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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00PM • St Michael
Sunday 8:30AM • St Michael
Sunday 10:30AM • St Mary

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday 12:00PM • St Mary
Adoration begins after Mass until 3:30PM
Wednesday 12:00PM • St Michael
Adoration begins after Mass until 3:30PM
Thursday 12:00PM • St Mary
Friday 12:00PM • St Michael

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday and
Thursday 12:30PM to 1:30PM • St. Mary
Wednesday and
Friday 12:30PM to 1:30PM • St. Michael
Saturday 3:00PM to 3:45PM • St. Michael

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday November 29

4:00PM † Carl Goosen by Marcy Goosen.....MI
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:00 PM—3:45 PM - St Michael

Sunday November 30

8:30AM † Tom Anderson by John & Denise Anderson.....MI
 10:30AM † Jim Potts by Robbie GrossMA

Monday December 1 No Mass

Tuesday December 2

12:00PM † Stanley "Buck" Chesla by The Knights of Columbus #11581...MA
Adoration begins after Mass until 3:30pm
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 12:30-1:30PM - St. Mary

Wednesday December 3

No Mass/No Confessions/No Adorations

Thursday December 4

12:00PM † Lloyd Ney by M/M Duane Perrin.....MA
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 12:30-1:30PM - St. Mary

Friday December 5

12:00PM † Kathie Poelma by KofC #9909.....MI
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 12:30-1:30PM - St. Michael

Saturday December 6

4:00PM † Chuck Albrecht by Chris Albrecht.....MI
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:00 PM—3:45 PM - St Michael

Sunday December 7

8:30AM † Nathan Syrek by the Syrek Family.....MI
 10:30AM † Richard Swanson by M/M Gary KarrMA

Monday December 8

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:00PM Our Parish Family.....MI
 6:00PM Our Parish Family.....MA

MA=St. Mary MI=St. Michael's

Winter Weather Reminder.... When there is inclement weather and Coopersville and/or Kenowa Hills Schools are closed. All Parish Events and Daily Mass will be cancelled that day. The Mass intention for that day will be rescheduled at our earliest opportunity. The Parish Office will be closed. Staff will be working from home and respond to emails and voicemails through out the day.

Scripture Readings for the Week of November 30, 2025

Sunday First Sunday of Advent
 Is 2:1-5; Ps 122, 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rm 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Monday
 Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday
 Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest
 Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5,6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday
 Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday
 Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday
 Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday Second Sunday of Advent
 Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rm 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

St. Michael's Liturgical Ministers

	Dec 6—4:00PM	Dec 7 —8:30AM
Altar Servers	Kassidy Britt MaKaelyn Britt	Kenzie Harker Melena Lindberg
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Felicioni Mary Guilbault NEED ONE	Sharon Carlson Kenny Harker Zack Nelson Chris Albrecht Jennifer DeMull Rosemary Weigel NEED ONE
Lector	Rob Guilbault	Dennis Zimmer
Sacristan	Jane Vitunskas	Jane Vitunskas
Ushers	Ray Maka NEED ONE	Joe Meerman Calvin Lindberg Greg Helsen Curt DeVos
Music	Craig Bleckley	Craig Bleckley

St. Mary's Liturgical Ministers

	December 7 —10:30AM
Sacristan	Gary Karr
Altar Servers	Ty Ricord Sela Ricord
Precious Body	Christina Withers Mary Kirkwood Margie Jirous
Precious Blood	Geary Farrell Jim Fritz Becky Warners Vito Dolci
Hospitality	Leonard Horter
Lector	John Klein
Music	Bernie Stanko

Pray for Vocations

O God,
 hear our prayer
 and let our cry come to You.
 Bless the Diocese of Grand Rapids
 with many vocations to the
 priesthood, diaconate,
 and religious life.

Give Your sons and daughters
 the confidence to
 accept Your call,
 and the love to follow always
 in the footsteps of
 Your beloved Son
 with courage and dedication
 to Your will.

Amen.

Cluster News and Community News and Events

Advent Lecture Series

Scripture Roots of the Sacraments

Led by Fr. Michael Hodges. St Mary Community Room
Mondays- December 1, 8, 15 - 7-8:30PM
All are Welcome. (no registration needed)

The Sacraments



Baptism Confirmation Eucharist Reconciliation Matrimony Holy Orders Anointing of the Sick

Ladies, Join the Millions of Monicas

Prayer Group at St. Anthony of Padua Parish

Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month 6–7 p.m.

St. Anthony of Padua Chapel

2510 Richmond St NW, Grand Rapids

Are you praying for loved ones to return to the Church? You're not alone. Join other women in faith and hope as we lift our children, grandchildren, and other loved ones through prayer.

Millions of Monicas is a national movement of mothers and grandmothers committed to intercessory prayer, trust, and surrender. All women are welcome—no registration required.

Cherish Marriage 2026

Join other couples from across the Diocese of Grand Rapids for a night to strengthen your marriage. The annual Cherish Marriage event is planned for Friday, Feb. 6, 2026, at Watermark Country Club. The evening runs from 6 – 11 p.m. Michael Gormley of Lay Evangelist will be the keynote speaker. Registration is now open at CherishMarriage.net.

Don't delay; this event always sells out!

We're Hiring!

We are looking for individuals who are passionate about sharing the Catholic faith to fill positions in our Catholic schools, parishes, and at the diocese.

Find openings at: gdiocese.org/employment/

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Fr Mike's Musings



Advent is not only about preparing for the celebration of Jesus' birth at Christmas. We live between the First Coming of Jesus when He was born in Bethlehem and His Second Coming at the end of time when He will come as the Judge of all mankind. Advent is a time for us to reflect on the Second Coming of Jesus. So, the Advent season is concerned with the two comings of Jesus--our preparation for the remembrance and celebration of Jesus' birth and our preparation for the Second Coming.

The readings of the First Sunday of Advent invite us to watch for the Second Coming of Jesus, and the readings of the Second Sunday of Advent invite us to prepare for the Second Coming of Jesus. That is why each year on the Second Sunday of Advent, we listen to a Gospel passage with John the Baptist asking us to "...prepare a way for the Lord." And on the Third Sunday of Advent, we can detect some encouragement for us to be patient for the prophesied Second Coming.

In the early years of the Church it was believed that the Second Coming would be only a matter of a few years. Paul, early in his ministry, believed the Second Coming would be so soon that he himself would not die before it occurred. But as time went by, the Church gradually began to realize that the Second Coming would not be as early as expected. Therefore, it became important for the Church to have written records detailing the life and ministry of Jesus for future generations in the faith—the Gospels.

Why did the early Church long for the Second Coming of Jesus and why are we invited now to reflect on it and long for it during Advent? Jesus' Second Coming will complete what He began with His birth, death, and resurrection. God is present with us throughout all of history, but the Second Coming and the Judgment will show all of history leading to God's final purpose and goal. At the Judgment we will see how this divine plan for all of history has worked itself out.

We are invited to anticipate and prepare for the Second Coming of Jesus along with our preparations for Christ. But just how do we prepare for it? We place God first in our lives and love our neighbor as ourselves. We work to cleanse our hearts from sin. This why Advent is classed as a 'penitential season' or 'little Lent'. The purpose is the same—preparing for His arrival, as our Redeemer and our Judge.

Advent Family Prayer

God of Love, Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us. He is a sign of your love. Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent, As we wait and prepare for his coming. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen. Author Unknown

Additional Advent Resources Available at NO COST to you in the Narthex.

- "Little BLUE Books" will enrich your Advent season with daily prayer & reflections.
- The Word Among Us" includes Daily Scripture readings and prayers from the Liturgy. Free Mass Supplement, Daily meditation based on the Mass. Practical featured articles on Advent and the saints.

Christmas Hymn Sing Along
Sunday, December 14
3:00 PM- St Mary -Marne

If you love to sing Christmas Hymns or to be surrounded by others who do, please join us for this free event. All are Welcome.

Christmas Hymn Sing Along with organ, piano, over 20 flutes and your voices.

November 30, 2025 ~ First Sunday of Advent

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St Mary Faith Formation

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW):
Pre-School thru 2nd Grade During 10:30 AM Mass.

1st-7th Grade Faith Formation Classes -
Wednesdays at Hall / 6:00- 7:30pm

8th Grade - Confirmation Classes -
Wednesdays at Hall / 6:00- 7:30pm

For more information or any questions on any of these programs Please contact Debbie Veneklas at dre@saintmarysmarne.org or 616.677.3934

Prayers for Debbie

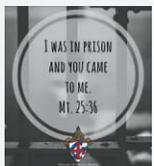
Continued prayers of healing, peace and strength for Debbie (our friend and Religious Education Director) as she begins treatment for Chronic Myeloid Leukemia.

Heavenly Father, we commend our friend Debbie to your loving care. Please touch her with your healing hand to restore her strength, comfort her heart, and bring her peace. May she feel your presence and know your love as she recovers. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is now up in the Narthex.. This year we will be helping two local organizations within the diocese. HELP Pregnancy and The Prison, Jail & Juvenile Detention Center Ministry. Parishioners are asked to take a tag off of the tree and replace it with one of the ornaments provided and purchase the requested item listed on the tag. Please return these items **UNWRAPPED** and place under the tree with the ORIGINAL gift tag attached to the item no later than **Sunday, Dec 14. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!** If you have questions or would like to help with this ministry, please contact: Rob and Lori Rander (616) 215-6524



Looking Ahead- Save the Dates

Nov 30	Advent by Candlelight 6:30 Parish Hall
Dec 1	Fr Mike Lecture Series- Scripture Roots of the Sacraments. 7PM- Community Room
Dec 6	Cookies After Mass - Volunteers needed
Dec 7	COR- 7AM Community Room
Dec 8	Fr Mike Lecture Series- Scripture Roots of the Sacraments. 7PM- Community Room
Dec 9	Our Lady of Fatima Guild Meeting 7PM Community Room
Dec 13	COR- 7AM Community Room
Dec 14	Christmas Hymn Sing Along -3PM
Dec 15	Fr Mike Lecture Series- Scripture Roots of the Sacraments. 7PM- Community Room
Dec 21	Decorate the Church for the Christmas Season- 11:30AM

Giving Tuesday – December 2

Dear St Mary Church Family:

We will be participating in Giving Tuesday (December 2) in the hopes of receiving donations from our parish community and being awarded additional funds from winning grant challenges being offered by The Catholic Foundation of West Michigan.

What is Giving Tuesday?

#GivingTuesday is a global day dedicated to giving back, especially after the commercialism and consumerism of Black Friday and Cyber Monday. It is a time to think about giving rather than receiving, and giving back is what we do every day as Catholic Christians, so why not participate with millions around the world during this secular event to support our own ministries?

During these 24 hours of giving, we encouraged you to donate to your favorite parish, school, or other ministry in the diocese ([St Mary-Marne](#)) with the goal of accomplishing good things together through the power of generosity. #GiveCatholicWM

Once again this year, the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan generously agreed to sponsor the #GiveCatholicWM campaign with grants totaling \$10,000! Five challenges were intended to encourage participation, inspire the sharing of faithful, joyous stories, and spark good-natured competition. We need to rally participation from YOU our parish family throughout the 24-hours of giving Dec. 2 and compete to receive additional funds!

Challenge grant details: [Giving Tuesday: Challenges - Diocese of Grand Rapids](#)

How do I donate?

The opportunity to give begins at 12 a.m. (midnight) to 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 2. Individuals are able to give securely online through the diocesan giving page. In order to qualify for any challenge grants, all donations must be received through the diocesan giving website. The Catholic Foundation of West Michigan will issue checks to the winning entities. **Credit card fees will not be charged** which means 100% of your designated donation goes to us!

Our goal is to raise \$4,500 for new laptops, monitors, keyboards, and accessories for our parish Office Staff and IT support to help with the set up and installation of the new equipment.

Please note: The donations MUST be made via the [St Mary-Marne giving link](#) and MUST be made on [Giving Tuesday, December 2, 2025](#) in order to qualify for the additional grant challenge awards.

Any donation, big or small will go a long way in helping us reach our goal. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the parish office.

Thank You

Fr Mike and Your St Mary Parish Office Staff,

Dec. 2, 2025
GIVING TUESDAY
Challenge Grants

Sponsored by:
CATHOLIC FOUNDATION
of West Michigan

In the Beginning

Timeframe: Begins at 5 a.m.

First 10 entities to receive a donation after 5 a.m. on Giving Tuesday wins!

Prize: \$250 each

St. Peter's Power Hours

Timeframe: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The entity with the highest total raised between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Giving Tuesday wins!

Prize: \$1,000

Be Fruitful & Multiply

Timeframe: 24 Hours

The three entities with the most donors over the 48 hours of Giving Tuesday will be awarded a grant.

Prize: \$1,250 for 1st, \$1,000 for 2nd, and \$750 for 3rd

Where 2 or 3(0) are Gathered

Timeframe: 24 Hours

The first 12 entities to have 30 donors through the diocesan website wins!

Prize: \$500 for 1st & 2nd, \$200 for 3rd -12th

The Chosen One

Timeframe: 11 - 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday

Any entity that receives a donation through the diocesan website from 11 - 11:59 p.m. on Giving Tuesday will be entered into a drawing! One winner will be selected at random.

Prize: \$500 for one winner

Giving Back to God

Weekly Offertory N	Unavailable Due to Holiday Deadlines	\$5600.82
Offertory-YTD Budget vs YTD-Actual		+2943.98

St. Michael's Parish News

Scrip News— Scrip totals will be updated next week. Please remember to buy your Christmas gift cards through Scrip. We are now carrying various \$5 and \$10 cards, which are perfect for the Giving Tree. Also, we are carrying Cabela's \$25 for the Christmas season.



St. Michael's Parish Family

Remembers in Their Prayers: Kevin Johnson, Anne Pols, Alexandria Gordon, George Langlois, Brooke Campbell, Linda Abel-Carroll, Jackie May, Dennis Goosen, Jean Mayse, Debbie Venekase, Ken Heflin, Marvin Hecksel, Payton Patterson, Pat Harlett, the victims of abortion, & the men and women in the military.

Cemetery News — There are envelopes in the pews for the Cemetery Care Fund. Please use those and drop into the collection box, to donate to the upkeep of the cemetery.

If you have not already removed items from the cemetery, please do so before the winter hits and the snow falls. Thank you for your cooperation!

St. Michael's Faith Formation

Children's Liturgy of the Word: CLW program is offered on Sunday during 8:30 Masses. Children 3-9 years old are welcome to join us each week as we pray, read and explore the Sunday Gospel from a child's viewpoint. We include the Gospel Acclamation so children understand the importance of preparing our mind and heart for the Gospel reading.



Elementary Faith Formation: The elementary program is for students in grades 1-5. We meet on Wednesday from 6:00- 7:30 pm in the parish school. Registration forms are in the back of church and on the parish website.

Middle School Faith Formation: Grades 6, 7 and 8 meet on Sundays from 9:45-11:15am in the Youth Room. The 8th Grade students will also receive Confirmation Preparation. Please donate to the Middle School's Giving. Thank you! Contact Debbie if you have any questions (616) 384-4026.

The Giving Tree – St. Michael's Middle School Faith Formation's has the Giving Tree in the Glass hallway. Parishioners are asked to take off as many ornaments as you would like and purchase a gift for the age listed on the tag. Please place these unwrapped presents in a bag and return them under the Giving Tree. The teens are often overlooked because they can be hard to buy for. We have a great solution. You can purchase a \$10.00 gift card from St. Michael's scrip program and place in in the gift card box under the giving tree. You will be giving in two ways. All gifts need to be turned in no later than December 8th, so they can be delivered to Coopersville Cares. Thank you for your support and generosity. May God bless you as you have blessed others.



St. Michael's Sanctuary Lamp

for +Sherry Maslowski
by Frank Maslowski & Family

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Next Sunday, December 7, from 9:30—11:30 a.m.
Adults, \$12.00; Children 6-12, \$7; Under 6, free;
Immediate Family Max: \$33
Come support the Knights and their efforts!

Liturgical Ministers Needed

We are in need of more Liturgical Ministers. Have you ever been interested in serving as a Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Sacristan, Lector or Usher? Now is the time to volunteer your time and talent. Many volunteers are needed for our Saturday 4:00 PM Mass time. Training is available for all positions. See Kevin Kilpatrick for more information. Thank you!



Giving Back to God

November 22/23

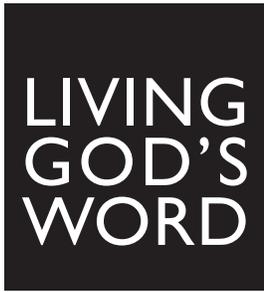
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Mass Attendance: 11/23: 8:30 AM	
Adult Envelopes	
Loose Cash	
Children's Envelopes	
Unavailable Due to Holiday Deadlines	
Total	
Building Fund	
CCHD	
Weekly Offertory Needed for Budget	
Offertory-YTD Budget vs YTD Actual	
Thank you for your continued support!	

Online Giving — Now there's an even more convenient way to contribute to St. Michael's! To donate now, open your phone camera, scan the QR code and follow instructions. Or text the word GIVE to: 616-384-5011.



November 30, 2025 ~ First Sunday of Advent

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To Be Human Is to Be Aware

Awareness should characterize of human life; not just awareness of what we can see and hear around us, but also awareness of what we know through thinking.

We know, for example, with absolute certainty that we were born and we are going to die. This makes us aware that *life* for us means the same thing as *time*. What we do with our time is what we do with our lives. Whatever we give our time to, we are giving our lives to. And whatever we were given life for, that is what we have time for. It is all we have time for! To live in a fully human way, we need to be aware of this. To be caught up simply in “eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage,” working and surviving, is to lose sight of the limits of life; it is to lose the picture.

The Gospel tells us something we could not know except by faith, unless God told us: The real focus of time is on Jesus Christ’s coming in glory. The purpose of human life is to prepare and to be prepared for the coming of Jesus Christ. As Christians, we have been given to know with more than human knowledge that our goal is something more than human existence. The goal of human life is to grow into the fullness of Christ as members of his Body (see Ephesians 1:23; 4:13; Colossians 1:15, 19, 24). We need to remain aware, then, that we are here to spend our time on something more than human life.

Isaiah describes how God helps us do this: “In days to come / the mountain of the LORD’s house / shall be established as the highest of the mountains...all the nations shall stream to it. / Many peoples shall come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD // to the house of the God of Jacob / that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.”

NOVEMBER 30, 2025
1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14;
Matthew 24:37-44

*Christ continues to
prepare the world
for his coming.*

The Church was established to be “the light of the world, a city built on a hill,” to give light to everyone who comes to be instructed in God’s ways and to walk in the divine path (see Matthew 5:14-16). For from the Church “shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD.” The Church—and that means us, all of us as a community and each one of us as a member of that community—is commissioned by Jesus to be the light of Christ, to preserve the light of Christ, and to provide the light of Christ to the world. If we lose our awareness of this and get caught up in “eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage”—that is, with the

immediate preoccupations of work and study, family and social life, professional and civic involvement—without relating these to the coming of Jesus Christ and the real goal of human existence, then we lose the light. Like the bridesmaids who fell asleep waiting for the bridegroom, we let our

lamps go out. We fail in faith and in awareness (see Matthew 25:1-13).

Saint Paul writes to the Romans and to us, “You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep...Night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and



put on the armor of light.” We know what human life is all about. We know its purpose and where it is heading. We know we were created to find our fulfillment in Christ and to let Christ come to fulfillment in us. We fulfill our destiny and let Christ fulfill his destiny of uniting and reconstituting all things in himself, under his headship, through our surrender to his instruction, by keeping awake and aware so that we can “walk in the light of the Lord.”

In Christ, God has broken into history, intervened in human events and given a new direction and goal to human life. In us—through what we say and do, through the choices which shape us as persons, through the enlightened awareness which guides them and through the instruction he gives us through his Church—Christ continues to prepare the world for his coming. A fully human life includes awareness of this.

REFLECTING ON THIS WEEK'S GOSPELS

First Week of Advent

Pray daily: O God, my heart desires the warmth of your love, and my mind is searching for the light of your Word. Increase my longing for Jesus. Amen.

Monday: Matthew 8:5-11. Jesus was amazed and said to those following him, “Truly I tell you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith.” Who is Jesus for you? How do you relate to him?

Tuesday: Luke 10:21-24. Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have revealed them to infants.” What is the difference between *knowing about* Jesus and *knowing* Jesus? What has been your experience of God’s action in your life?

Wednesday: Matthew 15:29-37. Jesus summoned his disciples and said, “I have compassion for the crowd... I do not want to send them away hungry.” What hunger in you does Jesus want to satisfy? How has he done

it in the past? How do you suspect that he wants to do it now?

Thursday: Matthew 7:21, 24-27. “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock.” Can you say that your life is built on the words of Jesus? How do you use Scripture in your life?

Friday: Matthew 9:27-31. When he entered the house the blind men came to him. “And Jesus said to them, ‘Do you believe that I am able to do this [heal you]?’” Do you really believe that Jesus can heal whatever is wrong in your life? What do you really trust to save you from your fears?

Saturday: Matthew 9:35-10:1, 6-8. “Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness.” Have you experienced parts of Jesus’ ministry (teaching, proclaiming and curing) in the Church? Have you experienced them as the action of Jesus in your life?

LIVING THIS WEEK'S GOSPELS

As Christian: This week put your watch on a different hand or change the position of your clock to remind you that time has a new meaning.

As Disciple: Read the opening lines of each of the four Gospels, asking why the author chose to begin that way.

As Prophet: Reflect on your use of time. How does your daily schedule bear witness to the value Jesus Christ has given to time?

As Priest: Spend some time each day, even a few moments, ministering to other people.

As King: This week change one thing, no matter how small, at home or at work to make the world different because you were there.

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