

Corpus Christi

June 22, 2025

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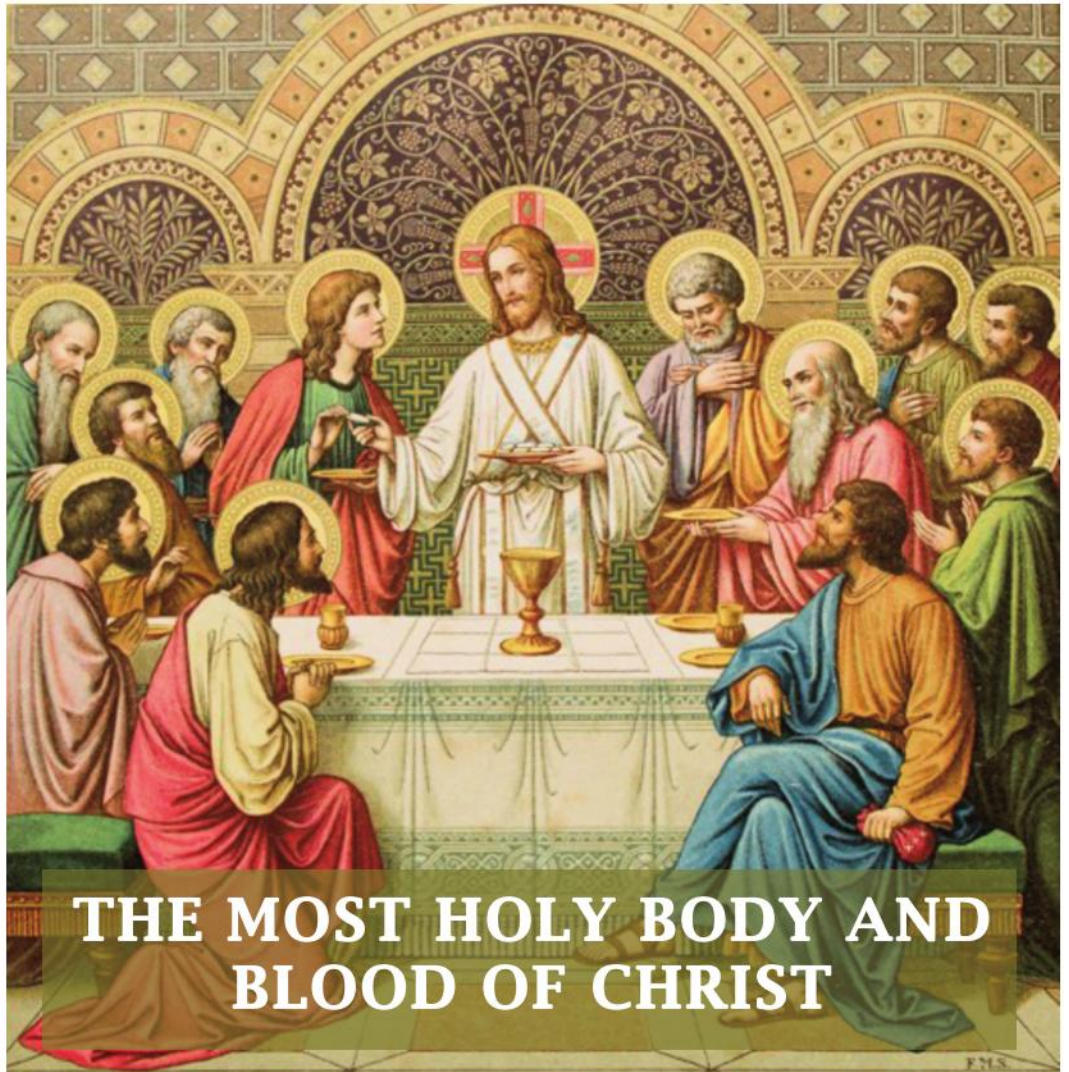
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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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



Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied.

Corpus Christi – Today, we celebrate the mystery of the Most Holy Eucharist, lest we take such a tremendous gift for granted. Although Jesus ascended to Heaven forty days after Easter, he left us the Holy Spirit and his abiding presence in the Eucharist to assist us on our journey to Heaven. This is our manna in the wilderness, our food for the journey. If you wouldn't go a week without feeding your body, why go a week without nourishing your soul? If you need help finding a weekend Mass while on vacation, see www.MassTimes.org for liturgy schedules by city, state or zip code.

This weekend also marks the conclusion of the **National Eucharistic Revival**, a three-year initiative of the US bishops (2022-2025) to renew our knowledge of and love for Jesus in the Eucharist, the Source and Summit of our Catholic faith. And thank you to all who participated in the Diocesan Eucharistic Procession yesterday or this Sunday's Parish Procession after the 11am Mass! June 22-29 is **Religious Freedom Week**. For daily prayers and activities designed to protect our freedom to worship visit: www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek.

This week concludes with the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. When our hearts are broken, we can come to Jesus and Mary and know that they understand the pain of sacrifice and loss. **First Friday and First Saturday devotions** are meant to honor the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts and make up for the sins of ingratitude, mockery and indifference by which they are offended. For a short

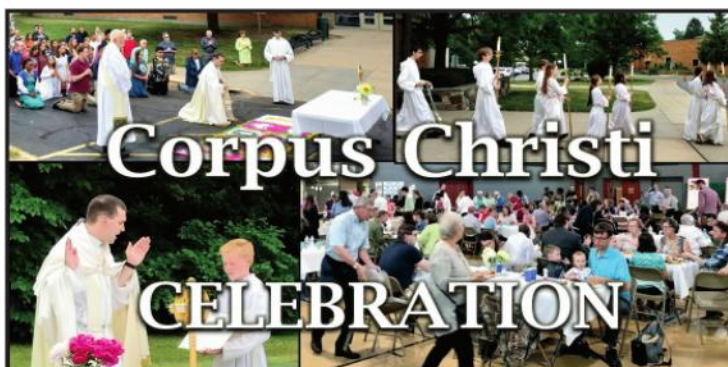
introduction, try this link: www.simplycatholic.com/how-to-observe-first-fridays-and-first-saturdays/.

Plus, there will be a **special 7:00pm Mass this Friday, June 27**, at St. Thomas to honor the Sacred Heart in addition to the usual daily Mass options.

Our bishop has asked us to offer **prayers, fasting and almsgiving** on the Fridays of June for the intention of peace in the Holy Land. With the growing conflict between Israel and Iran, please take advantage of this coming Friday to offer prayers or sacrifices for peace to prevail!

May Jesus hold us in his Sacred Heart!

Fr. Gordon



Eucharistic Procession and Potluck

Come celebrate the Feast of the Eucharist June 22!

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, TODAY! is the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ.

The celebration will take place after the 11:00am Mass. You are welcome to come to any part of the event.

The **PROCESSION** will leave the back of St. Thomas Church and processes around the perimeter of the property. We'll stop and pray briefly at each of four directions – west, south, east, and north as a way of expressing our desire to bring Jesus with us as we go out into the world. The procession will conclude with **BENEDICTION** in front of the Parish School Gym.

EVERYONE is invited to the **POTLUCK** in the gym at 12:30pm.

Mass Intentions

Mass Intention books will be opened for 2026 starting June 30.

No Mass requests will be taken via email. Requests for Mass intentions must be requested by phone, in person in the Parish Office, or by mail.

A \$10 minimum stipend is requested as determined by diocesan policy to accompany each Mass request. A Mass offering may be more than the suggested stipend. However, no one will be denied a Mass intention because of inability to pay. Simply let us know.

Guidelines for Mass Intentions

A Mass intention may be requested for: a deceased loved one; a living person who is sick or suffering; a living person who is celebrating a birthday, anniversary or other special moment in their life; in thanksgiving to God (including the Lord Jesus or the Holy Spirit); in thanksgiving for a prayer from a Blessed or a Saint; or for a prayer intention (so long as the intention does not contradict Church teaching), World Peace, Vocations, Respect for Life, Souls in Purgatory, etc. These intentions should be general and not specific to an individual.

Priests are requested, but are not required, to announce the name of the Intention aloud.

Regardless of if read aloud, please be assured the graces of the Holy Mass are still applied to the soul of the person or the special intention that you requested it be offered for.

As a parish, we will make every effort to accommodate a Mass for the passing of a loved one, on/near the anniversary of the first anniversary of a person's death.

Lengthy intention listings cannot be published in the Bulletin and must be edited for the sake of brevity.

Requests will be honored on a first-come, first serve basis in the order in which the request is received at the Parish Office.

The schedule of Mass intentions is subject to change according to the Mass schedule. There is no promise that they will be said on the scheduled day due to priest illness, schedule change, diocesan obligation, etc. Every attempt will be made to contact the concerned parties ahead of time, but that is not always possible. We will make every effort to reschedule the mass at a later date.



June is the Month of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Observed on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost, this feast honors the physical heart of Jesus Christ as a symbol of his boundless and passionate love for all of humanity. The devotion to the Sacred Heart is deeply rooted in our Church's history and spiritual life, reflecting the core of Christian faith: the infinite love and mercy of God.

**Come to a special Mass on Friday, June 27
7:00pm at St. Thomas**

Find the Sacred Heart of Jesus Litany and printable Litany PDF at elcatholics.org/litany-of-the-sacred-heart-of-jesus.

Attention Parents: Child Baptism



If you have a child or children who need to be baptized please do so before they turn 7 years old. While the Sacrament is the same for everyone, the preparation needed for the

Sacraments does differ depending on a person's age and circumstances. Unlike infants, a child 7 years old or older has attained the age of reason and needs to take a basic Catholic Faith formation course before baptism.

For those who are age 7 or older, they are capable of knowing right and wrong and therefore need to have a rudimentary grasp of the Catholic Faith before receiving the Sacrament of Baptism. These classes are often known as OCIC (Order of Christian Initiation for Children) Classes or Becoming Catholic. In the process, the child will likely also be studying for First Holy Communion, First Confession, and possibly Confirmation at the same time.

It is very difficult to have to let parents and children know that because they are seven or older they cannot receive First Reconciliation or First Communion with their classmates. They must take classes like anyone else who comes into the Church and receives all of their sacraments (even Confirmation) at Easter Vigil. If you have a small child who is not baptized, Schedule his/her baptism this summer!

Contact Debbie Lewis at 517-332-0064 or email her at dlewis@elcatholics.org for questions.



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

CALLING ALL GREEN THUMBED PARISHIONERS

Our Freshman Plant Project is entering its **16th season!!!**

Do you have a spider plant or aloe that is producing "babies"? Put those baby plants in water and start them growing for fall.

During Welcome Week, we give the plants to Freshmen as a way of reminding them to **"Grow in their Faith!"** with a sticker on the side of the 4" pots advertising Mass times at St. John Student Center. Last year, we gave away **over 600 plants!**

Please email Anna Stankewitz (annas@elcatholics.org) with the number of plants that you can provide.

Thank you!



Summer campus ministry

Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Newman Lounge
Dinner & Bible Study

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

**Father MAC Knights of Columbus
7816 Council
Summer Golf Outing**

Friday, July 25, starting time 8:30 am
Meridian Sun Golf Course, Haslett

Team Scramble (4 persons) Cost per team: \$240

- 18 holes of golf,
- electric golf cart,
- use of practice facility,
- food, prizes and camaraderie

Food includes continental breakfast, snacks and lunch (hotdogs & burgers), cash bar

Prizes: Winning team, 2nd and 3rd place teams, closest to the pin and longest drive.

Special Rules:

- Teams can buy 4 Mulligans for \$5 each
- Seniors (70+) can drive from the gray tees

Register by contacting Bruce Harte (Info below)

Sponsorships & Raffle Prizes Are Needed

- "Father Gordon" Event Sponsorship \$1500
- Gold Sponsorships \$1,000
- Silver Sponsorships \$750
- Bronze Sponsorships \$500
- Hole Sponsorships \$150

CONTACT INFORMATION:

To become a SPONSOR and/or donate a Raffle PRIZE please contact Bruce Harte at 517-256-5726, or Harte@MSU.EDU.
Thank you!

**National Conference for Single Catholics at Omni Interlocken Hotel
Broomfield, Colorado**

Looking to meet other single Catholics? **August 22-24**, join hundreds of single Catholics coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!) For more information and to register visit NationalCatholicSingles.com.

Young Adults

**Wednesday, June 25
Theology on Tap**



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.

ADORE

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7:00 - 9:00 PM

June 26 | July 24 | August 14

at Lansing Catholic High School

**OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS
IN THE GREATER LANSING AREA**



Friday, July 11 @ 7:00pm

In front of the Grande Window

Featuring the House Band

**Saint Mary's Makers
St. Mary Parish Hall
219 Seymour Ave
9:00am-3:00pm**



Bring your current projects and supplies and make your art with us. All ages are welcome. Come and go as you please.

Bring your own drinks and snacks. We meet every fourth Saturday of the Month.

St. John Food Cupboard Needs



The most recent US Census shows that just over 16% of Ingham County lives in poverty, not including those limited financially, working more than one job, etc.

On Saturday, we served 52 households, or almost 200 people. Your donations allow us to serve our neighbors in need.

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

Thank you for your generosity!



Helping the Homeless in Lansing

One of the ministries of the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. John is

coordinating support for Loaves and Fishes transitional shelter in Lansing. Transitional sheltering means 24/7 longer term housing that offers the opportunity for residents to get the job training and experience, education and other long-term solutions needed to be able to secure and keep permanent housing.

We welcome parishioners to join us with any of the following:

- Prepare and deliver a home-cooked meal for 12 residents on the second or third Sundays of the month. (We're glad to reimburse you for the ingredients.)
- Serve a meal and perform light kitchen duties from 6:00 to 9:00pm, one or more days per month.
- Donate bedding for a bunk bed (bedsheets, comforter, mattress pad or pillow) for the newly renovated residence for single women.
- Help with occasional yardwork or light maintenance chores twice annually.

Loaves and Fishes provides short-term emergency and long-term transitional housing, advocacy and support services for homeless adults.

Interested in learning more? Email st.john.svdps@gmail.com or phone or text Chuck Roboski at 517-281-4372.

Volunteer from Your Home

Are you searching for a way to help those in need from home? Consider the "PB+J with Love Snack Sacks" ministry coordinated by the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. John. Each week, a parishioner is provided supplies to make 50 snack sacks that then are distributed to the homeless who visit Advent House in Lansing. The St. Vincent de Paul Society provides all supplies for the snack sacks. You prepare the sandwiches and snack sacks on a Monday for distribution Tuesday.

It's easy: you pick up all supplies from either St. John or St. Thomas and you return the assembled snack sacks to the church. We'll take care of transporting the snack sacks to Advent House (unless you prefer to do this Tuesday morning before 9:00am).

Volunteers are needed for late summer and beyond. Email us at St.John.SVdPS@gmail.com or call or text Sue Nelson 517-230-7106.



Snack sacks include items shown here. The notecard with a few sentences of encouragement is included as well, if you wish to provide these.

JULY 11-13, 2025



Ignatian Weekend

SILENT RETREAT FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Come away from the noise of the world for a silent weekend retreat to learn more about how God talks to you through the Scriptures and in the movement of your own heart.

Learn more and register at
stfrancis.ws/ignatianretreats.

Fridays for Peace in the Holy Land:

Bishop Earl Boyea has asked that we consider offering prayers, fasting, and almsgiving **each Friday in June**, Month of the Sacred Heart, for peace in the Holy Land.

As for almsgiving, Bishop Boyea recommends donating to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, cnewa.org/, the official papal agency dedicated to giving pastoral and humanitarian support to the Middle East, including the Holy Land.



Summer Scripture Days August 19-21 Prophets of Hope

We are called to be pilgrims of hope! Join us to explore the prophets of the Old Testament & New Testament, and their incredible message of hope. Dive into this Jubilee Year of Hope with us. Specific session topics are forthcoming.



This retreat takes place in the Bethany House on the grounds on St. Francis Retreat Center. Bethany House guest rooms are single or double occupancy and each have a private bathroom. The entire facility is air conditioned and there is Wi-Fi throughout the building. Any adult over the age of 18 is welcome to attend. The retreat begins on Tuesday with registration at 9:00am, followed by the orientation session at 9:30. The retreat concludes around 12:00pm on Thursday, following Mass. No lunch will be served.

Retreat options:

Single lodging: \$225

Shared lodging: \$175 per person

Commuting: \$100 – The retreat begins at 9:00 AM each day. Tuesday and Wednesday will end at 5:00pm, and includes lunch. Thursday will end at noon, no lunch served.

To register visit stfrancis.ws/ssd

ENGAGED COUPLES RETREAT JULY 18-19

Our Engaged Couples Retreat is designed to prepare couples for receiving the sacrament of Holy Matrimony while offering time away for couples to grow deeper in their faith and love for each other. This satisfies aspects of the Diocese of Lansing marriage catechumenate.

Both theological and practical presentations are included in this short retreat that features a welcome reception, Blessing of the Couples, Vigil Mass, a special couples dinner on Saturday, a ballroom dance lesson by professional instructor Louis Soma of Our Dance Studio, and many other special features.



This retreat begins on Friday July 18 at 6:30pm and ends on Saturday July 19 at 9:00pm. \$250/couple includes **separate** overnight accommodations in our private rooms each with a private bath, plus meals and materials.

Presenters include Fr. Gary Koenigsknecht, Fr. Bob Irish, and Mike and Lisa Kutas.

St. Francis Retreat Center, 703 E. Main St, DeWitt
Register at stfrancis.ws/engaged

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

As the Day Was Drawing to a Close

It isn't uncommon for me to get to the noon hour only to realize that I haven't yet eaten anything that day.

It drives my husband crazy. He was raised by a bunch of Italian women, so he can't help but think three meals ahead. And don't get me wrong, I love food — I literally dream of donuts. But some days, I'm just so busy and I keep putting it off until I realize how weak I feel, how light-headed. And I think to myself: Stupid, you've done it again.

This is what comes to mind today, on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, as I read the Gospel account of the miracle of the loaves and fishes.

I think of hunger, distraction and the poor planning of those who pride themselves on being capable.

"As the day was drawing to a close," it is written — that's when the disciples finally realized that 5,000 hangry people is not an ideal situation.

I wonder, did Jesus roll his eyes when they came to him, and think, "Finally"? At any point he could have pulled out a fish and said a blessing. But he waited for them to ask. He waited for them to realize how badly they needed it.

Sometimes we forget that we need the Eucharist. It's not just a nice thing to have, a sweet act of devotion, a sacramental item that bolsters our faith. The Eucharist is none of those things. The Eucharist is the food without which we will die. The Eucharist is something we must seek out. Remember: the day is drawing to a close.

LIVE THE LITURGY – INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Today, on this celebration of the feast of Corpus Christi, we come and seek to respond to his grace to dare to do all we can, to be filled with wonder, to receive an increase of faith, to examine our consciences, and to follow him more and more deeply along the path of light and life into a holy communion that is nourished here at Mass, extends throughout the whole of life and is meant to lead us to that communion with God and with the saints that will know no end. "Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb!" Blessed indeed are we to be here.

Fr. Roger J Landry

DEVOTIONS EXPLAINED

Pilgrimage

When the time came for the Transfiguration of Christ, Jesus took three of his disciples to "a high mountain by themselves," indicating that the sacred mysteriousness of this moment was something best experienced apart from the routine of ordinary life. This is the principle behind the act of pilgrimage: a journey to a place of spiritual significance, undertaken by one who is seeking closeness to Heaven while still on Earth.

Christian pilgrimages really began in the fourth century, when churches in the Holy Land were constructed in locations associated with the life of Christ. Throughout the centuries, pilgrims have likewise flocked to sites of Marian apparitions, miracles, and to places connected with the lives of saints.

2025, is a Jubilee Year, a period of special grace and spiritual renewal, will be celebrated by Catholics worldwide. This year is particularly significant as the theme is "Pilgrims of Hope," encouraging people to seek hope in a world facing various challenges. Pilgrimages during this period are especially meaningful, offering opportunities to visit holy sites, receive plenary indulgences, and deepen faith.

Readings for Sunday, June 29 Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Acts 12:1-11 Now I know for certain that the Lord sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod...

Ps 34 The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him.

2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat...

Mt 16:13-19 I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven.

The English translation of Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass
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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



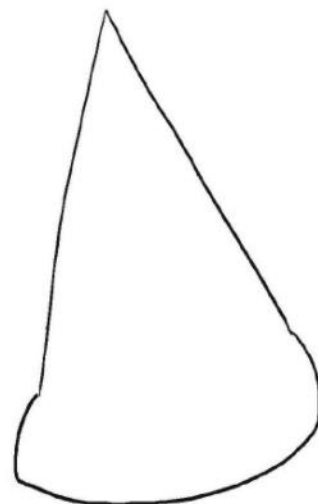
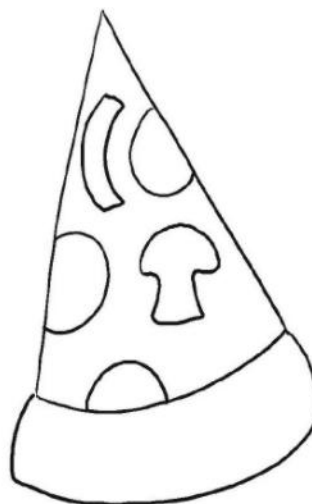
DRAW

Draw a smiling boy handing five loaves and two fish to Jesus.



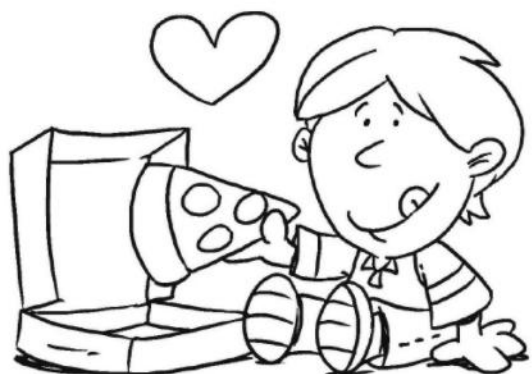
PUZZLE

Draw the slice of pizza to match the first one.



GOSPEL

Everyone in class heard the priest tell the story about the loaves and fishes. The priest asked, "Does anyone have food to share?" Little Leoni said, "I have five pizzas and two gallons of tea." The teacher gave everyone a piece of pizza and a cup of tea. When they were full, everyone was amazed. There was one piece of pizza and a little tea left. They gave thanks to God.



MISSION

I will share all of my food with my family and friends.



Men's Discernment Retreat August 12-14 | St. Francis Retreat Center

Thinking about discerning the vocation to Priesthood and you have questions about seminary?

This retreat is a chance for men to learn more about the discernment process, meet those already in formation, ask questions about the life and ministry of a priest, and experience the camaraderie of other discerners.

Fr. Mike Cassar, Director of Seminarians and, Fr. Ryan Riley, Pastor of St. Martha Okemos, will provide direction on the discernment process, give their reflections on the priesthood, and answer questions. Small group discussions will be led by priests of the Diocese of Lansing. Daily Mass and the opportunity for Confession and Adoration will be offered.

Rooms are private with a shared bathroom and all meals. Suggested donation: \$200. Scholarships are available - Please contact the Diocese of Lansing Vocations Office For other questions on the priesthood, visit lansingpriest.org or contact Fr. Mike Cassar at mcassar@dioceseoflansing.org or call 517-342-2507.



SAVE THE DATE!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NIGHT OF VOCATIONS

FRIDAY, AUG. 1, 2025



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Mary calls you to adore and to guard Jesus in the Eucharist in Perpetual Adoration.

Hourly Adorers are needed 24/7 at the Holy Spirit Oratory, on the grounds of IHM Parish

Are you willing to commit one hour per week?

Please contact our Parish Coordinator, Mary Finn at 517-889-2494 or holyspiritatory@ihmlansing.org





2025 SUMMER CAMPS

Lansing Catholic Summer Camps are open for registration!

Get ready for a summer filled with sports, fun, and memories! Whether you're looking to improve your skills or just have a blast, we've got something for everyone!

Check out all the awesome opportunities and learn more at lansingcatholic.org/summercamps



Or scan the QR Code.
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THURSDAY JUNE 26TH, 2025
WHEATFIELD VALLEY GOLF COURSE
REGISTRATION AT 8 AM
TEE TIME AT 9 AM

For more information and how to register, visit our website at catholiccharitiesiec.org/golf-fore-giving/



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Matthew 25:	\$1077.00
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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.



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church.

The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. We also are asked to pray in a special way for the Pope.

For more information, see: obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

**A LITTLE OR A LOT, IT IS ALL WELCOME.
GIVING IS A GIFT.**

Matthew 25 | June 22 & 29 Catholic Mission Medical Board-Sudan



The Catholic Medical Mission Board (CMMB) provides long-term medical and development aid to communities affected by poverty and unequal access to healthcare in Sudan, focusing on women's and children's health. CMMB works in South Sudan, focusing on the Western Equatoria region, and supports programs like HIV/AIDS prevention, refugee health services, gender-based violence prevention, and primary healthcare. They also provide food aid, and work with partners like World Vision on programs like the Anisa Project.

2025 Diocesan Services Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has returned their DSA pledge or donation. **We are at 90%!** 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**. Together with the other parishes in the Diocese we can do so much more than any single parish could hope to do.

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.

This Week's Advertiser Spotlight

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Universal Prayers | Let Us Pray

For the Church, may God preserve her from error and grant wisdom to those who speak in her name.

For civic leaders, may the Lord give them grace to pursue truth and work for justice.

For all who struggle to believe in God, may the Holy Spirit grant them insight, faith, and hope.

For the community gathered here, may God inspire us with a spirit of reverence and piety.

For all who need healing, may Jesus the healer give them hope, especially Peter Reis, Sr. , and those listed in our book of prayer.

For the faithful departed, may they soon enter the perfect life of the Blessed Trinity, especially Richard Schubert, Audrey Durkin and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

God of love, hear these prayers we offer you today, through Christ our Lord.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, June 23

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

Tuesday, June 24

7:30pm Lansing 4th Degree KofC Officers Mtg (STA)

Wednesday, June 25

4:00pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)
7:00pm St. John SVdP Mtg (SJSC)

Thursday, June 26

10:00am Painting Class (STA)

Friday, June 27

11:00am Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)
7:00pm Mass for the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, June 28

3:00pm Reconciliation (STA)

Sunday, June 29

Bulletin Submission Deadline

is Monday at 8:00am. Please email
dzakerski@elcatholics.org



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! There is always HOPE! It's worth it. The next Retrouvaille Marriage Saving Weekend will be July 18-July 20, Adrian MI.

To learn more, go to HelpOurMarriage.org or call 800-470-2230.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 23

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Ruth Meyer req. by The Meyer Family

5:30pm (St. John)

Int. of Carolyn Arnold req. by Bernadette Leone

Tuesday, June 24

9:00am (St. Thomas)

The Mancini Family req. by The Leone Family

Wednesday, June 25

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Bryce Clack req. by Carol Clack

5:30pm (St. John)

William & Mary Chapman req. by The Leone Family

Thursday, June 26

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Joseph Polack req. by East Lansing Knights of Columbus

Friday, June 27

6:30am (St. Thomas)

JoAnn Beach

12:15am (St. John)

Fr. Eduardo Lorenzo

Saturday, June 28

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Deceased Members of the Nemecek Family

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

Joseph Symborski req. by Raymon Symborski Family

Sunday, June 29

8:00am (St. John)

People of the Parish

9:00am (St. Thomas)

*Int. of Brad & Agnieszka Kasberg
req. by Magdalena Felczak*

10:00am (St. John)

Jeffrey Walser req. by Tom & Julie Brennan

11:00am (St. Thomas)

Barb Cleary req. by Therese Watters

Noon (St. John)

*Int. of Kim & Don Wiseman on their 40th Anniversary
req. by The Heisser Family*

7:00pm (St. John)

Art & Patsy Brandstatter req. by Bob Taylor

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