

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025

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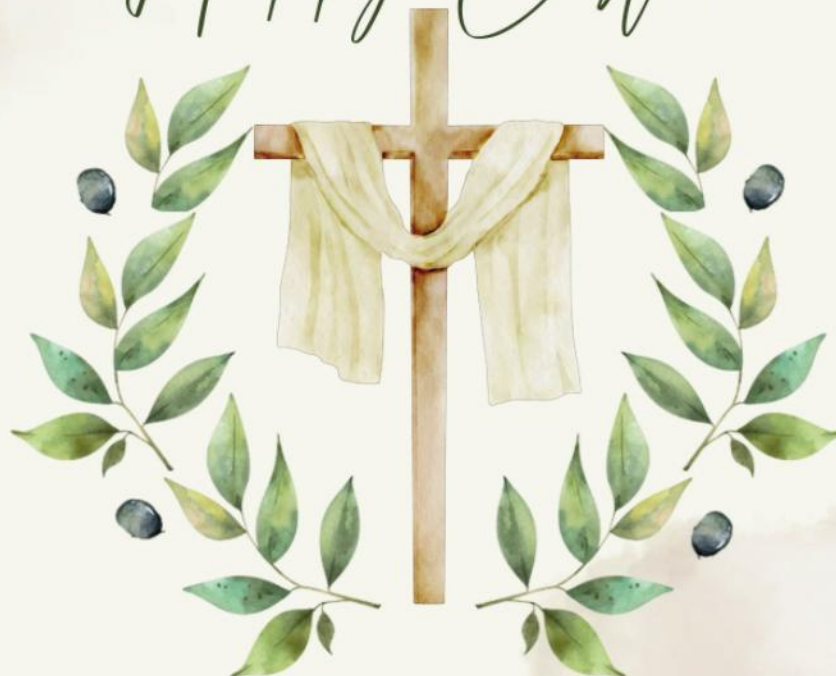
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Happy Easter



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



Peter said, "He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead."

Happy Easter! Whether you are here every Sunday, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, or coming as a guest or visitor, you are welcome here. Over 30 people are receiving the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil this year. Please pray for them on their Christian journey. And if you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or completing their sacraments, please contact Jen Brown, our Adult Faith Formation Director (jbrown@elcatholics.org), or call the parish office for more information.

If you are a guest or visitor and want to know more about our Holy Communion guidelines, please refer to page 584 of our *Source & Summit* missal in the hymnal rack.

In our first reading for Easter Sunday, St. Peter speaks to the crowds and explains the significance of Easter: The tomb is empty, Jesus has risen, and we have new hope for conquering our sinfulness and even death itself! Every Sunday is meant to be a little Easter. We gather around the altar to receive the Eucharist, which is the memorial of Jesus' saving death as well as his true and abiding presence among us. As we come to Mass each week, let us be intentional about celebrating each Sunday as a little Easter. If you have gotten out of the habit of doing so, I encourage you to come back and join us each week as we pray for the salvation of the world. Not only has Jesus overcome sin and death, but he also has entrusted us with the mission of living and sharing this saving faith. The world needs our witness!

The Octave of Easter concludes with **Divine Mercy Sunday** on April 27, a celebration of the mercy that comes to us through Jesus' saving death and resurrection. I hope you are all praying the Divine Mercy Novena already. If not, please give it a try so as to make the most of this coming Sunday. These red novena brochures are available in church. This Feast of Divine Mercy offers many graces. *Please make a thorough confession within 2-3 weeks of Divine Mercy Sunday to receive these benefits:*

The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the

divine floodgates through which graces flow. – Jesus to St. Faustina (Diary, #699)

A **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** with confessions and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm will be offered at St. John on April 27 from 1:15 – 3:15pm with a reception to follow in McDevitt Hall. Pierogi, Cesar Salad, Papal Cream Cake and Divine Mercy Sundaes will be served. To learn more so to sign up to bring something visit elcatholics.org/mercy. Feel free to drop off food or supplies before going to church.

Catholic Radio is now on the air in Lansing! **Ave Maria Radio is available on 1390AM**, or you can access it On Demand via AveMariaRadio.net.

This is **National Infertility Awareness Week** (April 20–26). Last year, the Alabama Supreme Court ruled that embryos are considered children under state law, and this sparked a national controversy about the ethics of *in vitro* fertilization (IVF). To better understand the ethics of and alternatives to IVF, visit: hli.org/resources/invitro-fertilization-ethics. One alternative to IVF is Creighton Model FertilityCare – creightonmodel.com – which is available through Groesbeck FertilityCare Center here in Lansing: groesbeckfertility.com. And if corrective procedures are needed to restore the body's natural fertility, explore NaProTECHNOLOGY: naprotechnology.com. Plus, our local Catholic Charities can assist with Adoption and Foster Care services: catholiccharitiesiec.org/child-welfare/.

May God grant us new life in Christ!

Fr. Gordon

Schedule Changes

Easter Monday, April 21

The offices will be closed.

Mass will be offered as usual at 6:30am at STA and at 5:30pm at SJSC with adoration and confession at 4:00pm.

Friday, May 2 at St. John

There will be no 11:00 Adoration & Confessions and no 12:15 Mass

Due to the Graduation Mass

DIVINE MERCY

Jesus, I trust in You

The Feast of Mercy A Day of Extraordinary Grace

Sunday, April 27 at St. John
Holy Hour:
Adoration and Confession
1:00-3:15pm. Chaplet at 3:00pm.

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina in the 1930s, our Lord repeatedly called for the celebration of the **Feast of Mercy on the first Sunday after Easter**. He promised an ocean of graces to be poured out on the world.

To receive these graces, you are asked to be merciful to others through deed, word and prayer. Make a good and sincere confession during Lent. Worthily receive Holy Communion on the Feast Day (or the Vigil). Venerate the image of The Divine Mercy. Trust in His Divine Mercy.

Jesus wants to give us so much we can't even fathom it. He promises, *"Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death (687). When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as the just Judge but as the Merciful Savior (1541).*

Jesus looked at me (St. Faustina) and said, *Souls perish in spite of My bitter Passion. I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy. If they will not adore My mercy, they will perish for all eternity. Secretary of My mercy, write, tell souls about this great mercy of Mine, because the awful day, the day of My justice, is near (Diary, 965).*

CELEBRATE ON DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY,

April 27. A potluck reception sponsored by Family Ministry will be held from **3:15-4:15pm at St. John**. Dishes will include Pierogi, Cesar Salad, Papal Cream Cake and Divine Mercy Sundaes.

Sign up to help and Learn more at elcatholics.org/connecting.



Prayer for the Return of Non-practicing Catholics this Easter

O Good Shepherd, you never cease to seek out the lost, to call home the stray, to comfort the frightened, and to bind up the wounded. I ask you to bring (names) back to the practice of the Faith, and to remove all obstacles that prevent them from receiving your abundant mercy, which flows sacramentally through the heart of your holy Church.



Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, their Guardian Angels, their Patron Saints and the ever-prayerful St. Monica, may you pardon their sins and unshackle them from whatever hinders their freedom to come Home. For you, O Good Shepherd, have loved us to the end and offered yourself to the Father for the salvation of all.

Amen

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dhausmann@dioceseoflansing.org.
Young Adults 18-39 are welcome.

Clothing and Household Donation Drive – May 3 and 4

The parish-wide collection weekend in support of the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store is a convenient way to help our Lansing-area neighbors by donating clothing and household items that you no longer use or need. 100% of the Store's profit is directed to helping neighbors in need (examples of assistance include help with medical and utility bills, emergency overnight housing).

The Thrift Store truck will be parked in the St. Thomas Aquinas parking lot near Alton Road, Sat., May 3, 1:00pm to 5:00pm, and Sun., May 4, 10:00am to 2:00 pm.



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. Shift are one hour, so please sign up for one or two! If you can volunteer or need to see the list of what types of items can be donated, visit elcatholics.org/collection. Please do not call the parish office for the list.

Please call the Thrift Store 517- 484-5395 for any other questions

Catholic Radio is now in Lansing!

Thank you for working together with Ave Maria Radio to bring Catholic Radio to Lansing. With your support and that of 3,000 of your fellow Catholics, 1390 AM is now on the air!

Ave Maria Radio programs offer news, analysis, teaching, devotions and music. Now 550,000 souls that live in the coverage area of 1390 AM, will be able to tune-in.

In addition to the 1390 AM radio signal, Ave Maria Radio can be heard LIVE and On Demand:

- AveMariaRadio.Net
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If you are ever in the Ann Arbor area, please stop by to visit the Ave Maria Radio studios in Domino's Farms Office Park, Lobby C. We love to give tours of your Catholic radio station. During weekdays you can also attend Mass in the Domino's Farms Chapel at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon, and 5:00 pm. Our Lady of Grace Catholic Book Store and the chapel are located right near our offices and studios. Consider a 'pilgrimage' to Ave Maria Radio and Domino's Farms.

May God Bless you,

Michael P. Jones
President and CEO Ave Maria Radio

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Campus Minister



A special Mass will be celebrated at St. John Student Center at 10:00am on May 2 for all Spring 2025 graduates (undergrad, Graduate School, Med, and Law).

2025 Grad Mass

For those who RSVP by this Friday, a catered lunch will be served after the Mass. Catholic Faculty are also welcome to attend in full regalia!

To RSVP,
visit stjohnmsu.org/gradmass



Finals Week is Coming! Begins April 28

Donations are requested for Campus Ministry's Finals Week Hospitality at St. John Student Center. On

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of that week, we provide students with snacks and a home cooked meal while they use our space to study.

If you are willing to donate individually packed snacks, home baked goods, drop off a crockpot, or contribute to a dinner, please email Anna, annas@elcatholics.org.

End of Year

COOKOUT

SATURDAY
4/26

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
COURTYARD

Eat lunch with the
Campus Ministry Staff!

Thursday, April 24
12:00 - 1:30pm @ Shaw

APPLY AS AN INTERN TODAY

St. John has internships for MSU students
in the following areas of ministry:

CAMPUS MINISTRY
LITURGY
MUSIC MINISTRY
OCIA

FIND MORE DETAILS AND THE APPLICATION AT
STJOHNMSU.ORG

St. John Food Cupboard Needs



Through your generosity, this past Saturday, we were able to serve almost 50 households, representing almost 200 people.

This week we are in need of ramen, jelly, brown rice and spices.



Lifesavers Celebration Save the date!

We've come a long way since 1982. While still providing emotional, material, and spiritual support, we continually work to improve how we reach and assist families in the greater Lansing area. **We can only do this with your help!**

Our 2025 Lifesavers Celebration and Fundraiser is **Thursday, April 24 6:30-8:30pm**, online and in person! There will be a virtual silent auction and a short program at 7:15pm.

This is a free and family friendly event with children's activities, ice cream sundaes, and root beer floats. Come out to the Covenant Life Community Church, 2001 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing to support Shared Pregnancy Women's Center and bring the whole family for a great time!

sharedpregnancy.org/events/lifesavers-celebration/

Faculty/Community Book Discussion Group Looking for New Members

We are a group of Catholics who read and discuss books related to living as adult Catholics in today's world.

On Wednesday, May 7 and 21, we will discuss the book *"My Name is Ken, and I will be Your Waiter for a Long, Long Time..."* by the late Ken Untener former bishop of the diocese of Saginaw and author of the Little Black Book and Little Blue Book many of us use at Lent and Advent. The book is based on homilies and talks Bishop Untener delivered over the years. This semi-autobiography is filled with down-to-earth wisdom applicable even to today's current times. Copies are available on Amazon for \$27.98.

This would be a good time to join our group for anyone looking to discuss our faith in light of today's challenges. We meet at 5:30pm on May 7 in the library downstairs at St. John Student Center. Questions, please contact John Schweitzer at schweitl@msu.edu or 517-410-4015.

UNION WITH CHRIST

Christ is Risen!

Last week, we considered a distinguishing mark of true Christian prayer – that when we pray as members of the Body of Christ, we pray through Him, with Him, and in Him. This Easter, let's further consider our union with the Risen Christ.

In addition to likening the Church to a "Body," Scripture also uses the analogy of the Church as a "Bride." In fact, becoming "one Body" with Christ is a result of the Church's relation to Him as Bride. As Jesus says, quoting Genesis 2:24, "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh" (Matthew 19:5). Because the Church is the Bride of Christ, we are identified as His very Body – becoming "one flesh" with Him.

While the love between Christ and the Church is symbolized by the union of husband and wife, there are also aspects of married love that are only found in human marriage. Therefore, our union with Jesus as the Bridegroom of the Church is a bit of a mystery – we know it is true but can't comprehend it totally. When Saint Paul quotes the verse from Genesis cited above, even he says, "This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the Church" (Ephesians 5:32).

One way to enter more deeply into this "great mystery" is by addressing the Lord out of the spousal relationship we share with Him. The Second Vatican Council describes the Liturgy of the Hours as "the voice of a bride addressing her bridegroom" (Sacrosanctum concilium, 84). In this prayer, the voice of Christ's Bride is united and calls out to Him as His devoted Spouse.

As the Risen Jesus encounters us anew this Easter, may we joyfully respond to Him with all the love of our hearts.

Fr. Riley



Save the Date
Tuesday, May 6 | 12:00pm
The Diocese of Lansing
Catholic Lawyers Guild
Spring Luncheon,
St. Mary Cathedral Parish Hall

All lawyers are invited to attend the luncheon. This year's speaker is Joseph Patrick McGill. Joe is the 90th president of the State Bar of Michigan and is a member at Foley, Baron, Metzger & Juip, where his practice includes complex litigation. Joe is also a past president of the Catholic Lawyers Society of Metropolitan Detroit. He and his family are parishioners at Saints Peter & Paul Jesuit Church in Detroit.

You can learn more about the guild and register on-line at lansingcatholiclawyersguild.com. If you have questions, please contact 517-402-1562 or email: lcguild@gmail.com.



FORGED is a 3 day/2 night outdoor adventure retreat for young men age 13-16 held June 23-25 at St. Francis Retreat center.

Includes New & Favorite Activities, Including:

- Outdoor Survival & Safety
- Navigating at Night (new)
- Military Cadence Runs
- Euchre Tournament (new)
- Proper Etiquette & Hygiene

Mass will be celebrated daily with the opportunity for Adoration. Talks will focus on:

- This year's theme: Tell YOUR Story!
- The Courage to Live your Faith
- Overcoming Challenges
- Christ-Centered Leadership
- Respecting Women
- Virtue in Society
- Our 3 key Virtues: Trust, Perseverance, & Courage!

Learn more at stfrancis.ws/forged.



DYLC is a 6-day camp to create Missionary Disciples, by equipping you with the tools and skills needed. Through sessions, activities and prayer experiences, we train you to go out and bring others to Jesus. You will learn basic leadership skills as well as the importance of building trust and emphasizing servant leadership. As an applicant you should:

- Be attending and participating in Mass weekly
- Be active in your parish (participants should have attended at least one retreat experience)
- Demonstrate potential leadership skills
- Be able to contribute to and process small group situations.
- Currently be in High School. (So upcoming Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors and those graduating)

Cost \$500, dioceseoflansing.org/DYLC2025

Easter Sunday

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Search

Everybody's trying to find God. They may not admit it. They may not even know it. They may talk around it, shy away from saying the name, both to others and to themselves: God. But I know for a fact that every person who was ever born into this world spent their lives searching for Him – somewhere, somehow, even if the only place they thought to look was in money or drugs.

It's a comforting fact, really – a reminder of how alike we all are. Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, atheist, rich, poor, Black, white. When it comes right down to it, the history of humanity is a never-ending Easter morning scene that plays in perpetuity. The sorrow, the shock, the confusion. Again and again, as each newborn baby opens his eyes, the search begins anew. Where did he go? What has happened? Where can I find him?

Catechesis isn't enough. Even those who learn about Jesus Christ, who accept his word, hang hesitantly outside the tomb, afraid to go in. Jesus' best friend – the disciple whom he loved – ran faster than Peter, so desperate he was to find his Lord. But when he got to the tomb and saw it empty, he got spooked. He froze.

Sometimes, we expect God to be right where we left Him – in a certain parish, with a certain priest, in a certain relationship, at a certain job. We show up, and we're heartbroken to see that our expectations have been turned upside down. He's left us, we think dejectedly, but we're wrong.

There is no one who has been abandoned by God. There are only those who stop looking for Him.

Don't let the empty tombs define you. It's the search that defines you.

LIVE THE LITURGY – INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

There is an invitation in the empty tomb and the abandoned burial cloths. **What great things could we accomplish, if we only believe that Christ has conquered death?**

Go forth this Easter season, boldly embracing the hope of the resurrection.

DEVOTIONS- SEVEN Sorrows of Mary

The Seven Sorrows of Mary refer to seven key events in the lives of Jesus and Mary: the prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the Child Jesus in Jerusalem, the meeting of Jesus and Mary as he carried his cross to Calvary, the Crucifixion and death of Jesus, the removal of the Body of Christ from the cross, and the burial of Jesus.

These events illustrate the great suffering endured by Our Lord and his Blessed Mother, and remind Christians to unite our own sufferings with those of Jesus, following Mary's perfect example.

Devotion to the sorrows of Mary dates to the early centuries of Christianity, with such proponents as St. Ephrem, St. Alphonsus Liguori and St. Bridget of Sweden.

The Seven Sorrows devotion can take the form of seven Hail Marys, seven Rosaries or a novena, all recited while meditating upon the individual sorrows.

Readings for Sunday, April 27 Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 5:12: Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles.

Ps 118: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Rv 1:17: When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid."

Jn 20:19: On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for the fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

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COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



GOSPEL

Mary Magdalene was surprised when she found the empty tomb of Jesus. She ran and told Peter and John that his body was gone. Peter and John ran to the tomb. They found no body, just strips of cloth. One piece was the cloth that covered the face of Jesus. Peter and John knew that Jesus was not in the grave, even though they did not understand what it meant to rise from the dead.



PUZZLE

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



DRAW

Draw Mary, Peter, and John looking inside the empty tomb.



PRAYER

Jesus, you died and rose from the dead so I can share your life on earth and in heaven. Thank you.



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Next Weekend
 May 2, 2025

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Young Adults Group Upcoming Meet Dates



April 23: Easter Feast
 April 30: Theology on Tap with the Kasprzaks
 May 3: Easter Retreat Day
 May 7: Volunteering
 May 14: Cookout at St. Thomas
 May 21: Marian Procession

All events start with 6:15pm, prayer at St. John before moving on to the event/activity. For more information including location, please email fririley@elcatholics.org.

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

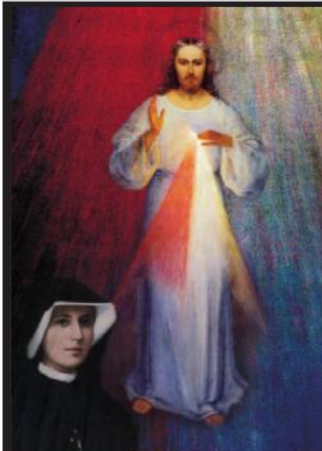
The two-hour seminar works just like a typical Grief Share meeting or a Surviving the Holidays event, with a short video followed by small-group discussion. The video features expert Christian counselors, authors, and pastors, including new interviews with some of your favorites from the Grief Share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

No cost to attend, but you need to RSVP. Breakfast items and coffee included. All are invited to attend this one time session.

Participants will take home a Valuable Booklet that Includes:

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


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



Divine Mercy

I want the world to know,
whoever you may be
in this world, even if your sins
 were black as night,
do not fear God, for great is the
 power of **God's mercy**.

*Diary of St. Faustina,
 paragraph 1652*



2025 Diocesan Services Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has returned their DSA pledge or donation. **We are at 71%!** Together, we can reach our goal of \$227,445.

DSA is an example of the Diocese as a whole working together to support programs that no single parish could sustain. Your dollars support seminarian education, adoption and foster care, hospital ministry, retreats and conferences **and so much more.**

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.

Be Part of Something Eternal!

Join the **Immaculate Conception Legacy Society** and ensure future generations will continue to grow in Christ.

How to join?

Leave a gift -- big or small -- to your church, church school, or other Catholic ministry in the Diocese of Lansing in your will, trust, or as a beneficiary.

As a member, you will receive:

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- Annual Mass and luncheon with Bishop Boyea
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To learn more,
call 517-253-8738
or email Lisa Brown at
lbrown@dioceseoflansing.org



Lisa Brown
Charitable Giving Advisor

OUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory 3/30/25

Avg. Needed Weekly for Budget:	\$38,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$22,362.03
Matthew 25: Catholic Relief	\$2,416.80



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.

Matthew 25 | April 27 & May 4 Friends of Kenyan Orphans



Friends of Kenyan Orphans was established in 2008 by a team of humanitarians including people from our parish. Fueled by love, compassion, hard work and clear-headed oversight, they are dedicated to raising funds and resources for grass root organizations in Kenya. They support a dignified life for orphaned and abandoned girls by providing basic human needs of food, shelter, clothing, education and healthcare within a safe and caring environment. Some of their projects include establishing St Clare School for 350 girls and St Lucy's School for the Blind. They also focus on fresh water projects with solar water pumps and safe lavatories.

Hallow App



It's never too late to download the Hallow app and start some new habits. Type into your browser, hallow.com/parish. Then put in 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 needed to find us. Click on it and it will invite you to join our parish and then have you sign in and give your .99c for 9 months of a free subscription.

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Universal Prayers Including for the Sick & Deceased

We pray, that the Holy Spirit may pour out his gifts upon the Church.

That God may bring every nation on earth into his fold and help them recognize Jesus as their king and Lord.

That Jesus, the Divine Physician, may accompany all who suffer in their distress.

That all gathered here may experience an outpouring of faith through our celebration of Christ's passion.

That all who are sick or suffering from various ailments experience healing and hope through Jesus this Holy Week, especially Angelica Liu and those listed in our book of prayer.

That all who have died with faith in Christ may receive the reward promised to them, especially Ian Randall, Elizabeth Stein and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

God, as we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ your Son we ask you to strengthen us in faith.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 21

Offices Closed

4:00pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Tuesday, April 22

4:15pm

Soul Core (STA)

7:30pm Fr. Mac East Lansing K of C Officers Mtg (STA)

7:30pm

Adoration (SJSC)

Wednesday, April 23

10:00am

Bible Study (STA)

4:00pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

7:00pm

Choir Rehearsal (SJSC)

7:00pm

St. John SVdP Meeting (SJSC)

Thursday, April 24

10:00am

Painting Class (STA)

6:00pm

Choir Rehearsal (STA)

7:00pm

Troop 293 Scouts BSA (STA)

7:00pm

Well Read Mom's (STA)

7:30pm

Adoration (SJSC)

Friday, April 25

11:00am

Adoration (SJSC)

3:30pm

Benediction (STA)

Saturday, April 26

7:30am

Men's Group (STA)

9:00am

St. John Food Cupboard (SJSC)

3:00pm

Reconciliation (STA)

Sunday, April 27

Divine Mercy

Sunday

1:00pm

Divine Mercy Celebration (SJSC)

3:00pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet (SJSC)

3:15pm

Divine Mercy Potluck (SJSC)



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 21

6:30am (St. Thomas)

*Deceased Members of the Niznak Family
req. by Mariann Niznak*

5:30pm (St. John)

Hernando Cita req. by The Cita Family

Tuesday, April 22

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Joseph Vargas on the First Anniversary of Death

8:45pm (St. John)

Int. of Campus Ministry

Wednesday, April 23

6:30am (St. Thomas)

The Holy Souls in Purgatory req. by Mara Boettcher

5:30pm (St. John)

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Thursday, April 24

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Lydia Kniahynycky on the First Anniversary of Death

8:45pm (St. John)

Int. of Campus Ministry

Friday, April 25

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Agnes Domantay req. by The Javier Family

12:15pm (St. John)

Available

Saturday, April 26

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Marie Stark on the First Anniversary of Death

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

*Living & Deceased Members of the
Outreach Mass Community*

Sunday, April 27

8:00am (St. John)

Patricia Breitenstein req. by The Thelen Family

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Marilyn Kay McMahon req. by Loretta Krol

10:00am (St. John)

Pam Lessiter req. by Tom & Vickie Derengoski

11:00am (St. Thomas)

Shirley Hanna on the First Anniversary of Death

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Elaine O'Brien req. by Jane Wei

7:00pm (St. John)

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