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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

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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.

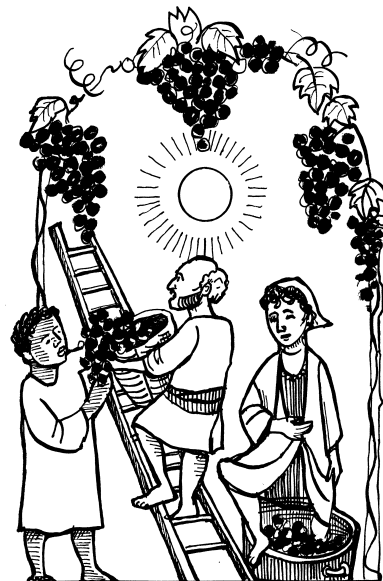
September 24, 2023

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the vineyard

If we look at our life, we will most likely be able to relate to the worker's in today's gospel. Some days, we are the early workers: putting in the effort to live good and holy lives, and having borne "the day's burden and the heat." We may very well have seen other people receive the same rewards without putting forth a similar amount of work. We start comparing and get stuck in an "it's not fair" mindset. Other days, we might relate more to the workers who started late: we realize the Lord blessed us when we least deserved it, and we are made aware of God's merciful nature. We are reminded that God's ways are not our ways, and God's thoughts are above our thoughts.

The Father's heart is full of compassion: God sees us waiting, sees us struggling to find our place. God knows we're worried and is aware of the burdens we are carrying. The Lord has called us to work in his vineyard. What a privilege it is to have been chosen! Isn't being chosen by the Lord a reward in itself? Take a moment to thank the Father for choosing you today.





Thank you to everyone that attended the AppleFest Parish Picnic in the Park last Sunday! Mass was beautiful, as was the weather. The food was yummy, too. Congratulations to **Penny Hashman**, winner of the apple pie baking contest. All of the apple pies were delicious. A special thanks goes out to the volunteers that helped purchase supplies, transport everything (especially the heavy grill!), prepare the food, and clean up afterward. It was a lovely afternoon together!

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the office if someone (in your immediate family) is in the hospital, sick or homebound and would like to be visited and receive the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Anointing of the sick will also be available at all Masses **NEXT** weekend, **September 30 and October 1**. This sacrament of healing is for anyone facing an illness, medical procedure, or surgery in the future. During Mass Fr. Jeff will invite those that wish to receive this sacrament to raise their hand. You may remain seated and Fr. Jeff will come to you and anoint 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.

INAI Exhibit Features Artwork by Members of the Adrian Center for the Arts

Art lovers can be inspired and instructed not only by the work of famous artists worldwide. Visitors to INAI, an art gallery adjacent to Weber Retreat and Conference Center, can also be inspired as they explore the next exhibit: artwork in various media by local artists, members of the Adrian Center for the Arts (ACA). These include paintings, drawings, clay work, metals, glass, printmaking, and fiber art.

ACA at INAI is open from Friday, October 6, 2023, through Sunday, January 28, 2024, with an artists' reception from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday, October 22, 2023. INAI is open daily from 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m.; call 517-266-4090 for an appointment.

Weber Center is on the campus of the Adrian Dominican Sisters Motherhouse, Adrian, Michigan. 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.

ROOFING PROJECTS TIMELINE

Please be aware that the construction companies will be working on the roof at both sites during the time frames given below:

DEERFIELD: has now begun through October 15.

BLISSFIELD: beginning soon through November 1.

This necessary work may impact the parking lots and other exterior areas at times, but Mass and parish events will continue as scheduled. While the halls at both sites remain available for rentals, please be aware of the possibility of active construction on the parish grounds. Thank you!



KNIGHTS NEWS

And when they came to the place which is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on the right and one on the left. And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Luke 23:32-33. We pray for courage and final perseverance.

The **"Metal for Meals" Scrap Metal Drive** to help fund our Christmas Basket program and Holiday Food distribution is **Saturday, October 7, 8:00 AM to Noon, at St. Peter Church Hall Parking lot**. All metals including aluminum, brass, bronze, copper, carbide, stainless steel, cast iron, tin, iron, and steel are needed. Auto, truck, tractor, boat, and lawn tractor batteries as well as electric motors are accepted. For details, please call Mark at 734 637-9254. No donation is too small. St. Mathew, Apostle and Evangelist, pray for us.

All parishioners and Knights are invited to the **1ST Thursday Rosary, October 5, 6:30 PM, St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church**. Our Lady of Fatima pray for us.

We are an active council as long as we give a Helping Hand to others including donating blood, shopping or doing yardwork for the elderly, sharing a good joke or driving for Meals on Wheels. The next **Red Cross Blood Drives are Friday, October 6, 8:15 AM to 2:15 PM at Blissfield High School, and Thursday, October 12, 11:30 AM to 5:30 PM at the Blissfield American Legion**. Schedule your donation at www.redcrossblood.org or call 800 733-2767. St. Padre Pio pray for us.

Baby's Lives Matter! Help save lives by praying to end abortion during our 40 Days for Life campaign September 27 through November 5, 2023. We can participate in 3 different ways including prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. To sign up for a nearby vigil, visit www.40daysforlife.com or contact Kevin Jorrey at 419 214-4933 or kjorrey@toledodocese.org.

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tues., Sept. 26- 9:00am, St. Peter
† NO MASS

Wed., Sept. 27 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
NO MASS

Thur., Sept. 28- 9:00am, St. Peter
† NO MASS

Fri., September 29- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† NO MASS

Sat., September 30- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
† Charles & Josephine Szymanowski
by Estate of Elizabeth G. Rost

**Sun., October 1-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
† Roberta Reau
by Husband & family

11:00am, St. Peter
† Tom Risch
by the Knights of Columbus



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

September 24, 2023

Isaiah 55:6-9

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Matthew 20:1-16a

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

October 1, 2023

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Philippians 2:1-11

Matthew 21:28-32



MEALS ON WHEELS OCTOBER 10-21, 2022

Light of Christ Parish will be responsible for Meals on Wheels delivery **October 9-20**. Three drivers are needed each day.

Delivery begins at 11:00 am (arrive by 10:30am) and takes approximately 1 and 1/2 hours. Your help is greatly appreciated

by these homebound seniors! Please call/text **Leanne Goodin at 734 637-4555** to sign up for the date you would like to volunteer.

SCRAP METAL DRIVE by Knights of Columbus

The "Metal for Meals" Scrap Metal Drive to help fund our Christmas Basket program and Holiday Food distribution is **Saturday, October 7, 8:00 AM to Noon, at St. Peter Church Hall Parking lot**. All metals including aluminum, brass, bronze, copper, carbide, stainless steel, cast iron, tin, iron, and steel are needed. Auto, truck, tractor, boat, and lawn tractor batteries as well as electric motors are accepted. For details, please call Mark at 734 637-9254. No donation is too small.
Thank you!

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

September 23	Blissfield
September 30	Deerfield
October 7	Blissfield
October 14	Deerfield
October 21	Blissfield

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT- September 17, 2023

Sunday \$2,568 - 53 env
Loose \$45
Help Spread The Faith - \$40 - 1 env
Mercy Fund - \$25 - 1 env
Total \$2,678

Online Giving

Sunday \$731 - 20 env
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
All Saints Day \$25 - 1 env
Total \$761

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 Beaugregard	Marie Kieplinski
Larry Bielski	Traci Knaggs
Ella Borowski	Gale LaVoy
Ginger Borowski	Debbie Marietta
Becky Branscum	Shelly Molaro
Larry Brenke	Alice Mueller
Doris Bussing	Darlene Mueller
Linda Butcher	Joseph Mueller
John Carrizales	John Musielewicz
Nicole Cassidy	Bev Pifer
Stephen Cassidy	Dan Reed
Liam Cherry	Eva Ricker
Isabelle DeLaCruz	Joseph Savarin
Colin Dietrich	Sharon Schadewald
Webb Drew	Jeannie Schroeder
Kenneth Faust	Harold Sears
Carmen Garcia	Pat Sears
Jennifer Gilson	Jim Sheldon
Katy Goodman	Becky Shusta
Judy Curtis Governo	Lena Silva
Carmen Graham	Jack Smith
Dale Graham	Alice Van Staveren
Makenzie Greer	Franz Van Staveren
Rick Holmes	Janet Venturelli
Ed Jacobson	Kristine Wells
Susan Johnson	Flo Wentworth
CJ Karpinski	Kristen Wright
	Mark Willaert

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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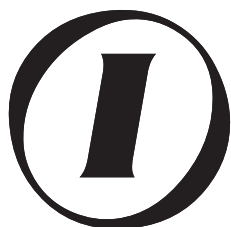


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