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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.

January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord



READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 4, 2026

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

The Baptism of the Lord

January 11, 2026

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Matthew 3:13-17

IN Christ Jesus, the GENTILES Are Co-heirs with the JewS
ephesians

A Blessed Christmas Season and Prosperous New Year are wished to you on behalf of Fr. Jeff and the Parish Staff.



Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary
to all celebrating in January!

MANY BLESSINGS TO YOU!

2026 SWEEPSTAKES TICKETS

All annual Light of Christ Parish Sweepstakes tickets remaining in the church will be mailed out this week!

The donation **for each ticket is STILL ONLY \$10.** It's a great value because each ticket has **12 chances to win \$250.00 every month of 2026.**

Please return ticket stubs with legible and complete information and make checks payable to **"Light of Christ Parish"; please return any unused tickets as well.** Tickets and payment should be returned to the Parish Office in Deerfield, in the offertory basket, or the drop boxes at both churches **no later than January 22, 2026, to be included in the January 2026 drawing.**

**NEXT WEEKEND:
SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, after both Masses
HELP NEEDED TO
UN-DECORATE THE CHURCHES**

- Our Christmas Season ends with the Baptism of the Lord each year. All of the Christmas decorations will need to be taken down on **Sunday, January 11,** after the 8:00am in Deerfield and 11:00am in Blissfield Sunday Masses. Please feel free to take home a poinsettia or two!
- If you are able to stay for a bit after mass and help pack things up, we could use your help! It takes less than an hour to return our churches to the beauty of Ordinary Time. Many hands make light work, and we all have places to be. Thank you in advance for your generosity of time.
- God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them. Hebrews 6:10*

**-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-
December 28, 2025**

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



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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MEMBER NEWS**



Happy New Year! When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary, his mother, and they fell down and worshipped him. Then opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh. MATHEW 2:10,11. Let us pray for the conversion of all non-believers to Christianity. To learn more about the Epiphany of the Lord please read the book "Mystery of the Magi" by Father Dwight Longnecker, or visit <https://www.vaticannews.va>.

We need new Knights! The Knights of Columbus is a family-oriented fraternal service organization whose main principals are Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Would you like to join us? Sign up now at www.kofc.org/joinus, enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, and pay no dues for 12 months. For more details about our Council's FREE Membership plan, please call GK Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868. St. Mathew the Apostle pray for us.

Scholarships are available from the Knights of Columbus. Most recipients are the children of Knights or Knights themselves attending Catholic colleges and universities. For more information, please visit www.kofc.org/scholarships. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton pray for us.

Did you know the Knights of Columbus offer Fraternal Benefits for the Knight and his family? Affordable top-quality products include Whole Life, Permanent Life, or Term Life Insurance options, Disability Income Insurance, and Long-Term Care Insurance. Safe secure investments include IRA, Roth IRA, and Tax Deferred Retirement Annuities. For details, please visit www.kofc.org, contact Nicolas Novak at 810 620-4240, email Nicolas.Novak@kofc.org, or visit www.youtube.com/@MichiganKnightsColumbus.com. St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen pray for us.

Pope Leo's January Intention: For Prayer with the Word of God - Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

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

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

January 10 Blissfield
January 17 Deerfield
January 24 Blissfield
January 31 Deerfield

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, January 4, 2026

• **EL. & MS Religious Education Class**
Blissfield, 9:50-10:50AM
• **Confirmation Class**

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

• **Eucharistic Adoration**
St. Peter the Apostle Church, Blissfield
after 9:00 Daily Mass
9:30-10:30AM

Sunday, January 11, 2026

• **Un-Decorate the Churches**
after 8:00am Mass in Deerfield and
after 11:00 Mass in Blissfield

• **EL. & MS Religious Education Class**
Blissfield, 9:50-10:50AM

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Hosted by the Women of Prayer

Please join us for Eucharistic adoration the first Tuesday or Wednesday of the month (alternating sites after 9:00AM Daily Mass) from **9:30-10:30AM**. The next adoration will be **THIS Tuesday, January 6 in Blissfield from 9:30-10:30AM**. All are welcome!

DAILY MASS CANCELLATION POLICY FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

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FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

After sharing most of the items in our pantry for the annual Christmas Baskets, our Food Pantry is in need of several staple items. Donations of the following can be dropped off at either church on the weekends or in the Parish Office on Tuesday or Thursday from 9am-5pm:

- Boxed Potatoes
- Canned Chili
- Rice-a-Roni
- Tuna
- Tuna Helper
- Canned Fruit & Vegetables
- Ravioli
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Kleenex
- Canned Chicken
- Peanut Butter
- Cereal

Thank you for your generosity to those in need!

-MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., January 6- 9:00am St. Peter
† *the People of the Parish*

Wed., January 7- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† *John Witt*
by family

Thurs., January 8- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† *Tom & Juanita Garrett*
by Mike & Sheila Garrett

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

Sat., January 10- 4:30pm, St. Peter
† *Joseph F. Clements*
by family

Sun., January 11- 8:00am, St. Alphonsus
† *CJ Karpinski*
by Liz Phelan

11:00am, St. Peter
† *Madeline Denecker*
by Elsie Delrue

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

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

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.

SATURDAY, FEB. 7

\$60 Per Couple

RSVP by Feb. 3

4:30 P.M. MASS IN CHURCH

6:00 P.M. EVENT IN THE HALL

COUPLES' DATE NIGHT
A Celebration of Marriage

Dinner and Dance

St. Thomas, Ann Arbor
<https://sta2.org/church/news/dinner-and-dance/>



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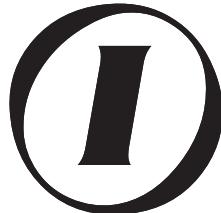
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