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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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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.

January 14, 2024 The Second Sunday of Ordinary Time



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20 John 1:35-42

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 21, 2024

1 Jonah 3:1-5, 10 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, January 13

Euchre Night

hosted by the Knights of Columbus

Blissfield Hall

after 4:30pm Mass

Light lunch will be served

Cards begin at 6:00pm

Sunday, January 14 *El. & MS Religious Education* BREAK (MLK Jr. Weekend)

Sunday, January 21 *El. & MS Religious Education* Deerfield, 9:00-10:00 AM Blissfield, 9:50-10:50 AM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY & HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ALL CELEBRATING IN JANUARY!!

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

January 13 Blissfield January 20 Deerfield January 27 Blissfield February 3 Deerfield February 10 Blissfield

THERE'S STILL TIME FOR TICKETS

Our Annual Light of Christ Parish Sweepstakes has returned! The money raised by this raffle has helped us finance major capital improvements in the parish. Your support brought in \$16,925 last year!

Your 2024 sweepstakes tickets have been mailed. The suggested donation of each ticket is STILL ONLY \$10. It's a great value because each ticket has 12 chances to win! The holder of each ticket is eligible

to win \$250.00 every month of 2024. 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. Winners will receive a check in

the mail and will be announced in the bulletin each month. Please return ticket stubs with legible and complete information and make checks payable to "Light of Christ Parish"; please return any unused

tickets as well. Tickets and payment should be returned to the Parish Office in Deerfield,

in the offertory basket, or the drop boxes at both churches THIS Sunday, January 14, or asap to be included in the January drawing. Good luck and thank you for your support!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Diocese of Lansing

The Catholic Foundation is seeking candidates for temporary employment. Responsibilities will include data entry and charitable gift processing; paid training will be provided. Training will begin the week of February 19 and scheduled hours may continue through June 2024. Shifts of 4 to 8 hours, Monday - Friday may be scheduled and part-time or full-time options will be considered subject to availability of qualified candidates. Candidates with availability beginning after February 19th may also considered. If you know of anyone who would be interested in data entry work who has availability 8:00am - 4:00pm Monday - Friday, please contact Julie Gill, Donor Services Manager of the Catholic Foundation, at 517-253-8792 or donorservices@dioceseoflansing.org.

In addition, resumes are now being accepted for a Donor Services Specialist, Facilities Manager, and Administrative Assistant for Marriage and Family Life Ministries. To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit our careers page: https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers

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KNIGHTS NEWS

Who is the liar but he who denies Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. Anyone who denies

the Son does not have the Father. He who confesses the Son has the Father also. 1 John 2: 22-23. We pray for the conversion of non-believers.

Knights are Pro-Life. On Friday, January 19, 9:30 AM, EWTN will air the 51st Annual March for Life "live" from Washington D.C.. EWTN can be viewed at D&P Cable 213, Dish 261, DIRECT TV 370, and live streamed at www.ewtn.com/tv. On Monday, January22, the Day of Prayer For The Legal Protection of Unborn Children, we are asked to gather with friends and families to pray, fast, and sacrifice to save the lives of the unborn. For details, please visit www.usccb.org/January22. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Andre' Bessette pray for us.

Red Bird Ministries (RBM) is a non-profit, prolife, and pro-family Catholic Grief support ministry serving individuals and couples who have experienced the loss of a child beginning with pregnancy through adulthood. RBM helps families who have been given an extraordinary cross to carry. For details and to get started on the healing process, please visit https://www.redbird.love or call 337 223-2019. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. Amen.

We need "New" Knights to join us as we help others in every possible way. 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, IRA, Roth IRA, and Tax Deferred Annuities. Knights and their children can apply for scholarships to Catholic colleges and universities. Would you like to join and receive a FREE membership? Please contact GK Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868 or visit www.kofc.org/join, enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, and receive a free online membership. To learn more about our extensive Fraternal Benefits Program please contact our local field agent Nick Novak at 810 620-4240 or email Nicols.Novak@kofc.org, or visit www.kofc.org. St. Joseph, foster-father of Jesus, pray for us.

Please pray for a generous increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated religious.

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tues., Jan. 16 - 9:00am St. Peter

⊕ Emma Jean Brown
by family

Wed., Jan. 17 - 9:00am, St.
Alphonsus
Florine Forche
by family

Fri., Jan.19 -9:00am, St. Alphonsus † the People of the Parish

> Sat., January 20- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus

† Patricia Malmquist by Malmquist & Brosamer families

> Sun., January 21-8:00am, St. Alphonsus † Darlene Forche by Leo & family

11:00am, St. Peter † Carmen Graham by the Fink family

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-

January 7, 2024
Sunday \$4,949 - 85 env
Loose \$95
Christmas \$25 - 1 env
Solemnity of Mary \$185 - 8 env
Initial Offering \$290 - 11 env
Mercy Fund \$275 - 17 env
WW Evangelization \$60 - 2 env
Immaculate Conception \$20 - 1 env

Total \$5,899

Online Giving

Sunday \$1126 - 21 env Monthly Pledge \$50 - 1 env

Total \$1,176

EUCHRE NIGHT!

THIS Saturday, January 13 after 4:30pm Mass in the Blissfield Hall. A light lunch will be served and Euchre will begin at 6:00pm.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

ROOFING PROJECT

The roofing project in Blissfield is now underway.

Papenhagen Construction will be working on weekdays, so for the next 2-3 weeks please do not park in the back lot where they're working.

Please only enter the church from the west doors (Lane Street) entrance. Thank you for your cooperation.

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

Catherine Michelle "Shelly" Molaro of Blissfield passed away on December 31 and her funeral was January 6. Please keep Shelly and her family in your thoughts and prayers.



Days of Mindfulness Scheduled for the First Months of 2024

Do you hope to start the new year with greater mindfulness and peace? You are invited to join the mindfulness community at Weber Retreat and Conference Center, which gathers monthly to deepen participants' understanding and commitment to mindfulness.

Sessions are held on **Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at Weber Center** and are facilitated by Sister Esther Kennedy, OP, a Dominican Sister of Adrian, retreat leader, and spiritual director.

Upcoming sessions are as follows: January 27, 2024, Now – The Only Moment; March 2, 2024, Learning to Be Honest; and April 6, 2024, Trust in Your Goodness. Sometimes, you might judge yourself endlessly and even harshly. Are you open to considering that within you lies all the creativity, possibility, forgiveness, and understanding you need to live well?

Each session is limited to 30 participants. The cost is \$35 per session, which includes lunch. Registration is required and available at www.webercenter.org; click "programs." Registration may also be made by calling 517-266-4000 or emailing webercenter@adriandominicans.org.

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.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE

Advertising space on the backside of the bulletin is available. (Just look at the last page to see the available space.) The fee is reasonable for a whole year of advertising for your business, plus it helps the parish towards the bulletin expenses!

Please call the office for more

LITURGICAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

With many of our ministers away for the winter (lucky dogs!) and our **need for**

more Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Sacristans, Altar Servers, etc., as always we welcome any new volunteers. Free training provided at

your convenience, you control your

schedule, and many rewards in heaven!! Please contact the office for more information.

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

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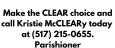


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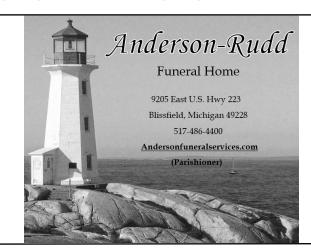
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