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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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We reserve the right to edit articles for clarity
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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.

June 1, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

The Ascension of the Lord

June 1, 2025

Acts 1:1-11

Ephesians 1:17-23

Luke 24:46-53

Pentecost Sunday

June 8, 2025

Acts 2:1-11

1 Corinthians 12:13b-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, June 1

✱ **Blessing of High School Graduates!** ✱
8:00AM MASS
Congratulations to all
High School Graduates!

Wednesday, June 4

✱ **Solanus Casey Center**
Deanery Bus Trip ✱
8:00AM-8:15AM: Check-in at
 St. Elizabeth in Tecumseh
4:30pm: approximate return to
 St. Elizabeth, Tecumseh

Saturday, June 7

✱ **Ice Cream Social** ✱
 SALT Center, Deerfield
 after 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, June 8-Monday, June 9

✱ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament!** ✱
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

HAPPY Birthday
and HAPPY Anniversary
to all celebrating in June!
MANY BLESSINGS TO YOU.



-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-

May 25, 2025

Sunday \$2,758 - 60 env
 Loose \$77
 Mercy Fund \$10 - 2 env
 Ascension \$86 - 7 env
 Total \$2,931

Online Giving

Sunday \$2491 - 31 env
 Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
 Total \$2,496

Overall Total \$5,427

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

SALT Center, Deerfield

Saturday, June 7

After 4:30pm Mass

*Hosted by the Special Activities
 Committee*

**I scream, you scream, we all scream
 for ICE CREAM!!!**

Please join us for an ice cream sundae
 treat after the 4:30pm Mass in Deerfield
 on Saturday, June 7! We'll have vanilla
 ice cream with a toppings buffet or you
 can have a root beer float.

We hope to see you there!

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?

SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS SITE LOCATION 2025-26 SCHEDULE

June 7	Deerfield
June 14	Blissfield
June 21	Deerfield
June 28	Blissfield



KNIGHTS' NEWS

The Ascension of the Lord. After the Lord Jesus had talked with them, he was taken up to heaven and sat at the right hand of God. The disciples went and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and proved that their preaching was true by the miracles that were performed. Mark 16: 19,20. We pray for Pope Leo XIV, our bishop, our priests, and all consecrated religious that Jesus will bless them from the right hand of the Father.

"Why should this great thing happen to me, that my Lord's mother comes to visit me." Luke 1:43.
All parishioners and Knights are invited to the recitation of the 1ST Thursday Rosary on June 5, 6:30 PM, at St. Peter the Apostle Church. Spare rosaries are available to use. Knights are asked to attend the Council meeting and Election of Officers after the rosary. Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Elizabeth, 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, 517 442-3868, 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.

Red Cross Needs Blood! You can donate at the Blissfield American Legion on Thursday, June 12, from 11:30 AM - 5:30 PM. You can donate at Flower Hospital, Sylvania, OH on Friday, June 13, from 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM. To schedule your appointment or to find other days and locations please call 1 800 733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org. St. Philip Neri, Priest, pray for us.

Our Holy Father's Intention: That the World Might Grow in Compassion - Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY June 7/8, 2025

Reminder to wear **RED** to Mass on June 7/8 to express the zeal and fire the Holy Spirit lights within us all.

STEWARDSHIP FOR SAINTS & SCHOLARS CAMPAIGN

The *Stewardship for Saints and Scholars* Campaign is now underway! To date, our campaign has already raised **\$7,925.00 toward our parish target.**

Many thanks to the volunteers who have worked so diligently to get us to this point. I would also like to thank the donors who have given so generously in the early stages of our campaign. While there is much to celebrate, there is also much work to be done.

In the coming weeks, volunteers will be reaching out individually to some members of our parish. I ask that you please keep in mind the following:

Volunteers – Dual Donation

The volunteers who are contacting families are just that – volunteers. They have graciously agreed to donate their time and talent for the greater good of this effort. They are serving in this role because they believe in the diocesan-wide initiatives and are passionate about our parish. Please treat them with respect and thank them for helping the Church in this important capacity.

Personal Touch

I have instructed each of our campaign volunteers to personally meet with the members of the faith family. If you receive a call, I kindly ask that you:

- Take the call or return the message. Do not avoid talking to our volunteers. It makes their job more difficult and puts them in a position where they keep calling in an attempt to reach you.
- Meet face-to-face, if possible. If you are asked to meet, please give our volunteers 15 minutes of your time. They are not trying to twist your arm, they just want to briefly explain the campaign initiatives, answer your questions, and receive a decision about your participation.

Carrying a Pledge Card? Return It!

Please discern your involvement in the campaign, fill out the card and return it in the envelope provided.

Your Gift Matters!

Remember, the letter you receive includes a financial request. It is not an expectation. It is an invitation. I invite you to pray for this campaign and this diocese. You may not be able to give what was asked. You may be able to give more than asked. Whatever that decision is, know that your commitment is deeply appreciated and is a true blessing to our effort!

Thank you for your cooperation, your consideration, and your support of the saints and scholars throughout the Diocese of Lansing!

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Class of 2025 Graduates

On behalf of all of us at Light of Christ Parish, **Congratulations!**



James Gregory

James is the son of Donald, Jennifer (mom), and Jessica (stepmom). James is a graduate of JC/LISD Academy. He will attend Jackson College to become an electrician.

Sophie Witt

Sophie is the daughter of Brad and Jenni Witt. She is a graduate of Britton Deerfield High School. She will attend Saginaw Valley State University for nursing.

Dear Lord,

Bless the lives of our graduates with goodness and love. Help them use their gifts wisely Pursue their dreams boldly and Guide them to walk into the future with faith, hope and great love. Amen.

Again, congratulations!

May God bless you in your future endeavors!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The ministry scheduling for **July-September** will begin soon. Please contact Leanne Goodin at lgoodin@cass.net or 734 637-4555 or enter in the online scheduler any dates you **will NOT be available by noon on Monday, JUNE 9th.**

We are in need of more Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers and Greeters. We are blessed to have dedicated ministers that serve regularly and often, but they are fewer in number than we used to have and we need help, especially with summer vacations on the horizon.

Ministry volunteers can control their ministry schedule before each schedule is completed and you can request a substitute when unforeseen circumstances arise. We are all called to actively worship and celebrate Mass together as a parish community. We are blessed to serve God and each other in this way. Please prayerfully consider how you can help by sharing your gifts and talents at Mass and otherwise.

Please contact the office or Fr. Jeff for more information and to be included in the next July-September schedule. **Thank you!**

NO DAILY MASS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

Mass has been cancelled on Wednesday, June 4, due to the Solanus Casey Center Bus Trip.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., June 3- 9:00am St. Peter
† the People of the Parish

Wed., June 4- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† **NO MASS**
due to the Solanus Casey Deanery Bus Trip

Thurs., June 5- 9:00am, St. Peter
† Tom & Juanita Garrett
by Mike & Sheila Garrett

Fri., June 6- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† Jack Gainsley
by Ron & Leanne Goodin

Sat., June 7- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
† John Witt
by family

**Sun., June 8-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
† Robert Forgiel
by Tom Marzec

10:00am, St. Peter
† Joseph F. Clements
by family

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

Kathleen Adams
Rita Bausman
Aiden Beauregard
Linda Beham
Mike Bomia
Ella Borowski
Ginger Borowski
Becky Branscum
Darlene Breitner
Larry Brenke
Doris Bussing
Danny Butcher
Linda Butcher
Nicole Cassidy
Stephen Cassidy
Liam Cherry
Mary Clemes
Isabelle DeLaCruz
Madeline Denecker
Colin Dietrich
Webb Drew
Elaine Esper
Kenneth Faust
Carmen Garcia
Jennifer Gilson
Reagan Gobel
Katy Goodman
Makenzie Greer
Tammy Jarvis
Janet Jensen
Susan Johnson
CJ Karpinski
Norma Kelly
Traci Knaggs

Gale LaVoy
Debbie Marietta
Vinny Martinez
Joseph Mueller
Muriel Mueller
John Musielewicz
Brenda Nagy
Karen Nevins
Ken Nevins
Bev Pifer
Bob Rains
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Brendan Robaszkiewicz
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Sharon Schadewald
Jeannie Schroeder
Harold Sears
Pat Sears
Steve Shields
Becky Shusta
Margaret Smith
Kenneth Smolka
Melissa Stasko
Emily Stevens
Dana Strickler
David Stucker
Stacey Ulrich
Stewart VanPelt
Alice Van Staveren
Franz Van Staveren
Flo Wentworth
Rita Woods
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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