

Nineteenth
Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10

Connections

Serving the East Lansing
Catholic Community

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish
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East Lansing, MI 48823
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St. Thomas Parish School
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*Holy
Day of Obligation*

**Friday
August 15**
Assumption

*of the Blessed
Virgin
Mary*

Thursday Vigil
STA 7:00pm

Friday
STA 6:30am & 7:00pm
SJSC 12:15pm

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

Weekday Mass Times
Mon, Wed & Friday 6:30am
Tue, Thurs 8:15am
Sat 9:00am

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 to his disciples: "Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival."

We are challenged to make an accounting of our stewardship in today's Gospel. The longer version of this passage concludes with the familiar warning: "Much will be required of the person entrusted with much and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." Stewardship consists of time, talent and treasure for sure, but it also extends to our ownership of Christ's mission of teaching, baptizing, and caring for vulnerable lives.

As I shared in my homily last weekend – regarding the Parable of the Rich Fool – there is a relationship whereby the poor rely on the rich for earthly material support, but the rich rely on the poor spiritually for good works, almsgiving, and deeds of mercy to prove their faith and atone for their sins. In short, the poor may need us for temporary support, but we need to serve them for our eternal salvation. As Jesus reminds us that *the first will be last and the last first*, let us be about the Lord's work as good stewards of our faith and resources.

On Monday, the Church celebrates the memorial of St. Clare of Assisi. Did you know that she is the patron saint of TV? In her later life, when too ill to attend Mass, the images and sounds of the Mass miraculously appeared on the wall of her room. Pope Pius XII, an Italian who knew this story, proclaimed St. Clare the patroness of television in 1957, when TV was relatively new. Let us ask the intercession of St. Clare for our TV Outreach Mass, now in its 40th year of operation. And if you wish to support this media outreach or learn more about it, please visit: www.outreachmass.org.

This week's Solemnity of the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (Aug. 15) will be a holy day of obligation this year. Please see the cover for the options. Then on Saturday, Aug. 16, the Vigil Mass will be a **Candidacy Mass for Deacon Formation**. Bishop Boyea will preside and recognize the men and seminarians who are preparing for ordination to the diaconate.

Our **Parish Picnic** is scheduled for next weekend (Aug. 16/17). There will be a Saturday night celebration for the whole family that includes a Bier Garten for those ages 21+, as well as the usual Noon – 3pm 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 age 17 and up are welcome to RSVP and attend: www.lansingpriest.org/opportunities/.

May the Lord find us ready when he returns!

Fr. Gordon

The Offices Will Be **CLOSED** Wednesday, Aug 13

Please pray for our priests, teachers, and parish staff who will be on retreat.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful!

St. Thomas Mass at 6:30am

The building will then close after Mass and reopen Thursday at 8:00am

St. John Mass at 5:30pm Confession and Adoration at 4:00pm

The building will open on Wednesday at 3:30pm



NEW THIS YEAR! A 2 DAY EVENT

Saturday, Aug 16
Sunday, Aug 17



Bier Garten
Saturday, Aug 16
6:00 – 8:30pm

- Behind the School
- Beer under the Pavilion for 21+
- Music, Food Trucks, and a Big Inflatable for Kids



Parish Picnic
Sunday, Aug 17
Noon – 3:00pm

- Behind the School
- Hamburgers & Hot Dogs provided by the Knights of Columbus.
- Music, Games, and a Big Inflatable for Kids

**Thank You to the Fr. Mac East Lansing
Chapter of the Knights of Columbus
for all that you do!**



Widows & Widowers Lunch

Please reserve your spot at the table on Tuesday, Aug 12! Call the St. Thomas parish office and let them know how many people will be joining us at 12:30pm at Coral Gables in East Lansing.



Worship Central



Greetings All!

Where has the summer gone?

I hope you are doing well as we are almost two-thirds of the way through the season of Summer. For me it has been a fun and joy-filled summer both personally and professionally. As Summer winds down, school ramps up and everything that goes with it! I'd like to draw your attention to a couple of upcoming ministry opportunities.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

On Saturday, August 23 there will be an Altar Server Retreat for current Altar Servers and any parish youth in grades 3 through 8 who would like to become an Altar Server. Please see the advertisement on page 3 of this bulletin for additional information.

On Saturday, September 6 we will have a Retreat for Advanced Altar Servers. Stay tuned for more information.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Are you called to take the Eucharist to our brothers and sisters in a local care facility? We currently have an opening for a minister to service the Red Cedar Lodge on Thursday mornings. If you are interested, please contact me.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION MINISTRY

Have you recently gotten engaged? Are you considering either of our parish churches, St. Thomas or St. John, to get married at? Now is the time to begin your marriage preparation. Our marriage preparation timeline is a minimum of nine months. To begin your preparation, please visit www.elcatholics.org/marriage and fill out the online form.

See you in Church! Patrick

Senior Masses Return September 17!

Join us the **third Wednesday** of the month from September through May for our Senior Mass and Ministry at STA. The Rosary begins at 9:30am and Mass begins at 10:00am and is followed by fellowship, snacks and fun in Fr. Mac Hall.

Fr. Peter will preside and share about his time in Rome!





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

New Student Welcome Kits

If you would like to support this project, the following donations will be accepted:

- Tide/laundry pods
- Deck of cards
- Chapstick
- Individually packaged snacks
- MSU stickers
- Post-its
- MSU Dairy Store coupons
- Thermometers



Email Anna at annas@elcatholics.org or drop items off at St. John Student Center.

Catholic Spartans Welcome Week Sneak Peek

8/24 Sparticipation

8/25 Macaroni Monday

8/26 First Night Mass

8/27 Walking Taco Wednesday

8/28 Choose Your Own Adventure Night

8/29 Catholic Spartan Tailgate



GO UP TO THE ALTAR OF GOD

A Retreat for Altar Servers

BOYS AND GIRLS GRADE 3 - 8
Currently Serving or Who Like to Learn to Serve

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23
8:30am to 1:00pm @ St. Thomas Aquinas

Schedule

Mass, Morning Prayer
Talk & Training
Basketball and Lunch (Gym)

The training is FREE, RSVP Required.

Please RSVP to Patrick

ppaddock@elcatholics.org



Register Your Student Online Today
Pre-school Through 8th Grade
Online Class for Grades 3-7 only

CLASS TIMES

Sunday 10:05 - 10:55am or

Monday 4:30 - 5:30pm

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.

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

Online registration, elcatholics.org/religious-education-program. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Lewis, dlewis@elcatholics.org.

Attention Parents:

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

Those 7 or older, 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 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 dlewis@elcatholics.org with questions.



Please contact
Debbie Lewis,
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Back-to-School Clothing Drive August 1 to 11

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is 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 are available through August 11 at both St. Thomas and St. John. All sizes of gently used and new clothing will be most appreciated.

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 those in need. Want to volunteer at the Clothing Closet? Shifts are from 9:00 to 11:00am and 11:00 to 1:00pm. Email st.john.svdps@gmail.com.

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

~ IMPORTANT ~ Office of Catholic Charities

Unfortunately, we have discovered that the number for the Diocesan Office of Catholic Charities was "**spoofed**" by scammers who are claiming to provide final expense insurance. This means that the spammers have altered their caller identification to look like they are calling from the Office of Catholic Charities for the Diocese. We have reported this to the FCC and are taking action to prevent this in the future.

Catholic Charities does not provide any type of insurance. If you receive a call from someone claiming to be from Catholic Charities who is asking for financial information from you or claiming to be able to sell you insurance, please contact Aimee Godfrey, agodfrey@dioceseoflansing.org or 810-232-9950 Director of Catholic Charities, and report the incident.

Remember to never give out personal or financial information!

St. John Food Cupboard Needs

Despite MSU being on a reduced academic calendar, your donations make a real difference for our neighbors in need.

Your donations of food, money or time, make a positive difference in the lives of our neighbors. This week we are in need of ramen, spaghetti pasta, cereal and Mac and cheese.



Thank you for your generosity!

Save the Date Bishop's Discernment Dinner



Young Men, join us on Sunday, August 17 at St Francis Retreat Center-Bethany House to learn about the vocation of priesthood, seminary life, and how to discern your calling in life. There will be an opportunity to meet the Bishop, diocesan priests and seminarians, as well as a Q&A session, time for prayer, and a delicious dinner!

This event is open to men who are entering their junior year in high school this fall and older, and who are open to God's call in their lives.

The Meet and Greet starts at 4:00pm. The event will conclude around 6:00pm. Visit lansingpriest.org for more information or to register.

MEDICARE



Join Michelle Sanchagrin for a frank discussion about Medicare.

**Monday, September 8
6:00pm | St. Thomas | Baraga Room**

This will be interactive so bring your questions and your interested friends and neighbors.

ALL ARE WELCOME. THERE IS NO CHARGE.

Jubilee Pilgrimage

Jubilee Year of Hope

Visit Historic Detroit Churches
Thursday, September 11

Cost: \$75 - There will be a Wait List
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:** Arrives 6:45am/departs 7:15 from
STA in front of the church
- **CATHEDRAL OF THE MOST
BLESSED SACRAMENT**
- **BASILICA OF SAINT ANNE**
- **LUNCH AT GREEKTOWN
PEGASUS** (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.*



HOLY FAMILY FIRST SATURDAY MEMORIALS AND INTENTIONS

This is a great opportunity to have your loved ones and special intentions remembered in prayer at the First Saturday, 4:30pm Mass, each month throughout the entire year. Your intentions will also be listed on the back of the bulletin every week. An offering/donation is requested.

A yearly offering/donation of \$75.00 is asked for each intention to be remembered at the Monthly Mass. This offering goes to help support our parish community.

You have two options. (1) Listed as one individual name: "Mary Jones," or (2) You may list family groupings: "The Jones Family." Multiple names may be listed, but each one requires an additional \$75.00 offering.

Masses begin in October of this year. The "intention year" will be from October to October. To continue having your intentions remembered beyond 12 months, you'll need to renew your offering next year.

Complete the form below and return it to the parish office with your offering of \$75.00 by September 26, 2025.

Feel free to call Denise Zakerski at 517-332-0813 or email dzakerski@elcatholics.org if you have questions.

New Or Renewal Application For The First Saturday Memorials and Intentions

Memorial Listing

Name

Additional Name

Contact Information

Your Name

Street

City

State

Zip

Phone

- Please Include an Offering of \$75.00 Per Listing
- Please Print Clearly
- Please Complete This Form and Return It to the Office With Your Total Offerings.
- For Additional Copies of This Form, Please Contact the Office.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC –
Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Are You Talking To Me?

Last summer I was at the National Eucharistic Congress when Fr. Mike Schmitz delivered an impassioned call to repentance in his keynote address during an evening revival session. The crowd received his message with great enthusiasm. Their applause and the cheers shook the Lucas Oil Stadium.

The next night, Sr. Josephine Garrett took the stage and, in her address, got into the nitty-gritty of what it means to be a disciple, what it means to live repentance — or, as she so beautifully put it, to *embrace the hunger*.

And in doing so, she called back to the previous night's thunderous approval of Fr. Mike's message.

"When I heard you clapping when Father said we need repentance, I was worried you thought he was talking about your neighbor's repentance," she said. "He is not."

In other words: he's talking about your repentance.

We all love a message about The Right Thing To Do. We all love when a priest or a nun or any Catholic with a microphone gets up and talks about the truth. We rise to our feet and applaud.

And then, too often, we take a deep breath and walk to our car and forget all about it — because we think they were talking to someone else. You know...the *others*. The ones who need to hear it. The ones who aren't being vigilant.

In today's Gospel, Peter asks Jesus, "Is this parable [of the absent master] meant for us, or for everyone?" (Luke 12:41). And Jesus answers him with a question. In so many words, he says this: "Do you want it to be for you? Are you ready to hear it?"

Whoever we are. Wherever we're from. Whatever our life looks like. However we pray. He's talking to us.

Are we ready to hear him?

HOUSE BLESSING EXPLAINED!

Catholics who move to a new place of residence often wish to have their dwelling blessed, to call the favor and help of God upon all those who live in the house and all those who will enter it.

The Roman Ritual (Book of Blessings) provides two formats for house blessings: one during the Easter or Christmas season (specifically for the Epiphany) and one for Ordinary Time. Those who live in the home must be present for a house to be blessed. A priest, deacon or lay person can administer the blessing, although if a lay person does so they must use the rites accorded to lay ministers in the Roman Ritual.

A house blessing includes Scripture readings, intercessions and a prayer of blessing.

If you're interested in getting your home blessed, call your parish and ask to set up an appointment to have a home blessing. It is customary to serve dinner or present a small gift, but you don't have to. However, if you do serve food, it's a wonderful way to get know your priest! Once the blessing starts, the priest will begin reciting prayers and will bless every room in the home with holy water. This is also a great time to have rosaries or holy images blessed.

Readings for Sunday, Aug 17 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:10 Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die.

Ps 40 Lord, come to my aid!

Heb 12:1 Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us.

Lk 12:49 Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



GOSPEL

Talk to God in prayer every day. Tell him when you are afraid. Tell him when you are happy. Tell him that you love him. Obey his commandments. Be a light to others. Show them by your shining example how to be a Christian. Feed the hungry. Give drink to the thirsty. Give clothes to the needy. Forgive yourself and others. When Jesus, the Son of Man comes to get you, you will be ready.



DRAW

Draw a picture of Jesus opening the golden gates of Heaven for you.



PUZZLE

Which picture name **begins** with this letter?
Circle the picture that starts with that sound.

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ADORE

FELLOWSHIP | FOOD | ADORATION

7:00 – 9:00 PM
August 15
Lansing Catholic High School

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



**Women's Retreat : A Virtuous Woman-
 Growing in Virtue Through God's Grace**
St. Francis Retreat Center
703 E Main St, DeWitt
Sept. 12-14

From Aquinas and Bonaventure through today, the principles of a virtuous life remain essential and unchanged. Video presenters include Dr. Andrew Abela and Bishop Earl Boyea. Special guest presenters will join us at the retreat.

Along with thought provoking and enlightening presentations, our retreats include 2 Masses, the opportunity for Reconciliation and Adoration, plus time for individual prayer and fellowship.

The suggested donation for a weekend is \$215 (or \$135 for a one night option) and includes lodging, meals and materials. This retreat will be at the Bethany House building, where guest rooms are private with a private bathroom. Rooms all have their own individually controlled heat and a/c unit. The Retreat Center provides towels and bedding.

For these retreats, we will be using the iBrievary app for Morning and Evening Prayers. This retreat has multiple dates to choose from! Visit stfrancis.ws/retreats to discover other retreats and learn more.



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.

Facilitated by



This retreat takes place in the Bethany House on the grounds of 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.

To register visit stfrancis.ws/ssd




**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

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

Great speakers, thought-provoking discussions, and a great mix of presentations which address current challenges affecting relationships in our culture, times for prayer and reflection, and lots of social opportunities

For more information and to register, go to NationalCatholicSingles.com.





2025 Diocesan Marriage Weekend Milestone Anniversaries

A celebration of marriage
Saturday, September 27 | 4:30pm

September 27, 2025 at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish. Mass with Bishop Boyea will begin at 4:30 pm and will be followed by a reception in the school gym with lite refreshments available. Couples are encouraged to arrive early so they can be seated in a reserved section for Mass.

Please RSVP at tinyurl.com/anniversary-mass-rsvp or by calling Emma Rose Fisher at 517.342.2465 or email erfisher@dioceseoflansing.org.



OUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory 7/13/25

Budget Amount:	\$40,000.00
Actual Amount:	\$43,804.12
Matthew 25:	\$1404.06
Kerr County Week 1 collection	



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.

Fall 2025 Young Adult Speed Dating St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

Whether you're looking for love, meaningful conversation, or just a fun Saturday night with fellow young adult Catholics (ages 21-35), this event is for you.



Here's the deal: You'll meet 10-15 singles in fast-paced, 3-minute rounds. No pressure—just good vibes and potential sparks.

When: Saturday, September 27, 2025
Where: St. Mary Magdalen Parish, Brighton
Doors Open: 5:30 PM
Speed Dating Starts: 6:00 PM
Social Hour: 7:30 PM (light snacks & refreshments)
\$15 per person

Registration required—no walk-ins!
Deadline to register: Sept 22

Matthew 25 | Aug 10 and Aug 17

Ishi Odamtten Foundation, Ghana

The Ishi Odamtten Foundation was established in 2015 by a parishioner and is based in East Lansing. The Ishi Odamtten Foundation provides assistance to poverty-stricken people in Ghana, West Africa. They provide housing for orphaned children, medical care for the elderly and disadvantaged children, academics, and vocational training. They also provide free laboratory testing for malaria, cholera and other infectious diseases as well as medical consultations and free medications.



Lansing Cursillo

Cursillo is a Catholic lay movement embraced by the Diocese of Lansing to bring hearts closer to Jesus Christ in order to transform society and be of service to the whole Church. It is our mission to form small Christian communities to deepen spirituality in ourselves and others. Throughout the weekend the participants will pray together, attend daily Mass and have an opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

Cursillo for English speaking parishioners
Men: September 25-28
Women: October 23-26

For more information and to sign up contact Maria Eugenia Rodriguez 517.745.3819 or Maria Delgado 517.303.6034. Visit lansingcursillo.org/ to learn more.

This Week's Advertiser Spotlight



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Universal Prayers | Let Us Pray

United in our faith, let us present our prayers to our merciful Father.

For the Church, may God provide her with the spiritual gifts she needs for her work of evangelization.

For all who govern the nations of the world, may the Holy Spirit fill them with wisdom, courage, and prudence.

For orphans and abandoned children, may the Lord protect them and provide them with the care and love they need.

For this faith community, may the grace of the sacraments increase our love for the Lord and for each other.

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 Orlando Balcarcel, Joseph Adams, Elizabeth Tichvon, and those listed in our book of prayer.

For all who have died in the light of faith, may Christ our King receive them with joy into his presence, especially Joseph M. Donnelly and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Merciful Father, hear our prayers, we ask, through Christ our Lord.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, August 11

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

Tuesday, August 12

12:30pm Widows and Widowers Lunch (Offsite)
7:30pm Fr. Mac East Lansing K of C Mtg (STA)

Wednesday, August 13 **Staff Retreat Offices Closed**

4:00pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)
5:00pm St. John SVdP Returning Citizens Mtg (SJSC)
6:00pm St. John SVdP Mtg (SJSC)
6:15pm Young Adults (Both Sites)

Thursday, August 14

Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00pm Vigil Mass (STA)

Friday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30am Mass (STA)
9:00am African Mass Day of Reflection (STA)
11:00am Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)
12:15 Mass (SJSC)
3:30pm African Mass (STA)
6:00pm Young Adult Sports Night (STA)

Saturday, August 16

10:00am Walking with Moms Mtg (STA)
10:00am Saturday Morning Men's Grp/K of C (STA)
3:00pm Confessions (STA)
5:30pm Anointing of the Sick (STA)
5:30pm **Parish Picnic Bier Garten (STA)**

Sunday, August 17

12:00pm **Parish Picnic (STA)**



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 Sept 12-14 in Holland MI.

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 11

6:30am (St. Thomas)

Int. of Martha Blonde req. by Rick & Julie Bryce

5:30pm (St. John)

Int. of our Parish Priests req. by The Dillon Family

Tuesday, August 12

8:15am (St. Thomas)

†Curtin Beck req. by The Beck Family

Wednesday, August 13

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Fr. Eduardo Lorenzo

5:30pm (St. John)

†Carl Thomas req. by Dennis & Jeanne Meyer

Thursday, August 14

8:15am (St. Thomas)

†Cynthia Green req. by The Burdett Family

7:00pm (St. Thomas) **Vigil of the Feast of the Assumption**

†Clara Mauren on the First Anniversary of Death

Friday, August 15

Feast of the Assumption

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Elise & Anthony Gallegos req. by The Gallegos Family

12:15pm (St. John)

People of the Parish

7:00pm (St. Thomas)

People of the Parish

Saturday, August 16

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†Stanley Herdus req. by The Herdus Family

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

*Living & Deceased Members
of the Outreach Mass Community*

Sunday, August 17

8:00am (St. John)

Int. of Pope Leo XIV

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†Doris Wicksall on the First Anniversary of Death

10:00am (St. John)

People of the Parish

11:00am (St. Thomas)

*Int. of Dean & Kathy Meyer
req. by Dennis & Jeanne Meyer*

Noon (St. John)

†Bishop Carl F. Mengeling

7:00pm (St. John)

People of the Parish

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