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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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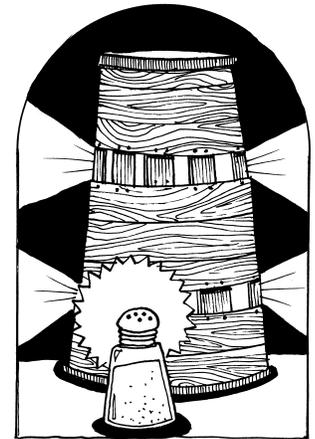
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Please call the parish office for contact info.

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.

February 8, 2026
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 8, 2026
Isaiah 58:7-10
1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 15, 2026
Sirach 15:15-20
1 Corinthians 2:6-10
Matthew 5:17-37



**LITTLE BOOKS FOR LENT
FROM THE DIOCESE OF SAGINAW**

The Little (black) Books for Lent are available at each church. They contain 6-minute scripture passages and reflections for each day during Lent. The **Little Book for Lent** begins next weekend on **Sunday, February 15**, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday (beginning of Lent).

Please help yourself!

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-

February 1, 2026

Sunday \$5,385 - 81 env
Loose \$143
Mercy Fund \$289 - 19 env
World Wide Evan.\$25 - 1 env
Total \$5,842

Online Giving

Sunday \$1,196 24 env
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
Monthly Pledge \$5 - 1 env
Total \$1,206

Overall Total \$7,048

SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

The **\$250 Sweepstakes** winner for **January 2026** is **Jeremy Laberdee of Petersburg**, with ticket #26-1829! The ticket was sold by **Barb Laberdee**, so she received **\$20**, as well.

Good luck to everyone in the February 2026 drawing!

INSPIRATIONAL CORNER

We are the Light of Christ!

Matthew 5:13-16

The Sermon on the Mount does not say that the disciples are to become the salt, that they are to become like a city on a hill or make themselves a light amid the darkness of the world. They *are* all those things, and that's because Jesus has called them and they have responded. Rather, they are **expected to manifest what they are**: "Let your light so shine before men."

How is this done? By good works.

Our text does not specify what these good works are. It is more concerned to insist that good works are not the meritorious deeds of the disciples themselves, for the world that sees them does not praise the disciples for them, but the heavenly Father.

The good works of the disciples point away from themselves to the grace of God through which they were wrought.

Reginald H. Fuller

ASH WEDNESDAY
First Day of Lent



Wednesday, February 18
9:00am Mass, Deerfield
7:00pm Mass, Blissfield

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2026

Wednesday February 18:

Ash Wednesday:
9:00am Mass: Deerfield
7:00pm Mass: Blissfield

Friday, February 20:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Blissfield

Wednesday, February 25:

Soup Supper: 6:00pm
Substance: Video: 6:30pm
Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm
Deerfield

Friday, February 27:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Deerfield

Tuesday, March 3:

Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am-10:30am
Blissfield

Wednesday, March 4:

Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm
Blissfield

Friday, March 6:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Blissfield

Wednesday, March 11:

Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm
Deerfield

Friday, March 13:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Deerfield

Wednesday, March 18:

Soup Supper: 6:00pm
Substance: Video: 6:30pm
Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm
Blissfield

Friday, March 20:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Blissfield

Wednesday, March 25:

Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY &
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ALL
CELEBRATING IN FEBRUARY!!**

MANY BLESSINGS TO YOU.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MEMBER NEWS**

Jesus said, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. This I command you, to love one another." JOHN 15:16-17. Please pray for a generous increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated religious. Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us.

Help save lives by praying to end abortion during our 40 Days for Life campaign February 18 through March 29. We can participate in 3 different ways including prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. Our participation since 2007 has contributed to 26,144 lives being saved, the closing of 184 abortion centers, and 275 abortion workers quitting. To sign up for a nearby vigil or to find local events starting February 17, please

visit www.40daysforlife.com or contact Kevin Jorrey at 419 214-4933 or email kjorrey@toledodiocese.org. Our Lady of Guadalupe pray for us.

The Red Cross needs blood NOW! You can donate at Blissfield American Legion on Thursday, February 12, from 11:30 AM-5:30 PM, or go to Sienna Heights University on Wednesday, February 11, from 11:00 AM-5:00 PM. To schedule your appointment or to find other days and locations please call 1 800 733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org. Donate by February 28 and you will receive a \$20.00 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice. St Jude pray for us.

Do you know someone who is ill or homebound? They can recite the Rosary with the pilgrims at Lourdes, France. The Rosary is recited "LIVE" in English at 9:00 AM each morning at the place the Immaculate Conception appeared to Bernadette beginning February 11, 1858. Join them by visiting www.lourdes-france.org, or stream on YouTube at TV Lourdes Live. St. Bernadette pray for us.

Scholarships are available from the Knights of Columbus. Most recipients are children of Knights or Knights themselves attending Catholic colleges and universities. For more information, please visit www.kofc.org/scholarships. Not a Knight? No problem. To join the Knights online go to www.kofc.org/join, enter Prome Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, and receive a FREE online membership or join locally by calling GK Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868. St. Bridgid of Ireland pray for us.

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

THIS WEEK & MORE IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, February 8, 2026
 ✽**EL & MS Religious Education Class**✽
 ✽**Confirmation Class**✽
 Blissfield, 9:50-10:50AM

Sunday, February 15, 2026
 ✽**EL & MS Religious Education Class**✽
BREAK: Presidents' Day Weekend

Wednesday, February 18, 2026
 ✽**ASH WEDNESDAY**✽
 9:00AM Mass in Deerfield
 7:00PM Mass in Blissfield

Friday, February 20, 2026
 ✽**Stations of the Cross**✽
 7:00PM in Blissfield

Sunday, February 22, 2026
 ✽**EL & MS Religious Education Class**✽
 ✽**Confirmation Class**✽
 Blissfield, 9:50-10:50AM

SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS
SITE LOCATION
2025-26 SCHEDULE
 February 14 Deerfield
 February 21 Blissfield
 February 28 Deerfield

SAVE THE DATES!
LENTEN SOUP & SUBSTANCE
Feed Your Body and Your Soul!
Wednesday, Feb. 25, Deerfield &
Wednesday, March 18, Blissfield
6:00pm Soup Supper
6:30pm Substance (Video)
7:00pm Reconciliation (Confession)

Want to share your special soup?

Please join us and, if you're able, consider signing up to bring a soup so we have enough and a variety for all. There will be **sign up sheets** available in the back of each church **Please sign up beforehand so we know how many soups to expect and can plan accordingly.** We're usually blessed with many different types of soup, so why not join in on the fun!

Not a cook? Come enjoy some delicious soup with us! There's always enough for everyone to share together as a parish family.

The Parish will provide bread, butter, and beverages.

Please join us!

We look forward to seeing you at our Lenten Soup & Substance evenings!

-MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK-

Tues., February 10- 9:00am, St. Peter
 † *the People of the Parish*

Wed., February 11- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
 † *Kenneth Smolka*
 by Beverly Anderson

Thurs., February 12- 9:00am, St. Peter
 † *Urvin Reau*
 by R.C. & S.L. Morley

Fri., February 13- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
 † *Jim DeCocker*
 by Alan & Judy Schmidt

Sat., February 14- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
 † *John Witt*
 by family

Sun., February 15- 8:00am, St. Alphonsus
 † *Jack Gainsley*
 by Terry & Deborah Beurer

11:00am, St. Peter
 † *Eliza Jane Bunge*
 by family

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

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| Kathleen Adams | Wendy Moore |
| Ned Ahleman | Joseph Mueller |
| Helen Bateson | Muriel Mueller |
| Rita Bausman | John Musielewicz |
| Aiden Beauregard | Brenda Nagy |
| Mike Bomia | Karen Nevins |
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| Doris Bussing | Brendan Robaszekiewicz |
| Linda & Dan Butcher | Joseph Savarin |
| Liam Cherry | Sharon Schadewald |
| Mary Clemes | Jeanne Schroeder |
| Webb Drew | Harold Sears |
| Elaine Esper | Pat Sears |
| Kenneth Faust | Patricia Shannon |
| Carmen Garcia | Steve Shields |
| Jennifer Gison | Becky Shusta |
| Reagan Gobel | Margaret Smith |
| Ginger Goodin | Sue Spinazze |
| Katy Goodman | Emily Stevens |
| Makenzie Greer | Dana Strickler |
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| 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 |
| Red McMahan | |

Please call the parish office if you would like to receive the sacrament of 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.



DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY BEGINS SOON: ONLINE FEBRUARY 17

Light of Christ Parish is on a journey to know, love, and serve Christ in our parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves **assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities**, and that is where the **Disciple Maker Index (DMI)** comes in! The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at Light of Christ. The Disciple Maker Index is designed to:

- Invite parishioners to reflect on their journey of discipleship.
- Enable parish leadership to make data-driven decisions.
- Help parishioners grow in their faith.

The 10–15-minute survey can be accessed through an online link **from February 17 through March 31** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide your perspective on our parish's efforts to help you grow in relationship with Christ. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We will share the link with you a bit closer to the launch of the survey. Paper surveys will also be available for those who do not have the ability to complete the survey online.

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Thank you for helping with this important project and please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.



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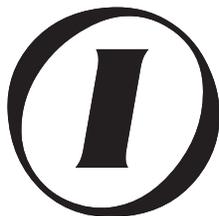
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