

# LIGHT OF CHRIST

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00AM-5:00PM, in Deerfield.

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

#### St. Alphonsus

Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 AM

#### St. Peter

Tuesday and Thursday: 9:00 AM

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

#### St. Alphonsus

Sunday: 8:00 AM

#### St. Peter

Sunday: 11:00 AM

Saturday Mass alternates sites at 4:30 PM. (See website for schedule.)

Both Sunday masses will be live streamed. Go to YouTube and enter **light of christ church blissfield-deerfield**. Click on "Subscribe" for easy access later, then look for the green circle with an L in the middle and click on it.

**BAPTISM** - Contact the parish office.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 3:00-4:00 PM, at the location of the Saturday mass.

### 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

Not available at this time. Please contact the office to have someone added to the Bulletin and weekly E-news prayer list.

### DAILY MASS CANCELLATION POLICY

When schools in either Blissfield or Deerfield (Britton-Deerfield) are on a 2-hour delay or canceled, daily mass and any evening parish events will be canceled as well. Please be aware of the possibilities of inclement weather (fog, ice, snow, etc.) and check for school postings before venturing out. Stay safe!

### PARISH STAFF

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#### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please call the parish office for contact info.

#### PARISH COMMISSIONS

Finance Commission  
Education Commission  
Social Ministry Commission  
New Evangelization Commission

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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Knights of Columbus  
Heritage Garden Club  
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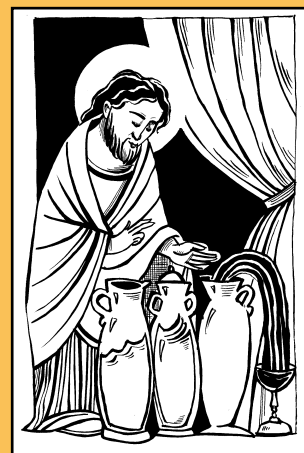
#### FOOD PANTRY

Open the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 1-3 PM at the Parish Center in Deerfield. Food will be delivered to vehicles parked in the church parking lot.

January 16, 2022  
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### USING OUR GIFTS FOR GOOD

In today's gospel, we see Jesus save the wedding couple's dignity by providing wine when they had run out. What a fizzle the wedding feast might have been had Jesus not intervened! Jesus overcomes his reluctance to reveal himself at that moment and is exceedingly generous with the quality and quantity of the wine he contributes.



Indeed, Jesus is concerned for the dignity of every person. As I write this, I have come from a Sunday Mass where a newly arrived refugee family was welcomed. Each one said a simple "thank you" to the congregation, which has given generously to help them through their first year in our country.

They were migrants first, fleeing their home in desperation. I tried to imagine what they must have gone through and left behind, the patience and hope they surely needed during their long wait in a camp, and now the courage they will need to settle in a new country and learn a new language.

St. Paul reminds us that we are given the gifts of the Spirit to use for the common good. Today, on the World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees, may we resolve to use our gifts to give others their dignity.

## SWISS STEAK DINNER

The Knights are Serving  
a Swiss Steak Dinner  
**Saturday, January 22**  
at the Blissfield Church Hall  
after 4:30PM mass, about 5:30PM



Bring friends, neighbors, and relatives and  
enjoy a fine meal and good company.  
Takeouts are available!

Adults \$10, children 5-12 \$5, 4 & under free

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## SWEEPSTAKES TICKETS

Our Annual Light of Christ Parish Sweepstakes has returned this year! The money raised by this raffle has helped us finance major capital improvements in the parish and will also help with improvements at our cemetery.

Each family has been given 12 tickets in the anticipation that you will be able to sell all of them. The suggested donation of each ticket is \$10.

The holder of each ticket is eligible to win \$250.00 every month of 2022. Each month the winning ticket will be returned to the drawing for the following months. The seller of each winning ticket will win \$20.00. Thank you for your support of our parish!!

**Please return your sweepstakes tickets no later than this Sunday, January 16 to be included in the drawing on January 31. Thank you!**

## NOTE: DAILY MASS CANCELLATION POLICY FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

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## DISCIPLES: TOGETHER ON THE WAY with Bishop Boyea

Dear Brother and Sister in Christ,

This life is a journey. It's a pilgrimage. A pilgrimage from God and to God. We are each pilgrims on that narrow path. It's not an easy journey. We all know that. However, if we co-operate with God's grace we can make it and, even better, we can make it together.

Who, though, can teach us the way? The answer, of course, is Jesus Christ. Indeed, in the Holy Gospels, Our Blessed Lord identifies himself as "the way". Meanwhile, the early Christians often referred to their new life as disciples of Jesus Christ as "the Way" (e.g., Acts 9:2). We too are his chosen. That is why I invite you to join me as **Disciples Together on the Way**.

**Each week, I will text or e-mail you a specific challenge focusing on a particular habit of authentic Christian discipleship.** Inspired and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, it will then be for each of us to live-out that habit over the subsequent seven days.

Across the coming year, starting January 2022, we will then attempt to acquire a different good habit each week in order to help us develop four key areas of discipleship: prayer, catechesis, community and apostolate.

**So, do you want to take up the Disciples Together on the Way challenge?** If so, simply pick up your cellphone and **text ONTHEWAY to 84576** or go to <https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/on-the-way> to register. It's that easy!

Together, let's grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. Thank you and God bless you.

*Earl Boyea*  
Bishop of Lansing

## FUNERAL LUNCHEON VOLUNTEERS

The parish would like to resume the service of providing funeral luncheons for our parish family as soon as we are able. This important ministry is vital in helping families in mourning and taking care of our beloved dead.

**Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this ministry**, which involves setting up the hall, preparing the meal, baking cakes, serving during the luncheon, and cleaning up afterwards. **The more help we have, the easier it will be to provide this service that we will all appreciate having in our time of need.**

If you'd like more information or would like to be added to our volunteer list for this ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 517 447-3500.

## KNIGHTS' NEWS



So, Jesus called a child in front of them, and said, "I assure you that unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the Kingdom of heaven. The greatest in the Kingdom of heaven is the one who humbles himself and becomes like a child. And whoever welcomes in my name one such as this, welcomes me." Matthew 18:2-5.

Come one, Come all, to our Swiss Steak Dinner. All parishioners and their guests are invited to dine with us on Saturday, January 22, after the 4:30 PM Mass, or about 5:30 PM at St. Peter Hall. Bring friends, neighbors, and relatives and enjoy a fine meal and good company. "Take Outs" are available! Prices are: Adults \$10, Children ages 5-12 \$5, children 4 and younger eat FREE. Volunteers to cook, serve, or cleanup can contact Rudy at 517 270-2232. Smaczne!

January Rally for Life! On Monday January 17, 2022, 11:30 AM, Pro-Lifers will gather at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 4515 Ormsby St., Adrian for an inspirational message. We will then proceed to the courthouse steps to show our support for LIFE and hear from local dignitaries. No registration, Just Show Up! Vans available for those unable to walk. Email: [R2Lenawee@gmail.com](mailto:R2Lenawee@gmail.com), or Facebook: Right to Life of Lenawee County Michigan.

Save a Child's Life. Pray, fast, sacrifice, or join the March For Life on January 21, 2022 at Washington, D.C. For information about a bus trip to our nation's capital please contact RTL of Michigan at 616 532-2300 or visit <https://marchforlife.org>. This monumental event will be live streamed as well as broadcast live on cable, dish, and [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com). "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." John 2:5. Please continue to pray for a generous increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious.

*\*The Knights of Columbus meet in Blissfield at 7:00pm every first Thursday of the month.\**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY &  
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ALL  
CELEBRATING IN JANUARY!!  
MANY BLESSINGS TO YOU.**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Tuesday, January 18- 9:00am, St. Peter**  
† Fr. David Hudgins  
by the parish

**Wed., January 19- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus**  
† Julius Brown  
by Deb & Terry Beurer

**Thur., January 20- 9:00am, St. Peter**  
† Ron Coopshaw  
by Mr. & Mrs. James Schuller

**Fri., January 21- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus**  
† People of the Parish

**Sat., January 22- 4:30pm, St. Peter**  
*Vigil*  
† Bill & Audrey Haddix  
by Mike Haddix

**Sun., January 23-  
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**  
† Doug Scholl  
by family

**11:00am, St. Peter**  
† Kenneth & Audrey Brown  
by family

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DIFFERENT  
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## ~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 16, 2022**  
Isaiah 62:1-5  
1 Corinthians 12:4-11  
John 2:1-11

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 23, 2022**  
Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10  
1 Corinthians 12:12-30  
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

## EUCHRE NIGHT! Saturday, January 29 after 4:30pm Mass

### SALT CENTER in Deerfield

A light lunch will be served and  
Euchre will begin at 6:00pm.

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*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let  
perpetual light shine upon her.*

Rose Forgiel of Deerfield passed away on  
January 7 and her funeral was January 12.  
Please keep Rose and her family in your  
thoughts and prayers.



## SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS SITE LOCATION 2021 SCHEDULE

January 15	Deerfield
January 22	Blissfield
January 29	Deerfield
February 5	Blissfield
February 12	Deerfield
February 19	Blissfield
February 26	Deerfield
March 5	Blissfield
March 12	Deerfield
March 19	Blissfield
March 26	Deerfield
April 2	Blissfield
April 9	Deerfield
(Holy Thursday, April 14, Blissfield)	
(Good Friday, April 15, Blissfield)	
<b>Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil,</b>	
April 16	Deerfield
April 23	Deerfield
April 30	Blissfield

## -STEWARDSHIP REPORT- January 9, 2022

Sunday- \$4,221.00  
Mercy Fund- \$184.00  
Loose- \$70.00  
Worldwide Evangelization- \$20.00  
Initial Offering- \$26300  
Solemnity- \$25.00  
Tornado Victims- \$497.00

Total- \$5,280.00  
95 Envelopes

**Online Giving-**  
Sunday- \$578.50  
Mercy Fund- \$15.00  
Total- \$584.50

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Sunday, January 16**  
✱All Religious Education✱  
Break, no classes.

**Saturday, January 22**  
✱K of C Swiss Steak Dinner✱  
Blissfield Hall, 5:30PM

**Sunday, January 23**  
✱El. & MS Religious Education✱  
Deerfield, 9:00-10:00 AM  
Blissfield, 9:50-10:50 AM  
High School/Confirmation, Blissfield,  
6:30-8:00 PM

## DAILY DOSE OF MERCY



A Cenacle of Divine Mercy  
has been set up at St. Mary  
Cathedral in Lansing to make  
people more aware of God's  
amazing mercy. The following  
is an excerpt from St. Faustina's Diary:

*"My bride, you always please Me by your  
humility. The greatest misery does not  
stop Me from uniting Myself to a soul, but  
where there is pride, I am not there."*

## LET US PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

Andrew Barrett	Norma Kelly
Rita Bausman	Marie Kieplinski
Rayna Beach	Jonah Kornberg
Ella Borowski	Gale LaVoy
Ginger Borowski	JoAnn McKelvey
Dale Bowman	Emily Martinez
Becky Branscum	Shelly Molaro
Larry Brenke	Arlene Mueller
Doris Bussing	Joseph Mueller
Robert Cannon	John Musielewicz
Sue Cozat	Lisa Osburn
Isabelle DeLaCruz	Bev Pifer
Ann DeNudt	Dan Reed
Webb Drew	Eva Ricker
Carmen Garcia	Mary Rowe
Katy Goodman	Jim Sheldon
Kim Gordon	Becky Shusta
Judy Curtis Governo	Lena Silva
Carmen Graham	Jack Smith
Dale Graham	Linda Staub
Makenzie Greer	Alice Van Staveren
Mike Haddix	Christopher Warner
Carrie Hartley	Kristine Wells
Jake Holmes	Flo Wentworth
Kristie Horkey	Mark Willaert
Ed Jacobson	Marie Woodbury
Susan Johnson	Rita Woods

*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.*





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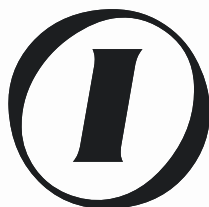
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