

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 12, 2025

Connections

**Serving the East Lansing
Catholic Community**

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

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East Lansing, MI 48823
Phone: 517-351-7215
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St. Thomas Parish School

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School Phone: 517-332-0813

**St. John Church &
Student Center**

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GIVING

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2025 St. John Student Center

Heritage Gala

\$100 RAFFLE TICKET

EMBRACE FAMILY
ADVENTURES BY THE BEACH
ON LAKE MICHIGAN!

- NAUTICAL HOME NEAR LAKE MICHIGAN FOR UP TO 8 GUESTS FOR 4 NIGHTS
- 5 MINUTES OUTSIDE NEW BUFFALO, MI
- FAMILY-FRIENDLY WINE TOUR AND TASTING



PURCHASE HERE!



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

Weekday Mass Times

Mon, Wed & Friday 6:30am
Tue, Thurs 8:15am
Sat 9:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat 3:00-4:00pm

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Weekend Mass Times

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am
Noon & 7:00pm

Weekday Mass Times

Mon & Wed 5:30pm
Tues & Thurs 8:45pm
Fri 12:15pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Mon & Wed 4:00pm-5:00pm
Tues & Thurs 7:30pm-8:30pm
Fri 11:00am-12:00pm

WELCOME



Jesus said in reply, "Ten (lepers) were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

The Gospel story of the cleansing of the ten lepers reminds us to be grateful for God's mercy. Do we count our blessings daily or do we fixate on all that is imperfect in life? Gratitude is essential for happiness. And if you can even thank God for the crosses that challenge you to grow in virtue, then there will be very little that can spoil your day!

Respect Life Sunday Follow-up: If you or someone you know has suffered from an abortion, please consider attending a **Project Rachel Retreat**. Project Rachel is a healing ministry. Visit hopeafterabortion.com for more information. In addition, I can recommend the **Silent No More Awareness Campaign**, which seeks to break the silence surrounding the loss of a child through abortion. Visit silentnomoreawareness.org for details. And the **40 Days for Life Fall Campaign** is already under way, please personally invite a parishioner, friend or family member to sign up for an hour: 40daysforlife.com/en/lansing.

This Sunday is **Safe Haven Sunday**. This is a diocesan initiative to help families keep their children safe from Internet dangers such as pornography. Free resources will be offered at St. Thomas & St. John for parents and families. Our **Prayer Blanket Ministry** will also have tables in our gathering spaces this weekend. Please take a prayer blanket for someone in need! And there will also be a **Pancake Breakfast** this Sunday in the school gym as well as a reception after the 10:00am **Green & White Alumni Mass** at St. John. Also, Resurrection Parish is celebrating their Ox Roast this weekend. Feel free to visit and support their annual fundraiser!

Deacon Sunday: The Church has named the 2nd Sunday in October in honor of our Deacons. Dcn. Jim Kasprzak, and Dcn. Dave Zygmuntowicz (Dcn. Ziggy) are a huge blessing to our community. Let us pray for their health, intentions, spouses, families and ministry this weekend. And, to the men of the parish, if you are interested in the permanent diaconate, please talk to Dcn. Jim and Dcn. Ziggy to learn more about this

vocation.

Our **Monthly Senior Mass** at St. Thomas is this Wednesday at 10:00am, with the Rosary at 9:30am and a reception afterwards. And look for our St. Vincent de Paul members next weekend for Laity Sunday / Mission Sunday, as they will be inviting new members to join their mission!

In support of Catholic Education, our bishop has begun a new 5-year pledge campaign entitled, **Stewardship for Saints and Scholars**. Please watch the bishop's video explaining his hopes for this campaign on our parish website – elcatholics.org/s3-campaign – and expect your pledge materials to arrive by mail. If for some reason you have not received your packet by mail yet, please contact the parish office so that we can update our contact information and send you a packet. This is a 5-year pledge campaign, so your suggested pledge amount – divided over 60 months / 5 years – can be broken down into monthly or quarterly installments to fit your budget. Please review the campaign material, pray about your response, and support this historic effort for the benefit of our Catholic schools!

As October is the Month of the Holy Rosary, **please pray the Holy Rosary daily through October!** War and conflicts are expanding across the world, and our own nation needs prayers for peace, safety, and civility. Although the daily news can be very discouraging, Our Lady of Fatima has told us of the power of the Holy Rosary to even stop wars.

An Ounce of Prevention: Knowing that the cold & flu season and winter storms are only a few months away... let us think ahead, be prepared, have plans in place if there is another run on the stores due to a viral surge, ice storm or power outage. It is always helpful to have a reserve of food, water, medicine, flashlights, candles, cleaning agents and the like. As the Boy Scouts say, "Always be prepared!" Helpful advice is available for just about every occasion at ready.gov or michigan.gov/michiganprepares. And let us keep praying for the victims of natural disasters as well as the victims of war and conflict throughout the world!

May God grant us grateful and joyful hearts! –

Fr. Gordon

Deacon Sunday

St. Laurence,
Pray for Deacons!

VOCATION
MINISTRY



PANCAKE BREAKFAST *with* MADE TO ORDER OMELETTES, SAUSAGE *and* MORE!

Sunday, Oct 12
9:00am - 1:00pm
STA School Gym

Hosted by
The Knights of Columbus



Prayer Blanket Sunday, Oct 12

Prayer blankets will be available after all of the Masses this weekend. If you know someone who is ill and would like that person to be reminded of your prayers, please take a blanket - or two. Names of recipients will be put into the Book of Prayers to be prayed for at all of the Masses.

Prayer blankets are available year round in either office, free of charge. Please stop in and get one when someone you know is ill or facing great distress. The gift of a prayer blanket gives you something tangible to offer the person along with your care and prayers.

Tootsie Roll Drive

The Father Mac Council, #7816, will be conducting their bi-annual fundraiser for the Mentally Incapacitated (MI) after every Mass this weekend, Oct 11 and 12 at St. Thomas and St. John



Called to Serve
THE MOST VULNERABLE



ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY For Women of All Ages Who Wish to Serve the Church



Everyone is invited to pray the rosary on
Wednesday, October 15 at 9:30am at St. Thomas
before the Senior Mass.

If you would like to pray the rosary, but can't join us,
blue pamphlets are available at each church.



2025 St. John Student Center

Heritage Gala

Saturday, November 8
MSU Kellogg Center



Purchase tickets, tables, or
sponsorships at
stjohnmsu.org
or by scanning here!





St. John Student Center - Home of the
Catholic Spartans



Anna Stankewitz - annas@elcatholics.org
Director of Campus Ministry
Joshua Janda - jjanda@elcatholics.org
Campus Minister



GAME DAY MASS

**10.25 | 11:00AM
AT ST. JOHN STUDENT CENTER**

MASS FOLLOWED BY FOOD
AND FRIENDLY COMPETITION BETWEEN
CATHOLIC SPARTANS AND MICHIGAN CATHOLICS



Catholic Spartan Lunch

Thursday, October 16
12:00 - 1:30pm @ SnyPhi

SIGN UP FOR

ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK

FLINT, MI
JONESTOWN, MS
TUPELO, MS



Seniors & Seniors

If you are an MSU senior, join us for a fun crossover event at St. Thomas Aquinas' monthly Senior (Citizen) Mass and reception on **Wednesday, October 15**. You are also welcome to the Mass at 10:00am in STA Church, but the reception will begin just before 11:00am down in Fr. Mac Hall. There will be generational trivia and prizes! We will also share about the adventures we have on campus and over the summer.

Students, please email Anna (annas@elcatholics.org) to let us know if you plan to attend the reception from 10:45am-12:00pm.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18
2-4PM
IN FR. MAC HALL**



**HOSTED BY
CATHOLIC SPARTANS**

\$10 ENTRY

ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT THE GROUP OF MSU STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SEEK CONFERENCE IN JANUARY



Ronald McDonald Battle for the Houses Tuesday, Oct 7 - Friday, Oct 17

Battle for the Houses is a friendly competition between Ronald McDonald House Mid-Michigan in Lansing (**TEAM GREEN!**) and Ronald McDonald House Ann Arbor (**TEAM BLUE**) to see who can raise the most funds and log the most volunteer hours.



Volunteers are at the heart of the Battle, bringing people together and creating a space where everyone can contribute, regardless of age and financial ability. St. Thomas

Aquinas School has been invited to help **TEAM GREEN!** Our STA Student Council has set up this drive to help build points for our Ronald McDonald House.

The STA Student Council is asking each grade to be responsible for collecting different wish list items. Examples are below.

- **Kindergarten** - individual package chips, crackers, and cookies
- **1st grade** - pop tarts, individual cup cereal, breakfast/protein bars
- **2nd grade** - applesauce, pudding cups, and fruit cups
- **3rd grade** - mac and cheese cups, Hormel or Chef Boyardee individual meal cups, individual microwave soups
- **4th grade** - travel size shampoo, conditioner, and washcloths
- **5th grade** - travel size deodorant, body wash and Chapstick
- **6th grade** - travel size lotion, hand sanitizer, and bags or pouches for hygiene kits, prayer cards
- **7th grade** - travel size toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, and floss, prayer cards
- **8th grade** - notebooks, puzzle books & coloring books for adults and pens, prayer cards

Items will be gathered in the classrooms from Monday, Oct. 6 through Friday, Oct. 17. Student Council members will organize the donations and create hygiene kits for parents and family.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAMILIES

As we start another year of Religious Education for our children, stop in and meet the fine catechists we have for your children. They are a mixture of MSU college students who have taught in their home parishes and wish to do so for children along with many parents



who donate their time for this faith mission of "making disciples."

Also, please remit your payments if you haven't already and we do have payment plans and scholarships for those in need. Always feel free to contact me at dlewise@elcatholics.org, stop in, or call me at 517-351-7215 ext 206.

May the Lord bless our program, children, and you for expanding their faith.

The Chosen Adventures

Follows nine-year-old Abby and her best friend Joshua as they navigate life in the ancient city of Capernaum. When the children encounter a wise craftsman and teacher, Jesus of Nazareth, he helps them change the way they see the world, and they help spread his influence far and wide (among the 7 to 12-year-old set). And did we mention that she has a talking sheep?

It begins streaming on October 17, on Prime Video and 5&2 Studios. They will be released on YouTube later in 2025.



Senior Ministry Seniors and Seniors



Seniors and seniors, join us and Campus Ministry to celebrate seniors young and old for Mass at 10:00am on **Wednesday, October 15.**

Afterwards there be a reception with generational trivia and prizes downstairs in Fr. Mac. Seniors will also share about the adventures they have on campus and over the summer.

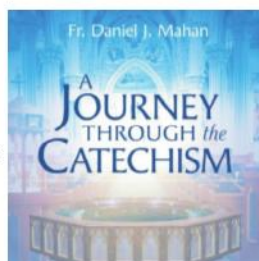


WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS Tuesday Lunch Club

Join us at Coral Gables in East Lansing on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. You are invited to come on Oct. 14. We meet at 12:30pm. **Please call St. Thomas at 517-351-7215** to reserve a spot by the Monday before the event.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Join us beginning **Wednesday, October 29** to study, **"A Journey Through the Catechism."** We meet 10:00am-12:00pm in the fireplace room at St. Thomas. This is an ongoing study group and **always open to new folks.**



Whether you're a new convert, returning to the faith, or a seasoned Catholic, A Journey through the Catechism will lead you to discover the truth, beauty, and goodness that lie at the heart of Catholicism.

Please contact Carol Wilkinson at wwilca@aol.com with questions or if you would like to join.

St. John Food Cupboard Needs

With your help, we were able to serve over 1,900 households during the fiscal year just ended; and the need continues. We are in need of spaghetti, canned white chicken, cereal, brown and/or white rice in 1 pound bags, and diapers sizes 1-6.



Thank You!



Art Class

Unlock your creative potential! Join us for art class and discover the joy of drawing! We meet on Thursdays from 10:00am to 1:00pm in Fr. Mac Hall. Beginners are welcome! For more information, please contact Carol at 517.627.8242 or Judy at 517.488.3435.

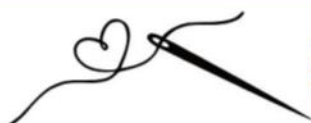
Young Adults Oct 15 | 6:15pm Lectio and Pasta

Activities begin with evening prayer at 6:15pm at St. John followed by event or activity.

Update your contact info by scanning the QR Code.



We have a big group of parish young adults aged 22-35 who meet most Wednesdays for social time, prayer and some presentations. For more info please email friley@elcatholics.org.



Rosary Altar Society



**CRAFT FAIR
HOSTED BY
THE ROSARY
ALTAR SOCIETY
QUILT GROUP**

Quilts, Placemats, Table Runners...

Nov. 9 and Dec. 14 | STA School Gym
9:00am to 1:00pm

Other crafters are welcome to join us!
Questions: weber.kaj@gmail.com

Sacred Heart Seminary HALLOWEEN CANDY DONATION

**Please drop off your Candy Donations
by Friday, October 17
Look for the blue buckets at either parish**

Meijer Holiday Simply Give Program Has Begun!

In the continuing spirit of providing to those in need, the Meijer Corporation invited the St. John/St. Thomas parish family to participate in the Meijer Holiday Simply Give Program. As before, purchase a "Simply Give" donation card of \$10 at the Lake Lansing Road Meijer store now through December 27. Even more important, those Simply Give cards purchased on the Double Match Day - Saturday, December 13 - will be matched twice by Meijer, effectively tripling the contribution to the Food Cupboard!

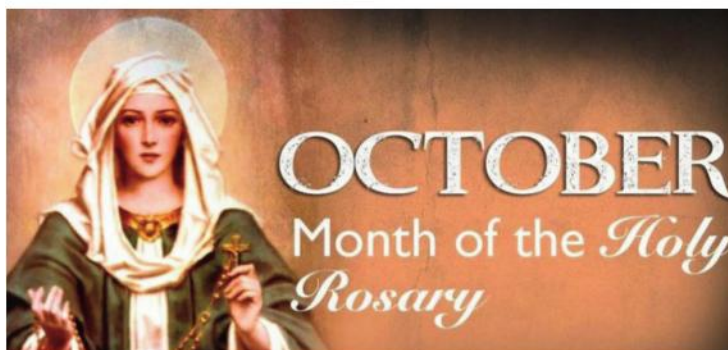
Don't shop at the Lake Lansing Road Meijer but want to triple a contribution to the Food Cupboard?

- Write a check to the St. Vincent de Paul Society and mark the envelope "Meijer Simply Give" and drop it in the Collection Basket at Mass.
- Donate online at elcatholics.org/st-vincent-de-paul-1 and click on the Meijer Simply Give button.

We will then purchase Simply Give cards on your behalf. It is through the generous support of the St. John/St. Thomas parish family, funding provided by the Meijer "Simply Give" program, and food received from the Greater Lansing Food Bank, that we can serve our community. On Double Match Day, Meijer will double match your \$10 with \$20 for a total of \$30, up to \$10,000, to fight local hunger!

The Food Cupboard is operated by volunteers and members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. John Church and Student Center. Questions? Email us at FoodCupboardSJ@gmail.com.

You have our sincerest gratitude, our prayers and blessings. Thank you for your support.



Deacon Discernment Group Meeting Sunday, Oct. 19



Men of the parish join Dcn. Jim & Karen Kasprzak and Dcn. Dave & Ann Zygmuntowicz who will be leading a Deacon Discernment Group that will meet from **2:00 – 3:00 pm on Sunday afternoon, October 19, and November 9 in 2025, and January 25 and February 22 in 2026.**

They will share from their own experiences of how God called them to the vocation. They will provide advice on discerning God's call to this vocation, along with integrating the vocation of Marriage with the vocation of Permanent Deacon, describing the ministry of the Permanent Deacon, and explaining the formation process for the vocation of Permanent Deacon. Wives of married men are encouraged to join in this process.

We will meet in the Cozy Room located in the Old Rectory at St. Thomas Aquinas, 955 Alton Rd. East Lansing. Light refreshments will be offered. If you are interested in participating in the Deacon Discernment Group, please contact either Fr. Gordon Reigle at frgordon@elcatholics.org, Dcn. Dave Zymontowicz at dondavez@elcatholics.org or Dcn. Jim Kasprzak at dcnjim@elcatholics.org.

Unlock the Potential Within Lansing Catholic High School



Lansing Catholic High School invites parents and students to attend our October Prospective Family Night & Tailgate on Friday, October 10th. The event is from 5 - 7pm. After attending, join us for a food truck tailgate at Cougar Stadium, you will receive free admission to the LCHS football game and a voucher for popcorn.

Discover what Lansing Catholic High School has to offer by enjoying a tour with a student ambassador of the campus. Students and parents will also have the opportunity to ask questions during a Q/A panel. Save time and pre register at lansingcatholic.org/visit. Registration is not required, but is appreciated. Can't make it? Check out other dates or schedule your own visit with admissions at admissions@lansingcatholic.org.





October is Respect Life Month

The theme is: "Life Our Sign of Hope," Let us silently and prayerfully bear witness to the dignity of life as we kick off this Respect Life Month in the Jubilee Year of Hope.

Visit our parish website for pro-life prayers elcatholics.org/respect-life. Also, the 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign is already under way; please personally invite a parishioner, friend or family member to sign up for an hour 40daysforlife.com/en/lansing.



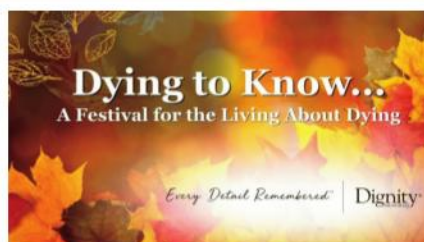
**40 Days for Life
Lansing Fall
Campaign
Sept. 24 – Nov. 2**

**St. Thomas & St. John
Prayer Vigil Days**

TUESDAYS: 7:00AM-7:00PM

**Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/lansing
or Contact Chris Veneklas at 517-528-8502**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



**Dying to Know
Festival
Sponsored by
Gorsline
Runciman
Funeral Homes**

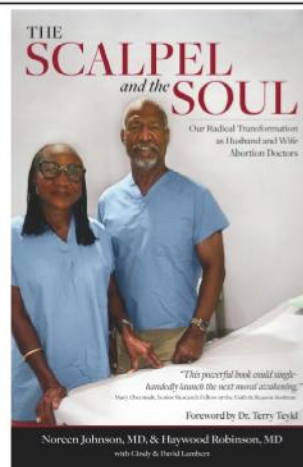
Tuesday, October 14, 1:00-5:00pm come to a Festival for the **LIVING about DYING**. Over 20 vendors of all sorts will be there to talk about how to age.

There will be cash drawings, refreshments, prizes and giveaways, as well as funeral home tours. There will also be breakout speakers. Dying to Know Festivals are a place to talk about death and the preparations needed for end of life decisions and are designed to take the fear out of our later years.

The event is being hosted at Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes, 1730 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing. Questions call Debbie Sydowski 517.482.1692

From Abortionist to Saving Lives

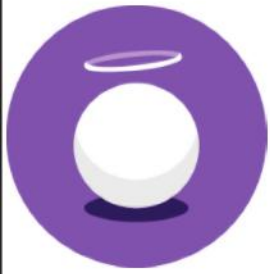
Hear **Dr. Haywood Robinson, MD**, former abortionist, author, and current 40 Days for Life Director of Medical Affairs and Education give his life testimony **Thursday, Oct. 23, 7:00pm** in **Lansing Catholic's HS Auditorium**. Hosted by LCHS Students for Life.




**MISSIONARIES
OF HOPE**

among the Peoples

**World Mission Sunday
10.19.2025**



The Hallow app is **FREE** to download in your phones app store. You can also access Hallow's content through the website or "Web App" using your desktop or personal computer. Visit elcatholics.org/hallow for more information and instructions.

You can also visit hallow.com/parish then enter St. Thomas and St. John Student Center (put all of that in or only the St. Thomas' around the country pop up), add 955 Alton if need to fund us.

Attention Catholic Homeschooling Families:



Please join us for a Lansing Area Catholic Homeschoolers Potluck Social on Saturday October 18th in the Gym at St. Therese Parish following the 4:30pm mass.

Please bring a dish to pass. Tableware will be provided. For more information and to RSVP for the potluck please contact Kristine Witkowski at kristinewitkowski@gmail.com.



A Virtuous Woman ...
PROV. 31

GROWING IN VIRTUE
THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

WOMEN'S RETREATS

Sept. 12-14, 2025	Jan. 9-11, 2026
Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 2025	March 20-22, 2026
Nov. 14-16, 2025	April 17-19, 2026

REGISTER AT WWW.STFRANCIS.WS/WOMENSRETREATS



**INFERNO MICHIGAN
MEN'S FORUM**

OCTOBER 16, 7 PM

"COMBATting THE WORLD"
WITH FATHER JIM ROLPH

FREE!

MERCY HALL
CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
LANSING, MI
HOST: CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

BEER ~ SNACKS ~ BROTHERHOOD
PLEASE RSVP VIA QR CODE OR WEBSITE
BRING A BROTHER!

WWW.INFERNOMICHIGAN.COM



SCAN ME

SAVE THE DATE

**WALKING WITH
MOMS IN NEED**

BABY SHOWER

**OCTOBER 25, 2025
10 AM TO 12**

BENEFITTING THE MOMS WE SERVE
AND SHARED PREGNANCY

FATHER MAC HALL, ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
CHURCH, EAST LANSING

Be Cyber Safe - A Note from Fr. Gordon

Every few weeks, I get an email from parishioners letting me know that someone is impersonating me or a member of the staff. Unfortunately, there is nothing I can do to stop this except to make sure that everyone is aware of the problem. **We never, ever ask you for gift cards via email or text. We will never ask you for personal banking information over email or text.**



There are usually clues that you can't trust the email.

This is just one the many emails that the criminals use to impersonate me. Hover over the email. That will give you the full email address.

Beware of any email or text that lures you into revealing your personal or financial information.

St Gerard Autumn Craft Show Saturday, November 8th, 9am-3pm. 4433 W Willow Hwy, Lansing Fr. Weber Hall (behind St Gerard School)

Come celebrate creativity at our autumn craft show featuring original handcrafted work by talented local crafters. From unique jewelry and home decor to fine art and seasonal gifts, this is a wonderful opportunity to support local crafters and find one-of-a-kind treasures. For more information email StGerardCraftShow@gmail.com

Did you know that Funeral notices, obituaries, and links to livestreams (if the family chooses) are published on our web page?

elcatholics.org/funeral-notice

This Week's Advertiser Spotlight



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Offertory 9/21/25

Budget Amount:	\$40,000.00
Actual Amount:	\$35,614.92
Matthew 25:	\$1,335.12
Outreach to Haiti Week One	



Your donations are important and Your generosity is appreciated!

Now is the time to look at your giving. Maybe you would like to set up a recurring gift? Jennifer Thelen, Database Administrator, would be

happy to help you! Please contact her at jennthelene@catholics.org or 517-351-7215.

Matthew 25 | Oct 19 and 26 Manna House, Detroit

Manna Community Meals has served the homeless and others in need in the Corktown area of Detroit since 1976. Its mission is to offer sanctuary from the harsh realities of the street and to foster human dignity. They serve approximately 120 guests daily, five days a week. They also offer their guests showering and laundry facilities through their Corner Shower Laundry. Manna Community Meal is affiliated with the Day House Catholic Worker and is co-sponsored by St. Peter's Episcopal Church and Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Looking for a unique getaway this winter?

Catholic singles, currently widowed, divorced, or annulled, join other Catholic singles for a pilgrimage to sunny Florida **this December 12-14**. Escape the snow and journey with us to the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche and the Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine—the oldest parish in the nation.

This pilgrimage combines faith, fitness, and fellowship. You'll choose to walk either 22 or 30 miles over three days, with opportunities for daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and Confession. After the walk, we'll gather for appetizers & dinner at a local restaurant. Walk the beach, deepen your faith, and connect with a vibrant community. **Learn more and sign up before October 25.**

catholicsinglesnewsletter.com



Join us!
CHILDREN'S HOME
GRAND
OPENING
CELEBRATION
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2025
6:30 - 8PM

 **Catholic Charities**
of Ingham, Eaton & Clinton Counties

Children's Home
 2800 W. Willow St.
 Lansing, MI 48917

Thank you for the generous support from:
 Frank's Press Box, Westgate Tavern & Grill,
 Wheatfield Valley Golf Course, St. Julian
 Winery & Distillery, & Cakes-A-Bloomin'

Music provided by:
The Red Cedar River Boys
 Featuring: Fr. Peter Clark, Fr. Gordon Reigle,
 Dewey Longuski & Tom Spangler

 **Scan to kindly RSVP or contact:**
 Sarah Jackinchuk
 (517) 323-4734 ext. 1204
info@catholiccharitiesiec.org

No Matter How Much You're Hurting, No Marriage is Beyond Hope

Has your romance faded?
 Do you argue without reaching resolution?
 Are you more like roommates than soul mates?
 Have you grown apart?
 Is your marriage in crisis?
 Why wait for a better marriage?

Retrouvaille is a Catholic-based marriage program designed to help couples heal, and renew their relationship.

In marriage, communication is more than just talking. At some point, did you or your spouse stop sharing things that were important? The distance between a husband and wife can sometimes feel like it is so wide it cannot be repaired... but it CAN!

Save your marriage and your family! There is always HOPE! It's worth it. The next Retrouvaille Marriage Saving Weekend will be **October 17-19 in Farmington Hills, MI**. For more dates visit helpourmarriage.org/.

RETROUVAILLES FRENCH

THE FEELING OF JOY
 WHEN YOU ARE REUNITED
 WITH A LOVED ONE AFTER
 A LONG SEPARATION



Focus on Life Dinner with Guest Speaker: Lisa Gigliotti Tuesday, October 28

Lisa K. Gigliotti, Esq., is a decades-long leader in the work to safeguard Michigan from physician-assisted suicide. For more than 25 years, Lisa has lived with severe rheumatoid arthritis and myasthenia gravis. Through 14 major surgeries and recurrent use of a wheelchair, Lisa has maintained a fulfilling and positive life. She has achieved a successful career in roles including an administrative law judge, a policy advisor for the Michigan senate and governor, a bioethics law professor, writer, and an advocate for people with disabilities and for improving end-of-life care. Lisa will share a powerful message about the courage to honor the end of life, based on her book.

When: Doors open, social hour and appetizers at 5:00pm. Dinner and program at 6:00pm.

Where: Royal Scot Golf & Bowl, 4722 West Grand River Ave, Lansing,

Tickets:

Individual - \$50 | Table of 8 - \$375 | Student - \$25

Register at inghamrtl.org/



Friday Eucharistic Adoration at STA
ADULT ADORERS ARE NEEDED
Sign Up for a 20 Minute Spot
elcatholics.org/adoration

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 13

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Jeffrey Wadel req. by Barbara Harte

5:30pm (St. John)

†Nicholaus Systerman req. by Rachel M.

Tuesday, October 14

8:15am (St. Thomas)

†Art Brandstatter req. by Helen Fortino

8:45pm (St. John)

Int. of Campus Ministry

Wednesday, October 15

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Colette & Joe Frederick req. by The Frederick Family

5:30pm (St. John)

†Steve Jakus Sr.

Thursday, October 16

8:15am (St. Thomas)

†Dennis Bernest req. by The Bernest Family

8:45pm (St. John)

†Conrad Henke req. by Helen Henke

Friday, October 17

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Int. of Suzanne & Tony Duda
on their 40th Wedding Anniversary (STA)

12:15pm (St. John)

†Herve & Philo Defever req. by Nancy Defever Loomis

Saturday, October 18

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†Elise & Anthony Gallegos req. by The Gallagher Family

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

Living & Deceased Members of the Outreach Mass Community

Sunday, October 19

8:00am (St. John)

People of the Parish

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†Mary Ann Combs req. by Carolyn Powers

10:00am (St. John)

†Rosemary Terres req. by Paul Pinkos

11:00am (St. Thomas)

†Shirley Gray req. by Stephanie Murdoch

12:00pm (St. John)

†Duwayne & Rachel Howe
req. by Mike & Sharon Thompson

7:00pm (St. John)

†Jason Bryans req. by The Family

CALENDAR

Monday, October 13

9:30am

Quilt Group (STA)

Tuesday, October 14

12:30pm

Widows/Widowers Lunch (Offsite)

6:00pm

Priesthood Discernment Grp (SJSC)

7:00pm

Knights of Columbus Rosary (STA)

7:30pm

Fr. Mac East Lansing K of C Mtg (STA)

7:30pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Wednesday, October 15

9:30am

Rosary (STA)

10:00am

Senior Mass & Reception (STA)

12:00pm

St. Thomas SVdP (STA)

5:00pm

SVdP Returning Citizens Mtg (SJSC)

5:30pm

Faculty/Comm Book Discussion Grp (SJSC)

6:15pm

GSYP (SJSC)

6:30pm

Cub Pack Boy Scout Mtg (STA)

7:00pm

St. John Choir Rehearsal (SJSC)

7:30pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Thursday, October 16

10:00am

Painting Class (STA)

6:00pm

STA Music/Choir Rehearsal (STA)

7:00pm

Boy Scouts (STA)

7:30pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Friday, October 17

7:00am

Adoration (STA)

3:30pm

Benediction (STA)

11:00am

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Saturday, October 18

9:00am

Food Cupboard (SJSC)

2:30pm

Euchre Tournament (STA)

3:00pm

Confessions (STA)

Sunday, October 19

5:30pm

Anointing of the Sick (STA)

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COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



DRAW

Draw a picture of three people for whom you are thankful.



PUZZLE

Find the two that match.



GOSPEL

Jesus cured 10 men who had bleeding sores all over their skin. As they walked away, they noticed that they were cured. Their sores were gone and their skin was smooth. Nine of them ran to show their families and friends. They were happy. Only one man went back to thank Jesus for curing them. God loves you. Thank him for your family and friends. Thank him for healing you and giving you everything you need.



MISSION

I will remember to say "Please" and "Thank You" to God and his people.

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