

# ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

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**Mass Schedule:** Sat 5:30p Sun 8:00a & 11:00a

**Daily Mass Schedule:** Wed & Fri 9:00a

**Reconciliation:** Sat 10a or by apt.

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## MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

**Jan 25** 10 - 11a Reconciliation

**Jan 25** 5:30p Mass †Keith Benedict by the Vander Beeks

**Jan 26** 8:00a Mass †Mary Jepson by Larry & Judy LeVan

**Jan 26** Coffee & Donuts after each Sun. Mass

**Jan 26** 9:30a Religious Ed - Adult Study Group

**Jan 26** 11:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin

**Jan 27** 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr

**Jan 29** 9:00a For the Conversion of America to Faith & Love of God by S. Kim Lee

**Jan 30** 7:00p OCIA

**Jan 31** 8-9a Adoration

**Jan 31** 9:00a Mass †For All the Souls in Purgatory by S. Kim Lee

**Feb 01** 10 - 11a Reconciliation

**Feb 01** 5:30p Mass †Anne Kettenbeil by Dcn. Tom & Pam Thamann

**Feb 02** 8:00a Mass †Ed & Diann Waldron by The Waldron Family

**Feb 02** 9:30a Religious Ed - Adult Study Group

**Feb 02** 11:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin

### This Week at St. Martin:

1/26 - Parish Council at 12:30 pm

1/26 - The Rescue Project at 4:00 pm

1/27 - Bible Study w/ Msgr. Martin at 6:00 pm

1/28 - Knights of Columbus Meeting at 7:00 pm

1/31 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:00 - 9:00 am

**Want more info? Please contact the Parish Office!**

**South County Community Services** food pantry requests for January are crackers, canned peas, canned corn, condensed cream of mushroom soup, Jello gelatin, and toothpaste. **Thank you for all of your generous donations in 2024!**

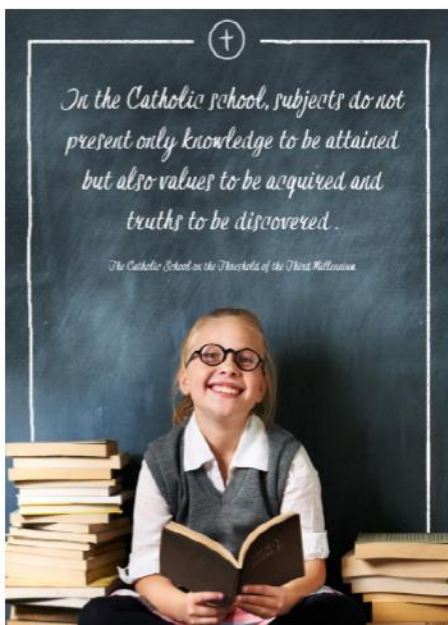
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**Catholic Schools Week!!!** Beginning Sunday January 26th and running through Friday January 31st, this week is an opportunity for our schools to remember their mission through various educational opportunities and celebrate how our Catholic identity affects the individual, our families, our community, our nation; among other ways. Further, the Diocese of Kalamazoo is holding a "Student Art Contest" for any student (homeschooled, public school, parochial school) in four divisions (K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, and 9th-12th) to submit original artwork or writing (poetry or composition) showing this year's theme of how families can be "pilgrims of hope". For more information or to make a submission, please reach out to Mrs. Socorro Truchan at [struchan@diokzoo.org](mailto:struchan@diokzoo.org). God bless you and God bless our Catholic Schools!

**Knights of Columbus Farmers Breakfast:** Our next breakfast is Sunday February 9th after the 8:00 and 11:00 am Mass. There is no better way to celebrate Super Bowl Sunday then to begin with Mass and this breakfast! And even better, proceeds from this breakfast will support the Knights of Columbus initiative "Refund Support Vocations Program or RSVP", which "through this program, council and parish families will raise funds to support seminarians and men and women religious postulants and novices in their area. For every \$500 given to an individual, the Supreme Council will refund the council or assembly \$100. The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported. Though financial support is vitally important, it is not the only aspect of the RSVP. Councils are also called to provide their "adopted" seminarian, postulant or novice with moral support and prayers for their success" (from the [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) website). **This year, this particular breakfast will support Deacon Paul Thuantho, a Theology IV student whose home parish is St. Joseph in Battle Creek. Deacon Paul will be ordained to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ, God willing, this summer for the Diocese of Kalamazoo.** Please come out to support Deacon Paul, our seminarians and our council!

**Men's Lenten Retreat** that will be for all adult men of St. Martin and St. Edward parishes is scheduled for **Saturday March 8, 2025**. Retreat will start at 8:30 am and be complete around 4:00 pm. Funding for this retreat is provided by the Knights of Columbus Council 13305.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT** To comply with the policies and procedures set forth by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Kalamazoo Office of Safe Environment, the information below is run once per month in parish bulletins: The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: 844.324.3374. The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit [ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://ReportBishopAbuse.org) or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.



**REFLECTION FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:** One of the ways you can come to know God is as Truth. God is the author of truth, setting up what is right and what is wrong. You and I, as His beloved children who He wants to share His divine life with, are given this knowledge of truth, built into our hearts. When we hear the truth spoken, when we listen to and know what is right or wrong in our heart, we experience God present.

Now, once we hear the truth, what do we do with it? St. Paul mentions in his letter to the Corinthians that every single one of us is a member of Christ's body. No matter who we are we have a role to play in bringing about the truth of God to the world around us. Are you an 8<sup>th</sup> girl in your middle school? Speak the truth of God by being present to each person that you speak with at school. Are you a 55 year old doctor? Be a source of comfort and patience to those patients you interact with throughout your day. Whoever and wherever you find yourself, let God's truth radiate through you to all God to radiate through all.

### **ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!**

Our **next Youth Nights** are Sun, Jan. 26 & Sun, Feb. 9 in the Teen Center from 5-7pm.

**SAVE THE DATE** for our annual Church Cleaning service opportunity, 11am on Saturday, Feb. 15 with the HALOS. Pizza provided.

**Any high school students interested in the National Catholic Youth Conference** (Nov. 20-22, 2025) should contact Michelle.

**Please keep us in your prayers as we dedicate the rest of the youth ministry year to Our Blessed Mother!**

**Facebook:** facebook.com/stmartinofoursofvicksburg

### **LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE**

**Feb 01 5:30p Lector:** Nicole W & Clara W  
**Ushers:** Jim & Monica R, Sharon Z, Sue K  
**Raise Right:** DeWolff

**Feb 02 8:00a Lector:** Priscilla S  
**Ushers:** Ron & Jan G, Melissa C, Volunteer  
**Raise Right:** Volunteer

**Feb 02 11:00a Lector:** Audrey S  
**Ushers:** Mike & Kris B, Zachary S, Volunteer  
**Raise Right:** Van Dalen

### **COORD. OF YOUTH MINISTRY**

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### *IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH*

**Grieving the loss of a loved one?** On Tuesday, January 28, from 6:30-8:30 pm, St. Catherine of Siena Parish will begin the 13-week GriefShare program. This program is for anyone who has lost a loved one and is seeking to learn more about how to successfully navigate the grief journey. We create a sacred space for the work of grieving which is not often found in our everyday lives. The registration fee is \$25.00, includes the program book, and is payable at the first session. For questions about the program, feel free to contact Paula White, our program leader at 269-330-3762 or pwhitenc@mac.com. To register, go online to [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) or contact Paula.

**9-12th Grade Families: Join us for Our Open House!** Knights of Our Lady Chesterton Academy offers a joyful, classical education in the Catholic tradition. Knights of Our Lady is recognized by the Kalamazoo Diocese and supports its vision for a unified education that benefits all our academic institutions. What are we about? Come and see at our open house on February 6th at 6:00pm. We'll have a presentation about our program, a tour of our facilities, and time to meet our teachers, students, parents, and board members. Light refreshments will be served. We will meet in the Church building on St. Margaret's campus at 766 S Farmer St, Otsego. To RSVP or ask any questions, reach out to [info@chestertonknightskzoo.org](mailto:info@chestertonknightskzoo.org). We look forward to seeing you there!

**Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s):** Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center, in DeWitt, MI (10 miles north of Lansing), on February 21-23, 2025. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$230 for meals and a single room. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail [reflect.michigan@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.michigan@gmail.com), or call (586) 770-1772 for details.

**Men—Live a Cursillo Weekend** No better way to "Jump Start" your Lenten Pilgrimage than living a Cursillo Weekend. This 3 day "short course" in Christianity, with Daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and presentations by Clergy and Laity is perfect to energize your spirituality in preparation for Easter. **Men's Cursillo Weekend March 6-9, 2025** - Men's #79 Cursillo weekend, Amigo Center Sturgis. Informational flyers and forms are available on our website. <https://kalamazoocursillo.com/forms> Questions? For more information contact Michael Metzger, Lay Coordinator, English Cursillo [mlm1976nd@gmail.com](mailto:mlm1976nd@gmail.com) 269-849-5453.

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