

# LIGHT OF CHRIST

## CATHOLIC PARISH

ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH  
ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday, 8:00AM-4:00PM, in  
Deerfield. (summer hours)  
Returning to 9:00-5:00 on 9/12/23.

### 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: 10:00 AM (starting June 4)

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

#### PASTOR

Rev. Jeff Poll  
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### DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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#### SECRETARIAL STAFF

##### Business Manager/Bookkeeper

Susan Cousino: lightofchristparish@gmail.com

#### Sacramental Records, Parish Data, & Bulletin Editor

Deanna Burke: deannabdre@gmail.com

**Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday at noon. Please  
email material to: [deannabdre@gmail.com](mailto:deannabdre@gmail.com)

#### Ministry Scheduling

Leanne Goodin: lgoodin@cass.net

### MAINTENANCE STAFF

Kim Diver - Director

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please call the parish office for contact info.

### PARISH COMMISSIONS

Finance Commission  
Education Commission  
Social Ministry Commission  
New Evangelization Commission

### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Funeral Luncheon Committees  
Knights of Columbus  
Heritage Garden Club  
Women of Prayer

### FOOD PANTRY

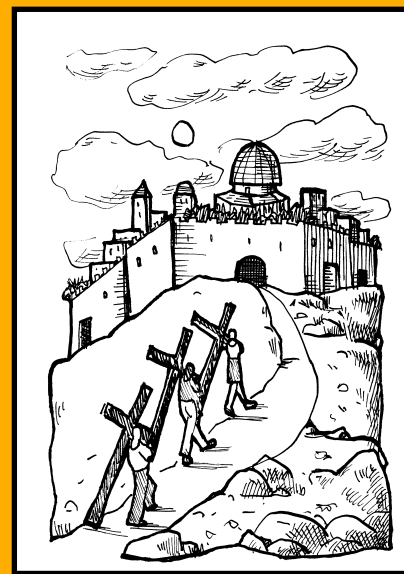
Open the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 1-2  
PM at the Parish Center in Deerfield. Food will be  
delivered to vehicles parked in the church parking  
lot or in front of the building.

September 3, 2023

*The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary  
Time*

### Either/or?

The readings today make it clear that  
we have a choice to make—follow the  
ways of God or follow the ways of the  
world. Jeremiah and St. Paul are giving  
us insight and advice to help us. We see  
the importance of living our truth in  
faith, and of including our minds. We  
live the paradox of being in the world  
but not of the world. Jesus is telling us  
that our very lives depend on how we  
choose. Is it really an either/or  
situation? Or, is it, rather, a both/and?  
How can we follow God and be in the  
world?



Following God, generally, will fill us  
with feelings of peace: our sense of  
hope expands, our hearts become wider  
and deeper, and we are inspired to be  
even more generous. Following the  
world often leads to feeling inadequate,  
insecure, fearful, desperate, competing  
for attention, and material acquisition.  
It is crucial we pay attention to what is  
in our hearts—the feelings that result  
from following God, or the feelings  
that result from being conformed to this  
world. For whose sake are we really  
living?

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

-Including SMART 911

*Do you have all the tools you need to be prepared?*



**ARE YOU  
PREPARED?**

*Come join us for this FREE event on:*

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 22, 2023**

9am-10am  
at

**Tecumseh Senior Center**  
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\*Free snacks & beverages will be provided



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**INVITED TO JOIN US**

## Senior Appreciation MASS & LUNCHEON

**WEDNESDAY OCT 4 10:30 AM**

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH - ST. MARY'S CAMPUS**  
305 DIVISION ST, ADRIAN, MI

Please join Bishop Boyea for this special celebration  
as an expression of thanks for your service,  
dedication, prayers, and  
devotion throughout the years.

Please make your reservation by  
Friday, September 29th  
by calling the Parish you attend.

**NOTE:** There's **NO COST** to you, but please  
**rsvp by Tuesday, September 26th** so we can  
report an accurate number for lunch from  
our parish when our office is open.  
Thank you!

### BULLETIN ADVERTISING AVAILABLE

Advertising space on the backside of the  
bulletin is available. Please call the parish  
office 517 447-3500 for more information.

## APPLE FEST PARISH PICNIC

**Because you're the apple  
of His eye!**

**Sunday, September 17, 2023**  
**MASS AT 10:30 AM IN THE PARK**

**Bachmayer Park Pavilion**  
**113 S. Monroe Street, Blissfield**  
**(St. Peter Hall if inclement weather)**

**Please RSVP: by THIS Thursday,  
September 7**

**by calling the Parish Office**  
**at 517 447-3500 or**  
**email [lightofchristparish@gmail.com](mailto:lightofchristparish@gmail.com).**

### PICNIC AFTER MASS:

**Menu:** hotdogs & hamburgers,  
pasta salad, potato salad, coleslaw,  
baked beans, potato chips  
**Drinks:** apple cider, lemonade, iced tea,  
coffee, water

### Apple Pie Baking Contest

Bake a pie with Michigan apples;  
Please contact the parish office for  
"Participant Rules".

**Children's Crafts & Games**  
**Cornhole**  
**Door Prize Raffle!**

**Q: Why didn't the two worms go on  
Noah's Ark in an apple?**

**A: They all had to go in *pears*!**

**Please join your parish family  
for a fun afternoon!**

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

*Hosted by the Women of Prayer*

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration  
after 9:00am daily Masses once a month  
from **9:30-10:30am**. The next adoration  
will be **THIS Tuesday, September 5 in**

**Blissfield** and alternating sites each  
month.

All are welcome!

## MINISTRY SCHEDULING DEADLINE

The ministry scheduling for **October-**  
**December** will be completed next  
week. Please enter any dates that you are  
**NOT** available in the scheduling program  
**by noon on Monday, September 4.** You  
may also email those dates  
to [lgoodin@cass.net](mailto:lgoodin@cass.net) or text/call Leanne at  
734 637-4555. Anyone interested in joining  
a new ministry should also contact  
Leanne. All are welcome and training will  
be provided!



Jesus said, "Let the  
children come to me and  
do not stop them, because  
the Kingdom of heaven  
belongs to such as these."

He placed his hands on them  
and then went away. Mathew 19:14,15.  
We pray for a generous increase in  
children for our parish and our diocese.

**Come one, come all,** and join the fun at  
**Euchre Night on Saturday, September**  
**23, after the 4:30 PM Mass at St.**  
**Peter's Church Hall.** A light lunch will  
be served and Euchre will begin at 6:00  
PM.

**Attention ALL Knights!** Volunteers will  
be needed to help with the **Applefest**  
**Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 17,**  
**2023.** If you can help, please call GK  
Nicolas at 517 442-3868 to volunteer, and  
to attend the picnic please RSVP the  
office at 517 447-3500 by Thursday,  
September 7. St. Alphonsus and St. Peter  
the Apostle pray for us.

**The Knights Scrap Metal Drive** to help  
fund our holiday food projects is  
scheduled for the morning of **October 7.**  
All metals including brass, bronze,  
copper, aluminum, carbide, stainless steel,  
cast iron, tin, iron, and steel are needed.  
Auto, truck, tractor, boat, and lawn tractor  
batteries as well electric motors are  
accepted. For more information, please  
call Mark at 734-637-9254. No donation  
is too small. St. Bartholomew the  
Apostle, pray for us.

**The Holy Father's Intention:** For People  
Living on the Margins - We pray for those  
persons living on the margins of society,  
in inhumane life conditions; may they not  
be overlooked by institutions and never  
considered of lesser importance.

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

## FALL MASS SCHEDULE & PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Beginning NEXT Sunday, September**  
**10, the 10:00am Mass will change to**  
**11:00am to accommodate religious**  
**education.**

**Beginning Tuesday, September 12, the**  
**Parish Office in Deerfield will be open**  
**from 9:00am until 5:00pm on**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Tues., Sept. 5- 9:00am, St. Peter**  
† Tom & Juanita Garrett  
by Mike & Sheila Garrett

**Wed., Sept. 6- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus**  
† Elva Scerba  
by Deanna & Doug Burke

**Thur., Sept. 7- 9:00am, St. Peter**  
† Deceased members of the  
Clements family  
by family

**Fri., September 8- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus**  
† the People of the Parish

**Sat., September 9- 4:30pm, St. Peter**  
† Dorothy & John Burgermeister  
by family

**Sun., September 10-  
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**  
† Bob Cannon  
by Cindy Cousino

**11:00am, St. Peter**  
† Joe & Alva Holubik  
by Susan Sharp & Linda Frost

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2023-2024 WELCOME BACK!

We're proud to offer an affordable Religious Education Program that provides formation opportunities for the children and youth of Light of Christ Parish to grow in their faith. We support each family in their role as the primary instructors to their children, demonstrating how to live our Catholic faith on a daily basis. Together, we work to develop disciples of Christ.

**REGISTRATION:** All families that were registered in RE last year received a registration packet in the mail. If you're a new student, please call the office and we'll mail you a registration packet. We'll process registrations through the mail to **Light of Christ Parish, 222 Carey Street, Deerfield MI 49238** or you may utilize the black drop

boxes at either site. Please return your registration forms by **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.**

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (4 & 5 year olds at Deerfield Site) and 1st-8th**

**Grade:** classes begin on **Sunday, September 24th** from 9:00-10:00 in **Deerfield** and from 9:50-10:50 in **Blissfield**. Please feel free to contact Deanna Burke (Office: 517 447-3500, email [deannabdre@gmail.com](mailto:deannabdre@gmail.com)) with any questions you may have regarding our programs.

**Happy Back-to-School!**

### SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS SITE LOCATION 2023-24 SCHEDULE

**September 2 Deerfield**  
**September 9 Blissfield**  
**September 16 Deerfield**  
**September 23 Blissfield**  
**September 30 Deerfield**

### -STEWARDSHIP REPORT- AUGUST 27, 2023

Sunday \$2,345 - 72 env  
Loose \$75  
Mercy Fund \$30 - 2 env  
All Saints Day \$5 - 1 env  
World Mission \$10.00 - 1 env  
Help Spread The Faith \$5 - 1 env  
Divine Mercy Foundation \$5 - 1 env  
Total \$2,475

### Online Giving

Sunday \$1,476 - 23 env  
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env  
Assumption \$20 - 1 env  
Total \$1,501

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

RCIA or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of entering the Catholic Church. RCIA is for adults who are searching for a deeper understanding of God and the mystery of faith at work in their lives. It is a spiritual journey open to the baptized, unbaptized, Catholic and non-Catholic alike. Do you attend the Catholic Church with a loved one and are willing to come and ask questions and learn more? Responding to God's call and His grace, "Inquirers" come together in regularly scheduled sessions to explore their faith.

If you or someone you know may be interested in learning more about this process, please speak to Fr. Jeff or contact the parish office.

**HAPPY Birthday and HAPPY Anniversary to all celebrating in September! MANY BLESSINGS TO YOU!**

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

Rita Bausman	Norma Kelly
Aiden Beuregard	Marie Kieplinski
Ella Borowski	Traci Knaggs
Ginger Borowski	Gale LaVoy
Becky Branscum	Debbie Marietta
Larry Brenke	Shelly Molaro
Doris Bussing	Joseph Mueller
Linda Butcher	John Musielewicz
John Carrizales	Bev Pifer
Nicole Cassidy	Dan Reed
Stephen Cassidy	Eva Ricker
Liam Cherry	Joseph Savarin
Isabelle DeLaCruz	Sharon Schadowald
George 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 Gervono	Alice Van Staveren
Carmen Graham	Franz Van Staveren
Dale Graham	Janet Venturelli
Makenzie Greer	Kristine Wells
Ed Jacobson	Flo Wentworth
Susan Johnson	Kristen Wright
CJ Karpinski	Mark Willaert
	Rita Woods

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.



### ~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 3, 2023**  
Jeremiah 20:7-9  
Romans 12:1-2  
Matthew 16:21-27

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 10, 2023**  
Ezekiel 33:7-9  
Romans 13:8-10  
Matthew 18:15-20





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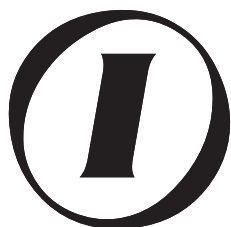
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