

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 14, 2025

Connections

Serving the East Lansing
Catholic Community

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish
955 Alton Road
East Lansing, MI 48823
Phone: 517-351-7215
elcatholics.org

St. Thomas Parish School
915 Alton Road
East Lansing, MI 48823
School Phone: 517-332-0813

**St. John Church &
Student Center**
327 MAC Avenue
East Lansing, MI 48823
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stjohnmsu.org

**GIVING
MADE SIMPLE**



elcatholics.org/giving

EAST LANSING CATHOLICS

TIME, TALENT & TREASURES SHOWCASE

"For where you treasure is, there also will your heart be."

**SUNDAY,
SEPT 14**

STA SCHOOL GYM
10:00 am - 1:00pm



*Learn how you
can share your
**time, talent &
treasures**
with the Parish!*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

MINISTRY FAIR, FELLOWSHIP & FAMILY FUN!

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
Tues & Thurs 8:45pm
Fri 12:15pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Mon & Wed 4:00pm-5:00pm
Tues & Thurs 7:30pm-8:30pm
Fri 11:00am-12:00pm

WELCOME



And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

The celebration of the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross** falls on Sunday this year. By Jesus' passion, we are saved, and so this feast helps us to reflect on the purpose of the crosses in our lives. Our trials, tribulations and sufferings can teach us empathy, become an atonement for our sins when accepted in faith, teach us the value of sacrificial love, unite us more closely with Jesus, and force us to slow down and focus on the things that matter most. And Monday is the **Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows**, honoring Our Lady at the foot of the cross. May we see with the eyes of faith and surrender to God's plans and purpose for our lives!

This Sunday at St. Thomas is **Connection Sunday**, where a Time, Talent & Treasure Ministry Fair will be held in the school gym along with a pancake breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Please come and explore the various volunteer opportunities in our parish. In particular, I think we are long overdue to restart our **Usher ministry** at St. Thomas and St. John. In addition to being a welcoming and guiding presence, having volunteers at our doors will serve as a deterrence to threats and help our facilities to be more secure. Please sign-up for this ministry by contacting Patrick Paddock at ppaddock@elcatholics.org. We need you!

A new **Becoming Catholic** group is starting today at St. Johns. If you know someone interested in learning about our Catholic faith, please invite them or contact Jen Brown jbrown@elcatholics.org for more information.

Our **Monthly Senior Mass** will return to St. Thomas this Wednesday at 10:00am, with the Rosary at 9:30am and a reception afterwards. Fr. Peter Ludwig will preside and share his stories from his year in Rome during the reception.

In support of Catholic Education, our bishop has begun a new 5-year pledge campaign entitled, Stewardship for Saints and Scholars:

stewardshipforsaintsandscholars.com. Before beginning this campaign, our parish conducted a feasibility study and refined its project goals. Now, this

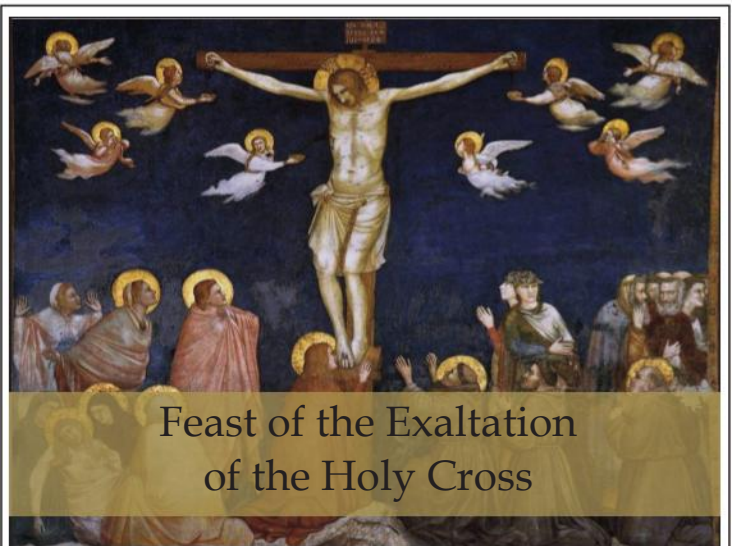
fall, we are ready to kick off our parish campaign. More details will be coming soon. And thank you, in advance, for your support of Catholic Education!

Our final prayer challenge with Hallow is "How to Pray," and it begins September 21st. For more details, visit: elcatholics.org/hallow.

September is National Preparedness Month. This is a suitable time to discuss safety with your family members and even practice shelter or fire drills at home. For example, if there were a fire at home and everyone left by different exits, does your family have a designated meeting spot, like a neighbor's home, as a gathering place to verify their immediate safety? You can find safety information for all sorts of situations at ready.gov/calendar or ready.gov/september.

May Jesus help us to bear our crosses patiently and faithfully!

Fr. Gordon



Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Why do we celebrate the Cross?

The entrance antiphon for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is: "We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection: through him we are saved and made free." The Paschal Mystery is a sign of God's love for us, even in times of suffering.

In suffering, we can unite our lives with Christ's and grow closer to Him. *Through the power of the cross, may we share in the triumph of Christ Jesus.*



ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

For Women of All Ages
Who Wish to Serve the Church



Everyone is invited to meet to pray the rosary on
Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 9:30am at St. Thomas
before the Senior Mass.

If you would like to pray the rosary, but can't join us,
blue pamphlets are available at each church.

Senior Masses Return September 17!

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!



Sacred Heart Masses

at St. Thomas Aquinas

Last Friday of the Month

Sept 26 | Oct 31 | Nov 28

6:00pm Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

- Pray the traditional Sacred Heart Holy Hour prayers during the hour
- Confession will be available in the Reconciliation chapel

7:00pm Mass in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

**7:45pm Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross
and Prayers for Healing (after Mass)**

8:00pm Conclusion

All Are Welcome!



Perhaps you or someone you know is interested in learning about the Catholic Church – no commitment, no pressure. This fall is the perfect opportunity to discover the peace and joy in Christ for which your heart longs. If you were baptized Catholic and want to receive Jesus fully with your First Communion or invite the Holy Spirit more powerfully into your life through the Sacrament of Confirmation, THIS is your class.

To join, contact Jen Brown, jbrown@elcatholics.org, or call her at 517-351-7215 x329. The sessions for those who are curious begin Sunday, September 14.



Friday Afternoon Eucharistic Adoration at STA

ADULT ADORERS ARE NEEDED

Sign Up for a 30 or 60 Minute Spot
elcatholics.org/adoration

The Priests are Away for Convocation Sept. 29 – Oct. 2

Available Mass Times

Monday: 6:30am STA
Tuesday: 8:45pm SJSC
Wednesday: No Masses
Thursday: 8:45pm SJSC
Friday: 6:30am STA | 12:15pm SJSC

**Thank you to Fr. Drew for coming to say Tuesday
Night Mass for our students and community.**

Please Pray for our Priests!



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

FALL RETREAT

OCTOBER 3-5



He who promised is faithful.

Hebrews 10:23

REGISTER FOR YOUR SPOT TODAY!

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions can be found on our website: stjohnmsu.org/fallretreat



Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, September 21

in McDevitt Hall

(downstairs at St. John)



*Hosted by the Fall Retreat Team
After the 10AM and 12PM Masses*

MASS AFTER CLASS

Wednesday, September 17
7PM On Campus

Young Adults Sept 17 | 6:15pm Volunteering at Shared Pregnancy



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.

Volunteer Opportunity

**Tuesday
Sept. 23**



The Quilt ladies are looking for help **with Prayer Blanket Tying on Tuesday at 1:00pm** in the Baraga room, downstairs at St. Thomas. You don't need any tools or experience! If you have questions, please contact St. Thomas at, 517.351.7215.

CONFIRMATION Parent Meeting

There will be a Parent Info Night for the Confirmation Class of 2026

Inviting all parents of 8th graders to a half-hour information session on Confirmation. The meeting will take place in Fr. Mac hall from **6:00-6:30pm on Thursday, September 25**. Fr. Riley and Debbie will be available to answer any questions you may have.



Men of the parish...Have you ever thought that God may be calling you to the vocation of being a Permanent Deacon? Do you want to hear real-life examples of the vocation of Permanent Deacon? What do deacons do?

Join Dcn. Jim & Karen Kasprzak and Dcn. Dave & Ann Zygmuntowicz who will be leading a Deacon Discernment Group that will meet from **2:00 - 3:00 pm on five Sunday afternoon dates—September 21, October 19, and November 9 in 2025, and January 25 and February 22 in 2026.**

They will share from their own experiences of how God called them to the vocation of Permanent Deacon. They will provide advice on discerning God's call to this vocation, along with integrating the vocation of Marriage with the vocation of Permanent Deacon, describing the ministry of the Permanent Deacon, and explaining the formation process for the vocation of Permanent Deacon. Wives of married men are encouraged to join in this process.

We will meet in the Cozy Room located in the Old Rectory at St. Thomas Aquinas, 955 Alton Rd. East Lansing. Light refreshments will be offered. If you are interested in participating in the Deacon Discernment Group, please contact either Fr. Gordon Reigle at frgordon@elcatholics.org, Dcn. Dave Zymontowicz at dondavez@elcatholics.org or Dcn. Jim Kasprzak at denjim@elcatholics.org.

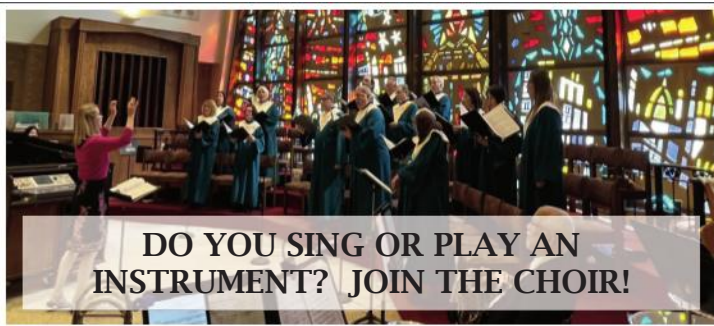


Register Your Student Online Today
Pre-school Through 8th Grade
Online Class for Grades 3-7 only

CLASS TIMES | CLASS START OCTOBER 5
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 classes. Classes start 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 items that will be provided for their studies of Eucharist and Reconciliation. Online registration, elcatholics.org/religious-education-program. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Lewis, dlewis@elcatholics.org.



DO YOU SING OR PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? JOIN THE CHOIR!

Now is a **great time** to Consider Joining the Music Ministry at St. John Church & Student Center or at St. Thomas Church. We have all kinds of opportunities and we are especially in need of student cantors for our campus ministry Masses.

If you have experience singing at your previous parish or school, please let us know! We need you to help grow the music ministry and to enrich our morning and evening liturgies with your talents. Voices and instruments are welcome.

To get involved at St. John, please contact Connor Ralph at cralph@elcatholics.org or at 517-351-7215, ext. 110. To get involved at St. Thomas Church, please contact Teresa DuSell at 517-351-7215, ext. 109 or email tdusell@elcatholics.org.

As St. Augustine said, "who sings well prays twice..." Please join us in making a joyful noise to The Lord!



Well-Read Mom is starting its TENTH year at STA and always open to women joining in!

Read good books from a Catholic perspective! We meet the **third Thursday of each month**. There is nothing to read ahead for the kickoff, Please join us **Thursday, Sept. 18** at 7:00pm in the Baraga Room.

For more information about the group at St Thomas, or to connect with other local groups, contact Cathy Treadwell at 989.598.7058 or cathytreadwell@hotmail.com

Save the Date BLESStival is coming October 5, 4:00-6:00pm

Mark your calendar and don't miss this fun event! Held outside near the St. Thomas Bell Tower.



Support the St. John Food Cupboard



Volunteers are needed to help staff the St. John Food Cupboard, (Lower Level of the Church, opposite the Student Lounge) on Saturday mornings from 8:00am to 11:15am when we serve as many as 65 guests.

The Food Cupboard is a ministry of the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. John Church and Student Center. Operating 40 Saturdays each year, the Food Cupboard provides fresh produce, dry good items, and more. This is made possible by the generosity of St. John - St. Thomas parishioners, the Meijer Simply Give Program, and the Greater Lansing Food Bank.

Use the QR code to sign up or email us at foodcupboardsj@gmail.com.



Unable to volunteer, but would like to support the Food Cupboard and other ministries of the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. John Student Center? Make an online gift through the parish website, place your contribution in the poor box at St. John, or by check (please make payable to St. Vincent de Paul Society, with a note that the donation is for the St. John conference).

Begins Sept. 21
Hallow.com/parish

Then put in St Thomas and
St John Student Center

How to Pray

St. John Food Cupboard Needs

This past Saturday, we served households totaling over 150 people, including 5 new international households; your donations make a real difference in sustaining our neighbors. This week we are in need of diapers sizes 1-6, wipes, cereal, tampons and pads.



Music Teacher Needed Immediate Opening

St. Thomas Aquinas School is seeking an energetic and dynamic teacher to teach vocal music and band at the school. This is a contracted position through Brighton Public Schools shared services.

The successful candidate would be responsible for the planning and implementation of instruction in both **general music classes for grades K-8 and for band students in grades 5-8**. The teacher would also be responsible for two major music productions each year, at Advent time, and, in the spring. The successful candidate would be welcomed into a faculty of bright and faithful individuals who would support the new teacher in and out of the classroom.

The ideal candidate is a practicing Catholic, and has a passion for the teaching vocation and sharing their Catholic faith with their students. The candidate is able to provide and maintain an orderly classroom environment, is excited to positively collaborate with colleagues, and is committed to consistent, effective communication with parents and is willing to perform other duties as instructed by administration.

Applicants must have a minimum of a bachelor's degree and have obtained a current elementary or secondary State of Michigan teaching certificate. Criminal background check and participation in the VIRTUS program will be required.

For additional information please contact **Diane Grondin, Principal** at dgronding@elcatholics.org.

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.

What is the Stewardship for Saints and Scholars Campaign?

The campaign is an extraordinary opportunity for all parishioners to play a role in strengthening the Catholic Church diocesan-wide.

The campaign will focus on raising \$70 million to address these priorities:

- Strengthening our Catholic schools by enhancing teacher and administration compensation.
- Increasing the financial aid capacity to serve more families by growing the financial aid endowment.
- Attending to special needs of some of our scholars in our Catholic schools.
- Supporting each of the four diocesan high schools that each may attend to local needs.
- Supporting our parishes to attend to their local needs for their school and faith formation programs.

Bishop Boyea will call on the entire diocese to make a gift to the Stewardship for Saints and Scholars Campaign. Your support for this campaign will impact the future of the Diocese of Lansing for years to come.

Parishioners will be asked to consider making a gift above and beyond their existing support for their parish and the annual appeal. Our parish will soon participate in this campaign, which will be kicking off later this month.



Liturgical Ministry Formation



Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion
St. John Tuesday Sept. 16 6:30-7:30pm

Sacristan / Mass Coordinators
Training will be conducted on an individual basis.

If you would like to learn more about these ministries or sign up for training, please contact Patrick at ppaddock@elcatholics.org / 517-337-9778.



OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS
IN THE GREATER LANSING AREA



**The 34th Annual
Lansing Area
Life Chain
Sunday, October 5
2:30pm on
Grand River Ave**

We invite you, your family, friends and neighbors to join this public statement promoting the sanctity of all human life. It is 60 minutes of quiet, public prayer. This is not a political event; it is a prayerful, peaceful witness for life. The event will take place on Grand River Ave. from East Lansing to Williamston. Meet at Abbot Rd in Downtown East Lansing.

For further information, call Ann Zygmuntowicz at 517-515-1888.

Inviting all Catholic Business Women!

Join us THIS WEEK for networking, fellowship and sharing our Catholic Faith in the business world today. September 18; Noon at Reno's Restaurant, 16460 Old US twenty seven, Lansing. **RVSP** or by contacting Cheryl Loudon at cheryl@cherylloudon.com or at 517-763-1465.

Grieving Mother's Healing Retreat Oct. 3-5, 2025



This overnight retreat is a place to encounter Jesus in the Sacraments, in the company of other mothers of loss. The weekend includes Mass,

Adoration, guided reflections, and compassionate and practical support from trained facilitators who are also on this journey. Confession, spiritual direction, and counseling will also be available.

St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt, MI
Cost: \$250 Scholarships are available.

Registration closes Sept. 28. We never want cost to be a barrier to healing. Simply email Emma Rose at erfisher@dioceseoflansing.org to take advantage of our available scholarships. Learn more and register at dioceseoflansing.org/event/revival-retreat.

Faculty/Community Book Discussion

On Sept. 17, we will continue the discussion *Terrorized: A Memoir of Trauma, Healing, and Coming Home* (Mission Point Press, 2024), by Father Fred Thelen.

On October 1 and 15, the group will discuss *The Afternoon of Christianity: The Courage to Change* (University of Notre Dame Press, 2024), by Tomáš Halík.

We meet 5:30-7:00pm in the St. John's Church Library.

40 Days for Life Lansing Fall Campaign Sept. 24 – Nov. 2

St. Thomas & St. John
Prayer Vigil Days

TUESDAYS: 7:00AM-7:00PM



Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/lansing
or Contact Chris Veneklas at 517-528-8502

Our prayer vigil location is at the NE corner of Vine and N Clippert in the area around the utility pole adjacent to the PP parking area and the planted strip heading North. The area with the wood chips and plants is still a public right of way which city ordinances say should be treated like a public park.

MICHIGAN CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Living THE Promise

TRUST IN THE LORD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART
AND LEAN NOT ON YOUR
OWN UNDERSTANDING.
IN ALL YOUR WAYS
ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AND
HE WILL MAKE YOUR
PATHS STRAIGHT.
PROVERBS 3:5-6

OCTOBER 11
9am-5pm

LANSING CENTER, LANSING, MI

Register at michigancwc.org

Announcing a New Grief Share Group

St. Martha parish in Okemos is hosting the GriefShare support group for Widows and Widowers starting **Monday, Sept. 23 through Dec. 16**, from 6:30-8:30pm in the Blessed Solanus Casey Conference Room 1100 W Grand River Ave., Okemos.

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days ahead. If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact mbs1952@aol.com.



GriefShare®



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.



OUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory 8/24/25

Budget Amount:	\$40,000.00
Actual Amount:	\$22,814.21
Matthew 25:	\$1,268.17
Bridges to Healing Week One	



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.

CALLING ALL PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS!!!

Volunteers are important to school success. It is also important that we keep our children safe by requiring certain things before someone can volunteer. All new volunteers are required to take the course, Protecting God's Children, fill out a background check authorization, and sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct.

If you are interested in **being a lunch volunteer, reading to the children or going on field trips**, please go to stthomasaquinasparishschool.org/volunteering-at-sta to learn more and get started!

Matthew 25 | Sept 21 and 28

Outreach to Haiti

The Diocese of Norwich, Connecticut, has been working with the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince for forty years through its Outreach to Haiti program. The need in Haiti has never been so great as it is now with the assassination of Haiti's president and the surge in violence and gang activity. Outreach to Haiti offers health care services, support of an orphanage, and a neighborhood nutrition program for children, among other things.

Did you know that Funeral notices, obituaries, and links to livestreams (if the family chooses) are published on our web page?

elcatholics.org/funeral-notice

Grieving with Great Hope

FORMED.org makes available a five-week series that is prayerful, practical, and personal. The series presents the seven intention of mourning, which has helped thousands of people who are grieving a loved one. Meetings take place each Wednesday in October from 6:30pm-8:30pm at IHM Parish Family Center located 3815 S. Cedar St., Lansing. There is a \$15 fee. To register go to ihmlansing.org/parish-events.html.

This Week's Advertiser Spotlight

WE ARE HIRING!
Join our
Golden Crew!

WE OFFER:

- Flexible schedules
- Tuition Assistance
- Management Training



APPLY NOW!



Church of the Resurrection 90th Ox Roast Festival October 10-11

The Festival celebrates 90 years of serving the community and still going strong! For more details as the dates near, go to corlansing.org.

Universal Prayers | Let Us Pray

For the Church, may the Lord grant charity and fervor to all who labor for the salvation of souls.

For all who hold positions of authority, may God's wisdom direct everything they do.

For St. Carlo Acutis and St. Pier Giorgio Frassati, may their witness of faith be an inspiration to all.

For any among us who are struggling to embrace a life of discipleship, may the Lord grant courage and hope.

For those who suffer physically or emotionally, may Jesus bring them comfort and assure them of his love, and for those listed in our book of prayer.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, may the Lord welcome them into his perpetual light, especially Joe Moran and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, let us pray to the Lord.

Almighty Father, hear our prayers this day and answer them according to your holy will, through Christ our Lord.

The Third Annual Domestic Violence Awareness Mass

In observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month there will be a Domestic Violence Awareness Mass October 4, 2025 at 9:30 AM at St. Mary Cathedral, Lansing.

Fellowship in the parish hall following Mass. For questions contact Kim Ferguson at HisSparrows@proton.me or call the parish office at 517-484-5331.

One in four women and one in seven men experience severe physical violence in intimate relationships. Visit CatholicsforFamilyPeace.org and the USCCB document "When I Call for Help" for more information. If you experience any form of abuse, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 for help.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, September 15

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

Tuesday, September 16

6:00pm Priesthood Discernment Group (SJSC)
6:30pm EMHC Training (SJSC)
7:30pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Wednesday, September 17

9:30am Rosary (STA)
10:00am Senior Mass (STA)
11:00pm Senior Mass Reception (STA)
12:00pm St. Thomas SVdP Mtg (STA)
4:00pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)
5:30pm Faculty/Community Book Discussion (SJSC)
6:15pm GSYF (SJSC)
6:30pm Cub Pack Boy Scouts Mtg (STA)
7:00pm SJSC Choir Rehearsal (SJSC)

Thursday, September 18

6:00pm Music/Choir Rehearsal (STA)
7:00pm Well Read Mom's Group (STA)
7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 293 (STA)
7:30pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Friday, September 19

7:00am-3:30pm Adoration (STA)
3:30pm Benediction (STA)
7:30pm Confessions & Adoration (SJSC)

Saturday, September 20

8:00am Food Cupboard (SJSC)
9:30am Sat. Morning Men's Grp/KofC Mtg (STA)
10:00am Walking with Mom's Mtg (STA)
3:00pm Confessions (STA)
5:30pm Anointing of the Sick (STA)

Sunday, September 21

10:00am Becoming Catholic (SJSC)
11:00am-2:00pm Pancake Breakfast (SJSC)
1:30pm Deacon Discernment Grp (STA)
5:00pm Confirmation Class (STA)

Save the Date Lansing Catholic Lawyers Guild Red Mass



The 40th Annual Lansing Catholic Lawyers Guild Red Mass and Dinner Reception is **Tuesday, October 7**. Mass will be at 6:00pm at St. Mary Cathedral, 219 North Seymour Ave., Lansing with dinner to follow in the Cathedral parish hall.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 15

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Everett Graham req. by The Meyer Family

5:30pm (St. John)

†The Holy Souls in Purgatory req. by Mara Boettcher

Tuesday, September 16

8:15am (St. Thomas)

†Helen Bach req. by Bruce & Janice Harte

8:45pm (St. John)

Int. of Campus Ministry

Wednesday, September 17

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Elise & Anthony Gallegos req. by The Gallegos Family

5:30pm (St. John)

†Mildred & Joseph Okenka req. by The Family

Thursday, September 18

8:15am (St. Thomas)

†Cheryl DeMarco Miller req. by Michelle Sanchagrin

8:45pm (St. John)

Int. of Campus Ministry

Friday, September 19

6:30am (St. Thomas)

†Lawrence & Maxine Giacoletto
req. by Carol Giacoletto

12:15pm (St. John)

†Fr. Terrence Dumas

Saturday, September 20

9:00am (St. Thomas)

Int. of Lorraine Behan req. by Helen Fortino

4:30pm (St. Thomas)

Living & Deceased Members of the Outreach Mass

Sunday, September 21

8:00am (St. John)

People of the Parish

9:00am (St. Thomas)

†Dave Gillison req. by Carol Dionise

10:00am (St. John)

†Billy Hall req. by Margaret Byers

11:00am (St. Thomas)

†Joseph Shingola req. by Judy Polaskey

12:00pm (St. John)

†Conrad Henke req. by Helen Henke

7:00pm (St. John)

†Jason Bryans req. by The Family

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COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



GOSPEL

The Hebrew people were being bitten by serpents in the desert. God told Moses to make a serpent out of bronze and put it on a pole. Everyone who looked at it would be healed. God put an end to the serpents and helped the Hebrew people. Many years later, Jesus was lifted up on the cross. We look at him and know that Jesus is our strength, our hope, and our healing. Look at the cross and say, "Jesus, I believe in you."



DRAW

Draw a cross and decorate it with flowers to show that Jesus is alive.



PUZZLE

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

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