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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!

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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

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

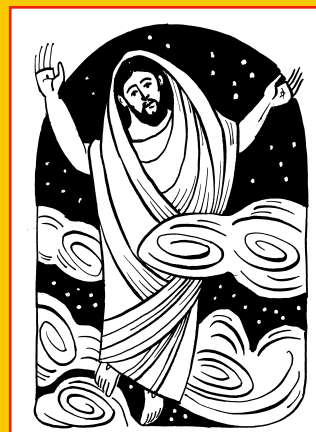
FOOD PANTRY

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

May 21, 2023
The Ascension of the Lord

Are we true believers?

Is it possible that, as Catholics, sometimes we forgot that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, worked hundreds of miracles? Do we forget that his "reward" from the world, for his goodness, his teachings, his prophetic voice, was to be brutally and publicly murdered? Do we forget that it was by the power of God that he resurrected and then presented himself and taught for 40 days? Do we forget that during that time he promised the supernatural divine power, the baptism of the Holy Spirit, to each of us? And after that promise, he was taken to heaven? He floated up into the air while his friends were watching?



If we were true believers, we would be staring into the heavens, rejoicing and waiting. We would be shouting in the streets, telling everyone we meet about Jesus Christ.

Instead, oftentimes, we are running around in the world, with our heads down, in our busyness, seeking power in the wrong places. It's time to redirect our hearts from the world, back to the heavens—back to him, Jesus Christ.

**FIRST EUCHARIST
CELEBRATIONS
MAY 2023**

Congratulations to the following children
as they receive their
First Holy Communion this spring:

Jacob Bieber
Cody McCleary

God Bless You!



*May God, who brought you to
this special day continue to
direct your life in His perfect way.*

**SUMMER SCHEDULE REMINDER
(after Memorial Weekend until after
Labor Day Weekend)**

Beginning **May 30**, the Parish Office hours
in Deerfield will move to **8:00am-4:00pm**
for the summer.

Beginning **June 4**, the Sunday Mass in
Blissfield will move to the summer
schedule of **10:00am**.

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS
St. Alphonsus Cemetery
Monday, May 29, 2023
8:00AM Mass**



**Coffee & Donuts afterwards
In case of rain, Mass will be at
St. Alphonsus Church**

**SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS
SITE LOCATION
2023 SCHEDULE**

May 27	Deerfield
June 3	Blissfield
June 10	Deerfield
June 17	Blissfield
June 24	Deerfield
July 1	Blissfield
July 8	Deerfield
July 15	Blissfield
July 22	Deerfield
July 29	Blissfield

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE
RECOGNITION**

Dear High School Graduates,

Congratulations on your graduation!
Your parish also celebrates this
important milestone in your life. We
would like to honor you by listing the
high school graduates in the parish
bulletin and weekly email post.

If you'd like to be included, please email
Deanna Burke, DRE at
deannabdre@gmail.com

**NO LATER THAN Sunday, May 28,
(Pentecost Sunday)**

in order to be in the weekend bulletin of
June 4, a few sentences including:

- **Your name as you'd like it to appear**
- **Parents/guardian's names**
- **High School you are graduating from**
- **Future plans (university/college you plan to attend or other future plans you'd like to share)**
- **Please limit to a few sentences so there is room for all.**

**The parish will also recognize and
bless the graduates in their cap and
gown at Mass.** Since we alternate sites
and in 2022 the Mass was in Deerfield,
this year it will be at

**10:00 Mass on Sunday, June 4, in
Blissfield.**

Please email Deanna Burke
(deannabdre@gmail.com) your
information to share and whether or not
you will attend the 10:00 Mass on
June 4.

DAILY DOSE OF MERCY

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

"I am very pleased that you had not been
talking with Me, but were making My
goodness known to souls and rousing them
to love Me." (St. Faustina Diary, 404)

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Hosted by the Women of Prayer**

Please join us for Eucharistic adoration the
first Wednesday of the month from
1:00-2:00PM. The next adoration will be
Wednesday, **June 7** in Deerfield and
alternating sites each month. All are
welcome!

KNIGHTS' NEWS



The Ascension of the Lord.
As he was blessing them, he
departed from them and was
taken up into heaven. Luke
24:51. We pray for a
generous increase in vocations to the
priesthood and consecrated life.

The Scrap Metal Drive to raise funds for our
holiday food programs is May 20, 8:00 AM
to Noon, at the St. Peter Parking lot. All
metals including brass, copper, steel,
carbide, iron, bronze, stainless steel, and
aluminum are needed. Auto, truck, tractor,
marine and lawn tractor batteries are
accepted. For details about this and future
Scrap Metal drives, please call Mark at 734
637-9254. St. Joseph pray for us.

Supreme Knight Kelly calls on all Knights
worldwide to pray for peace and stand in
solidarity with the Ukrainian people. For
more information or to make a donation that
goes directly to the millions of innocent
men, women, and children who have lost
their homes as a result of the invasion,
please visit www.kofc.org/Ukraine. St.
Andrew the Apostle, pray for us.

We need Knights helping others in every
way possible. If you are 18 years old or
older and a Catholic in good standing you
are invited to join the Knights. Becoming a
Knight includes eligibility to purchase top
quality Life Insurance, Long Term Care
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email Nicolas.Novak@kofc.org, or
visit www.kofc.org.

All Knights are asked to prayerfully
consider becoming an Officer in our
Council, then call GK Nicolas at 517
442-3808 with your intentions. The
election is at the June meeting and all
Knights are encouraged to attend. The term
of office begins July 1, 2023. St. Alphonsus
and St. Peter the Apostle pray for us.

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tues., May 23- 9:00am, St. Peter

† Anna Clements
by family

Wed., May 24- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus

† Emma Jean Brown
by family

Thur., May 25- 9:00am, St. Peter

No mass

Fri., May 26- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus

No mass

Sat., May 27- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus

† Marie Woodbury
by family

**Sun., May 28-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**

† Luann Noelanders
by the Knights of Columbus

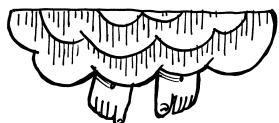
11:00am, St. Peter

† Patricia Boham
by family

Mon., May 29- 8:00am, Memorial Day

St. Alphonsus Cemetery

† In memory of those who died
in service to our country



HE HAS
PUT ALL
THINGS
UNDER HIS
FEET.

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~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

**The Ascension of the Lord
May 21, 2023**

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23
Matthew 28:16-20

**Pentecost Sunday
May 28, 2023**

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
John 20:19-23

Seasons of Beauty at INAI offers Springtime Art of Three Dominican Sisters

Seasons of Beauty, an art exhibit at the INAI Gallery, offers a springtime look at the brilliant digital paintings of Sister Kathleen Voss, OP, watercolor paintings by Sister Janet Wright, OP, and paper-cut silhouettes by Sister Mary Jean Dorcy, OP (1914-1988). Each artist shares her unique artwork and her unique way of seeing and creating.

The exhibit opens on Friday, May 26, 2023, and runs through Sunday, October 1, 2023. An artists' reception is from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sunday, June 4, 2023. Gallery hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily, or by appointment by calling 517-266-4090.

INAI (in-EYE), a Japanese word meaning *within*, is a place for quiet reflection and art and is open to the public. The INAI Gallery is adjacent to the north entrance of Weber Retreat and Conference Center on the Adrian Dominican Sisters' Motherhouse Campus.

Traveling east on Siena Heights Drive, pass the Adrian Rea Literacy Center and turn left just before the solar panel-covered parking lot. Follow the signs to Weber Center. For information, call the Weber Center at 517-266-4000 or check out the Weber Center website, <https://webercenter.org/>.

Pentecost is coming! Reminder to wear RED to mass on May 27/28 to express the zeal and fire the Holy Spirit lights within us all.

~STEWARDSHIP REPORT~

May 14, 2023

Sunday- \$3,625.00
Loose- \$45.00
Mercy Fund- \$93.00
Ascension- \$150.00
Total- \$3,913.00
91 envelopes

Online Giving-

Sunday- \$726.00
Mercy Fund- \$11.00
Total- \$737.00
24 envelopes

DSA-

Goal- \$26,718.00
Pledges- \$28,576.00
106.95% of goal
Estimated donors- 137
Estimated participation rate- 26.65%

DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL 2023

"Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving." This text from the Book of Psalms reminds each of us of how we are to respond to the many gifts we have been given by God, and that *greatest gift*: the gift of His Son in the Holy Eucharist. Many blessings from God call forth from us many thanks, even sacrificial thanks.

Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or pledge to DSA. This week we surpassed our goal of \$26,718. Now that we have reached our goal, one-half of all additional contributions received will be returned to our local parish for our use. If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider supporting our appeal with a gift that will benefit the work of Christ in our parish and through the wider church. You may submit your gift online at www.dioceseoflansing.org/appeal or with a DSA pledge envelope to the parish office.



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

Rita Bausman	Marie Kieplinski
Aiden Beauregard	Traci Knaggs
Ella Borowski	Gale LaVoy
Ginger Borowski	Debbie Marietta
Becky Branscum	Shelly Molaro
Larry Brenke	Joseph Mueller
Doris Bussing	John Musielewicz
Linda Butcher	Bev Pifer
John Carrizales	Dan Reed
Nicole Cassidy	Eva Ricker
Stephen Cassidy	Mary Rowe
Liam Cherry	Joseph Savarin
Isabelle DeLaCruz	Sharon Schadewald
Larry Denecker	Jeannie Schroeder
Colin Dietrich	Harold Sears
Webb Drew	Pat Sears
Kenneth Faust	Jim Sheldon
Carmen Garcia	Becky Shusta
Jennifer Gilson	Lena Silva
Katy Goodman	Jack Smith
Judy Curtis Governo	Alice Van Staveren
Carmen Graham	Franz Van Staveren
Dale Graham	Nancie Van Black
Makenzie Greer	Janet Venturelli
Mike Haddix	Kristine Wells
Kristie Horkey	Flo Wentworth
Ed Jacobson	Mark Willaert
Susan Johnson	Rita Woods
Norma Kelly	

Please call the parish office if you would like to receive the sacrament 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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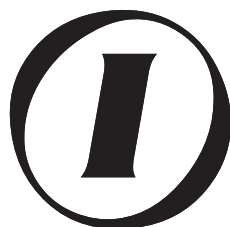


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