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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.

January 11, 2026 The Baptism of the Lord



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

The Baptism of the Lord January 11, 2026

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Matthew 3:13-17

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 18, 2026

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

John 1:29-34



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**.

SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

The **\$250 Sweepstakes** winner for **December 2025** is **Anne Spiegel of Blissfield**, with ticket **#25-4424**! The ticket was sold by **Josephine Spiegel**, so she received **\$20**.

Good luck to everyone in the **January 2026** drawing! It's not too late to purchase your tickets to be included in the monthly drawings for 2025!

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

Marvin Emerson Johnson of Blissfield passed away on January 1 and his funeral was January 6 in Blissfield. Please keep Marvin and his family in your thoughts and prayers.



PARISH CLUSTER CHILI COOK-OFF Saturday, February 7, 2026



Calling all chili lovers! St. Elizabeth is hosting a Parish Cluster Chili Cook-off on Saturday, February 7, 2026, following the 5:00 PM Mass, in the St. Elizabeth Parish Center. Guests attending the event will be voting on the winners. So dust off your favorite recipe, and line up your spices!!

If you would like to participate, please signup with the Parish Office so we know how many entries to expect.

COFFEE & DONUTS hosted by the Knights of Columbus Sunday, January 25 after 11:00 Mass in Blissfield

ALL parishioners are invited to enjoy Coffee & Donuts served by the Knights at St. Peter Church Hall on January 25 after the 11:00 AM Mass. All children are welcome.

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT- December 28, 2025

Sunday \$2,360 - 49 env
Christmas \$4,369 - 79 env
Loose \$350
Solemnity of Mary \$50 - 2 env
Initial Offering \$180 - 3 env
Mercy Fund \$20 - 1 env
Catholic Social Teaching \$10 1 env
Total \$7,339

Online Giving

Sunday \$1981 - 27 env
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
Monthly Pledge \$5 - 1 env
Total \$1,991

Overall Total \$9,330

January 4, 2026

Sunday \$4,603 72 env
Christmas \$910 - 5 env
Loose \$180
Initial Offering \$148 - 8 env
Mercy Fund \$153 - 8 env
World Wide Evan. \$20 - 1 env
Solemnity of Mary \$278 - 6 env
Total \$6,292

Online Giving

Sunday \$966 - 22 env
Christmas \$50 - 1 env
Solemnity \$50 1 env
Monthly Pledge \$55 - 2 env
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
Total \$1,126

Overall Total \$7,418



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBER NEWS

Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God: for God is love. 1 JOHN 3:7,8. Let us ask the Holy Spirit for a generous increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated religious. Blessed Virgin Mary pray for us.

ALL parishioners are invited to enjoy Coffee & Donuts served by the Knights at St. Peter Church Hall on January 25 after the 11:00 AM Mass. All children are welcome. St. Alphonsus & St. Peter the Apostle pray for us.

We are an active council as long as we give a helping hand to others, including clearing away ice and snow, picking up dead limbs, or shopping for the elderly or homebound. Donating to the Food Pantry, sharing a good joke, and checking on the well-being of others is dearly appreciated. **The Red Cross will be collecting Blood Donations on Thursday, February 12, from 11:30 AM to 5:30 PM, at the Blissfield American Legion.** To schedule your appointment please call 1 800 733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org. St. John Neumann 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 details, please visit www.kofc.org/scholarships. To join the Knights for FREE please visit www.kofc.org/joinus, enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, and pay no dues for 12 months. To learn more about joining our Council in person with a FREE Membership please call GK Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton pray for us.

Every Catholic gentleman 18 years or older is invited to join the Knights. Becoming a Knight includes eligibility to purchase top quality Life Insurance, Long Term Care Insurance, and Disability Income Insurance. Safe secure investments include IRA, Roth IRA, and Tax Deferred Annuities. The Knights of Columbus has earned the highest possible rating for

financial strength from A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's. For details, please visit www.kofc.org, contact Nicolas Novak at 810 620-4240, email Nicolas.Novak@kofc.org, or visit www.youtube.com/@MichiganKnightsOfColumbus.com.

St. Anthony pray for us.

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

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

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

Sunday, January 18, 2026

✱**EL & MS Religious Education Class**✱
BREAK: Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend

Sunday, January 25, 2026

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

✱**Coffee & Donuts**✱

hosted by the *Knights of Columbus*
Blissfield Hall
after 11:00 Mass

EUCCHARISTIC 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:

**Tuesday, January 13 in Blissfield from
9:30-10:30AM.**

All are welcome!

SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS

SITE LOCATION 2025-26 SCHEDULE

January 17 Deerfield
January 24 Blissfield
January 31 Deerfield
February 7 Blissfield
February 14 Deerfield

-MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., January 13- 9:00am St. Peter
✠ *the People of the Parish*

Wed., January 14- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ *Ken Smolka*
by Russ & Jane Bolster

Thurs., January 15- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ *Deacon Peter Anthony Gudaitis*
by the Parish

Fri., January 16- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
✠ *Urvin Reau*
by Paulette Meiring

Sat., January 17- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
✠ *Kenneth Smolka*
by Beverly Anderson

**Sun., January 18-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
✠ *Patricia Brosamer Malmquist*
by Malmquist & Brosamer families

11:00am, St. Peter
✠ *Tom & Juanita Garrett*
by Mike & Sheila Garrett

METANOIA

A JOURNEY WITH CHRIST INTO CONVERSION

JOIN US FOR A NEW VIDEO SERIES

Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, President of Franciscan University and founder of The Ministry of the Wild Goose hosts this 8-part series that explores areas of life where conversion is so often necessary.

Dates: Wednesdays, February 4 – March 25

Place: St. Thomas Parish Hall

Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$60 Adult, \$35 Young Adult, Free Student

Metanoia Mini Retreat: Sunday, March 15

Highlights:

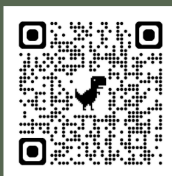
Dinner, engaging content, live testimonies,
worship, transformative moments, and
discussion groups for married and engaged
couples, men, women, and young adults.

Bring your spouse, friend, neighbor, or coworker.
All are welcome!



FEATURING:

FR. DAVE PIVONKA, TOR



SCAN TO REGISTER

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

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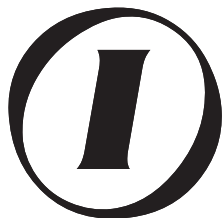


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