

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

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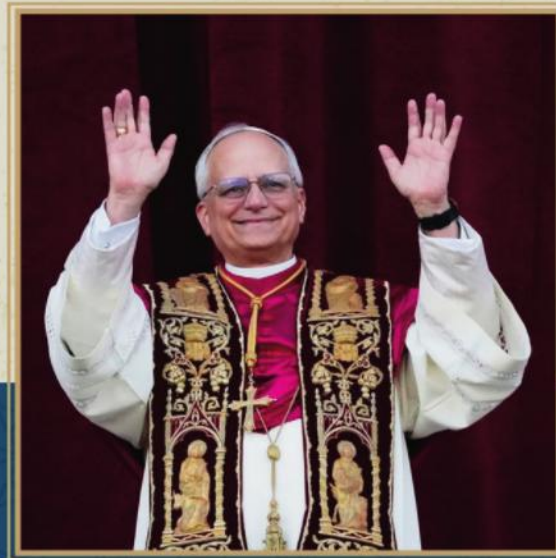
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HABEMUS
PAPAM

Pope Leo XIV

The world needs Christ's light.
Humanity needs Him to be the bridge
so that God and His love can
reach us. —Pope Leo XIV

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
Fri 12:15pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Mon & Wed 4:00pm-5:00pm
Fri 11:00am-12:00pm

WELCOME



Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The more we reflect on the nature of Heaven, the more clearly we see our mission on Earth. If Heaven is the perfection of our relationship with God and one another, then we should strive hard to grow in love of God and neighbor daily. **We can ask ourselves the following:** Are we growing in our knowledge of the faith, spending meaningful time in prayer and taking our responsibility for evangelization and service seriously? Do we really care about God and desire to be with God more today than yesterday? Loving God sounds so easy, and yet there are so many distractions that get in the way. Likewise, Jesus' command to love one another seems ridiculously simple. It is easy to dismiss or take this command for granted. But do we really love others enough to give our lives for them, as Christ did? Do we promote their salvation, lead them to Christ and away from sin? As summer break arrives, let us commit to helping our family and friends to get to church and stay connected to Jesus. And let us work on praying the Rosary daily to ask Our Lady of Fatima to deliver our world from war and violence as well as to protect the dignity of human life. Consider praying the Rosary as you enjoy walking around your neighborhood this summer. This is a simple way to pray for your neighbors! And if you know of someone who would like to explore the Catholic faith, please call the office or email Jen Brown, jbrown@elcatholics.org, who coordinates our **Becoming Catholic** ministry.

HABEMUS PAPAM – Welcome Pope Leo XIV! I never thought I would see an American pope...frankly, I did not think the Universal Church would accept such a candidate. Please pray for him! Pope Leo spoke of uniting the world and building bridges, and we certainly need that unity across the world and across the Catholic Church. May the Holy Spirit guide him always! In addition to keeping the newly elected Holy Father in your private prayers, the Church encourages the recitation of the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be for the intentions of the Pope each day. And please pray for him as you recite the Holy Rosary.

Graduation Time! It is time to pray for our high school and 8th grade graduates this month. May God bless them in their further studies and summer plans! Plus,

the diocese offers discernment groups for those over age 16. If you know of someone expressing curiosity about the priesthood or consecrated life, your parish clergy are happy to help or check out the diocesan vocation department for assistance:

dioceseoflansing.org/vocations.

The **US Bishops Conference** just reissued their pastoral response to the epidemic of pornography in our culture. I encourage parents and educators to read this document, so as to make our world safer for our young people. See the parish website for a copy.

To celebrate the conclusion of our National Eucharistic Revival and the Jubilee Year of Hope, our diocese will offer **40-Hours Devotion** at all of the parishes between Pentecost and Corpus Christi Sunday. St. Thomas will host Eucharistic Adoration from Sunday evening, June 8, until Tuesday morning, June 10. We'll post sign-up information soon. Also in celebration, the diocese will offer a **10:00am Mass** in **Lugnut Stadium** on Saturday, June 21. All are welcome. Then there will be a Eucharistic procession back to the cathedral afterwards. Visit eucharisticjourney.org for more details. Plus, we will offer our annual parish procession on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 22.

Speaking of Mass, if you are travelling this summer, check out MassTimes.org to find local parishes to attend. And – out of reverence for Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament – **please do not chew gum at Mass**. It violates our pre-Communion fast, and it would be sacrilegious to receive the Holy Eucharist with a wad of gum in our other cheek, or worse yet – to mix the fragments of the Eucharist with the gum we are chewing. Please dispose of your gum before entering the Communion line. Thank you for honoring Our Lord!

This week, our **Monthly Senior Mass** will be at St. Thomas this Wednesday at 10:00am, with the Rosary at 9:30am and a reception afterwards. This will be our last Senior Mass until September. And our **Friday Eucharistic Adoration** at St. Thomas has concluded until the fall.

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.

May the Fire of Divine Love show us the true meaning of love!

Fr. Gordon



Join us for the
FINAL

Senior Mass & Reception

Wednesday, May 21

**Potluck,
Trivia & Prizes,
\$25 Coral Gables
Giveaway!**

Bring a friend & a dish to share!

See you again next September!



**MEET, GREET & GROW
TODAY! TODAY!**

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER GUILD
Spring Meet Up
Sunday, May 18 @ 3:00 pm at the STA Pavilion



Memorial Day | Mon, May 26

Mass will be held at St. Thomas at 9:00am.
There will not be any confessions
or Mass at St. John.

The Offices will be closed.

Enjoy the long weekend! And, if you're
travelling this summer and looking for a parish,
visit, masstimes.org
for information on local Mass availability.

Learn to Build a Culture of Life!

Walking With Moms In Need is hosting a training session on **May 31 from 10:00am to 11:00am** at St. Thomas in Fr. Mac. Learn how to support current and expectant mothers. Our group is almost three years old and needs to grow. We have Moms in need, but not enough men and women to walk with them and support them.




Coming to the training is not a commitment. Come and find out what this ministry is about and how you can be a part. The session will cover:

- Overview of what we do and WWMIN Teams
- IEffective communication – how to talk with moms
- IGoal setting – where can moms get help
- IBuilding trust – how to build relationships and trust with moms And More!

Walking with Moms in Need is a nationwide, parish-based initiative to increase support for pregnant and parenting mothers in need. It works to ensure that any woman who finds herself unexpectedly pregnant, or parenting in difficult circumstances, can turn to her local Catholic Church and be connected with the resources she needs.

Memorial Day Mass

Mass will be held at 9:00am
at St. Joseph Cemetery, Lansing.
Veteran's Memorial Service
immediately after at the Veteran's
Memorial. In the event of sever
weather, we will be at St. Therese
on Randolph St. Lansing



Miles for Moms



Take a step toward helping
homeless, pregnant women and
their babies! Hannah's House
does more than shelter expectant
mothers. They provide a future for them. Support their
mission by participating in the annual 5K run/walk
fundraiser, **Monday, May 26.**

5K Run/Walk at Hawk Island Park

1601 E. Cavanaugh Rd. Lansing

Please go to hannahshouselansing.org/miles-for-moms-2024/ to register.



With great joy and gratitude, our Campus Ministry staff has spent the last two weeks reflecting on a very full school year. Continuing the growth we witnessed last year, we have seen so many new faces in the building. Praise God! Mass

attendance at St. John Student Center from the end of August 2024 until this May increased an average of 15%, compared to the previous academic year. We also saw more students attending daily Mass, and they enjoy the daily opportunities for confession and Eucharistic Adoration as much as ever. This eagerness for the sacraments was reflected in the 17 students that received sacraments at the Easter Vigil this spring. Already, several students have begun preparing for initiation in the Catholic Church next Easter--please pray for them!

Besides the hundreds of students coming for Mass each week, we have also welcomed a number of new and old friends to the student center. Since October, priests and religious from 7 different communities/religious orders have visited. Some have come just to spend time with our students, while others have shared about their community or given a talk during one of our monthly Traditio Nights. We have also enjoyed visits from some of our Catholic Spartan alumni priests and seminarians. Allowing our students to witness so many vocations in action is such a gift! A particularly fun collaboration continues to grow with the Campus Ministry team at St. Mary Student Parish in Ann Arbor. They hosted our 2nd annual Game Day Mass in October, followed by some friendly competition and food. Then, in January, we swapped priests for a day, sending Fr. Corey to spend time with the [University of] Michigan Catholics while Fr. Kyle Shinseki S.J. came up to East Lansing.

Other highlights of the spring semester include student-led Praise & Worship events, our Spring Retreat based on the Theology of the Body, a Mass in the MSU Union just after the 2 year anniversary of a mass shooting on campus, and, as always, the beauty of Holy Week in all its liturgies and events specific to our Catholic Spartan culture. Personally, I also enjoyed offering a 6-part series during the Lenten season, entitled "Jesus the Bridegroom" and based on Dr. Brant Pitre's book of the

same name. A different student group hosted each week of the series, (with the help of generous parishioners) serving soup and creating a hospitable space for attendees to learn about God's love for us throughout human history. The semester wound down with several social events (and a lot of free food!) before ending with our Graduation Mass for outgoing students in all their regalia.

We had fun celebrating the fruits of our ministry at our inaugural Heritage Gala in November 2024. Please save the date for the next Gala, November 8, 2025, as we expect an even bigger party than last year! I am so grateful for the generosity of our alumni and friends who continue to help make all we do at St. John's possible. As we spend this summer planning and discerning what God wants us to do next for our students, I ask for your prayers that His will be done on our campus!

Anna Stankewitz
Director of Campus Ministry

Summer campus ministry

Wednesdays
6:30pm in the Newman Lounge

Non-MSU undergrads who are home for the summer
and those who just graduated are also welcome.

dinner included

Young Adults Group Upcoming Meet Dates

May 21: Marian Procession



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



Last week we covered how being formed by the Word of God in Sacred Scripture is a key element to living as a disciple and that in praying the Liturgy of the Hours, our reading of Scripture is made into a prayer. While most of the texts of the Liturgy of the Hours are from the Bible, this liturgy also makes use of other texts

including hymns, intercessions, and prayers. Today, let's look at the importance of hymns.

Music itself is a powerful tool which has an impact on our thoughts and feelings. Different types of music can have different effects on us. For example, loud and chaotic music can get us agitated while quiet, peaceful music can set us at ease. Some music can get us "pumped up" for physical activity and other music can bring back memories from the past. In her liturgy, the Church employs a specific type of music that is aimed at lifting the soul to God.

The songs we sing at church have the two-fold purpose of giving glory to God and aiding us along the path to holiness. Whether or not we are musically inclined, singing has an impact on our spiritual lives. While it helps to hit the right notes, songs aid our prayer by what they mean. Even Saint Cecilia "was proclaimed patroness of music not because of her beautiful voice or her talent for music, but in memory of the virginal song she sang to her heavenly Spouse hidden in the depths of her heart" (Saint Thérèse in *Story of a Soul*, pg. 202). Truly, "He who sings prays twice" (Saint Augustine as quoted in CCC 1156).

Whether singing at Mass, praying the Liturgy of the Hours, or any other time we sing praise to God, we should not be discouraged with the thought that our voice is not pleasing to God. "In reality, you will add a unique and beautiful note to the eternal melody [that ascends to heaven], and Our Lord - Jesus Christ himself - will sing it with you" (The Everyday Catholic's Guide to the Liturgy of the Hours, pg. 115).

PS: Would you like someone to accompany you in singing the Liturgy of the Hours? Check out Easter Chant Night Prayer on Hallow.com or SingtheHours.org!

Fr. Riley

TAKE A ROSARY,

GIVE A ROSARY



TAKE a Rosary packet to keep in your pocket or purse with the intention of **GIVING** it away to someone in their time of need.

Available in the back of both churches.



Interested in the Catholic Church?

Are you wondering if there is any stability to this world?

Looking for meaning and truth?

Or maybe have you been coming to Church here and are curious what we believe.

We welcome all individuals and families to explore the Christian faith with us. Many people have questions like you do. We explore those questions and offer a listening ear and explanations for our belief. If you are interested in finding out more, contact Jen Brown at jbrown@elcatholics.org.

***Note: you do not have to be ready to join the Church to explore - just ask questions! ANYONE is welcome to explore.**

This Easter we welcomed 633 into the Catholic church in the Diocese of Lansing. The numbers keep rising every year. Is this the year for you and your family?

Come explore with us!

St. John Food Cupboard Needs

In April, thanks to your generosity, we were able to provide food to almost 800 neighbors; half children and seniors.



This week we are in need of jelly, white rice, canned white chicken and canned corn.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

MAIN CAMPUS 3

JULY 18-20, 2025

Inviting high-schoolers into a life-changing encounter with Christ!

Registration Extended!
Register by May 26, 2025!

LOCATION:

Franciscan University of Steubenville
*Bus leaves from St. Mary, Williamston
9am Fri, returns Sunday evening*

Contact DJ McDowell at
(296)650-7587 or scan the
QR code for more
information about joining
us for this amazing
weekend!



Ishi Odamtten Foundation Soccer Tournament

The Ishi Odamtten Foundation is calling all soccer players and enthusiasts to join us on May 24, to raise funds for our orphaned children in Ghana and the homeless in the State of Michigan. 100% of all proceeds will be contributed towards our orphanage and homeless shelters projects.

Cost: \$20 per player, \$300 per team of 15 players. Must be 18 or older. Call: 517-624-9013. Registration closes May 22.

Visit: facebook.com/ishiodamttenfoundation/

CONCERT IN THE PARK (ING LOT)



Save the Date
FRI, JUNE 20 7:00PM

ST. THOMAS
In Front of the Grand Window

The Diocese of Lansing
Invites You

YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE
**TO OUR LADY
OF CHAMPION!**

MAY 30 - JUNE 1, 2025



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



Traveling for Memorial Day?

Never miss a Mass! Visit masstimes.org.



Habemus Papam...We Have a Pope!

On Thursday, May 8 Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, O.S.A., was elected as our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, the 267th Bishop of Rome! Our first Pope ever from North America. He was born in 1955 and raised in Chicago, Illinois. He is a religious order priest belonging to the Order of St. Augustine. He is a dual citizen of the United States of America and Peru where he served as a missionary priest for many years in the Archdiocese of Trujillo and Bishop of the Diocese of Chiclayo for 7 years. Pope Francis tapped him to serve as the Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops in 2023, elevated him to a Cardinal and the rest is history.

40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration

I share the following letter from Bishop Boyea:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

During this Jubilee year, we have an extraordinary opportunity to unite as a diocese in prayer, in faith, and in mission. Starting at Pentecost, June 8, we will embark on an intercessory journey—a 40 Hours Campaign—like no other.

For two weeks, parishes across our diocese will host Eucharistic Adoration for 40 or more hours each, blanketing our communities in continuous prayer and intercession for the full conversion of all the souls within our boundaries.

This campaign will lead to a powerful moment of unity on June 21—a diocesan-wide Mass at Jackson Field, home of the Lansing Lugnuts. After Mass, we will process with the Eucharist through the heart of our capital, culminating at the Cathedral. Pilgrims will even have the opportunity to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi on the Capitol Lawn with food and fellowship.

Let us come together in mission as one body in Christ. Let us persevere in prayer and proclaim the Good News with boldness and joy. This is our moment to shine as a community of faith and I invite you to join us!

Our 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration will take place at St. Thomas Aquinas in the Cana Chapel and will begin on Sunday, June 8 at 5:30pm and conclude Tuesday, June 10 at 8:30am. You may sign up for a time slot in the back of both churches or at elcatholics.org/adoration.

Patrick



Hello Summer

The busy-ness of summer makes this the perfect time to **MOVE YOUR GIVING ONLINE**

Go to elcatholics.org/giving or call us at 517-351-7215 and we can do it for you in less than 5 minutes! You can use a credit card or debit.

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.

Marriage and the Family Blended Retreat

Engaged couples or married couples who have blended their families are invited to the Marriage and the Blended Family Retreat at St. John the Evangelist in Jackson, May 23-24.

This retreat, based on the Smart Stepfamilies program by Ron L. Deal, addresses the unique challenges of stepfamily life—co-parenting, step-parenting, loss, finances, and more—while providing practical tools for success. This retreat offers a supportive space to learn, share, and grow together. For more information and register visit dioceseoflansing.org/blendedfamilies

Fifth Sunday of Easter

GOSPEL MEDITATION – Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture by Father John Muir

I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper sticky words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "As the Father loves me, so I love you" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "Love another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: "Love one another." So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you."

GOOD AND EVIL

Question:

If God is good, why is there evil in the world?

The problem of evil is perplexing. If God is all-powerful and all-good, why doesn't He stop bad things from happening? He must either not be all-powerful, or perhaps He's not very good after all. Human beings have faced the possibility of evil since the very beginning of our existence. In granting us free will, God gives us the ability to make free choices. God does not force us into moral perfection. We are not forced to love Him or to love our neighbor. We must make the decision ourselves. This means, of course, that we have the ability to choose against love.

One small decision of selfishness, jealousy, or pride may not seem so bad. But every decision — good or bad — is like a stone dropped into a still pond. The ripples extend much farther than the original stone. When decisions against love begin to compound, they affect families, neighborhoods, and nations. This is all the more reason for Christians to be faithful to our baptismal call to love one another as Christ has loved us!

LIVE THE LITURGY – INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

If you love like me, Jesus tells his disciples, they will know you are mine. We shouldn't leave any room for doubt in the minds of each and every person we encounter. Let the whole world know: we love like Christ, and we belong to Christ.

PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN LOVE

Fill our hearts, O Lord, with Your love, the deepest, richest, purest love any of us has ever known. May Your love be our standard for love.

May Your love be what we bring and communicate to the world.
May Your love define us as Christians, made in Your image and likeness.

Amen.

Readings for Sunday, May 25 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right.

Ps 67 O God, let all the nations praise you!

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

Jn 14:23-29 "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you."

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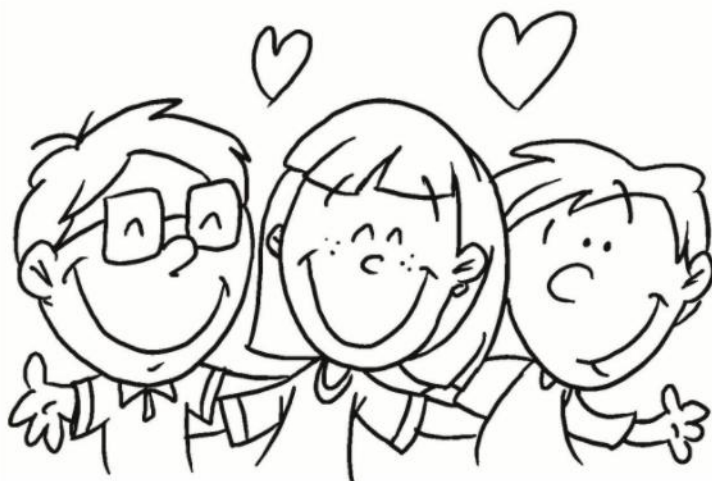


COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Jesus said, "Love each other as I have loved you." He died on the cross so that your sins and mine might be forgiven. Jesus was human like you and me. He shared his food with friends. He visited and healed the sick. He cried when his friends died. He told stories to help people learn about his Father in heaven. When you show love for others, Jesus smiles because he is very proud of you.



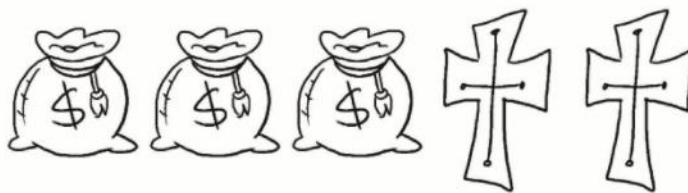
PRAYER

Lord, teach me to love and help others.



PUZZLE

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



DRAW

Draw yourself taking crackers and a bowl of soup to your mother.

Cristo Rey Annual Fiesta May 23 - 25

Come and enjoy dancing, a carnival for small children, a flea market, many vendors, a Spirit (beer) Tent, raffle, live music and lots of amazing food!



Friday, May 23 4:00pm-11:00pm
Saturday, May 24 11:00am-11:00pm
Sunday, May 25 1:00pm-7:00pm

Cristo Rey is seeking volunteers to help with their annual Fiesta. We greatly need help with setting up chairs and tables on May 22 and tear down on Sunday, May 25. We have several other positions during the Fiesta available as well. We provide a ticket for a meal and beverage for every 4 hours worked. Find our schedule at cristoreychurch.org or contact Guillermo Lopez at 517-974-5113.



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.

Build Their Future FR. MAC DINNER



**41th Annual Fr. Mac Dinner | Kellogg Center
May 19 | 6:00pm**

Join us for an evening filled with joy, gratitude, and the spirit of giving as we mark four decades of Lansing Catholic's Fr. Mac Dinner. This cherished event raises vital funds for tuition assistance and ensures that the gift of Catholic education is accessible to all.

As we celebrate this milestone, we pay tribute to the countless individuals who have generously supported the Fr. Mac Dinner over the last 41 years. To purchase tickets for the event or a sponsorship, please go to lansingcatholic.org/content/father-mac-dinner-and-fundraising-event.

**St. Padre Pio Birthday Festa
May 25 | 11:00am
Holy Spirit Catholic Church,
9565 Musch Rd, Brighton**



Join Catholic Healthcare International to celebrate our beloved Patron, St. Pio. Experience the beauty of an outdoor Mass in Holy Spirit's Serenity Court surrounded by numerous religious art features. Learn about the progress on the St. Pio Home for the Relief of Suffering being planned for SE Michigan, the Padre Pio Prayer Campus in Howell, the proposed Saint Padre Pio Institute for the Relief of Suffering, School of Osteopathic Medicine, and the Terri Schiavo Home for the Brain Injured.

A fun family cookout will follow.

We look forward to seeing you! Please RSVP by May 19 to help us plan the complimentary meal. (In case of rain, all activities will be in the church.)
CHI-USA.com/st-pio-birthday



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2025 Diocesan Services Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has returned their DSA pledge or donation. **We are at 88%!** Together, we can reach our goal of \$227,445.

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.

OUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory 4/27/25

Budget Amount:	\$38,000.00
Actual Amount:	\$43,021.03
Matthew 25:	\$2,429.74
Friends of Kenya Orphans, Final	



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.



BE MY WITNESSES

CORPUS CHRISTI

Mass & Procession with Bishop Boyea

June 21, 2025

10AM · Lugnuts Baseball Stadium · Lansing, MI

A Eucharistic Journey
for the Jubilee Year



Scan the QR code with your phone to
RSVP for MASS or visit WWW.EUCHARISTICJOURNEY.ORG

RSVP for Mass with Bishop Boyea and
Priests of the Diocese today!

Be Christ's witnesses to the world that is longing
for the fulfillment that can only come from him.

Matthew 25 | May 25 & June 1 Salesian Missions



Founded in 1859 by St John (Don) Bosco, the Salesians are now one of the largest

religious orders in the world. Their nearly 30,000 priests, sisters and brothers lead youth and community feeding programs throughout Africa and Asia and other parts of the world. Their goal is to break the shackles of poverty which remains a stubborn adversary and train youth and adults in modern and appropriate farming technology, thus enabling them to improve crop yields, achieve food security and generate income.

St. Michael Catholic School Golf Outing Saturday, May 21 Centennial Acres Gold Course 8:30am Shotgun Start

Cost: \$340 per team
Includes: 18 Hole Gold Scramble, Cart, Continental Breakfast, BBQ Lunch, and Prizes.

Additional activities: Mulligans, Skins, Strings, 50/50 Raffle, Golf Ball Drop, Silent Auction, and Door Prizes. All proceeds benefit St. Michael Catholic School.

Preregistration and Sponsorships
Available: school.stmichaelsgl.org/annual-golf-outing



This Week's Advertiser Spotlight

Universal Prayers

With one voice, let us bring our prayers to our merciful Father.

For our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, that he may be strengthened as he embarks on his ministry of unity, love, and peace.

For Church leaders, may Christ the Good Shepherd guide them and give them the grace to follow him.

For civic leaders, may they be inspired by the compassion of the Good Shepherd to care for those who are most vulnerable.

For this community of faith, may the Holy Spirit strengthen us to follow Christ's call in everything we do,

For all mothers, may they be inspired by Mary, our Holy Mother, to continue to love and nourish their children.

For our brothers and sisters who are sick or suffering from poor health to experience the healing power of our Risen Lord.

For all who have died in Christ may rise to new life with him in the Resurrection, especially Norina Malinaro, Jim Zalba, Jeffrey Walser, Peter Dewey and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, May 19

9:30am

Quilt Group (STA)

4:00pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Tuesday, May 20

Wednesday, May 21

9:30am

Rosary (STA)

10:00am

Final Senior Mass (STA)

10:00am

Bible Study (STA)

4:00pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

5:30pm

Faculty/Community Book Discussion (SJSC)

6:30pm

Cub Scout Pack 293 Meeting (STA)

7:00pm

Choir Rehearsal (SJSC)

7:00pm

St. Thomas SVdP (STA)

Thursday, May 22

10:00am

Painting Class (STA)

6:00pm

Choir Rehearsal (STA)

7:00pm

Troop 293 Scouts BSA (STA)

Friday, May 23

11:00am

Final Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

3:30pm

Benediction (STA)

Saturday, May 24

9:00am

St. John Food Cupboard (SJSC)

3:00pm

Reconciliation (STA)

Sunday, May 25

3:45pm

Korean Mass (STA)

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day

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9:00am

Mass (STA)

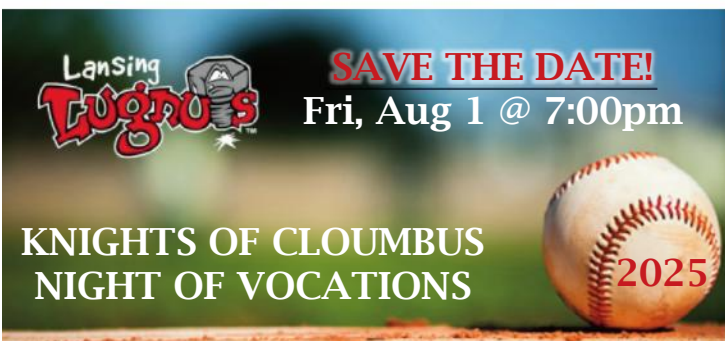


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Monday, May 19

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Patsy Brandstatter

5:30pm (St. John)

Alicia & Domingo Luis req by Mercedes Luis

Tuesday, May 20

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Annie Jasonowicz req. by Chuck & Nancy Theis

Wednesday, May 21

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Marjorie Witchell req. by the Family

5:30pm (St. John)

Frank Fogarty req. by Paul & Mary Lou Heberlein

Thursday, May 22

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Elaine Jerrell req. by Rina & Valerie Wright

Friday, May 23

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Frank & Betty Niznak req. by the Family

12:15am (St. John)

Patty Osborn req. by Ellen Gallavan

Saturday, May 24

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Michael Apple req. by Carol Baratta

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

Donald & Mary Lee Pricco req. by the Family

Sunday, May 25

8:00am (St. John)

People of the Parish

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Dirck Terwilliger req. by Tammy Terwilliger

10:00am (St. John)

Baby Bartlett req. by Charles Roboski

11:00am (St. Thomas)

Willie, Lois & Dan Jacobs req. by Dennis & Jeanne Meyer

Noon (St. John)

7:00pm (St. John)

Conrad Henke req. by Helen Henke

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