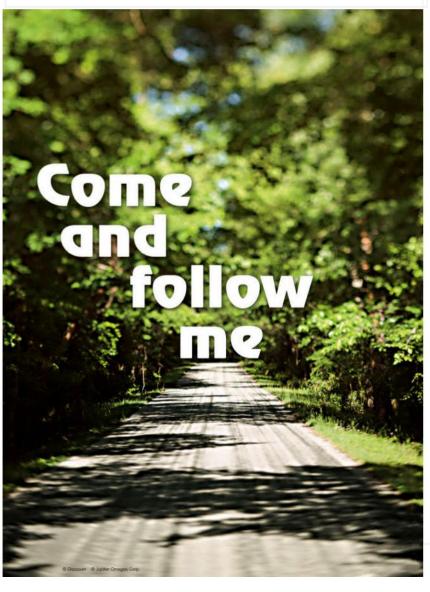
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#### **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

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 • Paul Atchley

#### **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**

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

#### **Prayer Tree**

Parish Office: (989)-224-8994



#### This Week's Liturgies

Monday ● October 14

Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Luke 11:29-32

No Mass

Tuesday ● October 15
Galatians 5:1-6/Luke 11:37-41

7:00 p.m. Mass †Nick M Kurncz

By: Wife and Family

Wednesday ● October 16
Galatians 5:18-25/Luke 11:42-46

12:05 p.m. †Neil and †Jean Harte

By: Gail Wadell

Thursday ● October 17

Ephesians 1:1-10/Luke 11:47-54

8:30 a.m. Mass †Teri Stoddard

By: Mike and the girls

Friday • October 18

2 Timothy 4:10-17b/Luke 10:1-9

8:30 a.m. Mass The deceased members of the Fitzpatrick

Family

By: Family

Saturday ● October 19

Ephesians 1:15-23/Luke 12:8-12

5:00 p.m. Mass *†Hope Hoskins* 

By: Dad

Sunday ● October 20

Isaiah 53:10-11/Hebrews 4:14-16/Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

8:00 a.m. †John and †Ann Hayes

By: Neil and Becky Hartenburg

10:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

12:00 p.m. †Ron Schneider

By: Eileen Schneider

6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

**Holy Souls in Purgatory** 



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn from October 13-19, 2024 in memory of Hope Hoskins

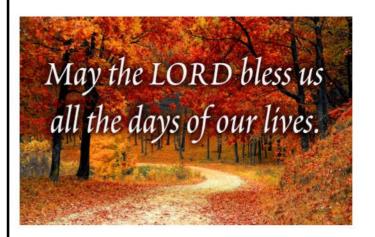
### Rest in Peace

Our prayers and sympathies to the family and friends of

Charlotte Voisin

and

Marcia Goerge



### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - Noon

1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Fridays 9:00 a.m. - Noon

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

#### KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially:

Adam
Sawyer Ballinger
Lisa Clarizio
Sherri Couch
Mary Enneking
Keith Enneking
Friend

Cindy Fontus Marcia Goerge Brenda Higgins David Higgins Korine Alissa McKeown Gabrielle Meece Myah Jenny Pytlowanyj Frank Rademacher Deacon Mary & Tita

Joan Schrauben

Michael VanElls Jeff Wadell Jerry Brad Walker Millie Wassa Fr. Don Wieber Bill Darnell Susan Darnell Please pray for our parishioners in the service, especially:

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 the parish

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

\*Please note: <u>only</u> immediate family members may add names to the bulletin.



#### WE ARE ALL EVANGELIZERS

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

#### **Power of the Rosary**

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of October to the Rosary, but there are many Catholics who wonder what's so special about it. St. John Henry Newman answers that very pointedly:

"The great power of the Rosary lies in this, that it makes the Creed into a prayer. Of course, the Creed is in some sense a prayer and an homage to God; but the Rosary gives us the great truths of (Christ's) life and death to meditate upon, and brings them nearer to our hearts."

Though some people view the Rosary as a lot of repetition, if prayed with sincerity and at an even pace (don't race through it), it gives us an opportunity to reflect on the very special moments of Mary's and Jesus' lives. For example, let's go thorough the Joyful Mysteries.

The five Joyful Mysteries are the Annunciation, the Visitation, the Nativity, the Presentation and the Finding of Jesus in the Temple. Note that the mysteries are prayed in chronological order, so we can, in essence, join Mary in her walk as the mother of Jesus. We can meditate on each of her steps. Take a minute and think about the Annunciation, how wonderful and awesome it must have been for Mary to have an angel of God come and say "Hail favored one." Then that Angel Gabriel goes on to tell her that she would give birth to Jesus, the son of God.

The second mystery is the Visitation, and again we can only imagine the shared joy of Mary and her cousin Elizabeth, with John the Baptist leaping in his mother's womb in the presence of Jesus in Mary's womb. The Nativity, Jesus' birth, needs no further explanation, but once again there is great joy not only for Mary, but Joseph as well. That parental joy was again shared in the fourth mystery with their Presentation of Jesus at the temple, followed 12 years later by joy, and a collec-

tive sigh of relief when they found Jesus in the Temple after three days of searching.

So I hope we can all see the opportunity for meditation in the Rosary. The Glorious Mysteries take us from the Resurrection through the Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven; the Sorrowful Mysteries cover the Agony in the Garden through the death of Jesus and; the Luminous Mysteries, added by then Pope John Paul II in 2002, cover events of Jesus ministry from his Baptism in the Jordan through the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper.

Each and every one of the mysteries gives us an opportunity to reflect on important events in the lives of Mary and Jesus. Pray the Rosary during the rest of October. Pray it privately or pray it publicly (i.e. before Sunday or Tuesday night Masses), but pray it, and feel the power of the Rosary.

Deacon Eric

deaconeric@hotmail.com

### St Monica Auxiliary monthly meeting (<u>date change!</u>) and English Tea Party

St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary will meet Monday, October 21st 6:30 p.m. at the Columbian Hall. There will be a short business meeting to make plans for future events



followed by an English Tea Party with all the fixings--tea in fancy pots and tea cups with multiple tea snacks. So put on your favorite fascinator, hatinator or fancy hat and join in the fun night. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend this event.

# **Share the Abundant Harvest** A non-perishable food drive

From October 1 until October 31 there will be a nonperishable food drive here at St. Joseph Church. The food gathered will be shared between Beacon of Hope and Basic Needs - both in St. Johns.

Donated items can be placed in the wooden box at the north side of the church.

~Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus #3281 and St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary



#### **Donations for All Saints Night**

The K-12th grade religious program is seeking donations for their annual **ALL SAINTS NIGHT ON OCTOBER 30TH**. We are looking for any (used or new) holy items such as: holy cards, crucifixes, statues, prayer books, Bibles, saint pictures, rosaries, etc., The items are used for prizes and lessons on Sacramentals. Please drop off your donation/s at the parish office by **Monday, October 28th.** Thank you!

Contact Jen Nelson at dre.stjoseph@gmail.com if you have questions.

# K-12 Religious Education October Calendar Reminder

- October 16: K-8 Classes
- October 23: K-12 Classes and 9th Grade Confirmation Class
- October 30: K-12 Classes All Saints Celebration & 9th Grade Confirmation Class

Registration is still available for K-12 Religious Education classes. Please contact Jen Nelson at <a href="mailto:dre.stjoseph@gmail.com">dre.stjoseph@gmail.com</a> or (989)224-8537. More information and forms are also available at <a href="https://www.stjoecatholic.com">www.stjoecatholic.com</a>

#### St. Joseph School Wish List:

Donation needed to go towards materials for the Begindergarten cooking class \$220.00

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

St. Joseph Catholic School LUNCH MENU

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#### FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 14-18, 2024

Monday: Pancakes with syrup, hash brown,

sausage, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Hamburger gravy over mashed pota

toes, corn, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Chicken Fettuccine with breadstick,

green beans, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Hot dog on a bun, French fries, fruit,

and milk.

Friday: Cheese pizza, peas, fruit, and milk

Lunches are \$3.25 Milk \$0.50

# Liturgical Minsters October 19/20

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers:

00 p.m. Joslynn R.

Sophia R.

8:00 a.m.

Volunteers

Volunteers Cassie S.

10:00 a.m.

Gracie H.

12:00 p.m.

Tanner K.

Sophie K.

#### 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. Sheila B.

8:00 a.m. Kathleen W. 10:00 a.m. Steven M. 12:00 p.m. Dawn L.

*Ushers:* 5:00 p.m. Group 5A

8:00 a.m. Group 8A 10:00 a.m. Group 10B 12:00 p.m. Group 12A

Collection Counters: October 14 Group 1

Sanctuary Cleaners: The Schroeder Girls

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

#### For the weekend of October 6, 2024

 Adults (336 gifts Including online giving):
 \$23,717.04

 Loose Cash:
 \$818.00

 Total:
 \$24,535.04

#### Other Gifts Received

Education Trust Fund: \$358.00
Building Fund: \$123.09
Tuition Scholarship Fund: \$115.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2024 is \$18,646.55. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.



You will notice that the church yard is filled with tiny white crosses. This display is presented by Clinton County Right to Life as a reminder of the thousands of innocent babies in Michigan who have lost their lives due to abortion. It is also a reminder of the anguish of the mothers who made this decision, often due to the pressure from those around them. It is also to remind us to pray during this Respect Life Month for the end of abortion, for the women who suffer because of abortion and for the conversion of those who support abortion. Prayers can be made here in the our church, at home or as a part of the 40 days of Life prayer.

Sign up a **www.40daysforlife.com/lansing**. Feel free to join me in prayer on Thursdays from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Call Mary Beth at (989)227-0088.





Whether you have been following "The Chosen" through its first seasons or not, you are invited to come, watch and discuss season four Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Joes Church basement.

## **October Dresser Ministry**

October is "Respect Life" month. Please help us help fill the Pack 'n Play located in the new gathering space for babies and moms who need our help. All donations go to

#### **Shared Pregnancy in Lansing.**

Shared Pregnancy provides a very valuable service to Lansing area women. When a Mom comes in there is often a waiting list before she can receive indispensable items like a car seat, pack-n-play, crib and more. Did you know that in 2023-79,745 diapers were provided to clients?

Please consider donating to this very worthy cause.

#### Some suggested items:

Diapers (especially sizes 4 and 5) Baby wipes, Baby wash, Rash ointment, mittens and gloves (12 months to 2T) winter hats (12 months-2T), Bottle brush, breast pump, coats or snow suits (12 months-2T) backpacks, car seat covers, board or soft books, towels.



# New Position Opening: Part-time Bookkeeper

St. Joseph Church is accepting applications for a parttime Bookkeeper. Duties include maintaining the accounting ledger using double-entry bookkeeping, processing receivables and payables, and preparing payroll. Applicant must have an Associate degree in accounting or equivalent experience, have familiarity with account software, and be proficient with Excel.

This position is 8-15 hours per week, with some flexibility, year-round. Full position description is available at www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers. If you are someone who embraces the teachings and mission of the Catholic Church and are interested in working in this environment, apply online or send your resume, cover letter, and references to Susan Mahoney, St. Joseph Church, 109 Linden St., St. Johns, MI 48879, email: business,stjoseph@gmail.com



## What is the Prayer Tree?



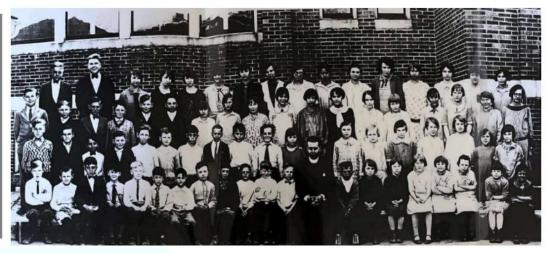
The Prayer Tree is an organized group of individuals who pray for our parish family. Prayer requests are confidential and are not shared with anyone outside of the prayer tree members. Parishioners can add their prayer requests for themselves, family members, or friends by contacting the Parish Office at 989-224-8994. The prayer request will be passed on to the prayer tree participants within one business day.

## The prayer list published in the bulletin is not the same as the Prayer Tree.

To add an immediate family member to the bulletin prayer list call the office 989-224-8994.

This week's throwback takes us WAY back. This photo features the St. Joseph School students in front of the original school building during the 1928-29 school year!

St. Joseph School-Celebrating 100 years!



## Sock-tober!

October 1 to October 31

During the month of October St. Joseph School will once again be doing



You can help by donating NEW men's, women's, children's and baby socks and dropping them off to either the box near the school office or the parish office. These will then be donated to various places who are in desperate need of these items.



November 9 2024 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. St. Thomas Aquinas, East Lansing Fr. Mac Hall

#### Grandparents...

Do you want to be able to pass your faith in Jesus on to your Grandchildren? Are you frustrated because you don't know how to pass on your faith to your Grandchildren?

The Do It Grandly Seminar provides a bold vision for grand-parenting and the tools to intentionally pass on your Faith to your grandchildren.

Learn to be a missionary to your own grandchildren.

Participants can register in the church office or online at **elcatholics.org/grandly.** 





# When in a Lansing Hospital and need the Anointing of the Sick?

When you or your loved one is ill, receiving the Sacrament of the Sick is important. When in a **Lansing** 

area hospital, please let your attending nurse know you would like the Anointing of the Sick. They will contact the chaplain who will, in turn, contact a local priest who is "on call" to come and give you the sacrament. This is the quickest way for you or your loved one to receive the sacrament, if they didn't already receive it before going into the hospital.



Join us for an adult evening of trivia to support St. Joseph School PSC!

\$20 a person or \$150 per table (8 per table) concessions available for purchase

October 19, 2024 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

(Knights of Columbus) Columbia Hall

1108 Old US 27, St. Johns

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#### TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# Vocation and Pro-Life Breakfast Buffet Fowler Knights of Columbus October 13, 2024

8:30 a.m. to Noon

The Fowler Knights of Columbus will be serving a delicious all-you-can-eat benefit breakfast buffet (sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes, etc.) on Sunday, October 13th at **Most Holy Trinity Activity Center,** 11159 W Kent St., Fowler. Proceeds will support vocations and prolife activities.

**Price: at-will donation.**Please bring your family and friends.

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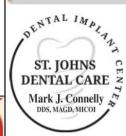
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