

Third Sunday of Lent

March 23, 2025

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Serving the East Lansing
Catholic Community

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Lenten Penance Service

**Sunday, March 30
1:30pm
St. Thomas Aquinas**

Multiple confessors will be available.

*Have mercy on me, God, in accord
with your merciful love. Ps 51:1*

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
Weekend Mass Times
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

Weekday Mass Times
Mon, Wed & Fri 6:30am
Tue, Thurs, & Sat 9am

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



Pray for our candidates and catechumens! We are now making our final preparations for the Easter Vigil. Please pray for all those who will complete their sacraments of initiation and join the Catholic

Church this year. The 10:00am Mass at St. John will have **special rites of preparation and different Mass readings** from the other Sunday Masses over the next 3 weekends.

Speaking of the sacraments, these moments of grace are meant to unite us with Jesus Christ, but, our attitude of mind and heart matters greatly. As we prepare for Mass and our reception of Holy Communion, do we really want to conform our hearts, minds and lives to Christ? If not, then we really need a change of heart. We need to **WANT this transformation**. The same goes for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Reconciliation implies unity with Jesus. If we just want to go back to our old ways, then what is the point of confessing our sins? To help our interior disposition this Lent, please pray this **Unity Prayer** that calls us to oneness in Jesus Christ:

*My Adorable Jesus, May our feet journey together.
May our hands gather in unity. May our hearts beat in unison. May our souls be in harmony. May our thoughts be as one. May our ears listen to the silence together. May our glances profoundly penetrate each other. May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen.*

Stewardship for Saints and Scholars Campaign:

Thank you to all who participated in the feasibility study for this coming 5-year diocesan campaign for Catholic Education. The Steier Group conducted this feasibility study to see if we should add some further parish goals to this campaign, and the resulting summary is contained in this bulletin. In short, the parish will focus primarily on our school goals, which will greatly reduce the scope of the campaign, and plan our rollout for the end of the summer or start of the fall. More to come....

Lenten Activities: Our Wednesday Lenten Series entitled, **Jesus, the Bridegroom**, continues this week at St. John after the 5:30pm Mass.

The presentation will be on the Woman at the Well. Plus, there will be a **Midyear Annual Report Presentation** in Fr. Mac Hall from 6:00-7:00pm on Wednesday. Our Friday Fish Fry will have musical entertainment this week from **Danielle Robinson and Friends** from 5:30-6:30pm in the gym, and please stay for the 7:00pm Stations of the Cross at St. Thomas! In addition to our weekly confession schedule, our **Lenten Penance Service** is scheduled from 1:30-3:00pm at St. Thomas on Sunday, March 30. Please make time for a good confession this Lent!

The **40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN** continues through April 13. Please join us as we pray, fast and keep peaceful vigil for an end to abortion on Tuesdays from 9:00am to 6:30pm across from the Frandor Planned Parenthood. Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/lansing.

Our **Lansing Catholic Charities** have over 100 legal refugees currently in the process of resettlement; however, government funding has now been restricted. As we need to complete their resettlement process and maintain our refugee services office, please consider a donation to Refugee Services, 2800 W. Willow St., Lansing, MI. 48917 or visit: CatholicCharitiesIEC.com

The **Diocesan Services Appeal 2025** theme is "You Are my Chosen Witnesses." This scripture from the Prophet Isaiah shows us that we are called to bear witness to our faith in Jesus Christ. We are about halfway to our parish goal already. Thank you for your support. If you would like to contribute, please make a pledge or donation using an envelope or with a credit card online dioceseoflansing.org/appeal. Please, make sure you note you are from St. Thomas Aquinas.

Thank you for praying for our Holy Father, Pope Francis! Let us continue to keep him (and his eventual successor) in our prayers. May the Holy Spirit guide the Church in these times!

May God bless us and draw us ever closer this Lenten Season!

Mid-Year Annual Report Presentation

Wednesday, March 26
6:00-7:00 pm
Fr. Mac Hall

Join us for updates on:

- Current Fiscal Status
- Diocesan Services Appeal Status
- School 75th Anniversary Gala
- Stewardship for Saints & Scholars Campaign
- Vision for the future of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Parish School, and St. John Church & Student Center

*St. Thomas Aquinas Parish and School
St. John Student Center*

Jesus the Bridegroom

A SERIES OF SUSTENANCE



MARCH 26

THE WOMAN AT THE WELL

**6:15-7:30pm* Wednesdays
at St. John Student Center**

Grab a bowl of soup, settle in, and learn about the divine love story between God and His people--your love story! This week, we will be learning about Christ's Bride by looking at the encounter between Jesus and the woman at the well in John 4.

**Beginning in the church with Evening Prayer*

If you are interested in donating a soup, you can sign up at stjohnmsu.org/bridegroom



**Join a Welcoming
Community for
Those With
Special Needs**

The Our Lady of
Grace Special

Families Ministry invites individuals with special needs along with their families to join us for an afternoon of bowling on **Sunday, March 30**. We welcome people of all ages and abilities!

Meet from **12:30 to 2 pm** at Pins & Pints in East Lansing. The cost per person is \$6 for one game and shoes (or \$10 for two).

If you have questions or would like to join us, please contact Amy at amyschneider9698@gmail.com.

**STATIONS
—OF THE—
CROSS**



FRIDAYS

ST. JOHN
12:45pm
after 12:15pm Mass

ST. THOMAS
7:00pm
after the Fish Fry

Clothing and Household Donation Drive -

Heads up. St. Vincent de Paul will conduct a parish-wide collection weekend **May 3 and 4** in support of the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store. Keep this in mind as you root through your closets and other storage spaces during your spring cleaning. The Donation Drive details are found in the flyer accompanying this bulletin.



St. John Student Center - Home of the

CATHOLIC SPARTANS



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Campus Minister

PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT GROUP

TUESDAY, MARCH 25
6:00pm @ St. John Student Center

WITH FREE PIZZA

Candlelight Mass
**SOLEMNITY OF THE
ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**
8:45pm on March 25th



LUNCH ON CAMPUS

The Campus Ministers
will be eating in Landon this Thursday,
March 27 from 12:00-1:30pm.

CATHOLIC SPARTANS PRESENT

A SPRING
Dance

SATURDAY | 29 MARCH | 8:00PM



HIRING: STA School Aftercare Workers for the 2025-26 School Year

STA school is hiring in our aftercare program for next school year. The program runs from 3:00–5:30pm on days that school is in session. Your schedule is based on your availability each semester.

We are also looking for staff for May of this school year. If you are interested in learning more, contact Joan Jones at jjones@elcatholics.org.

Jean Rambo Scholarship

The Jean Rambo Scholarship Fund for a Fourth Grade Student is in its EIGHTH YEAR and going strong! Thanks to many former students, friends, and family members over the last 7 years, we have been able to offer tuition to seven outstanding 4th grade students!



There is never a deadline for giving but during the month of March we are asking for your "Irish" support of the Jean Rambo Scholarship (Jean was 100% Irish!). Please consider donating with a check payable to St. Thomas and note, "Jean Rambo Scholarship.."



STEWARDSHIP for SAINTS & SCHOLARS

I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all who participated in the recent planning study. Your feedback has been invaluable as we prayerfully consider the path ahead.

We were encouraged to see strong support for key aspects of our proposed goals, including much-needed repairs and updates to the school, upgrades to the pipe organ and critical safety improvements at all locations. However, we also learned that there are concerns regarding how funds are allocated and how projects are prioritized among our three facilities.

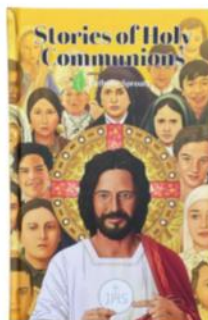
In response to this thoughtful feedback, we are working closely with our Finance Council and staff to make adjustments to our plan for the Stewardship for Saints & Scholars campaign, including postponing our launch to mid/late-summer. This allows us time to reprioritize our goals and communicate those goals with our parish and school community.

Once again, thank you to those who participated in this important study. As we move forward, we trust in God's providence and in the strength of our parish family.

Fr. Gordon

LOOKING FOR A FIRST HOLY COMMUNION GIFT?

Stories of Holy Communion is a beautiful hardbound, full-color book. It is the perfect gift for any child preparing for First Holy Communion.



LEARN THROUGH STORY: These powerful stories are the BEST way for children to enter into the mystery of the Holy Eucharist.

PERSONALIZE IT: Space at the end of the book for children to add a picture and description of their First Holy Communion day.

BEAUTIFUL KEEPSAKE: Hardcover with an original full-color portrait of each saint like St. Therese of Lisieux, Bl. Carlo Acutis and St. Kateri Tekakwitha.

To purchase, go to: shop.catholicsprouts.com, or Amazon.com.



St. John Food Cupboard Needs

The poverty rate for Ingham County is almost 16% while Michigan is at 13.5%, US Census date. Your donation of food items, money and volunteering your time can make a difference.

This week we are in need of: spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned corn and canned peas.

Holy Week

Thursday, April 17

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

St. John

Mass: 7:00pm

Process up MAC to
Burcham Ave and over to
St. Thomas

St. Thomas

Mass: 7:30pm

Process to the STA School
Gym, Adoration until
Midnight

Friday, April 18

GOOD FRIDAY PASSION OF THE LORD

St. John

Liturgy: 12:15pm

Confessions: 1:00 – 3:00pm

St. Thomas

Liturgy: 3:00pm

Confessions: Noon – 2:30pm

Saturday, April 20
HOLY SATURDAY

St. Thomas

Blessing of the Food: 11:00am

Easter Vigil: 8:00pm

Sunday, April 21: EASTER

St. John

8:00am, 10:00am, Noon

No evening Mass

St. Thomas

9:00am, 11:00am



LITURGY OF THE HOURS



Last week, we covered why this prayer is called *Liturgy of the Hours* by addressing that “hours” means the different times of the day this liturgy can be celebrated. Now, in order to get started on sanctifying each day through the prayer of the Church, we will need to be equipped with the right resources.

While the printed version comes in a four-volume set, the easiest way to access the Liturgy of the Hours is on a mobile device. The two most popular apps are called DivineOffice.org and iBreviary.com. Both of these apps are free and updated daily to provide you with the prayers for that particular day.

If you prefer to pray with a printed book in church, you may borrow the *Shorter Christian Prayer* books located in the back of St. John church. These prayer books include Morning, Evening, and Night Prayer. (At St. John Only).

While you may pray the Liturgy of the Hours individually, you are also welcome to pray with others the following times at St. John this Lent:

- Monday & Wednesday, after 5:30 PM Mass
- Tuesday & Thursday, after 8:45 PM Mass

We also continue to pray Morning Prayer together each Saturday after the 9:00 AM Mass in the Cana Chapel at St. Thomas Aquinas.

Taking advantage of these resources and opportunities will help you to stay connected with the liturgical life of the Church and be fed by the Word of God. I pray that you will consider entering into this chorus of praise the Church has sung throughout the ages – may it serve as a blessing in your own spiritual life this Lent and overflow to those around you!

The Key to a Good Confession is Preparation.

Taking time before you come to church to go through an examination of conscience will allow you to be direct and not miss anything. It is ok to bring your notes! Our priests are honored by the opportunity to hear your confession and warmly invite you to come next **Sunday, March 30 to the Penance Service being held at St. Thomas from 1:30pm –3:30pm.**

*More examination of Consciences are available at elcatholics.org/exam-of-conscience

Examination of Conscience

Confession can seem intimidating for a lot of people, but with some simple preparation, it can be a healing encounter with Christ that fills us with peace. Pray that God will give you peace and help you make a good confession.

Reflect on ways you have harmed your relationship with God, yourself & others using the question below.

- + Do I pray to God every day? Have I thanked God for His gifts to me?
- + Did I put my faith in danger through readings contrary to Catholic teachings or involvement in non-Catholic sects? Did I engage in superstitious practices: palm-reading or fortune-telling?
- + Did I take the name of God in vain? Did I curse or take a false oath?
- + Did I miss Mass on Sundays or holy days of obligation through my own fault? Am I attentive at Mass? Did I keep fast and abstinence on the prescribed days?
- + Did I disobey my parents and lawful superiors in important matters?
- + Did I hate or quarrel with anyone, or desire revenge? Did I refuse to forgive? Was I disrespectful?
- + Did I get drunk? Did I take illicit drugs?
- + Did I consent to, recommend, advise or actively take part in an abortion?
- + Did I willfully look at pornography, entertain impure thoughts or engage in impure conversations or actions? Did I use artificial means to prevent conception?
- + Was I unfaithful to my spouse? Did I engage in sexual activity outside of marriage?
- + Did I steal or damage another's property? Have I been honest and just in my business relations?
- + Have I been responsive to the needs of the poor and respected the dignity of others?
- + Did I tell lies? Did I sin by calumny, or detraction, of others? Did I judge others rashly in serious matters?
- + Have I envied other people?



How do I go to Confession?

Confess your sins aloud to the priest, who listens lovingly on behalf of Christ and the Church.

Receive Penance, the prayers or good deeds the priest gives you to begin healing the relationships hurt by your sins.

Pray an Act of Contrition, a simple expression to God that you are sorry for your sins and that you resolve to leave sin behind and live in the light!

Receive Absolution, the words the priest speaks which reconcile you to God and the Church.

An Act of Contrition

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

GOSPEL MEDITATION – ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

My childhood best friend was Xander Price. He was the fastest runner in school, an excellent baseball player and Jewish. Though his family wasn't intensely religious, I felt totally at home with them despite our religious differences. Everything about their Judaism seemed to undergird and strengthen my own experience of being a Catholic. I knew they didn't believe in Jesus like my family did, but I intuited somehow that Jesus was "hiding" in their religion. Like a cat moving under a blanket, ready to emerge at any moment, the Lord was hidden there in a special way.

In the Gospel for this third Sunday of Lent, Jesus says, "For if you had believed Moses, you would have believed me, for he wrote of me" (John 5:46). Stunning words, those. Moses wrote about Jesus. The way therefore that we come to know and believe in Jesus is to discover him lurking in Moses' writings. The Hebrew Scripture is the wonderful womb in which Jesus gestates within a host of images: Adam, Isaac, David, Melchizedek, the Temple, sacrificed lambs, prophets and so on. Right now, in your parish's OCIA program, soon-to-be baptized people are carefully studying where Jesus is in the writings of Moses, so that they may believe in him. This works for all of us, too, who wish to deepen our knowledge and love of Jesus.

Lenten challenge: Take some time to prayerfully study one of the images of Jesus listed above in the Old Testament. Identify which one you find compelling and consider why this is so. If you don't know where to start, begin with the prophet Jeremiah as an image of Jesus.

— Father John Muir

Readings for Sunday, March 30

Jos 5:9a, 10–12 While the Israelites were encamped on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover.

Ps 34 Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

2 Cor 5:17–21 And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Lk 15:1–3, 11–32 "But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

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The Annunciation – March 25

The Annunciation recalls the day when the Archangel Gabriel appeared to Mary and revealed God's will that she become the Mother of the Son of God and she accepted. The incarnation of Christ changed the life of every Christian person who ever lived. Reflecting on that moment in salvation history is an opportunity for grace, growth and peace.

Anima Christi, Explained

The Anima Christi prayer takes its name from its opening lines: Soul of Christ — "Anima Christi" in Latin. In this prayer, the faithful invoke the image of Christ crucified, calling upon the salvific elements of his wounds, his Body and his Blood to strengthen them, imploring him to save them from "the malicious enemy" and to bring them, in their final hour, to his presence.

The author of this prayer is unknown, but it originated in the 14th century and was referenced in St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises. It is traditionally said after or before receiving the Eucharist. You can find this prayer on the back cover of our hymnal.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.
Never permit me to be parted from you.
From the evil Enemy defend me.
At the hour of my death call me
and bid me come to you,
that with your Saints I may praise you
for age upon age.
Amen.





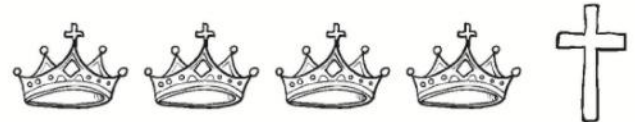
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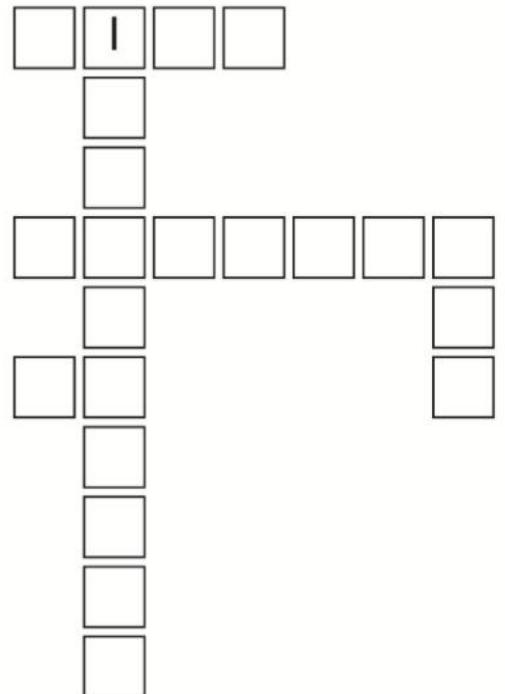
Circle the group in each row that has **more**. Then color in all the pictures.



PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

Nothing is impossible with God.



GOSPEL

God's people kept falling into sin. They needed help. Then one day the angel told Mary that with God's help, she would have a baby - God's Son! One day baby Jesus would grow up to be the Savior that God's people needed. Help was on the way!





Prayer Saves Lives

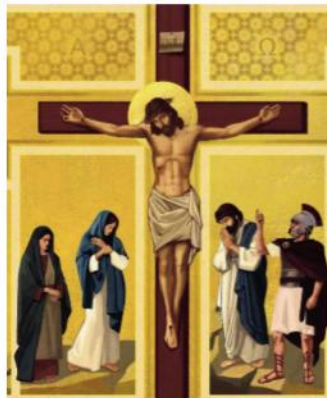
In early February, a woman approached 40 Days for Life prayer vigil participants outside Planned Parenthood in Lansing to effusively thank them for their prayer and presence. Years earlier, she had driven to PP to have an abortion, but the presence of people praying changed her mind. Her son, in the back seat of the car, is now eight years old and the joy of her life.

Join in praying for life during the Spring Campaign as we expand our vigil hours outside Frandor from 7 AM - 6 PM from March 5 - April 13. For more information: contact Brent - 517-894-4334. Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/lansing

Hallow Pray 40

It's never too late to join the Pray 40 Prayer Challenge or begin again if you have faltered.

Did you know that there is a study guide available on our website at elcatholics.org/hallow? You can download this guide to reflect and journal about your journey.



Pray with the challenge today and have a fruitful Lent.

2025 Diocesan Services Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has returned their DSA pledge or donation. We are half way there! Together, we can reach our goal of \$227,445.

If you have not yet made a gift or a pledge, please make one today. Gift envelopes are available in church or the parish office. If it's easier, submit your gift online at dioceseoflansing.org/appeal. Your DSA gift will support the vital services and ministries that help bring the love of Christ to all we encounter. These ministries assist seminary formation, adoption and foster care services, Catholic charities, Faith magazine and so much more!

Thank you for sharing a portion of the many blessings God has bestowed upon you.

13TH ANNUAL RUN FOR GIVING

Join us for Catholic Charities of Ingham, Eaton & Clinton Counties' 13th Annual Run For Giving 5K! The race will take place on Saturday, **April 26th at 9:00am** at the Lansing River Trail starting at Potter Park Zoo. Proceeds directly support our basic needs programs at the Cristo Rey campus.



Pricing: \$25 until March 21 so register today before it goes up! Special pricing: Ages 18 and under \$5 discount. Families/Groups who register 3 or more participants at the same time receive a \$5/discount per participant.

Run, walk or roll! This race is stroller and wheelchair accessible. To register, go to runsignup.com/cciecrunforgiving5k.

Compassion Ministry Grief Share Loss of a Spouse Program Saturday, May 17 | 8:00-10:00am

The two-hour seminar works just like a typical Grief Share meeting or a Surviving the Holidays event, with a short video followed by small-group discussion. The video features expert Christian counselors, authors, and pastors, including new interviews with some of your favorites from the Grief Share curriculum.

- Breakfast Items & Coffee Included
- Non-Parishioners Invited to Attend
- One Time Session

Participants will take home a Valuable Booklet that Includes:

- A Video Note-Taking Outline
- Devotional Material & Journaling Prompts
- Grief Recovery Exercises

No Cost to Attend

RSVP: Trink Fetzner: fewtznerjohn@aol.com or call 989-620-4474

REPENT



RESTORE



RENEW



LIVING LENT





Mother Teresa House Volunteers Needed!

We're currently looking for volunteers to become caregivers and serve at our hospice home this summer.

All of the training you need is provided. The commitment is a minimum of 2 months during the summer months (May-August).

This Summer Immersion program is a 20-30 hr/wk position. This work can be used as university internship credits.

For more information or to sign up for training reach out to our Service Coordinator, Sophia Morales at 517-484-5494 or serving@motherteresehouse.org.



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OUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory 3/9/25

Avg. Needed Weekly for Budget:	\$38,000
Sunday Collection	\$26,638.24
Matthew 25: Macheo USA Final	\$2,176.81

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 jennthelen@elcatholics.org or 517-351-7215.

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder, consider all the worlds thy hands have made... And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die... Then sings my soul, how great Thou art!

Matthew 25 | March 16 & 23 Manna Community Meals

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. The soup kitchen is co-managed by Fr. Tom Lumpkin and Marianne Arbogast.

The Diocese of Lansing Invites You

YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE
**TO OUR LADY
OF CHAMPION!**
MAY 30 - JUNE 1, 2025

*Discover Faith, Fellowship,
and Reflection on
a Pilgrimage!*



For more information or to register, scan the QR code or contact

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Young Adults 18-39 are welcome.

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Universal Prayers Including for the Sick & Deceased

That the Good Shepherd may continue to strengthen his flock against the daily temptations of the enemy.

That the Holy Spirit may bring about peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation where there is conflict and war.

That the Lord may protect and guard all victims of hatred or persecution.

That our practice of the Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving may bear abundant spiritual fruit in our homes and communities.

That all the sick and suffering may find healing and peace through a merciful God this Lent, especially Duane Pajak, Pope Francis, and those listed in our book of prayer.

That the Most High may shower his mercy upon the faithful who have preceded us in death, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, let us pray to the Lord.



Return to God

THIS LENT



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

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! It's worth it. The next Retrouvaille Marriage Saving Weekend will be **May 2-4, 2025 in Farmington Hills, Michigan.** To learn more, go to HelpOurMarriage.org or call 800-470-2230.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, March 24

9:30am Quilt Group (STA)
4:00pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Tuesday, March 25

The Annunciation
4:15pm Soul Core (STA)
7:30pm Adoration & Confession (SJSC)
8:45pm Candlelight Mass (SJSC)

Wednesday, March 26

10:00am Bible Study (STA)
4:00pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)
6:00pm St. John SVDP Conference Meeting (SJSC)
6:15pm Lenten Series of Sustenance (SJSC)
6:00pm Mid Year Annual Report Presentation (STA)
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (SJSC)

Thursday, March 27

10:00am Painting Class (STA)
6:00pm Choir Rehearsal (STA)
7:00pm Troop 293 Scouts BSA (STA)
7:30pm Adoration & Confession (SJSC)

Friday, March 28

7:30am Adoration (STA)
11:00am Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)
12:45pm Stations of the Cross (SJSC)
3:30pm Benediction (STA)
4:00pm Fish Fry (School Gym)
7:00pm Stations of the Cross (STA)

Saturday, March 29

7:30am Men's Group (STA)
9:00am St. John Food Cupboard (SJSC)
10:30am Choir Rehearsal (STA)
3:00pm Confessions (STA)

Sunday, March 30

Fourth Sunday of Lent
10:00am Becoming Catholic (SJSC)
1:30pm Lenten Penance Service (STA)



SENIOR MASS

Wed, April 9

St. Thomas

9:30am: Rosary

10:00am: Mass

**NOTE: This is a week early to
avoid Holy Week**

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 24

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Don & Jean Gardner

5:30pm (St. John)

Int. of Paul Lacroix req. by Mercedes Luis

Tuesday, March 25

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Art Brandstatter req. by the Ganakas Family

8:45pm (St. John)

Int. of Campus Ministry

Wednesday, March 26

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Nammy & Popeye Popili req. by Molly Taylor

5:30pm (St. John)

Deceased Members of the Herdus Family
req. by the Herdus Family

Thursday, March 27

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Thomas DePottyondy req. by Anonymous

8:45pm (St. John)

Int. of Campus Ministry

Friday, March 28

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Roy Van Poppelen req by Bob & Mary Van Poppelen

12:15pm (St. John)

Int. of Fr. Tom Firestone req. by Mercedes Luis

Saturday, March 29

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Carole A. Jozwick req. by Ronald Jozwick

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

Richard B. Scala req. by Gretchen Bria

Sunday, March 30

8:00am (St. John)

Jose Vieyra req. my Sabrina Vieyra Hollenbeck

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Robert Lieder req. by Julie & Jim Campbell

10:00am (St. John)

Ann Jenkins req. by the Jenkins Family

11:00am (St. Thomas)

James McNutt req. by the Leone Family

Noon (St. John)

People of the Parish

7:00pm (St. John)

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