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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office, located in Deerfield, is open on
Tuesdays and Thursdays:
Regular hours 9:00 AM-5:00 PM
Summer hours after Memorial Day through
Labor Day: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

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 (10:00 AM Summer Schedule
between Memorial Day and Labor Day)

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

Please contact the Parish Office: 517 447-3500.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 3:00-4:00 PM, at the alternating 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 LIST

Please contact the office if you'd like to be added
(or add someone with their permission) 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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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.

May 11, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Easter



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 11, 2025
Acts 13:14, 43-52
Revelation 7:9, 14b-17
John 10:27-30

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 18, 2025
Acts 14:21-27
Revelation 21:1-5a
John 13:31-33a, 34-35



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, May 11
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Wednesday, May 14
Adult Bible Study
St. Peter, Blissfield
6:00pm-7:00pm

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT- May 4, 2025

Sunday \$5,987- 86 env
Loose \$161
Mercy Fund \$300 - 16 env
Ascension \$70 - 2 env
Catholic Relief Services \$5 - 1 env
Total \$6,523

Online Giving

Sunday \$1,551
Monthly Pledge \$50 - 1 env
Mercy Fund \$105 - 2 env
Total \$1,706

Overall Total \$8,229

DSA

Goal - \$27,455
Total Pledges - 29,114
% of Goal - 106.04%
Total Donors - 137
Participation Rate - 23.30%

REMINDER OF SUMMER HOURS:

Beginning **June 1**, the Sunday Mass in Blissfield will move to the summer schedule of **10:00am**.

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William Joseph Martinez, son of **Nicolas and Sarah (Shields) Martinez**, was baptized at Light of Christ-Blissfield on Sunday, May 4.

God Bless you, William!

A EUCHARISTIC JOURNEY FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR

40-HOURS OF INTERCESSORY ADORATION
All 10 Deaneries in the Diocese of Lansing
June 8 (Pentecost)-June 21 (Corpus Christi)

Our parish is participating in cooperation with our Deanery. Our scheduled hours are:

Sunday, June 8-Monday, June 9 at Midnight

St. Peter the Apostle Church, Blissfield:

Sunday, June 8, 11:00am- Monday June 9, 6:00am

St. Alphonsus Church, Deerfield:

Monday, June 9, 7:00am-12:00 midnight

Eucharistic adoration is the act of worshipping God as He is present in the consecrated Eucharist. Spending time before the Blessed Sacrament, in prayer and devotion, is exactly the same as spending time before the living God.

Please prayerfully consider spending an hour (or more) with the Lord. Sign-up sheets with one-hour time slots are available at both churches.

· Because the Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended, we are asking **at least 2** parishioners to sign up for each hourly time slot on both days to remain in the church in adoration of our Lord.

· If both spots are taken, please add your name anyway, because it will be helpful to know how many are coming each hour in case someone must cancel. We need to be certain we always have two people present.

· If you're unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances, please email Deanna Burke at deannabdre@gmail.com.

· Please feel free to come, even if you're not signed up, and be in the presence of God for as long as you wish!

Some suggestions for what to do during private Eucharistic Adoration:

1. Pray the Psalms or the Liturgy of Hours
2. Pray with Jesus, as he asked the disciples to stay with him an hour in the Garden of Gethsemane on Holy Thursday
3. Pray the "Our Father" and other prayers
4. Meditate using Scripture
5. Read the life of a saint and pray with him/her
6. Pour out your heart to Christ and adore Him
7. Ask for forgiveness and intercede for others
8. Pray the Rosary
9. Sit quietly and just "be" in God's presence

Will you spend an hour with the Lord?



KNIGHTS' NEWS

Happy Mother's Day! 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 be the fruit of your womb!" Luke 1:41-42. May all mothers be blessed with abundant love and joy today and throughout the year. Our Lady of Fatima pray for us.

"Congratulations and Thanks again" to all who contributed to a very successful Scrap Metal Drive. A special "Thank you" goes out to the Knights and parishioners who helped sort, load, and procure the metal, electric motors, and batteries. Another special "Thank you" goes out to those who used their trucks and trailers to take the donations to the recycler. God bless you all!

Saint John Paul II officially instituted May 13 as the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Let us pray the prayer the Angel gave to Jacinta 7, Lucia 10, and Francisco 9 to prepare them for the coming of Our

Lady. "My God, I believe, I adore, I hope, and I love Thee. I ask pardon for all those who do not adore Thee, do not hope in Thee, do not love Thee. For more details, please visit www.fatima.org or call 1-905-871-8401.

Wanted: New Knights! 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 Knights of Columbus Life Insurances, Long Term Care Insurance, and Disability Income Insurance for you and your family members. Tax Sheltered Annuities, Roth IRA, and IRA offerings are safe, simple, and secure with a guaranteed lifetime interest rate

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join for FREE please visit www.kofc.org/joinus, and

enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, or contact Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-5868. To learn more

about Knights' Fraternal Benefits please contact Nicolas Novak at 810 620-4240 or email Nicolas.Novak@kofc.org. St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, pray for us.

Please ask the Holy Spirit for a generous increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life. St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church, and St. Damien de Veuster, Priest, pray for us.

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



BE MY WITNESSES

CORPUS CHRISTI

Mass & Procession with Bishop Boyea

June 21, 2025

10AM · Luginuts Baseball Stadium · Lansing, MI

A Eucharistic Journey
for the Jubilee Year



Scan the QR code with your phone to
RSVP for MASS or visit WWW.EUCHARISTICJOURNEY.ORG

JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE Solanus Casey Center

Please join us Wednesday, June 4, 2025 for a pilgrimage to the Solanus Casey Center (solanuscassey.org) located at St. Bonaventure in Detroit, Michigan. This trip is being planned with St. Elizabeth in Tecumseh and Holy Family in Adrian Parishes and includes roundtrip bussing from **St. Elizabeth (506 N. Union St., Tecumseh)** to Detroit and back.

The day will include:

- 8:00 – 8:15 AM check-in at St. Elizabeth Tecumseh
- 8:30 AM departure from St. Elizabeth parking lot
- 10:00 AM tour and presentation of the Solanus Casey Center
- 11:45 AM Mass with Fr. Dan Crosby of the Franciscan Capuchins
- Lunch of soup, sandwich, cookie, and drink
- 2:00 PM Healing Service
- There will also be time to visit the gift shop
- 4:30 PM (approximately) return to St. Elizabeth parking lot

Cost per person - \$60 (includes bus, tour & lunch)

*First-come first-served basis, bus seating limit of 100

Sign-up sheets are available in both churches and in the parish office.

SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

- Congratulations to **Jerry & Pat Gallatin of Adrian**, ticket #25-2766, the winner of the \$250 April Sweepstakes drawing. The ticket was sold by **Sophie Witt**, so she received \$20 as well.

Good luck to all in the drawing in May!

MEMORIAL DAY MASS
St. Alphonsus Cemetery
Monday, May 26, 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
2024-25 SCHEDULE

May 17	Blissfield
May 24	Deerfield
May 31	Blissfield
June 7	Deerfield

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE RECOGNITION: BULLETIN ARTICLE & BLESSING AT 8:00 MASS

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 Thursday, May 22, in order to be in the weekend bulletin of June 1, 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. This year it will be at the **8:00 Mass on Sunday, June 1.**

Please email Deanna Burke (deannabdre@gmail.com) your information to share and **whether or not you will attend the 8:00 Mass on June 1.**

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., May 13- 9:00am St. Peter
† Charles & Josephine Szymanowski
by the Estate of Elizabeth G. Rost

Wed., May 14- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† John Witt
by family

Thurs., May 15- 9:00am, St. Peter
† the People of the Parish

Fri., May 16- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† Lonnie Bolster
by Cheryl Reed

Sat., May 17- 4:30pm, St. Peter
† Joseph Burgermeister
by family

**Sun., May 18-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
† Larry Schadewald
by Michele Edelbrock

11:00am, St. Peter
† Gus LaRoy
by Linda & Amy Wilson

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

Kathleen Adams	Traci Knaggs
Rita Bausman	Gale LaVoy
Aiden Beauregard	Debbie Marietta
Linda Beham	Vinny Martinez
Mike Bomia	Joseph Mueller
Ella Borowski	Muriel Mueller
Ginger Borowski	John Musielewicz
Becky Branscum	Brenda Nagy
Darlene Breitner	Karen Nevins
Larry Brenke	Ken Nevins
Doris Bussing	Bev Pifer
Danny Butcher	Bob Rains
Linda Butcher	Eva Ricker
Nicole Cassidy	Brendan Robaszkiewicz
Stephen Cassidy	Joseph Savarin
Liam Cherry	Sharon Schadewald
Mary Clemes	Jeannie Schroeder
Isabelle DeLaCruz	Harold Sears
Madeline Denecker	Pat Sears
Colin Dietrich	Steve Shields
Webb Drew	Becky Shusta
George Eastwood	Margaret Smith
Chris Elliot	Kenneth Smolka
Elaine Esper	Melissa Stasko
Kenneth Faust	Emily Stevens
Carmen Garcia	Dana Strickler
Cristee Gilson-Ando	David Stucker
Jennifer Gilson	Stacey Ulrich
Reagan Gobel	Stewart VanPelt
Katy Goodman	Alice Van Staveren
Makenzie Greer	Franz Van Staveren
Tammy Jarvis	Flo Wentworth
Susan Johnson	Rita Woods
CJ Karpinski	Kristen Wright
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 at 517 447-3500.



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