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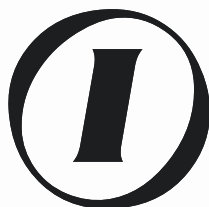
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Sunday: 8:00 AM

St. Peter

Sunday: 11:00 AM

Saturday: 4:30 PM (*Rotates, see mass intention schedule inside for location.*)

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

3:00-4:00 PM, prior to Saturday mass
(see mass schedule inside)

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)

WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY

If Blissfield or Deerfield schools are on a 2 hour delay or canceled, weekday mass will be canceled and the mass intention will be rescheduled.

PARISH STAFF

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Please call the parish office for contact info.

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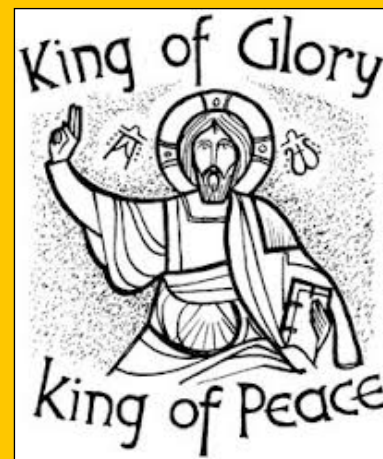
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Rosary Society
Knights of Columbus
Heritage Garden Club
Women of Prayer
Walking With Purpose

November 24, 2019
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

SHEPHERD LEADERSHIP

Early in his papacy, Pope Francis used a striking image to describe the kind of leadership priests should exercise in their faith communities. He urged them to be shepherds marked by "the smell of the sheep." A similar image appears in today's first reading, where God names King David as the shepherd of "my people Israel." The reading from Colossians describes the supreme authority of Christ over all things. Yet throughout his earthly ministry Jesus modeled servant leadership, which we could also call "shepherd leadership."



The news often shows a different style of leadership, characterized by arrogance, greed, and disregard for the common good. The kind of leadership suggested in today's reading, by contrast, is marked by service, humility, and compassion. As the onlookers in the gospel scene mock the kingship of Jesus, we get a glimpse into the heart of true leadership. In the interaction between the crucified Jesus and the "good thief", we see an example of a humble petitioner-- "Jesus, remember me"-- receiving not judgment but forgiveness: "Today you will be with me in Paradise." Today we seek the grace to practice and to encourage, through our prayers and our actions, the kind of shepherd leadership modeled by Jesus.

"THANKS TO THE FEATHER PARTY VOLUNTEERS"

Again, The Altar Rosary Society with the great help of generous folks, donating the turkeys, gift cards, and cash and the excellent help of volunteers in all of the important jobs, made the Feather Party a huge success.

Thanks to: Bill and Andy Seegert for calling the Bingo, the excellent Runners Joe and Chris Frank, Terry and Pat Reau, Martha Horak and Jeff and Sharon Simpson, Leanne Payne for being the Floor Cashier, Cindy Cousino for handling the mountains of quarters as Bingo Cashier, the amazing Ladies of the Kitchen: Yvonne Gainsley, Ann Curtis, Deb Duval, and Sue Cousino. Yvonne Gainsley and Rose Forgiel for donating and cooking the Turkeys for the sandwiches, and Kirsten Huff for being the Raffle Chairperson. Ted Forgiel and Eric Knerr for all the heavy lifting and making sure all was set. Thanks to Kim Diver for setting up the hall. Extra words of thanks to Ted Forgiel, my husband, for being my "right hand" during the planning and shopping. Thanks again to all and God's Blessings on all of you.

Bingo Chairperson Rose Forgiel

THE RAFFLE WINNERS

FIRST PRIZE: Christina McClain

SECOND PRIZE: Sue Cousino

THIRD PRIZE: Ruth Eigenher

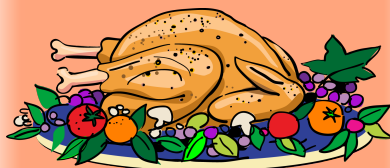


BOUNTIFUL BASKETS

The Social Concerns Commission was able to provide wonderfully overstuffed Thanksgiving baskets to 20 families this past week. The response for donations from our parish was overwhelming again this year!

A special **Thank You** goes out to all of our parishioners and the Knights of Columbus who donated turkeys, nonperishable items, and cash. Thank you to the Studnicka's for sharing their excess harvest of squash and also Applewood Orchard for their donation of apples.

We feel truly blessed by the heartfelt generosity of our parish family and community! Wishing you and yours an equally blessed Thanksgiving and Advent.



GIVING TREE & GROCERY BAGS

The Giving Trees are set up at each site this weekend. Please take a gift tag or two and bring the corresponding wrapped gift with tag attached back to church by Friday, **December 6** at 9:00am. (all tags are for toys only this year, as another charitable organization has offered to provide hats and gloves)

Empty grocery bags with a suggested food list are available at each church also. If you are able, please take home a bag and return it with non-perishable food items for the K of C Christmas basket project by **December 6**. The Knights of Columbus appreciate your kindness!



KNIGHTS' NEWS



Attention All parishioners! Volunteers are needed to help put away dining tables and chairs, and then set up long tables next Sunday, December 1, after the 11:00 AM Mass for the Christmas Basket food collection. We will also need volunteers to wrap gifts beginning at 9:00 AM Friday, December 6, at the St. Peter Church basement. At 7:00 PM, December 6, we will unpack and sort groceries. On December 8 we will need drivers with full size trucks or vans to deliver Christmas Baskets. For details please call Dave at 517 486-4667.

Giving Tree tags for boys and girls, ages infant to 14, are available this weekend. Please remember the older children appreciate gifts as much as the younger ones. We are receiving hats & mittens from a local service club this year. Wrapped gifts with tags attached need to be returned to either church by 9:00 AM, Friday, December 6. Please see the GIVING TREE & GROCERY BAGS ad for more details.

Wanted: Non perishable food items. Please take a grocery bag from either church entrance and fill it with non perishable food items and return it to either church by 9:00 AM, Friday, December 6. Anyone wishing to donate money can write a check to the Knights of Columbus 7832 and drop it in the collection baskets or mail it to Rudy Mirelez, 308. E. Adrian St., Blissfield, MI 49228.

On Friday, December 6, 9:00 AM we will need every available Knight with a truck or van to gather groceries from the store and donating churches. Not a Knight? No truck? No problem, for we need 6 - 8 volunteers at the St. Peter Church Hall to help unload trucks of food and gifts.

Happy Thanksgiving! Please say a prayer of thanksgiving for all the wonderful children in our parish.

SWEEPSTAKES TICKETS

Light of Christ 2020 Sweepstakes tickets are available at each church. Please take the envelope with your name on it. We are no longer allowed to mail the tickets, so it is very important that you pick yours up.



They make super Christmas gifts and stocking stuffers! Thank you!!

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

This Thanksgiving let those of us who have much and those who have little gather at the welcoming table of the Lord.

At this blessed feast, may rich and poor alike remember that we are called to serve one another and to walk together in God's gracious world.

With thankful hearts we praise our God who, like a loving parent, denies us no good thing. Amen.

SATURDAY MASS SCHEDULE

4:30PM

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

November 23 Deerfield
November 30 Blissfield

December 7 Deerfield
December 14 Blissfield
December 21 Deerfield
December 28 Blissfield

SCHEDULED MASSES WITH INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tues., November 26 - 9:00 AM - St. Peter
† Diane Vergote
by Frank & Gail Vereecke

Wed., Nov. 27 - 9:00 AM - St. Alphonsus
† Georgeann Kennedy
by John & Joan Witt

Thurs., November 28 - 9:00 AM - St. Peter
† Joseph F. Clements
by Kenny & Chris

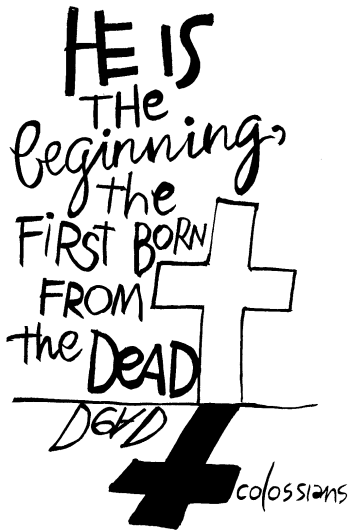
Fri., Nov. 29 - 9:00 AM - St. Alphonsus
† Barb Hadden
by Ken & Shar Kendall

Saturday, November 30
Vigil

4:30 PM - St. Peter
† Ned Salsbury
by Sharon Dusseau

Sunday, December 1
8:00 AM - St. Alphonsus
† Lawrence & Eldenia Reau
by family

11:00 AM - St. Peter
† Vivian Tack
by the Knights of Columbus



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2019
2 Samuel 5:1-3
Colossians 1:12-20
Luke 23:35-43

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019
Isaiah 2:1-5
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:37-44

MASS OF ANOINTING DECEMBER 14/15

Anointing is one of the seven sacraments and is for anyone who is seriously sick, whether that is illness of mind, body or spirit, weakened by age, or facing surgery or other medical treatment.

Fr. Jeff will anoint anyone who desires at all masses the weekend of December 14/15. Those who wish to be anointed should try to sit at the end of a pew to receive the sacrament.

The Sacrament of Anointing can be celebrated with one person at a time. This can be done in your home or the hospital. It can also be done in church any weekday or Sunday during or after mass. Anyone who is ill or facing surgery should call the parish office to make arrangements.

VICARIATE ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Dec. 3	St. Joseph, Adrian	TBD
Dec. 5	St. Anthony, Hillsdale	6:00pm
Dec. 8	St. Elizabeth, Tecumseh	7:00pm
Dec. 10	Light of Chris, Blissfield	6:30pm
Dec. 11	St. Joseph Shrine, Brooklyn	7:00pm
Dec. 18	Sacred Heart, Hudson	7:00pm



REMINDER OF WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT November 16/17, 2019

Total Sunday: \$3,207.00
Total Loose: \$146.00
Mercy Fund: \$120.00
All Saints Day: \$30.00
Triennial National Military Services
Collection: \$493.00
CCHD: \$312.00

Total Collection: \$4,308.00
Total Envelopes: 141

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, November 24

✱Religious Education✱
Deerfield, 9:00-10:00 AM
Blissfield, 9:50-10:50 AM
HS @ Blissfield, 6:30-8:00 PM

Tuesday, November 26

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

✱1st Reconciliation Break✱

Wednesday, November 27

✱Walking With Purpose✱
Women's Bible Study
SALT Center, 7:00-8:00 PM

Thursday, November 28



Sunday, December 1

✱No Religious Education✱
Break

MINISTRY SCHEDULING DEADLINE

The ministry schedule for January, February and March will be completed in a few weeks. Please enter any dates you are **NOT** available in the online program or email Leanne at lgoodin@cass.net or call the office, 447-3500 ext. 13 by Tuesday, **December 10**. Thank you!

LET US PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

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

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.