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ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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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!

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR

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Deanna Burke: deannabdre@gmail.com

Bulletin Deadline: **Tuesday at 9:00am.**

We reserve the right to edit articles for clarity
and length. Please email material to:
deannabdre@gmail.com

Ministry Scheduling

Leanne Goodin: lgoodin@cass.net

MAINTENANCE STAFF

Jeff Simpson
Logan Kastel

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please call the parish office for contact info.

PARISH COMMISSIONS

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Education Commission
Social Ministry Commission
New Evangelization Commission

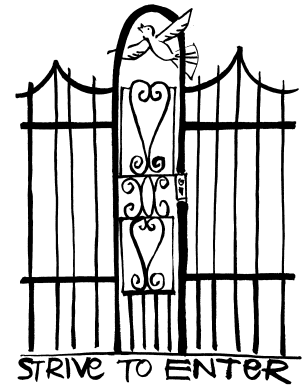
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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.

August 24, 2025
Twenty-First Sunday in
Ordinary Time



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Twenty-First Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 24, 2025

Isaiah 66:18-21

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Luke 13:22-30

Twenty-Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 31, 2025

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Luke 14:1, 7-14



-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-

August 10, 2025

Sunday \$5,373 - 70 env
Loose \$147.10
Mercy Fund \$112 - 7 env
All Saints Day \$20 - 1 env
World Mission \$20 - 1 env
Help Spread The Faith \$20 - 1 env
Total \$5,692.10

Online Giving

Sunday \$766 - 20 env
Monthly Pledge \$180 - 2 env
Mercy Fund \$36 - 2 env
Total \$982

Overall Total \$6,674.10

August 17, 2025

Sunday \$3,235 - 73 env
Loose \$164
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
Ascension \$10 - 1 env
Total \$3,414

Online Giving

Sunday \$861 - 22 env
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
Total \$866

Overall Total \$4280

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank all of the ladies & gentleman that worked or donated to Donna Sortor's funeral luncheon August 12. Without your help, we could not have had a beautiful tribute for her.

Thank you, thank you!

Ann Curtis

MINISTRY SCHEDULING DEADLINE

The ministry scheduling for **October-December** will be completed soon. Please enter any dates that you are **NOT** available in the scheduling program **by noon on Tuesday, September 9**. You may also email those dates to lgoodin@cass.net or text/call Leanne at 734 637-4555. Anyone interested in joining a new ministry should also contact Leanne. All are welcome and training is provided!

DAYS OF MINDFULNESS

Scheduled for Fall

All are welcome to join the Mindfulness community at Weber Retreat and Conference Center for Days of Mindfulness, held in person from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., usually on the first Saturday of the month. **The fall 2025 schedule is as follows:** **Compassion in Action, September 6, 2025;** **Courage to Wait, November 1, 2025;** and **Embracing Life Just as It Is, December 6, 2025.**

Sessions are facilitated by Sister Esther Kennedy, OP, a Dominican Sister of Adrian, a retreat leader, and a spiritual director. The cost of \$35 per session includes lunch. Each session is limited to 35 participants.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2025-2026 WELCOME BACK!

Summer isn't quite over yet, but fall is right around the corner! Religious Education **1st-8th Grade** classes return on **Sunday, September 28th**. All families that were registered in RE last year will receive a registration packet in the mail. **New students (1st grade or older)** please call the parish office (517 447-3500) or email Deanna Burke, Director of Religious Education, at deannabdre@gmail.com and we'll mail you a registration packet (and, if needed, a parish registration form).

We'll process registrations through the mail to **Light of Christ Parish, 222 Carey Street, Deerfield MI 49238** or you may utilize the black drop boxes at either site: next to the office door in Deerfield and at the side of the church in Blissfield. Please return your registration forms no later than **Sunday, September 7th** so we may prepare for everyone. We look forward to another great year together!



KNIGHTS' NEWS

Jesus answered, "Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." Mathew 24:42.

As the saying goes, "Celebrate this Holy Mass as if it were your first Mass, your last Mass, your only Mass." Let us thank God for giving us Life each and every day. Blessed Virgin Mary pray for us.

Attention ALL Knights & their families:

You are invited to the **Knights Picnic Lunch on Saturday, September 13, starting at Noon at the Ricker Pavilion in Bachmayer Park in Blissfield**. Anyone interested in joining the Knights may attend with their families. Meat and drinks will be furnished. Please bring a desert or side dish. For information or to **RSVP** please call Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-5868. St. Augustine pray for us.

COMING SOON! The **Knights Scrap Metal Drive** to help Holiday Food Distribution and Christmas Basket Program and more is on **Saturday, October 18th**. All metals including brass, bronze, copper, aluminum, carbide, stainless steel, cast iron, tin, iron, and steel are needed. Auto, truck, tractor, boat, and lawn tractor batteries as well as electric motors are accepted. Please call Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868 for details. St. Bernard pray for us.

We pray for a generous increase in parishioners and Knights. The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal service organization and our main principals are Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. We focus on supporting our pastor, and protecting the widows and children of our members through our Fraternal Benefits Program. All Catholic men in good standing are eligible to join. 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. Monica pray for us.

The Knights of Columbus Fraternal Benefits Program offers a complete portfolio of affordable top-quality benefits including Whole Life, Permanent Life, or Term Life Insurance options, Retirement Annuities, IRA, Roth IRA, Long Term Care Insurance, and Disability Income Insurance. As a member, you and your family are entitled to a complimentary, comprehensive financial needs analysis. For details, please contact Nicolas Novak at 810 620-4240, his office at 877 857-6237, or email Nicolas.Novak@kofc.org. St. John Eudes pray for us.

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

**REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE &
PARISH OFFICE HOURS
RETURN SOON**

Beginning **Sunday, September 7th**,
the 10:00am Mass will return to
11:00am Mass to accommodate the
return of our Religious Education
classes this year.

Beginning **Tuesday, September 9th**,
the Parish Office in Deerfield will be
open from **9:00am until 5:00pm on
Tuesdays and Thursdays.**

DAILY MASSES

There will be **NO Daily Masses**
the week of
Tuesday, August 26-Friday, August 29
due to Fr. Jeff's well-deserved time away.

Rest well and enjoy, Fr. Jeff!

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

August 30	Deerfield
September 6	Blissfield
September 13	Deerfield
September 20	Blissfield

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., August 26- 9:00am St. Peter
† No Mass

Wed., August 27- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† No Mass

Thurs., August 28- 9:00am, St. Peter
† No Mass

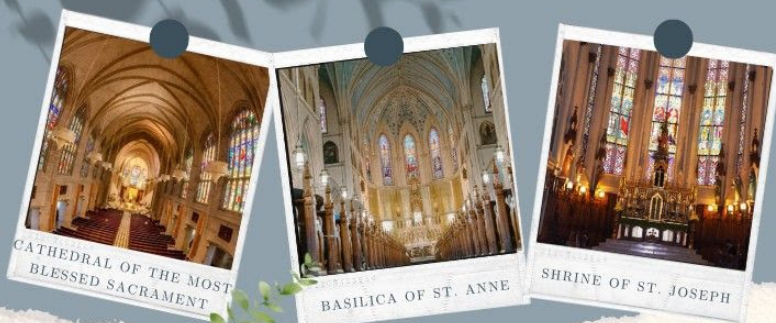
Fri., August 29- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† No Mass

Sat., August 30- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
† MaryAnn Cousino
by family

**Sun., August 31-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
† John Cousino
by Sue Cousino

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

IN HONOR OF THE JUBILEE YEAR



Jubilee Pilgrimage
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025
COST \$75.00

**Jubilee Pilgrimage to Detroit Historic Churches
St. Thomas Aquinas Parish
11 September 2025**

In Honor of the Jubilee Year of Hope Jubilee Pilgrimage to Detroit Historic Churches
Thursday, September 11, 2025 Cost: \$75

Depart 7:15am and return around 4:30pm.

All ages are welcome including children accompanied by an adult.

- **MASS AT ST THOMAS AQUINAS:** 6:30am (Optional)
- **BUS:** Arrives 6:45am/departs 7:15 from STA in front of the church
- **CATHEDRAL OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT BASILICA OF SAINT ANNE**
- **LUNCH AT GREEKTOWN PEGASUS** (covered in registration fee) Menu Items for Selection Cheese Burger Fish and Chips Greek Salad with Chicken Spinach Pie Moussaka Gyro - Lamb or Chicken All meals are served with a beverage
- **SHRINE OF ST. JOSEPH**
- **RETURN TO ST. THOMAS AQUINAS:** home around 4:30pm

Sign up by calling the **(St. Thomas Aquinas) parish office** at 517.351.7215 or
at elcatholics.org/jubilee-pilgrimage If you pay in the office, please make checks payable to
the Rosary Altar Society.

Scholarships are Available. Contact Sandy, richsandra@comcast.net
Learn More at elcatholics.org/jubilee-pilgrimage

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

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