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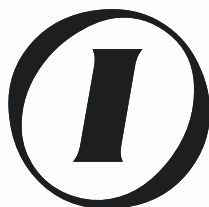
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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: 9:00 AM - St. Peter: 7:00 PM
(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 Forgiel: 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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Please call the parish office for contact info.

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Education Commission
Social Ministry Commission
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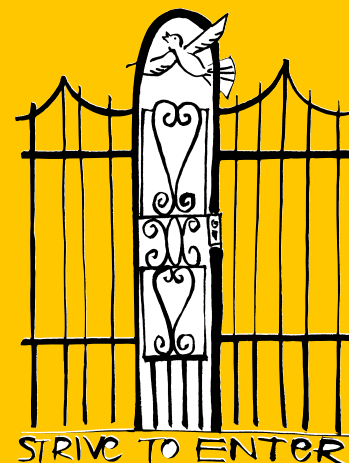
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Rosary Society
Knights of Columbus
Heritage Garden Club
Women of Prayer

August 25, 2019
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOD'S LOVING DISCIPLINE

As parents we love our children. Because we love our children, we don't always let them get their own way. Instead, we teach our children discipline and reward good behavior. This can be a challenge in a society where children receive too much power without having the emotional and intellectual maturity to go with it.



Children look to their parents to discover who they are and that they are loved. We are God's children and God loves us infinitely more than we can imagine. God is a faithful parent and disciplines us because God wants us to heal. We are called to strive for holiness, to enter through the narrow door. The way to heaven isn't easy, but walking the path is fruitful and worth the effort. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews writes that we should not be discouraged or lose hope during God's loving discipline, but rather receive it with the knowledge that's it's for our own benefit and healing.

Today, thank the Lord for endlessly loving us. Look to God and talk with God as children speak with their parents. Pray for the wisdom to recognize God's loving discipline and the strength to accept it.

SATURDAY MASS CHANGES

Beginning **October 5** (in Blissfield), there will be **one** Saturday evening mass at **4:30pm** and this mass will rotate between sites every other weekend. A printed schedule is available to help keep everyone on track.

Reconciliation will be 3:00pm to 4:00pm, before mass at the same site as the mass.

Any questions/concerns, please speak to Fr. Jeff. See full explanation in last weekend's bulletin.

PRE-K – HIGH SCHOOL R.E.

2019-2020 Catechists & Assistants

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 youth without your help. We are blessed by your goodness and generosity!

Dixie Andres
Julie Graham
Penny Hashman
Vicki Kastel
Bernadette Keller
Hank Martinez
Tammie Martinez
Kristie McCleary
Casey Molnar
Terri Nowak
Rhonda Salenbien
Jennifer Yape

Teen Classroom Assistants: Lilli Kastel,
Jillian Molnar

Ministers of Liturgy of the Word for Children

Penny Hashman
Tammie Martinez
Karen Waggoner

Teen Assistants: Gillian Gray & Annabelle Smith

It's not too late to join this team of wonderful volunteers! Please contact Deanna Burke at the parish office 447-3500 or email deannabdre@gmail.com for more information.

"METAL FOR MEALS"

Saturday, September 7, 8am-12pm

The Knights of Columbus will be having a Scrap Metal Drive in the St. Peter parking lot on September 7. 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!!

2019-2020 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Parent Meeting Opportunities Sunday, September 8, 2019

Elementary/Middle School:
9:00-9:30 AM SALT Center, Deerfield
10:15-10:45 AM Church Hall, Blissfield

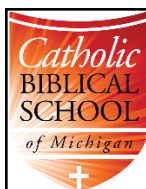
High School/Confirmation Parent & Student Meeting:
6:30 PM SALT Center, Deerfield

While we're all enjoying the last days of summer, it's also time to get ready for fall and the return of classes at school and at church.

Family Registration Packets: RE registration packets for last year's RE families were mailed last week. New registrations (including 1st grade) may attend one of the parent meetings for registration opportunities on September 8th or contact Deanna Burke or the office for a registration packet. Blank forms will also be available at both churches. New students are always welcome!

Share your Talents: We are an active parish with many opportunities for anyone who wishes to become involved. Volunteer to be a catechist, assistant catechist, help at special events, and more. The religious education registration fee is waived for catechists. Let's work together to create opportunities for our children and youth to grow in faith, and enhance our own faith life at the same time!

Please contact Deanna Burke, DRE (Office: 447-3500 or email deannabdre@gmail.com) with any questions you may have regarding our programs. I look forward to working with you to provide the best Religious Education Program for the children and youth of our parish.



How is God speaking to you through the Sacred Scriptures?

Start your journey through the Bible with the **Catholic Biblical School of Michigan (CBSM)**'s new class on **Tuesdays, 7-9 pm at Holy Family Parish in Adrian, starting September 17 or through a fully Online/Virtual option.**

CBSM brings the Scriptures to life with in-depth study of the entire Bible led by seminary professors, so that we can Unleash the Gospel with confidence and joy! Through donations, CBSM is open to all, regardless of ability to contribute financially.

Sign up by Sep. 4th at cbsmich.org/register, or by contacting info@cbsmich.org | 586-438-3085.

KNIGHTS' NEWS



Our "Metal into Meals" Scrap Metal Drive to support our holiday food projects is Saturday, September 7, 8:00 AM to Noon, at the St. Peter Church parking lot. All metals are accepted as well as auto, truck, tractor, marine and lawn mower batteries. No donation is too small! Please see the bulletin ad for details.

Thank you parishioners and Knights for your participation in the Protect Michigan Values petition drive to end dismemberment abortion. Please continue to pray for the collection of 340,000 valid registered voters signatures needed to end the barbaric practice of dismemberment or dilation and evacuation abortion.

Volunteers are needed for the Scrap Metal Drive on Saturday, September 7, 8:00 AM to Noon. If you can donate 2 or more hours of your time for this worthy cause, your efforts will be dearly appreciated. Snacks will be available throughout the morning. We will need volunteers to help with kitchen duties and serve Lena's pizza at lunch time, as well as help with the final facilities cleanup.

Do you like to cook on a grill? We need several Knights to help cook and serve at the Parish Picnic on the morning of September 15 at Bachmayer Park in Blissfield. For information, please call Dave at 517 486-4667 or volunteer at our September 5, 7:30 PM, Council meeting.

Please pray for a generous increase in parishioners and Mass attendance.

PARISH PICNIC SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Bachmayer Park, Blissfield

10:30AM Mass

Door Prizes!!

Corn hole!

Hotdogs, hamburgers, and drinks furnished.

Please bring a dish to share.



**In the event of inclement weather, the picnic and mass will move to St. Peter Hall.*

SCHEDULED MASSES WITH INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday-Friday, Aug. 27-30
No mass

Saturday, August 31
Vigil

4:00 PM - St. Peter
† Dorothy Burgermeister
by the Knights of Columbus

5:30 PM - St. Alphonsus
† Roberta Reau
by Annalee Krischak

Sunday, September 1
8:00 AM - St. Alphonsus
† Don Pozy
by Ron & Leanne Goodin

10:00 AM - St. Peter
† Mark Burgermeister
by Duke & Carol Burgermeister



BEST WISHES & GOD BLESS

*Lauren Lievens & Tyler Raburn were joined
in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, August 17
at Light of Christ-St. Peter's.
Congratulations from the Parish!!*



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time
August 25, 2019
Isaiah 66:18-21
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
Luke 13:22-30

Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time
September 1, 2019
Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Luke 14:1, 7-14

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.**

Is God calling you to this special ministry? We are in need of volunteers to lead children for their Liturgy of the Word. This ministry involves proclaiming the Word to the children and completing an activity to reinforce the message. 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!

HALL RENTAL FEE CHANGE

Parishioner rate any time/day is now \$100.00. Parishioner renting is responsible for insurance and/or any damages. See the LOC website, www.lightofchristparish.com, or call the office for more information.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT August 15, 2019

Assumption: \$452.00
Loose: \$63.00

Total Collection: \$515.00

August 17/18, 2019

Total Sunday: \$4,220.00
Total Loose: \$219.00
World Mission: \$40.00
Help Spread the Faith: \$30.00
All Saints: \$25.00
Mercy Fund: \$65.00
Peters Pence: \$90.00

Total Collection: \$4,689.00
Total Envelopes: 150

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, August 27
✱Cantor/Choir Rehearsal✱
Deerfield, 6:30/7:00 PM

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!

LET US PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Donald Ahleman	Norma Kelly
Rita Bausman	Marie Kieplinski
Ciaran Beattie	Donna LaMonde
Ella Borowski	Patricia Malmquist
Becky Branscum	JoAnn McKelvey
Audrey Brown	Emily Martinez
Isabelle DeLaCruz	Ramona Meyer
Ann DeNudt	Shelly Molaro
Webb Drew	Joseph Mueller
Carmen Garcia	John Musielewicz
Katy Goodman	Bev Pifer
Makenzie Greer	Mary Rowe
Joan Hamilton	Jim Sheldon
Carrie Hartley	Lena Silva
Kristie Horkey	Flo Wentworth
Ed Jacobson	Mark Willaert
Susan Johnson	

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.