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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

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New Evangelization Commission

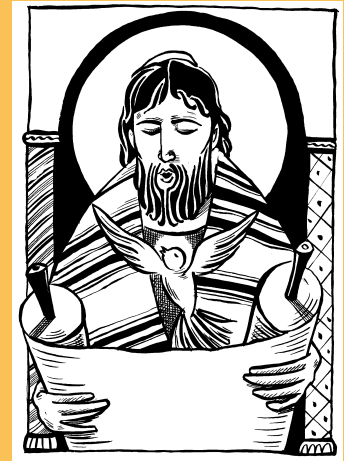
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS
Altar Rosary Society
Knights of Columbus
Heritage Garden Club
Women of Prayer
Walking With Purpose

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 23, 2022
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

ACCEPTING THE NEWS

Sharing important news with family and friends can give birth to a feeling greater than the news itself. Bringing news back to our home communities is a more personal celebration of what has been achieved and a recognition of who has helped along the way.



Perhaps this connection to home is what led Jesus to choose Nazareth to proclaim the good news. At this point in the gospel, Jesus was already becoming well known in Galilee for his teaching. The people of Nazareth gathered at the synagogue to see what the carpenter's son may have to say to them, to his friends and family.

Think of a time when someone came to share exciting news with you. What was your response? Conversely, think of a time when someone came to share something that was upsetting or unexpected. How did you respond differently? Although it can be challenging to always accept the news we receive, we should ask ourselves why that person chose us as the recipient and what our response means to them. 'This the season for New Year's resolutions. This year, resolve to show support and acceptance to those who bring us their news.

SWISS STEAK DINNER

The Knights are Serving
a Swiss Steak Dinner
This 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

Knights of Columbus Council #7832

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 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE 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 cooperate 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



And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the child leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" Luke 1: 41, 42. We pray for the unborn and for expecting mothers and fathers, that they may celebrate God's gift of life.

All parishioners including students are invited to recite the 5TH Sunday Rosary for Life next Sunday, January 30, 9:00 AM, at St. Alphonsus. Extra rosaries are available.

Are you ready for Euchre? Come and join the fun on Euchre Night next Saturday, January 29, SALT Center, after the 4:30 Mass. A light lunch will be served and play will begin at 6:00 PM.

Knights are Pro-Life. As Knights, we stand up for those who cannot stand up for themselves. We are committed to living up to the challenge that our Holy Father has put before us, "Defend the moral truth's necessary for a free and humane society, including the fundamental right to life of every human being."

O Holy Spirit, we thank you for the advancements that have led to improving the health of so many. We beg you to inspire new breakthroughs in overcoming the Corona virus and all serious flu viruses. Protect, we pray, health care professionals from the illness that they are treating, and make them instruments of your healing. Amen.

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

MEN'S RETREAT February 11-13, 2022 St. Francis Retreat Center

We will be taking a closer look at Matthew Kelly's popular book "Rediscover Jesus" and rediscovering what we know about Jesus, who he is, who he said he was, and how that should impact our lives today. Check in on Friday begins at 5:30 pm, with Mass following at 6:30, then dinner. The retreat concludes on Sunday around 11:00am.

The suggested donation for the weekend is \$185. For more information or to register, visit www.stfrancis.ws or call 517-669-8321.

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

Tuesday, January 25- 9:00am, St. Peter
† Vivian Tack
by Kenneth & Connie Graham, Jr.

Wed., January 26- Fri., January 28
No daily mass

**Sat., January 29- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
Vigil**
† LaVern Cousino
by family

**Sun., January 30-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
† Darlene Forche
by Leo & family

11:00am, St. Peter
† Deacon Jim Hashman
5th Anniversary
by family

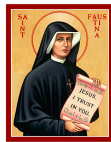
†PRAY THE 5TH SUNDAY ROSARY†

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

~9:00AM IN DEERFIELD

Led by the Knights of Columbus

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."

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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

Saturday, January 29

✠K of C Euchre Night✠
SALT Center, light lunch after 4:30 PM mass
Euchre begins at 6:00 PM

Sunday, January 30

✠El. & MS Religious Education✠
Deerfield, 9:00-10:00 AM
Blissfield, 9:50-10:50 AM
No High School/Confirmation

Sunday, January 30

✠K of C 5th Sunday Rosary✠
Deerfield, 9:00 AM

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.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

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



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

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 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 |
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| 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.

~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

**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

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 30, 2022**

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19
1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
Luke 4:21-30

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

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)	
Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil,	
April 16	Deerfield
April 23	Deerfield
April 30	Blissfield

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January 16, 2022**

Collection figures were not available at the time of printing and will be reported next weekend.



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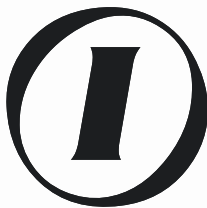
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