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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
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.

May 18, 2025
Fifth Sunday of Easter



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 25, 2025
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29



Happy Easter Season from
Fr. Jeff & Staff!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Wednesday, May 21

✱**Adult Bible Study**✱

St. Peter, Blissfield
6:00pm-7:00pm

Monday, May 26

✱**HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY!**✱

8:00AM MASS

St. Alphonsus Cemetery
In case of rain, St. Alphonsus Church
Coffee & Donuts afterwards

SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS

**SITE LOCATION
2024-25 SCHEDULE**

May 24	Deerfield
May 31	Blissfield
June 7	Deerfield
June 14	Blissfield

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**

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-

May 11, 2025

Sunday 4,220- 73 env
Loose \$235
Mercy Fund \$75 - 4 env
Total \$4,530

Online Giving

Sunday \$676 - 19 env
Mercy Fund \$11 - 2 env
Monthly Pledge \$130 - 1 env
Total \$817

Overall Total \$5,347

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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STEWARDSHIP FOR SAINTS & SCHOLARS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Please contact the parish office or Fr. Jeff if you have any questions or would like help to complete your pledge card. **Please pray** that we meet our parish goal that will help fund our parish needs and do our part to help catholic schools create saints and scholars for the future of our faith.

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 worshiping 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

How will you spend an hour with the Lord?



KNIGHTS' NEWS

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." John 14:1. Let us remember to ask Jesus for help when we are worried or anxious.

Congratulations to all Graduates! May all of God's blessings be yours, and may you be able to say "I am blessed" each and every day. We invite all Knights and parishioners to pray a Rosary for you, your families, and your intentions. Our Lady of Fatima pray for us.

Scholarships are available from the Knights of Columbus. Most recipients are children of Knights or Knights themselves attending Catholic colleges and universities. For more information, please visit www.kofc.org/scholarships. Not a Knight? No problem. To join the Knights online go to www.kofc.org/joinus, enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, and receive a FREE online membership or join locally by calling GK Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868. St. James & St. Philip, Apostles, pray for us.

Support Your Future Priests! Our Knights are selling raffle tickets to support the Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit. The Grand Prize is \$25,000 cash. Suggested donation is \$10 and the drawing is June 12, 2025. For more details, please email raffle@shms.edu or call 313 596-7424. Please pray for Pope Leo XIV and for a generous increase in priests, deacons, and consecrated religious. St. Mathias, Apostle, pray for us.

Our Council's Officer Election is June 5, 2025, at the scheduled 7:00 PM Council meeting. All Knights are asked to prayerfully consider becoming an officer in our Council. Positions include Grand Knight - the highest-ranking officer of his council, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Treasurer, Warden, Recorder, Inside/Outside Guards, and Advocate. The term of office is 1 year and begins July 1, 2025. A Trustee is elected to a 3-year term. Please notify GK Nicolas Martinez of your intentions before or at the meeting. Online and on-the-job training is available. St. Alphonsus & St Peter the Apostle pray for us.

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



Roy Augustine Valdez, son of Austin and Janie (Bunge) Valdez, was baptized at Light of Christ-Blissfield on Sunday, May 11.

God Bless you, Roy!

JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE Solanus Casey Center

Please join us Wednesday, June 4, 2025 for a pilgrimage to the Solanus Casey Center (solanuscasy.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 the parish office.



L-R: Rev. Jeff Poll, Laura, Hannah, Maria, Rena, Bishop Earl Boyea

Congratulations to the following teens who were Confirmed with the Holy Spirit on Thursday, May 8, at Sacred Heart Parish in Hudson:

**Maurena Andres
Maria Baer
Laura Nadeau
Hannah Wynn**

God Bless you!

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE RECOGNITION: Bulletin & 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. 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.**

If you'd like to participate, please submit your information NO LATER THAN THIS THURSDAY, May 22, in order to be in the weekend bulletin of June 1, a few sentences including:

1. Your name as you'd like it to appear
2. Parents/guardian's names
3. High School you are graduating from
4. 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 enough room for all.

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'RE PROUD OF YOU!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., May 20- 9:00am St. Peter
✠ the People of the Parish

Wed., May 21- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ Billy Witt
by family

Thurs., May 22- 9:00am, St. Peter
✠ Tom & Juanita Garrett
by Mike & Sheila Garrett

Fri., May 23- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ Joe Frank
by Yvonne Gainsley

Sat., May 24- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
✠ Daniel Reed
by Yvonne Gainsley

**Sun., May 25-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
✠ Urvin Reau
by the Knights of Columbus

11:00am, St. Peter
✠ Gus J. LaRoy
by Jim & Donna Reaume

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 Schadowald
Mary Clemes	Jeannie Schroeder
Isabelle DeLaCruz	Harold Sears
Madeline Denecker	Pat Sears
Colin Dietrich	Steve Shields
Webb Drew	Becky Shusta
Chris Elliot	Margaret Smith
Elaine Esper	Kenneth Smolka
Kenneth Faust	Melissa Stasko
Carmen Garcia	Emily Stevens
Cristee Gilson-Ando	Dana Strickler
Jennifer Gilson	David Stucker
Reagan Gobel	Stacey Ulrich
Katy Goodman	Stewart VanPelt
Makenzie Greer	Alice Van Staveren
Tammy Jarvis	Franz Van Staveren
Susan Johnson	Flo Wentworth
CJ Karpinski	Rita Woods
Norma Kelly	Kristen Wright

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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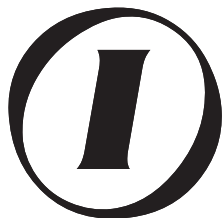


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