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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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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 22, 2025
**The Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ (Corpus Christi)**



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

**The Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ (Corpus Christi)**
June 22, 2025
Genesis 14:18-20
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
Luke 9:11b-17

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
June 29, 2025
Acts 12:1-11
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
Matthew 16:13-19



BUILDING RENTAL POLICY UPDATE

The SALT Center in Deerfield & the Parish Hall in Blissfield are available for rental by parishioners and non-parishioners. A parishioner is defined as those registered with the Parish who regularly attend Mass and practice stewardship. Parishioners are granted a lower rate because our volunteer work and financial support of the parish are what finance the care and maintenance of our parish buildings and grounds. Parishioners are not allowed to rent the hall for non-parishioner events. No event shall take place during any scheduled liturgical activity in the Church. As these facilities are primarily used for church-related functions, scheduling will not be permitted more than nine months in advance and at the discretion of the Parish.

Effective July 1, 2025 the Building Rental Fees will increase accordingly:

Day Use Rate: Registered Parishioner \$150, Non-Parishioner Rate: \$300

This change reflects rising costs (utility fees, cleaning costs, building maintenance due to wear and tear, etc.) and helps provide for the long-term use of our parish buildings.

It is the policy of the Diocese of Lansing that parishes, schools and institutions that allow outside organizations or individuals to rent or use its facilities for various one time "Special Events" require those organizations or individuals to purchase the "Special Events Insurance" protection offered through the Michigan Catholic Conference (MCC) through the Parish. Special Events Insurance provides protection for both the user of the facility as well as the parish or institution. **MCC has increased their fee from \$100 to \$150 per event date.** If the organization or individual wishes to use their own insurance, a Certificate of Insurance naming **Bishop Earl Boyea, The Diocese of Lansing and Light of Christ Catholic Parish as ADDITIONAL INSURED** must be provided. The minimum amount of coverage should be \$1,000,000. The phrase **ADDITIONAL INSURED** is imperative for this certificate to be acceptable in lieu of the Special Events Insurance offered through the MCC.

All events require a damage deposit in the amount of our insurance deductible, which has increased from \$500 to **\$5,000**. The damage deposit requirement will be determined soon and will be shared in a future bulletin.

Please contact the parish office (lightofchristparish@gmail.com or 517 447-3500) for additional rental policy information.



SOLANUS CASEY PILGRIMAGE 2025

Parishioners from Light of Christ, Holy Family, and St Elizabeth Parishes took a beautiful pilgrimage to the Blessed Solanus Casey Center in Detroit on Wednesday, June 4th. We reflected on the life of Blessed Solanus Casey, and grew deeper in faith and fellowship.

Thank you to everyone who joined us!



KNIGHTS' NEWS

Jesus said, "But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one to him as well." Mathew 5:39. Let us ask the

Holy Spirit to change the hearts and minds of those who wage war in the Holy Land, Ukraine and Russia. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All Students, Parishioners, and Knights are invited to the July recitation of the Rosary on July 10, 6:30 PM at St. Peter the Apostle Church. Rosaries are available for those who need one. **The July 3 Council Meeting has been moved to 7:00 PM, July 10, 2025 so all the Knights and their families can enjoy the July 4TH holiday.** St. Aloysius Gonzaga pray for us.

"The Spirit of humility is sweeter than honey, and those who nourish themselves with this honey produce sweet fruit" - St Anthony of Padua. Let us pray for the sick and shut ins in our parish, and let us say a prayer of thanksgiving for their care givers including those who bring the Holy Eucharist to homes, hospitals, nursing homes, hospices, and anywhere else the sick and shut ins can be found. St. Jude pray for us.

We Need New Knights! We support religious outreach, promote vocations, and provide financial support for seminarians. Supporting our pastor and protecting widows and children of our members through our Fraternal Benefits Program is our main focus. If you are interested in serving both your Church and your Community, please consider becoming a Knight. For a FREE online membership visit www.kofc.org/joinus, and enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, or to receive a FREE in-person membership please call Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-5868. St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, most pure spouse of the Virgin Mary, pray for us.

Preparing for retirement is essential. As your Catholic partner for financial services the Knights of Columbus can help you reach your financial goals in retirement. You can learn more by visiting www.kofc.org/liveyourfaith, or by calling Nicolas Novak's cell at 810 620-4240, his office at 877 857-6237, or email Nicolas.Novak@kofc.org. St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr, pray for us.

**The Knights of Columbus meet in Blissfield at 7:00pm every first Thursday of the month. *The July 3 Council Meeting has been moved to 7:00 PM, July 10, 2025 so all the Knights and their families can enjoy the July 4TH holiday.*

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

June 28	Blissfield
July 5	Deerfield
July 12	Blissfield
July 19	Deerfield
July 26	Blissfield

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT- June 15, 2025

Collection figures were unavailable at the time of print and will be reported in next week's bulletin.

Dine and Discuss Book Club Focuses on Mother of Son Killed by ISIS

The Dine and Discuss Book Club at Weber Retreat and Conference Center focuses on American Mother, the true story written by Colum McCann with Diane Foley, whose son Jim Foley was imprisoned and killed by ISIS.

In this memoir, Diane describes the early life of her journalist son, his capture, the family's efforts to secure his release, and the family's grief and search for peace.

The book is available at Weber Center. The discussion takes place from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 5, 2025. The cost of \$25 includes both the book and dinner. Those who buy the book at this price are asked to commit to attending the dinner and in-person discussion.

Registration is required. Visit www.webercenter.org and click on "programs," call 517-266-4000, or email webercenter@adriandominicans.org. Limited scholarships are available.

Weber Center is on the campus of the Adrian Dominican Sisters Motherhouse, Adrian, Michigan. On East Siena Heights Drive, turn into the driveway between Adrian Rea Literacy Center and the solar panel-covered carport. Follow the signs to Weber Center. For information, call the Weber Center at 517-266-4000.

STEWARDSHIP FOR SAINTS & SCHOLARS CAMPAIGN

The *Stewardship for Saints and Scholars* campaign update:

To date, our parish has raised **\$32,780** toward our target of \$340,000.

You may be wondering... How will the *Stewardship for Saints and Scholars* Campaign invest in our parish?

Our parishes are the cornerstones and gathering places for our faith community. As part of this campaign, a percentage of the funds raised by the parish are returned for specific parish needs. In our parish, campaign funds will specifically fund:

- Enhancing and expanding our Religious Education Program
- Ongoing upkeep and regular maintenance and repairs

Bishop Boyea is calling on the entire parish to make a gift to the *Stewardship for Saints and Scholars* campaign. Your support to this campaign will impact the future of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Lansing and our parish for years to come. Please visit <https://stewardshipforsaintsandscholars.com> for more information or <https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/stewardship-for-saints-and-scholars-giving> to donate.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., June 24- 9:00am St. Peter
✠ the People of the Parish

Wed., June 25- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ Joe Frank
by Brett & Donna Holubik

Thurs., June 26- 9:00am, St. Peter
✠ Tom Bischoff
by Pat Bischoff

Fri., June 27- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ Ramona Scholl
by Denise M. Zilke

Sat., June 28- 4:30pm, St. Peter
✠ Liz Parros
by Women of Prayer

Sun., June 29- 8:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ Beatrice Rodela
by family

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

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

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



ENGAGED COUPLES RETREAT

PREPARE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

This retreat offers time away for couples to grow deeper in their faith and love for each other & satisfies aspects of the Diocese of Lansing marriage catechumenate.

THE RETREAT INCLUDES:

- Theological and practical presentations
- Blessing of the Couples & Vigil Mass
- A special dinner on Saturday
- A ballroom dance lesson from Louis Soma of Our Dance Studio

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:



Hosted by
Mike & Lisa
Kutas

New opportunity: Couples are invited to join a kerygma retreat entitled "The Urgency of the Message" at no additional cost, beginning at noon on July 18th.

REGISTRATION FEE **\$250/COUPLE**

JULY 18-19, 2025

AT ST. FRANCIS RETREAT CENTER - 703 E. MAIN STREET DEWITT, MI 48820

517-669-8321 www.stfrancis.ws/engaged



SAVE THE DATE! MEALS ON WHEELS DRIVERS NEEDED JULY 7-18

Light of Christ Parish will be responsible for Meals on Wheels delivery **July 7-18**.

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 **Pat Reau at (517) 673-1270** to sign up for the date you would like to volunteer.





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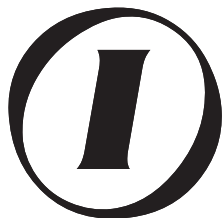


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