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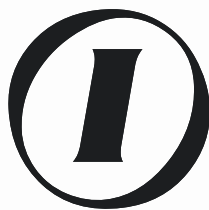
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

St. Alphonsus

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 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: 10:00 AM

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

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

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 Grogan: 517-447-3868

FOOD PANTRY

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

PARISH STAFF

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PARISH COMMISSIONS

Finance Commission
Education Commission
Social Ministry Commission
New Evangelization Commission

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Rosary Society
Knights of Columbus
Heritage Garden Club

August 26, 2018

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

'THIS SAYING IS HARD...'

Every day, we have countless choices and decisions to make. As Christians headed toward eternal life, we are called to align our lives and choices to the example and teachings that Jesus provided. It's not easy. Jesus' disciples experienced the difficulty of keeping faith, and some left. We too have left him many times; but after wandering aimlessly, we realize once again that he was right.



There is something truly heartwarming about someone saying "I'm sorry" in all sincerity. When a four-year-old looks at you and says, "Mama, I'm sorry," your heart melts and your possible response is to scoop him up in a big hug. Imagine it is similar with our heavenly Father. God's only response to our failure and regret is compassion and unconditional love. If we allow ourselves to receive God's love, we in turn become more compassionate and more loving ourselves.

The beauty of the Eucharist is that as we continue, day by day, on our earthly pilgrimage, amidst all its challenges, God gives us the nourishment we need to continue, to grow stronger, and to eventually reach our eternal destination.

SENIOR APPRECIATION DAY SEPTEMBER 7

St. Elizabeth's Parish in Tecumseh will be hosting Senior Appreciation Day this year on Friday, September 7th. Please join our area priests, as well as Bishop Boyea, as they honor all senior parishioners in the Lenawee/Hillsdale Vicariate region. Mass begins at 11:00am followed by lunch in the Parish Center.

There is no charge for the event. Please RSVP so that we have an accurate count for the meal.

To RSVP call:

Catholic Charities at 517 263-2191 no later than **August 31st**.

From the Bishop...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I am writing this to you due to the recent removal of Archbishop Theodore McCarrick from ministry and the release of the grand jury report on clergy abuse in Pennsylvania. Once again, the sins of clergy have hurt victims, scandalized the faithful, raised anger in many hearts, and brought ill-repute upon the Catholic Church. Archbishop McCarrick's abuse of minors, his homosexual activity and his abuse of seminarians and young priests are beyond the pale. The sins of anyone who sexually abuses children is abhorrent, most especially clergy. In addition, some knew about these crimes and did nothing to address this behavior. I am as shocked as you. So, first of all, I apologize for their behavior and the behavior of those who did nothing to stop it. It is incredibly wearying and demoralizing to hear yet again about these sexual sins and crimes. Let us hold each other in prayer.

As you may know, each bishop is ultimately responsible to the Holy Father, who is the only one who can remove a bishop. Still, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops will be discussing how we bishops might attempt to hold one another accountable, given this limitation. I can never give a guarantee that there will not be other clerics who violate their promise of celibacy and abuse their positions. We are all sinners. The Lord Jesus knew what these sinful clergy did just as he knows our sinful selves as well. Beyond what we can do as human beings to address the behavior of one another, we also commend ourselves and each other to the charity and justice of our God. We offer our prayers for the healing of victims of abuse but the time has come for us bishops to do more to hold one another accountable.

Christ is our hope in all things. May God have mercy on us all.

Bishop Earl Boyea, Diocese of Lansing

PRE-K -- HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2018-2019 Catechists

Thank you for volunteering to share your time, talent, and faith with the children and youth in our parish family. We could not have a religious education program for our parish without your help. We are blessed by your goodness and generosity!

Julie Graham
Vicki Kastel
Hank Martinez
Tammie Martinez
Casey Molnar
Terri Nowak
Rhonda Salenbien
Jennifer Yape

Ministers of Liturgy of the Word for Children

Penny Hashman, Coordinator
Tammie Martinez

It's not too late to join this team of wonderful volunteers!

We are still in need of a 1st/2nd Grade catechist in Blissfield and co-catechists or catechist assistants for both sites. It's our policy to have two adults per grade and it's a lot more fun for everyone!

Please contact Deanna Burke at the parish office 447-3500 or email deannabdre@gmail.com for more information.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program

Have you seen our special atrium (room) for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program? This program provides the opportunity for children ages 4 and 5 to "work" with child-size items we use during Mass and more. The "atrium" is the special room filled with hand made dioramas and other works for the children to explore. Items and works are introduced to the children each week. They learn about Jesus as the Good Shepherd, the parables, baptism, setting the altar for Mass, the city of Jerusalem, liturgical church seasons, the life of Jesus, and much more throughout the year.

Do you have a four or five year old child that would like to join us? The atrium is located in Deerfield in the church basement. Please feel free to take a look inside before or after Masses in Deerfield. You may also contact me to arrange for a time to see the atrium at your convenience. Classes are held from 9:00-10:00 concurrent with the elementary through middle school classes in Deerfield. Please complete religious education forms to register for this program. It's a wonderful program for all 4 and 5 year old children in our parish.

Please contact Deanna Burke (447-3500 office or Email: deannabdre@gmail.com) for more information. Come share in this blessing!

KNIGHTS' NEWS

Our "Metal into Meals" Scrap Metal Drive is Saturday, September 8, 8:00 AM to Noon, at the St. Peter Church parking lot. We need brass, aluminum, copper, stainless steel, carbide, iron, bronze, steel, and cast iron. Auto, Marine, truck, tractor, and lawn mower batteries are accepted. No donation is too small. proceeds are used to support our holiday food projects.



We have an Officers' Installation Ceremony scheduled on September 6 at 7:00 PM. All Officers and Knights in our Council are encouraged to attend. We will have our regularly scheduled Council Meeting following the Ceremony, about 7:30 PM.

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, September 8, to help with the Scrap Metal Drive. If you can donate 2 hours of your time, please come to the St. Peter Church parking lot between 8:00 AM and Noon. Snacks will be available and all volunteers will be served lunch as soon as loading is finished.

The Holy Father's Intention: The treasure of Families - That any far reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

Did you know that you can join the Knights of Columbus online? We need Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and protect our values. Please visit www.kofc.org/online to learn more about membership which also includes the financial benefits of a Tax Sheltered Annuity, IRA, and Roth IRA that guarantees your principal and offers guaranteed growth. Several types of high quality insurances are available to protect your family and yourself. To join locally, please call Stefano at 734 777-0393 or Mark at 734 637-9254. For insurance questions, please call Dennis Palm at 313 382-2926.

"METAL FOR MEALS" Saturday, September 8, 8am-12pm

The Knights of Columbus will be having a Scrap Metal Drive at Light of Christ in Blissfield on September 8. This is a major fundraiser for their Holiday Food distribution and Christmas Basket program.



All metals including aluminum, copper, brass, cast iron, carbide, iron, bronze, and steel (and auto/marine/tractor/lawn mower batteries) are accepted! No donation is too small. Your generosity is appreciated!!

SCHEDULED MASSES WITH INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, August 28 - 9:00 AM - St. Peter
For the People of the Parish

Wed., August 29 - 9:00 AM - St. Alphonsus
In memory of Carl Forche
18 years

Thursday, August 30 - 9:00 AM - St. Peter
In memory of Tom & Juanita Garrett
by family

Fri., August 31 - 9:00 AM - St. Alphonsus
In memory of Clarence LaPan
38 years

Saturday, September 1
Vigil

4:00 PM - St. Peter
In memory of Mark Burgermeister
by Ron & Sharon Svestka

5:30 PM - St. Alphonsus
In memory of Alberta Payne
by Pat Powell

Sunday, September 2

8:00 AM - St. Alphonsus
In memory of Bernard & Rita Diver
by Doug & Ramona Scholl

10:00 AM - St. Peter
In memory of Diana Diebel
by Dale, Carmen & Julie Graham

*Be
subordinate
to one
another
out of
Reverence
for
Christ.
Ephesians*

~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time
August 26, 2018
Joshua 24:1-2a, 5-17, 18b
Ephesians 5:21-32
John 6:60-69

Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time
September 2, 2018
Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8
James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

SAVE THE DATE! PARISH PICNIC ~ SEPTEMBER 16

Our annual Light of Christ Parish Picnic will be held on **Sunday, September 16** at Bachmayer Park in Blissfield. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 in the park followed by the picnic, weather permitting.



Please bring a dish to share. The Parish will furnish hotdogs/hamburgs, condiments, drinks, table service and children's games. Bring a lawn chair, if you'd like.

There will be no 11:00am mass that day. In the event of inclement weather, the picnic will move to the Parish Hall.

Register today for Diocese of Lansing Made for Happiness Assembly!



You are invited to join thousands of faithful Catholics from all 77 parishes in the diocese on Saturday, September 22 for a day of faith-enriching events that begin with an outdoor **Eucharistic Procession** from St. Mary Cathedral in Lansing to the Breslin Center in East Lansing (9:00 to 11:30); the **Assembly Gathering** featuring Fr. Mike Schmitz, Deacon Larry Oney, Jennifer Fulwiler, and emceed by Fr. Joe Krupp; and, (1:00 to 4:30); Reconciliation, several religious displays, and a variety of Catholic vendors and ministries. There will be fun activities for children, and professional childcare will be offered free of charge during select times in the afternoon. Admission is FREE, but **advance registration is required because space is limited!** To register, go to:

WWW.MADEFORHAPPINESS.ORG

Stewardship Report August 18/19, 2018

Total Sunday: \$3,868.50
Total Loose: \$192.00
Mercy Fund: \$25.00
Peter's Pence: \$30.00

Total Envelopes: 131

August 15, 2018

Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary:
\$546.50
Assumption Loose: \$52.00
Total Envelopes: 42

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, August 28
✱Cantor/Choir Rehearsal✱
Deerfield, 6:30/7:00 PM

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Have you witnessed this special liturgical ministry? If you've ever seen the children returning to Mass with big smiles and sparkling eyes, it's clear the importance of this ministry. This ministry provides the opportunity for children ages 4-6 to hear the readings proclaimed at a level of their understanding. Children are invited to attend this special Liturgy of the Word during 11:00 Mass in Blissfield, while adults are hearing the readings proclaimed during Mass. **Please feel free to send your 4-6 year old children forward when called during Mass.** This ministry involves proclaiming the Word to the children and completing an activity to reinforce the message.

Is God calling you to this special ministry? We are in need of volunteers to lead children for their Liturgy of the Word. Materials are provided ahead of time and are easy to follow. Six volunteers would mean only one turn per person every six weeks. The more volunteers we have, the fewer times each will take a turn. The schedule follows the regular religious education schedule. It's also a wonderful service opportunity for youth preparing for the sacrament of confirmation to assist an adult leader.

Please contact Deanna Burke (447-3500 office or email: deannabdre@gmail.com) for more information or if you would like to volunteer for Liturgy of the Word for Children. Come share in this blessing!

LET US PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

:Rita Bausman	Marie Kieplinski
:Ciaran Beattie	Donna LaMonde
:Carolyn Bielski	JoAnn McKelvey
:Ella Borowski	Emily Martinez
:Dorothy Burgermeister	Ramona Meyer
:Becky Branscum	Les & Cindy Miller
:Isabelle DeLaCruz	Shelly Molaro
:Ann DeNudt	Joseph Mueller
:Webb Drew	John Musielewicz
:Nora Forche	Bev Pifer
:Carmen Garcia	Don Pozy
:Katy Goodman	Mary Rowe
:Makenzie Greer	Harvey Salenbien, Sr.
:Joan Hamilton	Sharon Schadowald
:Carrie Hartley	Jim Sheldon
:Kristie Horkey	Lena Silva
:Ann Iott	Vivian Tack
:Ed Jacobson	Flo Wentworth
:Susan Johnson	Catherine Welfaert
:Norma Kelly	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.