

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27

# Connections

**Serving the East Lansing  
Catholic Community**

**St. Thomas Aquinas Parish**

955 Alton Road  
East Lansing, MI 48823  
Phone: 517-351-7215  
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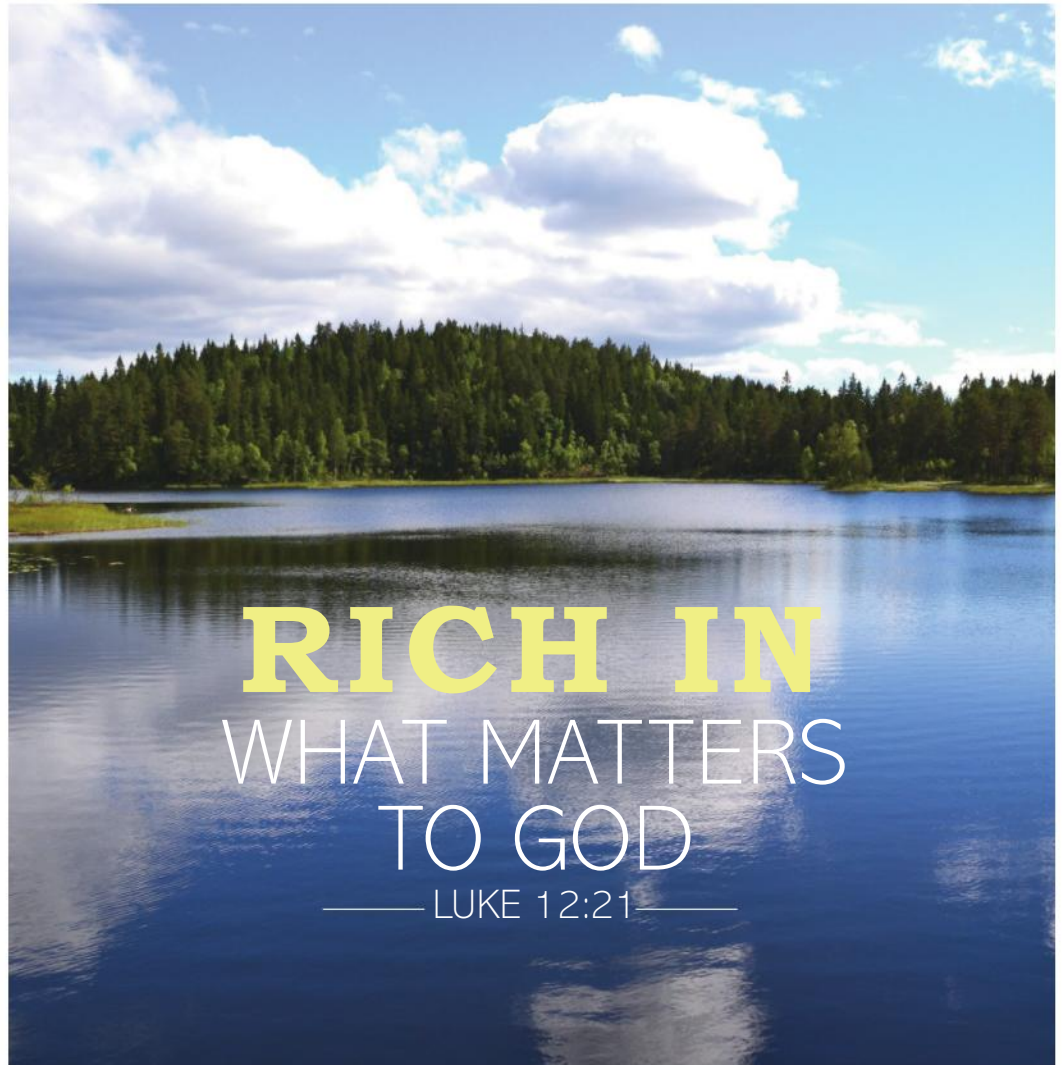
**St. John Church &  
Student Center**

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**GIVING  
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[elcatholics.org/giving](http://elcatholics.org/giving)



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

**Weekday Mass Times**  
Mon, Wed & Friday 6:30am  
Tue, Thurs 9:00am  
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



*And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.*

Truly, God will not be outdone in generosity! Jesus invites us to trust in the Father's Providence and ask for all that we need—big and small. As Jesus points out to the disciples, "If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

**Ask for Spiritual Graces & Mercy!** When the Blessed Mother appeared to St. Catherine Labouré in Paris, 1830, she showed St. Catherine the image of what came to be called the Miraculous Medal. St. Catherine noticed that the rays streaming from Our Lady's fingertips were not evenly distributed. The Blessed Mother explained to her, "These rays symbolize the graces I shed upon those who ask for them. The gems from which rays do not fall are the graces for which souls forget to ask." May we not forget to ask for all of the spiritual graces we need to become saints.

## **Summer Mission Appeal this weekend – July 26/27:**

Fr. Jack Tierney from the Augustinians of the Midwest—which thankfully gave us Pope Leo XIV!—will join us for the weekend Masses as part of our diocese's Mission Cooperative Appeal Program. Let us pray for Fr. Jack's safe travels and for the ministries of this Augustinian province, especially in Peru. If you wish to support him, feel free to make checks payable to the parish (writing "Mission Appeal" in the memo line), and we will collect the funds to send to his religious order.

Pope Francis established the celebration of the **World Day for Grandparents and Elderly** beginning in 2021 on the 4th Sunday of July (July 26/27), near the feast day of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Let us pray for the health and well-being of our seniors and let us take a moment to reach out and reconnect with them to show our care.

The **Vocations Family Night** with the Lansing Lugnugs is scheduled for Friday, August 1, at 7:05pm. For more information, visit [elcatholics.org/knights-of-columbus](http://elcatholics.org/knights-of-columbus). Parish tickets must be purchased by 9:00am Monday morning. Or you can purchase them at the box office that night! Come join us!

On **First Saturday**, Aug. 2, I will give a presentation on the topic of the Catholic Church potentially proclaiming **The Fifth Marian Dogma**. Come to Fr. Mac Hall after the 9:00am Saturday Mass at St. Thomas on Aug. 2. Refreshments will be served.

**Looking Ahead:** The Solemnity of the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (Friday, Aug. 15) will be a holy day of obligation this year. Then the **Parish Picnic** will be celebrated that weekend (Aug. 16/17). There will be a Saturday night celebration for the whole family that includes Bier Garten for those ages 21+, food truck and music as well as the usual Noon – 3:00pm festivities hosted by the Knights of Columbus on Sunday.

That Sunday evening, Aug. 17, is the annual **Priesthood Discernment Dinner** with Bishop Boyea and our diocesan seminarians at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt. Men ages 17 and up are welcome to RSVP and attend: [lansingpriest.org/opportunities/](http://lansingpriest.org/opportunities/).

May the Lord hear and answer our prayers!

*Fr. Carlson*

**STARTING**  
**TUESDAY AUG 5**

**NEW**

**Mass Time at St. Thomas**  
**Tuesday & Thursday**

**8:15 AM**

**STA WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 6:30am  
Tuesday, Thursday: 8:15am  
Saturday: 9:00am & 4:30pm Vigil



## Midwest Augustinian Mission Speaker Coming Sunday, July 27

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The Augustinians are passionate educators. In 2013, they opened Colegio San Agustin (St. Augustine School) in Trujillo, Peru, serving grade-school-aged students and educating them in the Augustinian tradition and with their core values of Truth, Unity, and Love.

Pope Leo XIV, their Augustinian brother, spent almost 20 years serving the Mission in Peru. Please make a contribution and help continue their work to fund scholarships for students, human development, capital for teachers and staff in Augustinian schools, infrastructure projects (school chapel, classrooms, etc.), formation and vocation, and social justice projects.

## Healing Wounds



**Summer Prayer Challenge Begins July 28**  
[Hallow.com/parish](http://Hallow.com/parish)

Then put in St Thomas and St John Student Center

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NIGHT OF VOCATIONS AT THE BALLFIELD

Friday, Aug 1 | 7:00pm



Ticket Sales at  
[elcatholics.org/knights-of-columbus](http://elcatholics.org/knights-of-columbus) or  
by calling the parish office!  
Cost: \$13.00 per person

## FIRST SATURDAY PRESENTATION

Following the 9am Mass  
Fr. Mac Hall, St. Thomas



**Aug 2:**  
**The Fifth Marian Dogma**

**Fr. Gordon will be presenting.**  
He has resources available at [elcatholics.org/first-saturday](http://elcatholics.org/first-saturday).

**All Are Invited.**  
Refreshments will be served.

## CATECHISTS NEEDED

**For Religious  
Education  
on Sundays and  
Mondays this Fall**

All of the necessary materials and lesson plans  
are provided. Please contact  
Debbie Lewis, Director of Religious Education  
[dlewis@elcatholics.org](mailto:dlewis@elcatholics.org) | 517-332-0064





St. John Student Center - Home of the

**Catholic Spartans**



Anna Stankewitz - [annas@elcatholics.org](mailto:annas@elcatholics.org)  
Director of Campus Ministry

Joshua Janda - [jjanda@elcatholics.org](mailto:jjanda@elcatholics.org)  
Campus Minister



## CALLING ALL GREEN THUMBED PARISHIONERS

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

Last year, we gave away over 600 plants!

**Help Freshmen "Grow in their Faith!"**

4.5 inch pots are available to be picked up in the office at St. John

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

# Summer campus ministry

This Wednesday, July 30 is our final Bible Study of the summer!

6:30pm in the Newman Lounge

Dinner Included

Stay tuned for campus ministry events and outreach  
as everyone returns to campus.





## Back-to-School Clothing Drive August 1 to 11

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be conducting a kids' clothing drive to benefit families served by the Clothing Closet at the Cristo Rey Campus of Catholic Charities of Ingham, Eaton and Clinton Counties.

Donation boxes will be placed at both St. Thomas and St. John from Friday, August 1 to Monday, August 11 for donations of all sizes of gently used and new clothing.

Any and ALL donations are appreciated! The greatest needs are

- boys clothing
- underwear (boys, girls, women and men)
- socks (boys, girls, women and men)

**Help kids feel comfortable as they start school!  
Let's make sure that they have what they need.**

The Clothing Closet at the Cristo Rey campus operates Monday through Friday and serves as many as 250 individuals and families each week, providing clothing free of charge to all who are in need.

Thank you for helping our neighbors in need!

Care to volunteer at the Clothing Closet? Shifts are from 9:00 to 11:00 and 11:00 to 1:00. If you would like to know more, email [st.john.svdps@gmail.com](mailto:st.john.svdps@gmail.com).

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**  
ST. JOHN CHURCH AND STUDENT CENTER CONFERENCE

## St. John Food Cupboard Needs

Despite MSU being on a reduced academic calendar, we served 51 households this past Saturday; your donations make a real difference for our neighbors in need.

**Currently we need toilet paper, small bags of flour and sugar, ramen, and spaghetti sauce.**

Thank you for your generosity!



## Registration is OPEN!

Online registration, [elcatholics.org/religious-education-program](http://elcatholics.org/religious-education-program), is open for 2025-2026 Religious Education classes, preschool – 8th grade.



Classes meet in the Parish School on Sunday, 10:05am – 10:55am and Monday, 4:30–5:30pm. Students in grades 3 – 7 are able to take online classes.

Grade 8 has to attend in person classes due to Confirmation requirements. **Grade 8 does not need to pay** for these classes. They will start out with classes on Sunday mornings and then switch to Sunday evenings to study with Fr. Riley. **Grade 2 will need to pay the extra sacrament** fee of \$25.00 due to many items that will be provided for their studies of Eucharist and Reconciliation.

Thank you for registering early!

**Registration will close on September 21st and classes start October 5th.**

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Debbie Lewis, [dlewis@elcatholics.org](mailto:dlewis@elcatholics.org).

## Attention Parents:

**If you have children who needs to be baptized, please do so before they turn 7 years old.**

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 7 or older they cannot receive First Reconciliation or First Communion with their classmates.



Contact Debbie Lewis at 517-332-0064 or email her at [dlewis@elcatholics.org](mailto:dlewis@elcatholics.org) with questions.



## Today is World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



In the Bible, God repeatedly demonstrates his providential care by turning to people in their later years. This was the case not only with Abraham, Sarah, Zechariah and Elizabeth, but also with Moses, who was called to set his people free when he was already eighty years old (cf. Ex 7:7). God thus teaches us that, in his eyes, old age is a time of blessing and grace, and that the elderly are, for him, the first witnesses of hope. Augustine asks, "What do we mean by old age?" He tells us that God himself answers the question: "Let your strength fail, so that my strength may abide within you, and you can say with the Apostle, 'When I am weak, then I am strong'" (Super Ps. 70,11). The increasing number of elderly people is a sign of the times that we are called to discern, in order to interpret properly this moment of history.

The life of the Church and the world can only be understood in light of the passage of generations. Embracing the elderly helps us to understand that life is more than just the present moment, and should not be wasted in superficial encounters and fleeting relationships. Instead, life is constantly pointing us toward the future. In the book of Genesis, we find the moving episode of the blessing given by the aged Jacob to his grandchildren, the sons of Joseph; his words are an appeal to look to the future with hope, as the time when God's promises will be fulfilled (cf. Gen 48:8-20). If it is true that the weakness of the elderly needs the strength of the young, it is equally true that the inexperience of the young needs the witness of the elderly in order to build the future with wisdom. How often our grandparents have been for us examples of faith and devotion, civic virtue and social commitment, memory and perseverance amid trials! The precious legacy that they have handed down to us with hope and love will always be a source of gratitude and a summons to perseverance.

*From the Vatican, 26 June 2025 Pope Leo XIV*

## Young Adults Theology on Tap July 30

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 [frriley@elcatholics.org](mailto:frriley@elcatholics.org).

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**ANNUAL  
PARISH PICNIC**  
**Saturday, Aug 16 &  
Sunday, Aug 17**

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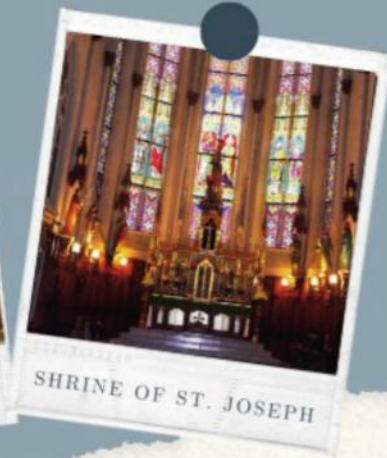
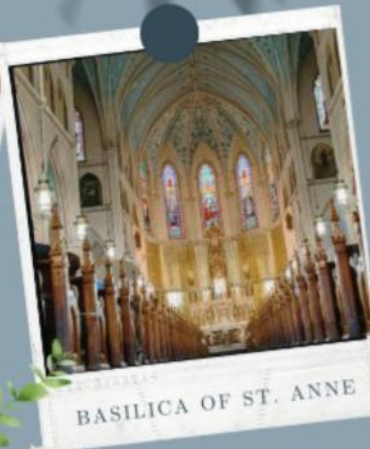
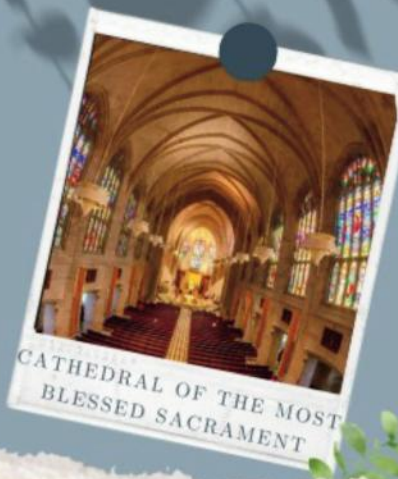
**NEW THIS YEAR! BIER GARTEN**  
**SATURDAY, AUG 16**  
**MUSIC • FOOD TRUCKS • BEER**  
**21+ Only in the Pavillion • Stay Tuned For More Info!**



Lansing Catholic High School is seeking part-time and full-time candidates for morning and evening operations, maintenance, and custodial roles. If you or someone you know is interested, please visit [lansingcatholic.org/employment-opportunities](https://lansingcatholic.org/employment-opportunities) for more information and to apply. For questions, contact Ben Pohl, Director of Infrastructure, at [ben.pohl@lansingcatholic.org](mailto:ben.pohl@lansingcatholic.org).



IN HONOR OF THE JUBILEE YEAR



## Jubilee Pilgrimage

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

### Jubilee Pilgrimage to Detroit Historic Churches

Cost: \$75, plus money to purchase your lunch

Depart 7:15am and return around 4:30pm.

*All ages are welcome including children accompanied by an adult.*

- **MASS AT ST THOMAS AQUINAS:** 6:30am (Optional)
- **BUS DEPARTURE:** 7:15 from STA in front of the church
- **CATHEDRAL OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT**
- **BASILICA OF SAINT ANNE**
- **LUNCH AT GREEKTOWN PEGASUS** (not covered in registration fee)
- **SHRINE OF ST. JOSEPH**
- **RETURN TO ST. THOMAS AQUINAS:** home around 4:30pm

Sign up by calling the parish office at 517.351.7215

or at [elcatholics.org/jubilee-pilgrimage](http://elcatholics.org/jubilee-pilgrimage)

*If you pay in the office, please make checks payable to the Rosary Altar Society.*

Scholarships are Available. Contact Sandy, [dekarich20@gmail.com](mailto:dekarich20@gmail.com).

### (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### Ask and You Shall Receive

It's easy to look at today's Gospel reading and come away with a view of God as disinterested and irritated, reluctant to give us what we need unless we bang down his door, hound him to the furthest reaches of heaven, wrench him from his reverie and force him to answer just so we'll finally go away.

Well, that's not what Jesus means by the parable of the friend at midnight — but it's also not surprising that we would think that it is. The whole point of this Gospel is that communication between God and man has been broken. It's not as easy as it once was, as it should be, as it could be.

In this parable, there exists many barriers between the supplicant and his friend. The time of day is not ideal. The door is locked. Their dispositions are opposite — one is in the middle of a REM cycle and the other is deeply agitated. They appear to be two people who are not primed to communicate well. Everything is working against them.

The same could well be said of God and the human race. Here we are in a fallen world, surrounded by sin and pain and sickness and death to the extent that it infiltrates not just our bodies but our souls, our minds, our attitudes.

We are the friend caught unprepared in the dead of night. We don't always know how to talk to God (*That door is thick! Will he hear us if we knock?*). We don't always know if we should (*It's all my fault that I ran out of loaves, after all*). We don't even know if we want to (*It's nighttime! He might be angry!*).

Everything is working against us.

It doesn't matter, Jesus tells us. Whatever is interrupting communication between your heart and the One who crafted it, the One who desires its full and irrevocable attention, it can be overcome. There is no door thick enough, no night dark enough, no sleep strong enough.

So knock.

#### DAILY EXAMEN, EXPLAINED!

The daily examen is a spiritual practice derived from the writings of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus. A Basque nobleman, Ignatius underwent a series of religious conversions as a young man following a wound sustained in the Battle of Pamplona in 1521. His *Spiritual Exercises* were first published



in 1548 and form the basis of what is known today as "Ignatian spirituality."

Many different versions of the examen have been developed over the centuries, but all

are centered on the same five elements which themselves reflect Ignatius' process of self-review and spiritual discernment.

In completing the daily examen, an individual places himself in the presence of God, prayerfully reflecting on the blessings of the day, the actions he took, and the invitation God has for his future decisions.

For more information on the examen and to find different variations of it, visit [ignatianspirituality.com/ignatian-prayer/the-examen/](http://ignatianspirituality.com/ignatian-prayer/the-examen/).

#### Readings for Sunday, Aug 3 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23** For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored?

**Ps 90** If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

**Col 3:1-5, 9-11** If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above.

**Lk 12:13-21** "Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."





## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



## PUZZLE

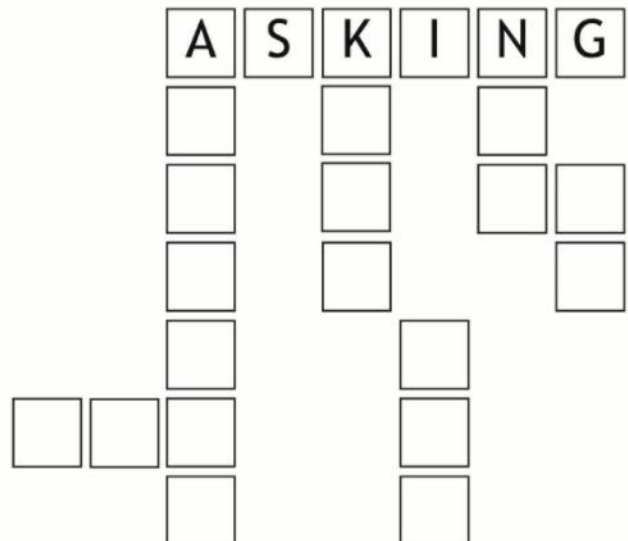
Circle the group in each row that has **more**. Then color in all the pictures.



## PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

**You are not ashamed to keep on asking.**



## GOSPEL

Do you know how to pray? All you need to do is talk to God. He is your loving Father. Tell him how you would like to make him happy. Ask him to give you the things you really need. Ask him to help you forgive other people, just like he forgives you. God loves you, so talk to him often.







## 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](http://lansingpriest.org) or contact Fr. Mike Cassar at [mcassar@dioceseoflansing.org](mailto:mcassar@dioceseoflansing.org) or call 517-342-2507.

### Are You Interested in Hosting an Exchange Student Studying at Lansing Catholic?

Student Management Group, in partnership with Lansing Catholic High School, is looking for a host family for a 16 year old boy from Vietnam from early August until the end of November. He loves badminton, basketball, and gaming. He describes himself as adaptable, active, and ambitious. He's been studying English at school for 9 years and is excited to attend an American High School.

His tuition is paid and he has his own health insurance and personal spending money. A host family must pass a background check, provide a room, meals, transportation to/from school, and receives a \$750 monthly stipend. If you have any questions or are interested in learning more about hosting an international student please reach out to Sydney Ansel, at 269-621-5764 or [sydneyansel@gmail.com](mailto:sydneyansel@gmail.com).

This could be a really great opportunity for your family to learn about a new culture and share what is wonderful about our culture!

### Summer Scripture Days August 19-21

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.



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.

Speakers include Katrina Iamario, Cathryn Torgerson-Wade, Dr. William Kangas, Tom Shaeen and more!

To register visit [stfrancis.ws/ssd](http://stfrancis.ws/ssd)

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you wondering if there is any stability to this world? Looking for meaning in life and to know if anything is true? 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](mailto:jbrown@elcatholics.org). **\*Note: you do not have to be ready to join to explore - just come and ask questions!**



## 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:

- Monthly Mass offered for your intentions
- Personal thank you from Bishop Boyea
- Annual Mass and luncheon with Bishop Boyea
- Gain access to special events (seminarian lunches, ordinations, pilgrimages)

To learn more,  
call 517-253-8738  
or email Lisa Brown at  
[lbrown@dioceseoflansing.org](mailto:lbrown@dioceseoflansing.org)



Lisa Brown  
Charitable Giving Advisor

## OUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### Offertory 7/6/25

Budget Amount:	\$38,000.00
Actual Amount:	\$37,809.84
Matthew 25:	\$1429.00
Macheo USA Week 1	



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](mailto:jennthelen@elcatholics.org) or 517-351-7215.

### Matthew 25 | July 20 and Aug 3 Kerr County Relief Fund

The long-established Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country launched The Kerr County Flood Relief Fund, which supports relief and rebuilding efforts after the flood in central Texas on July 4, 2025.

The Community Foundation - a 501(c)(3) public charity serving the Texas Hill Country - will direct funds to vetted organizations providing rescue, relief, and recovery efforts as well as flood assistance. The Fund will support the communities of Hunt, Ingram, Kerrville, Center Point, and Comfort.

**Catholic Charities**  
of Ingham, Eaton & Clinton Counties  
[www.CatholicCharitiesIEC.com](http://www.CatholicCharitiesIEC.com)



Recently, the US State Department suspended funding to groups that help resettle refugees. **We urgently need help to fulfill our commitment to the refugee families already in our care.**

**Any dollar amount will help.**

Mail checks to:  
Refugee Services  
2800 W. Willow St.  
Lansing, MI 48917  
517-323-4734

## This Week's Advertiser Spotlight

**IRISH OAK TOURS**  
[www.irishoaktours.com](http://www.irishoaktours.com)  
Delivering Package and Customized Tours to Ireland  
Exploring our Roots and Expanding Our Hearts  
Nigel and Jessica O'Connor, St. Mary parishioners  
[irishoaktours@gmail.com](mailto:irishoaktours@gmail.com)

**MISSION BACKPACK**

NOW THROUGH AUGUST 7TH

**DONATE BACKPACKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

TO SUPPORT LOCAL FAMILIES

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL  
517-323-4734 EXT. 1207



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





## Universal Prayers | Let Us Pray

The Lord invites us to bring our needs before him with confidence and trust.

For all who lead the Church, may God provide them with the graces they need in their ministry.

For policymakers, may the Holy Spirit inspire them in defending the dignity and sanctity of human life at all stages.

For those struggling with anxiety or depression, may the Lord bring them hope and rest.

For all in this community of faith, may the Lord help us listen to his voice so we may become his presence in the world.

For all who are sick in mind, body, or spirit, may they come to know the healing presence of the Lord in their lives especially Tammy Grimshaw, Ed & Lou Ann Heitzman, Brad Gougeon, and those listed in our book of prayer.

For all who have passed away in the light of Christ, may the Lord bring them to everlasting life, especially Carla Barnes and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Eternal Father, listen to the prayers we bring before you this day and answer them in accordance with your will our Lord.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday, July 28

9:30am

Quilt Group (STA)

4:00pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

### Tuesday, July 29

### Wednesday, July 30

4:00pm

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

6:00pm

K of C District Mtg (STA)

6:15pm

Young Adults (Offsite)

### Thursday, July 31

### Friday, August 1

### Lugnuts Night of Vocations

11:00am

Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

### Saturday, August 2

9:00am

Mass and First Saturday Presentation (STA)

3:00pm

Confessions (STA)

### Sunday, August 3

3:45pm

African Mass (STA)



**NATIONAL CONFERENCE  
FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS**

COME JOIN THE LARGEST GATHERING OF SINGLE CATHOLICS

**WHEN**  
August 22-24, 2025  
With pre & post events

**WHERE**  
Denver, Colorado  
Omni Interlocken Hotel

Looking to meet other single Catholics? Aug 22-24, join hundreds of single Catholics coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!)

What we want for you: To meet like-minded fellow Catholics, receive practical aids for growing in faith and forming lasting relationships, and come away inspired and refreshed with the tools you need today!

What you will encounter: Great speakers, thought-provoking discussions, and hundreds of single Catholics seeking to live their faith!

What to expect: A great mix of presentations which address current challenges affecting relationships in our culture, times for prayer and reflection, and lots of social opportunities to meet new people and make new (even life-long) friends!

For more information and to register, go to [NationalCatholicSingles.com](http://NationalCatholicSingles.com).

# LANSING AREA

# 1390 AM

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, July 28

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Gabriella Fernandez req. by The Family

5:30pm (St. John)

David Morrison req. by Michelle Sanchagrin

### Tuesday, July 29

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†William & Mary Chapman req. by The Chapman Family

### Wednesday, July 30

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Charles Haddad req. by John & Jean Anton

5:30pm (St. John)

†Deceased Members of the DeFever Family  
req. by The Loomis Family

### Thursday, July 31

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†Mary Hoffman req. by Lorraine Behan & Family

### Friday, August 1

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†George Merva req. by The Friday Breakfast Group

12:15pm (St. John)

Int. For the Conversion of Sinners

### Saturday, August 2

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†James Frontiera req. by Deb Frontiera

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

†Holy Family 1st Saturday Memorials & Mass Intentions

### Sunday, August 3

8:00am (St. John)

People of the Parish

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†Colette Frederick req. by The Frederick Family

10:00am (St. John)

†Charlotte Keller req. by The STA Lay Dominicans

11:00am (St. Thomas)

†Mary, Tom & Kathy Kato req. by Dennis & Jeanne Meyer

Noon (St. John)

†Howard F. Lancour req. by The Banks Family

7:00pm (St. John)

†Fr. Eduardo Lorenzo

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Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst."

— John 6:35



## HOLY FAMILY FIRST SATURDAY MEMORIAL AND INTENTIONS

Aben & Arsenault Families  
 Clarence & Beatrice Ainslie  
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 Chai & Chi Families  
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 Family  
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 Family  
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 William Derengoski  
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 Stephanie Murdoch Family  
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 William Patrick Family  
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 Family  
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 George Petro  
 Rose "Rusty" Petro

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