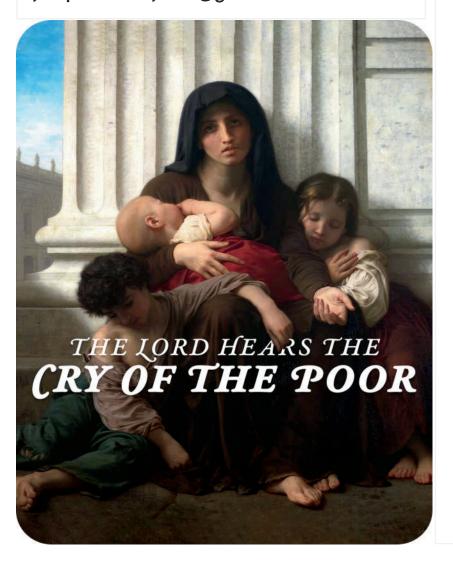
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St. Joseph is a place of refreshment, peace and love, a place of ministry and renewal. We welcome you to be part of our faith community where the Word of God is proclaimed, friendship is offered and the Sacraments are celebrated.

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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.

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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 27

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

No Mass

Tuesday ● October 28

Ephesians 2:19-22/Luke 6:12-16

7:00 p.m. Mass †Helen Makara

By: Charles and Lisa Wieber

Wednesday • October 29

Romans 8:26-30/Luke 13:22-30

12:05 p.m. Mass †Kathy Reynolds

By: Family

Thursday ● October 30

Romans 8:31b-39/Luke 13:31-35

8:30 a.m. Mass †Mark Simon

By: Family

Friday • October 31

Romans 9:1-5/Luke 14:1-6

8:30 a.m. Mass †Sister Marcia Andrews

By: Doug and Barb Hogan

Saturday ● November 1

Solemnity of All Saints

Revelation 7:2-4, 9--14/1 John 3:1-3/Matthew 5:1-12a

8:30 a.m. Mass For an End to Abortion

5:00 p.m. Mass +Jack Sira

By: Doug and Rebecca Nurenberg

Sunday ● November 2

All Souls

Wisdom 3:1-9/Romans 5:5-11 or Romans 6:3-9/John 6:37-40

8:00 a.m. Mass The Deceased Poor

By: Society of St Vincent dePaul

10:00 a.m. Mass †Dale Feldpausch

By: Family

12:00 p.m. Mass The People of the Parish

6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish



It's that time of year again!

Daylight Savings Ends

November 2, 2025

Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday night.





The Sanctuary Lamp will burn from October 26-November 1, 2025 in memory of

George and Agnes French

Beginning November 4, 2025
ALL Tuesday Masses
will begin at 6:00 p.m.
Confessions will be at 5:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Just a reminder that the Blessed Sacrament will not be Exposed on November 1st, but rather from after

Mass on First Friday, November 8th until Benediction on Saturday, November 8th.

Please call or text Rebecca at 989-292-2072 if you are interested in making a monthly Holy Hour or would like to be a sub.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially:

Adam
Ari
Chris
Sawyer Ballinger
Jan Coffman
Sherri Couch
Verena DeBoer

Mick Droste
Mary Enneking
Keith Enneking
Trisha Fisher
Friend
Jack Hagerty
David Higgins
Korine
Mary Ladd
Alissa McKeown
Gabrielle Meece
Teresa Miller

Myah
Patrick
Jenny Pytlowanyj
Deacon Marv & Tita
Robertson
Patricia Rojas
Mary Schmitt
Joan Schrauben
Sherri
Anne Thelen
Jennifer
Jerry

Brad Walker Millie Wassa Fr. Don Wieber

Please pray for our parishioners in the service, especially:

William Hess Jake Hoskins Jacob Longoria Eric Martin Colby Munger Adam Novak Alex Rojas David Seperic Noel Smith II Jordan Van Amburg

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)

COLORS Kodachrome

They give us those nice bright colors Give us the greens of summers Makes you think all the world's a sunny day, oh yeah I got a Nikon camera I love to take a photograph So mama, don't take my Kodachrome away. — Paul Simon 1973

It was certainly a Kodachrome week for my wife and I as we celebrated our 45th wedding anniversary cruising to and through the Upper Peninsula. With a bright golden sun, highlighting a Blessed Mother- blue sky almost every day, we first traveled through Petoskey, Harbor Springs, and the Tunnel of Trees-teased by hints of color in the trees just beginning to show their autumn hues. But who's complaining when one comes out of the tunnel to a meal at the iconic Leggs Inn, famous for its Polish cuisine.

The overall purpose of the trip, of course, was to enjoy the fall colors along the way to a couple destina-

tions of personal importance. Along the way, I reflected on the idea of "color." What would our lives be like without color? Would we bother putting a thousand miles on our cars primarily to look at gray leaves? I have said thank you to God for a plethora of gifts, but I don't remember before last week of ever saying "thanks" to the Lord for the gift of color—even more thankful knowing one in twelve men have some sort of colorblindness keeping them from seeing every color in its purest form.

So, as we drove along US-2 from St. Ignace to Manistique, I thanked the Lord for granting me the ability to enjoy the greenish-blue of Lake Michigan on my left and wall of red and yellow leaves on my right. I gained greater appreciation for God's paintbrush as the week went along. In looking down through the glass bottom boat at both the brown trout and the multi-colored rainbow trout at the Big Spring (Kitch-iti-kiki), I marveled at God's creation.

An appreciation of the gift of color was only enhanced by our visit to St. Peter's Cathedral in Marquette; the explosion of color surrounding Munising; the Pictured Rocks along the Lake Superior shoreline and Tahquaminon Falls. We are blessed to

live in such a beautiful, colorful state.

The creation of the film process known as Kodachrome some 90 years ago created a color revolution in the photography and cinematic world. The rise of digital photography led Kodak to retire its Kodachrome film in 2010. But it changed the world to some degree, with its ability to produce vibrant natural colors with sharp contrast.

Ironically, Paul Simon's hit song "Kodachrome" was about looking back at the black and white memories of life through rose-colored glasses. But that's all right by me because I have a new batch of moments to remember. "Mama don't take my Kodachrome away."

Deacon Eric

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You can now watch and listen to Deacon Eric's column through this link on Youtube. https://www.youtube.com/ StJosephCatholicChurch-StJohns





October is Respect Life Month. This month is set aside for deeper prayer and reflections on the value of human life from conception to natural death. The theme for 2025 Respect Life month is *Life: Our Sign of Hope* to go along with the theme of hope for the jubilee year. There are several events that can help with our prayers for life. The 40 Days for Life is a prayerful and peaceful vigil which runs from September 24 to November 2, 2025. It is held outside abortion sites to pray for those who are faced with a choice in an unplanned pregnancy. Our vigil is outside Planned Parenthood in the Frandor Center.

I pray at the 40 Days for Life vigil site every Thursday at 2:00 p.m. You are welcome to join me or go to the website to sign up for another time. Remember that prayers are desperately needed to end the scourge of abortion in our world.

To sign up for a prayer time go to <u>40daysforlife/lansing.com</u> Mary Beth 989-227-0088 The wait is over!
After months of anticipation,

"The Chosen"

Season Five entitled "Holy Thursday" returns to the (not-so-big) screen in the church library Friday, October 31, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

So, please join us and enhance your understanding of the Gospel through this unique TV series.

The final four episodes will run throughout January, Beginning on Friday, January 9th.

RSVP to Deacon Eric if you are planning on attending at deaconeric@hotmail.com

K-12 Grade

Religious Education Program Calendar
Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. -7:15 pm. lower level of the church
October 29: Class

Dates will vary each month, please see the <u>stjoecatholic.com</u> website.

Contact Jen Nelson for more information at: dre.stjoseph@gmail.com

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.

Do you have questions about St. Joseph Catholic School or are interested in registering this 2025/26 school year?





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

St. Joseph School LUNCH MENU

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 27-31, 2025

Monday: Grilled cheese with loaded baked

potato soup, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Sweet and sour chicken over rice,

peas, pineapple, and milk.

Wednesday: Baked ziti with bread stick, green

beans, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Hot dog with French fries, fresh

fruit, and milk.

Friday: Cheese stuffed bread stick with dip-

ping sauce, carrots, fresh fruit, and

milk.

Milk choice includes chocolate fat free milk or white 1% Low fat milk

Lunches are \$3.25 Milk \$0.50

Liturgical Minsters November 1 and 2

Altar Servers: 5:00 p.m.

Caroline V. Blaze V.

8:00 a.m.

Kavnin S.

Ella S.

10:00 a.m.

Madison W.

Faye K.

12:00 p.m.

Mabel R.

Willow R

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.

5:00 p.m. Diane A. 8:00 a.m. Trevor H.

10:00 a.m. Ja 12:00 p.m. N

Jane M. Mary Beth E.

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

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

Collection Counters: October 27 Group 1

Sanctuary Cleaners: Becky Swender and Barb Longoria

STEWARDSHIP

For the weekend of October 19, 2025

Adults (297) gifts Including online giving):	\$12,789.28
Loose Cash:	\$814.00
Total:	\$13,603.28

Other Gifts Received

Education Trust Fund:	\$0.00
Building Fund:	\$595.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund:	

Our weekly average since July 1, 2025 is \$21,107.47. If we continue to keep this average, we will meet our budgeted goal.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH CALEN	I PARISH (CALENDAR	8		2025	
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 Masses: 8 & 10 a.m., Noon	3 No Mass	4	5 12:05 p.m. Mass	6 8:30 a.m. Mass	7 8:30 a.m. 1st Friday Mass	8 8:30 a.m. Benediction
Daylight savings time ends		9:30 AM Bible Study (L)		9:00 a.m. Bible Study (L)	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	9:00 a.m. Average Joes (RR)
8:30 a.m. –11:30 a.m. KC Pancake Breakfast (SH)			4:00 p.m. Holy Spirit Bible Study		(from after 8:30 a.m. Mass thru 8:30 p.m. Benediction Saturday)	7/ 6/
All Souls' Day			5:00 p.m. Grief Ministry (L)	6.00 m a Darieh Council (1)	9:00 a.m. "The Chosen" (L)	4:00 p.m. Confession
6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish	7:00 p.m. KC Meeting (KCH)	5:30 p.m. Confessions 6:00 p.m. Mass	6:00 p.m. Rel Ed (RR) 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	7:00 p.m. OCIA (L)	7:00 p.m. KC Wine/Cheese brown bag auction (KCH)	5:00 p.m. Mass
9 Masses: 8 & 10 a.m., Noon	10 No Mass	11		13 8:30 a.m. Mass	14 8:30 a.m. Mass	15
			Holy Spirit Bible	9:00 a.m. Bible Study (L)		
Baptisms		9:30 a.m. Bible Study (L)	Study (L) 6:00 p.m. Rel Ed (RR)	6:00 p.m. Souls in	Adoration (C) from after Mass until 7:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m. Average Joes (L)
2:00 p.m. OCIA (C)			ı Class	Purgatory Mass	0.00 a m "The Chosen" (1)	
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6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish		9:30 a.m. Bible Study (L)	4:00 p.m. Holy Spirit Bible Study (L)	Chanksqiving	Parish Office is Closed	
30 Masses: 8 & 10 a.m., Noon				11:00 a.m. prayer service		7 2 2
		5:30 p.m. Confessions 6:00 p.m. Mass	No Religious Education Program	Noon – 3:00 p.m. dinner Clinton Community	NO SCHOOL	4:00 p.m. Confession
6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish				Thanksgiving Dinner		
Abbreviation Key: AFF - Ad	dult Faith Formation (C) Church	(RR) Reception Room (RoR)	Reception overflow Room (CL)	Choir Loft (G) Gym (K) Kito	AFF - Adult Faith Formation (C) Church (RR) Reception Room (RoR) Reception overflow Room (CL) Choir Loft (G) Gym (K) Kitchen (KC) - Knights of Columbus (KCH) K of C Hal	(KCH) K of C Hal

(L) Library (OCIA) - Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (Rel Ed) - Religious Formation/Class (SH) Social Hall/Cafeteria (Sch) School (TL) Teacher's Lounge

Please Note: events on this calendar can change without notice, please see the bulletin for most up to date info

Long-Term Substitute Teaching Position: February - May, 2026

St. Joseph Catholic School in St. Johns, Michigan is accepting applications for a Kindergarten long term substitute teaching position. This position will last for twelve (12) weeks and begins in February, and finishes in May, 2026. Experience in teaching and/or substitute teaching in the classroom is preferred. The classroom also has a part-time aide Monday-Friday each school week.

Interested applicants please contact: Chris Wells, Principal, principal@stjoecatholicschool.org. or call the school office at 989- 224-2421.



Veterans Shower

to benefit

Michigan Veterans Homes November 1-20, 2025

The gathering space will once again be the location to receive donations for the Veterans who have served our country.

Wish List: NO Monetary Donations!

- Soft individually wrapped snack bars-no nuts
- Soft individually wrapped sugar free candies
- Lotions: Eucerin, CeraVE (sensitive skin)
- · Razors: Gillette fusion, Mach 3, Proglide
- 3 in 1 Shampoo/Body Wash (Irish Springs, Old Spice, Axe)
- Batteries: AA/AAA/C
- Large face watches with stretch bands
- Dry shampoo
- Forever stamps please leave at the parish office downstairs
- Hot Chocolate Packets
- Microwave Popcorn

There are 106 members at MVH - D.J. Jacobetti Home. Most are from the Upper Peninsula but a few are transplanted to be closer to loved ones.

26 Air Force, 43 Army, 9 Marines, 25 Navy. Service Eras: 2 WWII, 7 Korean 76 Vietnam-era, 1 Gulf-era, 14 others.

Please thank a veteran this year by helping these heroes.

SAVE THE DATE

Women's Advent Celebration Friday, December 5, 2025 Guest Speaker Bianca Murray - Mother Theresa House

More details to follow

The Senior Luncheon was a blessed time starting with Mass and ending with **pie!**



Thank you to all who helped and enjoyed the day! Thank you, Fr. Mike, for your caring of the seniors of the parish.

Save the Date!

Extra-ordinary Eucharistic Minister Meeting

Thursday, November 13

6:30 p.m. in the church

For our current Eucharistic Ministers and those who serve the homebound. This meeting is also for those interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister as there will be a brief training afterwards.

As we observe Homeless Awareness Month, Join us for a viewing of

"Americans With No Address"

(narrated by William Baldwin)
Thursday, November 6
6:30 p.m.
First Baptist Church of St. Johns
512 S Whittemore Street

This event is FREE. We encourage you to bring a donation that will aid the Housing Services PATH team as they serve the street homeless in our tri-county area.

Needed Items: Heavy Winter Socks
Waterproof Gloves
Knit Gloves and Caps
Hand and Foot Warmers

www.AmericansWithNoAddress.com





Right to Life of Michigan Second Annual Michigan March for Life November 6, 2025

Right to Life of Michigan and the March for Life are holding the second annual Michigan March for Life on November 6, 2025. The march will begin with a pre-rally concert at 10:00 a.m., the rally (which includes several pro-life speakers) will begin at 11:00 a.m. then the March for Life will start at Noon. The Rally will be held outside the State Capitol building in Lansing. Marchers will peacefully walk around the capitol to advocate for all human life from conception to natural death. The march will also stand for commonsense laws that support women, safeguard families, and defend the unborn in our state. Please join in this march to demonstrate our belief in the sanctity of life.



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