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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

St. Alphonsus

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM

St. Peter

Monday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

St. Alphonsus

Saturday: 5:30 PM - Sunday: 8:00 AM

St. Peter

Saturday: 4:00 PM - Sunday: 11:00 AM

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

St. Peter: 9:00 AM - **St. Alphonsus:** 7:00 PM
(this schedule rotates)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Alphonsus

Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 AM

St. Peter

Tuesday and Thursday: 9:00 AM

BAPTISM - Contact the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Peter: 2:30-3:30 PM 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays

St. Alphonsus: 10:00-11:00 AM 2nd & 4th
Saturdays

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the office if someone is in the hospital, sick or homebound and would like to be visited and receive the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the pastor 9-12 months before preferred date.

PRAYER CHAIN

Contact Person - Millie Larson: 517-447-3636

Rose Forgiel: 517-447-3868

FOOD PANTRY

Open the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 1-3 PM at the Parish Center in Deerfield. (excluding November and December)

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PARISH COMMISSIONS

Finance Commission

Worship Commission

Education Commission

Social Ministry Commission

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Men's Club

Altar Rosary Society

Knights of Columbus

Heritage Garden Club

October 30, 2016

Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

WE LIFT UP OUR HEARTS!

"The Lord lifts up all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down." (Psalm 145:14)

At the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer, there is a brief dialogue between the priest and congregation. In one form, the priest says, "Lift up your hearts," and the people respond, "We lift them up to the Lord."



It is likely to think of God's love and mercy as consistently pulling our spirits upward with the same strong force as gravity, yet we know it is real. But its power influences only material bodies, however, there are many other powers on earth that pull our spirits downward with that same type of gravitational influence.

Our challenge is to regulate with moderation these good and natural earthly attractions and to avoid those that are harmful and sinful. It gives us strength to realize God's love and mercy are constantly uplifting our spirits to a higher level and a holier way of life.

Lord, may your love and mercy lift up our lives.

BELOVED DEAD

Next weekend we will remember in a special way, those who have gone before us in death in the past year. A candle will be lit as we remember each individual. These candles will continue to be lit at each liturgy throughout the month of November. We especially remember those who have been buried from our parish since last November:

Doyle Bachman
Mildred Balun
Kathryn Breitner
Alexander Campbell
Robert Diver
John Dusa
Loretta Long
Gerry McGaffigan
Marjorie Noll
Georgette Pieh
Kenneth Piotter
Elva Rau
Terrance Raymond
Bernita Reau
Donald Rowe
Daniel Studnicka
James Witt
Robert Zimmerman



EUCHRE NIGHT

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
Saturday, **November 12**, 5:30PM
at the Blissfield Church Hall



Join us for a fun evening with a light lunch
served after mass for all card players.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY FEATHER PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS

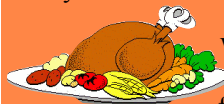
The Feather Party Raffle Tickets were distributed last weekend by the ladies of ARS. Please return the "sold" tickets in the weekend collection basket. We ask you kindly for your generous support since this is the only benefit ARS sponsors throughout the year.

If you need a book or two more, call Kirsten Huff at [517-918-5995](tel:517-918-5995). Let's make up for last year when the weather blanketed our event with "5 inches of snow and sleet". Thank You in advance!



THANKSGIVING DONATIONS

The Social Ministry Commission will once again be providing Thanksgiving dinner baskets to the families who use our Food Pantry.



We would appreciate donations of the following items:
canned cranberries, marshmallows, gravy, canned fruits/vegetables and cereal.

As in years past, we are asking for donations of frozen turkeys also. There will be turkey cut-out reminders on the bulletin board in the rear of the church next week. Please take one and then sign your name on the sign-up sheet so that we will have a list of donors. Turkeys should be brought to church the weekend of **November 12/13**.

Food donations can be brought to church any weekend up to November 12/13 or taken to the Parish office during the week.

Thank you in advance for your generous help in providing a special Thanksgiving meal for the people who come to our parish Food Pantry. We could not continue this good work without your help. God bless!

DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL JAMBOREE

"Lost and Found: Returning Home"
November 6, 2016
@ Lansing Center, Lansing

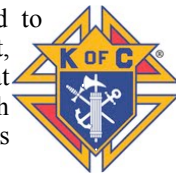
All high school youth and their friends are invited to attend the Diocesan High School Jamboree on Sunday, November 6, from 7:00am-10:30pm (including driving time) at the Lansing Center. The Jamboree provides an opportunity for a day filled with fun, food, friends, and faith. It's a chance to have fun and make new friends with other high school youth in the diocese. Over 900 teens and adults from all over the diocese are expected to attend Jamboree 2016. The Keynote Performer will be Jackie Francois. Also included in the day will be workshops, lunch, dinner, Reconciliation, Adoration, Eucharistic Liturgy, and a celebration dance!

Please contact Deanna Burke for registration information. **October 23** is the final deadline for a fee of \$40. Please contact Deanna if the fee poses a financial hardship. Questions? Deanna 447-3500 office or 447-3752 home or deannabdre@gmail.com.

A BIG thank you to all those parishioners who volunteered to deliver Meals on Wheels the past 2 weeks! You are much appreciated!!

KNIGHTS NEWS

All parishioners are invited to join the fun on Euchre Night, November 12, 5:30 PM, at St. Peter Hall. A light lunch will be served to all players after the 4:00 PM Mass.



The holidays are rapidly approaching and we need manpower to accomplish our goals. Please ask a Catholic gentleman to join today. As an added incentive we will waive the membership dues for all new members for 12 calendar months. For details, please call Mark at [734 279-2269](tel:734-279-2269) or Mike at [517 486-5966](tel:517-486-5966).

Please defend our rights and freedoms by voting November 8. Anyone who needs a ride to the polls or to their township office to obtain an absentee ballot can call Mike at [517 486-5966](tel:517-486-5966). To find out where the candidates stand on life, please visit www.rtl.org.

40 Days for life concludes next Sunday, November 6. Please continue to pray, fast, or sacrifice to save lives. To increase your level of involvement, please visit www.40daysforlife.com. 423 lives are known to have been saved since September 28.

Please pray for those participating in the Halloween and Harvest festivities.

FIRST RECONCILIATION (PENANCE)

All children 2nd grade and higher in need of preparation to celebrate their first reconciliation (required before first Eucharist) are invited to attend our first class this **Tuesday, November 1, from 6:00-6:45 PM** in the SALT Center. We would like to invite at least one parent to attend this first session for a special parent meeting.

Classes will alternate sites between Blissfield and Deerfield. Children must actively attend the Light of Christ Religious Education Program the year before and currently be in the second grade or higher to register for First Reconciliation & First Eucharist Programs.

The schedule was sent home to parents of children in our 2nd grade religious education program. If your child is older than 2nd grade, please register by contacting me as soon as possible so that I may prepare enough supplies for all students. I look forward to beginning our classes.

Please contact Deanna Burke, DRE (Office: 447-3500 or deannabdre@gmail.com) with any questions you may have about our First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Programs.

SCHEDULED MASSES WITH INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, November 1 - ALL SAINTS' DAY

9:00 AM - St. Peter

In memory of Howard Diedrich
36 years

7:00 PM - St. Alphonsus

For the People of the Parish

Wed., November 2 - 9:00 AM - St. Alphonsus

In memory of Ollie Perry
74 years

Thursday, November 3 - 9:00 AM - St. Peter

In memory of Betty Klauda
15 years

Friday, November 4 - 9:00 AM - St. Alphonsus

In memory of Bernard Diver
17 years

Saturday, November 5

Vigil

4:00 PM - St. Peter

In memory of Gerry McGaffigan

5:30 PM - St. Alphonsus

In memory of Elva Rau
by Brad & Leanne Payne & family

Sunday, November 6

8:00 AM - St. Alphonsus

In memory of Donald Rowe
by Ron & Leanne Goodin & family

11:00 AM - St. Peter

In memory of Alex Campbell
by Finola Campbell

MAY the NAME OF OUR Lord Jesus
Be glorified IN YOU.
2 Thes.

~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 30, 2016

Wisdom 11:22-12:2

2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Luke 19:1-10

Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 6, 2016

2 Maccabees 7:1-2 9:14

2 Thessalonians 2:16--3:5

Luke 20:27-38

**SAVE THE DATE!!
COME AND WIN A TURKEY**

Light of Christ Parish Feather Party

Saturday, November 19

7:00PM-10:30PM

At the SALT Center

Doors open at 6:00PM

Bingo--Raffle--Turkeys--Refreshments

Sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society



A Note from the Adrian Dominican Sisters

We will be united with you in your prayer/adoration time on November 8 for guidance and wisdom. We also will be having a special hour of prayer on Sunday, November 6, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in St. Catherine Chapel at our Dominican Living Center. You are invited to join us as well.

Here is a special prayer for us all:

O Holy Mystery,
we live in a time of peril and promise.
We ask that you infuse each of us,
voters and candidates for elected office,
with a longing for peace
and the common good of all your people and creation.

Rooted in the Gospel,
with this intention deep in our hearts,
we place our trust in You,
O Holy Mystery,
and in the power of our communal prayer.

**YOU
CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE**

HELP SOMEBODY THAT IS HOMELESS TODAY

**November is Homeless
Awareness Month.**

Please pray.



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, October 30

✠RCIA Session✠

Deerfield, 9:00 AM

✠Religious Education✠

Break

Tuesday, November 1

✠1st Reconciliation Parent/Student Mtg.✠

Deerfield, 6:00-6:45 PM

Wednesday, November 2

✠Guitar Group Rehearsal✠

Blissfield, 7:00 PM

Thursday, November 3

✠K of C Meeting✠

Blissfield, 7:30 PM

Sunday, November 6

✠RCIA Session✠

Deerfield, 9:00 AM

✠Religious Education✠

Deerfield, 9:15-10:30 AM

Blissfield, 9:30-10:45 AM

HS Jamboree in Lansing



Welcome to Evelyn Mae Eggleston, daughter of Matthew Eggleston and Monica Gordon who was baptized at Light of Christ Parish in Deerfield on October 23, 2016.

SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK!



Daylight Saving Time ends next weekend. Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 5 (or you'll be early for church!)

LET US PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Becky Branscum
Becky Brewer
Martha Brown
Edward Cambal
Finola Campbell
Isabelle DeLaCruz
Ann DeNudd
Webb Drew
Carmen Garcia
Katy Goodman
Makenzie Greer
Joan Hamilton
Carrie Hartley
Jim Hashman
Amy Henning
Kristie Horkey
Ed Jacobson

Susan Johnson
Norma Kelly
Marie Kieplinski
Betty Knapp
Shelly Molaro
Joseph Mueller
John Musielewicz
Bev Pifer
Margaret Poluka
Patty Rank
Pat Riley
Jim Sheldon
Lena Silva
Vivian Tack
Catherine Wielfaert
Mark Willaert

Please call the parish office if you would like to receive the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, which can be done before/after mass, at your home or in the hospital. Also, if you or someone you know is on the above list and no longer needs to be, please contact the office.

Stewardship Report

October 22/23, 2016

Total Sunday: \$4,585.00

Total Loose: \$160.00

Mercy Fund: \$10.00

Propagation of the Faith: \$510.00

Total Envelopes: 192