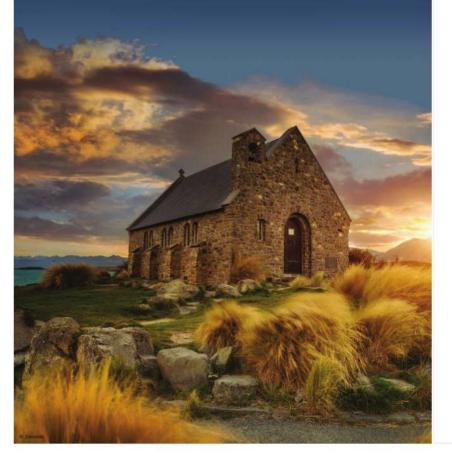
St. Foseph Catholic Church

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. Saints All Souls

For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day." John 6:40



#### **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 Christian Initiation of Adults • Amanda Grigar

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. Mass in Spanish • 6:00 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

### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





# THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday 

October 30 Romans 8:12-17/Luke 13:10-17

No Mass Tuesday • October 31

Romans 8:18-25/Luke 13:18-21 7:00 p.m. Mass **†Bill Antcliff** 

By: Rehmann Family

Wednesday • November 1 All Saints Day Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14/1 John 3:1-3/Matthew 5:1-12a 12:05 p.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Mass

*†Stu Fitzpatrick* By: Family †Don Randolph By: Sue and Terry Brya

Thursday • November 2 All Souls Day Wisdom 3:1-9/Romans 6:3-9/John 6:37-40

8:30 a.m. Mass

Friday • November 3 Romans 9:1-5/Luke 14:1-6 8:30 a.m. Mass

†Jean Wilson

*†The deceased Poor* 

By: Bob and Ellen Davis

By. Society of St Vincent DePaul

Saturday • November 4 Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Luke 14:7-11 8:30 a.m. Mass For an end to Abortion

5:00 p.m. Mass

**†Terrv Stoddard** By: Mike and Family

Sunday • November 5 Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10/1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13/Matthew 23:1-12 The People of the Parish

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass

*†Dale Feldpausch* By: Family

12:00 p.m. Mass

**†**Dolores Ziegler By: Joe and Helen Kus

6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

For Cancer patients



It's that time again! Daylight Savings Time ends this Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 2:00 a.m. Make sure you change your clocks back one hour.

Rest in Peace Our prayers and sympathies to the family and friends of

Carol a. Shelen

<sup>and</sup> Lois Mhitford

# **First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**



The Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed for Adoration following the 8:30 a.m. Mass on First Friday, November 3 and reposed prior to the 8:30 a.m. Mass on First Saturday morning, November 4.

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:

Friday: 11:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Saturday: 1:00 a.m.

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

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

Carol Burgtorf Sherri Couch Friend Marcia Goerge Melissa **Brenda Higgins** Korine Lynday Lucier Mary Matthew Myah

Noah Danielle P. Patricia Jenny Pytlowanyj Jerry Schafer Joany Schrauben Donna Smith Jason Thelen Michael VanElls Jeff Wadell Brad Walker

Millie Wassa Fr. Don Wieber Bill Darnell Susan Darnell

**KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS** 

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.

THE SACRAMENTS ARE CELEBRATED



WE ARE ALL Evangelizers

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

#### Beauty is God's Gift

It was after two o'clock (sudden thought: does "o'clock" mean clocks are Irish?) last Sunday afternoon and we had changed clothes after Noon Mass and lunch when my wife and I decided to take a relatively quick fall color tour. It was the first sunny day in a while and we figured that, though there were fewer than five hours of sunlight available, we may not have time on a sunny day again before all the leaves hit the ground. Doing a color tour, of course, is a search for beauty in nature.

Beauty in nature is a gift from God that is very easily overlooked because in Michigan we have been blessed with natural beauty in so many places. Even in a five-hour snippet, it can be greatly appreciated. On the flip side, we can live within beautiful surroundings and take them for granted when we let some of the darker sides of life blind us to the fall colors, to the sunsets over Lake Michigan to the great panoramic view from atop the Sleeping Bear dunes and so on. God gave us the beauty in nature to help us deal with the downs in life that are inevitable and we in Michigan are quite blessed by beauty.

Sometimes we need to let ourselves get absorbed by beauty. The Catechism (CCC 41) says: "The manifold perfections of creatures—their truth, their goodness, their beauty all reflect the infinite perfection of God. Beauty draws us in and, if we let it, upward." For those who say they find God in nature, great. He is in nature. If they say they only find God in nature, then they are lacking. There is great beauty in the gathering of people to worship God together. The Mass is a great example of not only the power of community but the shared understanding of the beauty of religious communion. Beauty surrounds us not only through the renovated church, but the wonderful music. talented musicians and singers coming together in praise and thanksgiving for God's gift to us, Jesus -- who by his death and resurrection opened the gates of heaven for us.

St Augustine had a wonderful observation about beauty that, though a bit on the academic side, offers much for us to take to heart. He says: "beauty is a note of the thing itself, perfect in its own kind, insofar as it is one, true, and good. Beauty is truth that is known and contemplated by the intellect, and loved by the will as the good of the intellect." This allows us to understand how we can appreciate beauty in art and music, beauty in nature and the beauty of a person's heart. Not all of us are blessed with "Top Ten" good looks, but as we mature we understand the beauty of the inner being of others. We can see the "one, true and good" in another person and appreciate that beauty is "a truth that is known and contemplated by the intellect." We know we can love that person as a friend or a spouse. (It does not mean that we won't notice a skin deep exterior beauty of another person from time to time, however. Brevity of attention is suggested.)

(In my homily last Sunday, I used the Roadrunner and Wile E Coyote cartoon to make a point. After Mass there was a discussion about whether the animated Roadrunner says "beep, beep" as I used in my homily or "meep, meep." Warner Bros say it is "beep, beep" though I have to admit it may sound like "meep, meep." Perhaps the script calls for "beep, beep" but the Roadrunner just can't pronounce the letter "b." I'm always glad to clarify important points in my homily.)

Deacon Eric

deaconeric@hotmail.com

# **Clinton Community Thanksgiving Celebration**

The Clinton Community Thanksgiving Celebration is back, but desperately needs workers! Shifts generally are two hours long and run all through Thanksgiving week. Food prep will be at the Columbian Hall Monday -Wednesday and event workers will be needed at the St. Johns Lutheran Church.

Please go to this website to sign up to volunteer: <u>ccthanksgiving.org.</u>

#### St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Monday, November 13, 2023 6:30 p.m. at the Columbian Hall.

We will enjoy a potluck dinner together, so bring your favorite dish to share in fellowship with other women of the parish. Please come share a meal and discussion on the Auxiliary's events. The evening will be full of faith, fellowship and laughter.

Also, don't forget to save the date for the Women's Advent Celebration that will be hosted by SMA on Friday, December 1st. It is a blessed way to begin the Advent Season. Stay tuned for further details. THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### OCTOBER 29, 2023

Trivia Night A fundraising effort for St. Joseph Catholic School, PSC Saturday, November 4, 2023 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. St. Joseph Gym Join us for an adult evening of fun-filled trivia! \$20 a person or \$180 a table (8-10) Bring your favorite adult drinks. Light snacks will be pro-vided, feel free to bring more. MSU/U of M football games streamed. Public welcome Do you have questions about St. Joseph Catholic School or are interested in registering this 2023/24 school year? Please contact Chris wells at princpal@stjoecatholicschool.org. **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. Sanctuary Cleaners: Menu is subject to change, based on St. Joseph Catholic School food availability from suppliers. STEWARDSHIP This institution is an equal opportunity provider. LUNCH MENU FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 3, 2023 Chicken legs, baked potato with cheese, Monday: fruit, and milk. Ziti, bread sticks, green beans, fruit, and Tuesday: milk. Wednesday: Corn dogs, fresh carrots, peach cup, and milk. Hamburger on a bun with cheese, fried Thursday: chips, fresh fruit, and milk. Chicken salad in an edible bowl, yogurt, Friday: fresh fruit, and milk. Students: \$3.25 (includes milk) Milk \$0.50 Adults: \$5.00 (includes milk) goal.

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# For the weekend of October 22, 2023

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Adults (162) Envelopes/Gifts:	\$18,168.41
(Including online giving)	
Loose Cash:	\$1,092.00
Total:	\$19,260.41

#### **Other Gifts Received**

Education Trust Fund:	\$60.00
Building Fund:	\$30,605.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund:	\$50.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2023 is \$17,301.65. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted

# BE A PART OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

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# THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 29, 2023





#### 40 Days of Life is a prayerful and peaceful vigil held outside abortion clinics around the world from **September 27th until November 5th.**

The Lansing 40 Days For Life vigil outside the Planned parenthood facility in Frandor runs from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

We could use your help filling the numerous vacant time slots by registering at **40daysforlife.com/Lansing**. This provides you

**40daysforlife.com/Lansing**. This provides you an opportunity during Respect Life month to pray for an end to abortion, for the women considering abortion and for conversion of those who work in the abortion industry.

I pray every Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. So call me at (989) 227-0088 if you would like to join in prayer to protect the unborn.

# **Eternal Rest**

Adult Formation Session November 8, 2023 at 7:00pm in the basement

November is the month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory, but what does that mean for you? In this session, we will look at how we can help ourselves, and others, prepare for a holy death, and what we can do for our loved ones after their earthly lives come to a close.



# All Saints Day Wednesday, November 1, 2023 Holy Day of Obligation

Mass will be Celebrated at 12:05 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. We are in need of ushers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

There will be sign up sheets in the gathering space at the back of church.

The Sanctuary Lamp Will burn from October 29 to November 4, 2023 In memory of



# Dave Schroeder

### **Michigan March for Life**

- Who: All Advocates for life of all ages
- Why: Gathering on the first anniversary of the devastating passage of Proposal 3 sends a powerful message that we are still contending for life.
- Where: The March will take place right outside the Capitol Building in Lansing, MI
- When: Wednesday, November 8 2023 11:00 a.m. Rally outside the Michigan State Capitol Building

12:00 p.m. Michigan March for Life-join our peaceful march.

How: Visit <u>RTL.org/events/march</u> for all the details EVERYONE coming should RSVP ALL buses need to be registered!

#### Speakers included are:

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Bishop Earl Boyea -	Diocese of Lansing
Genecia Davis -	sharing her personal story of abor-
tion	and her subsequent path to peace
Emcee: Chuck Gaidica -	former anchor/meteorologist of
	Channel 4 in Detroit

# Director of Information Technology Diocese of Lansing

Are you interested in serving the Church in the Diocese of Lansing? The Diocese of Lansing is currently accepting resumes for a Director of Information Technology. To learn more about this position, and to apply, please visit the Diocese of Lansing Careers Page.<u>Dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers</u>

# THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

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Abbreviation Key: (C)	(C) Church (RR) Reception Room	(ROR)	Reception Overflow Room (0	(CL) Choir Loft (G) Gym	(K) Kitchen	KC - Knights of Columbus
(CH) Columbian (KC) Hall	(L) Library Conference Room		RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults		(Sch) Social Hall/Cafeteria (S) Scl	(S) School (TL) Teachers
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Please Note: Events	Please Note: Events on this calendar can change at any		ase see the current bu	illetin or our Faceboo	time, please see the current bulletin or our Facebook page for the most up to date information	o date information

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