

the Lord
raises up those who were
bowed down
PSALM 146:8

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. We will be praying the Rosary twenty-five minutes before each weekend Mass beginning on Saturday, October 4th. We need volunteers to lead the Rosary prayers. If you can help, please sign up in the narthex.

PRAYING GRANDPARENTS A NEW grass-roots group will be meeting for prayer, positive discussion and active planning for the purpose of strengthening the Catholic participation of OUR children / grandchildren. Shared experiences as well as printed materials will be used to facilitate discussion. We will meet 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9:45 a.m. in the Manning Center. Our first session will be Oct 1st. Call or text Annette Janofski at 1-269-998-7604.

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This Week at St. Martin:

- 9/28 - Coffee and Donuts after each Mass
- 9/28 - Adult Study & Religious Education at 9:30a
- 9/28-SVdP Walk for the Poor @ Vicksburg Rec. Area
- 10/2 - Sharing Joe Men's Prayer Group at 5:45a
- 10/4 - Youth Ministry Mulch Party at 9:00a

Want more info? Please contact the Parish!

Want email/text from St. Martin about news & events? Sign-up for Flocknote by texting "STMARTINTOURS" to "84576"



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For parishioners of St. Edward and St. Martin, *The Rescue Project* will be held for five Sundays at 4:00 – 7:30 pm in the St. Martin Parish Hall.

Oct 5, Oct 12, Oct 19, Oct 26, Nov 2

More than 70 persons from our two parishes have participated in our first three series.

Sign-up forms are available in the entryways at both churches.

There is no cost to you, just a commitment to attend the full five-Sunday series.

MEAL | EPISODE | DISCUSSION

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

Daily Mass Schedule: Wed & Fri 9:00a

Reconciliation: Sat 10:00a or by apt.

Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9:00a-4:00p

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Envelopes: 101

Weekly Goal: \$7,885.00

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\$6,612.00

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\$3,650.00

Total Collection:

\$10,262.00

Collection for Gaza: \$545.00

Purchase Raise Right cards Mass and in the Church Office.

THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROSITY OF YOUR GIFT!!!



PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE BELOW AND AT THE RIGHT AND FOR THE REPOSE OF ALL GONE BEFORE US:

Abbey & peace for her family, Amelia, Aminta, Bernadette Soyza, Haley's Baby & Family, Matthew Izzi, Robin, Roger VanderBeek, Toni

Sunday Morning Adult Study Group meets each Sunday that

Rel. Ed. meets (generally). We meet in the east classroom from 9:30-10:45a We have started "The Mass" video series by Bishop Barron. In October we'll start a scripture commentary on the Book of Sirach. **Come join us!** All are welcome. Questions? Contact Lisa 269-598-2519 or Jane 269-370-5657.

IN OUR PARISH AND IN OUR AREA

PLEASE PRAY FOR

FOR IMMEDIATE AND CONFIDENTIAL PRAYERS

Email deena.christine@yahoo.com or Call the prayer line @ 269-303-8016

All Affected by Suicide	Len Jaworski
All Facing Job Loss	Christina Kelley
Anna & Marie & Adolfo	Steve Klein
Anne	Ronan LaGuardia
Cody	Lawrence McNamara
Dan	Vickie Pearl
Hannah and Family	John Polasek
Harry	Kim S
Little Luke and Anna	Cindy Salayer
Marlene	Ed Sehy & Intentions
Maureen	Anne Shank
Melinda	Gerard Shekelton
Mike & Patti Birkhold	Jenni Swager
Mike Coppens	Tom Swiat
Barbara Gaddy	Karen Szwaja
Gary & Marilynne Gauthier	Dick Thompson
Jackie Houghtaling	Carol Whitfield
	Connie Zablocki

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

- Sept 27 10 - 11a Reconciliation
- Sept 27 5:30p Mass + Elgin & Verna Rasmussen by Monica & Jim Rasmussen
- Sept 28 8:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin
- Sept 28 Coffee and Donuts after each Mass
- Sept 28 9:30a Adult Study & Rel Ed Begins
- Sept 28 11:00a Mass + Carol Wunderlin by Michelle Buist
- Sept 28 1:00p Walk for the Poor Registration
- Sept 28 5:00p Youth Night
- Sept 29 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr. Martin
- Oct 01 9:00a Mass + Paul Sehy by Pam & Dcn Tom
- Oct 01 9:30a Praying Grandparents in Manning
- Oct 01 6:30p Holy Hour of Adoration at St. Edward
- Oct 02 5:45a Sharing Joe Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Oct 02 7:00p OCIA Class
- Oct 03 8-9a, 9:30a-7:00p First Friday Adoration
- Oct 03 9:00a Mass + Nancy Decker by Pam & Dcn Tom
- Oct 04 9:00a Youth Ministry Mulching Party
- Oct 04 10 - 11a Reconciliation
- Oct 04 5:05p Rosary
- Oct 04 5:30p Mass + Rita Sokolowski by Devon Swiat
- Oct 05 7:35a Rosary
- Oct 05 8:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin
- Oct 05 9:30a Adult Study & Rel Ed
- Oct 05 11:00a Mass + Mike Hendrick by Pixie & Rick
- Oct 05 4-7p The Rescue Project Night 1

OCIA 2025: Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Our classes for learning about Catholicism and journeying to Jesus through the Sacraments continues each Thursday night at 7:00pm in the Manning Center.

South County Community Services food pantry requests for September are instant mashed potatoes, oatmeal, boxed spaghetti, condensed cream of mushroom soup, Hamburger Helper, deodorant. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

St. Vincent de Paul 5th Annual Walk for the Poor Come join us on Sunday, **September 28 at 1:30** for our 5th annual Walk for the Poor at the **Vicksburg Recreation Area & Trail at 12538 S. Sprinkle Rd, Vicksburg**. Registration starts at 1:00 pm with a welcome by Msgr. Thomas Martin. Our goal is to increase our donations from St. Martin's and St. Edward's by 20%. Please consider coming out for ½ mile to 3 mile walk with us. If you cannot walk, please be part of this effort by donating or sponsoring another walker. Pledge sheets available in the parish office or online www.stmartinvicksburg.org.

"Sharing Joe" – Men's Prayer Breakfast – Meeting the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the Month, 5:45am-7:00am. St. Martin of Tours Parish. **Our next offering is Thursday, Oct. 2nd.** A time and place for men to talk to men about our faith and help us grow to become *Missionary Disciples*. Men need men with similar values to grow and build authentic friendships. Questions? Contact Ed Lambrix at 734-755-6941 or lambrix@gmail.com

Wow, we asked for purse donations, and you delivered. Thank you so much! We truly appreciate your generosity. Purse bingo is Saturday, October 11th at 11:30 a.m. Tickets can be purchased after all the Masses on the weekends through October 5th. You may also purchase at the church office during business hours. The cost is \$12.00 and includes lunch before bingo, a break for dessert and a raffle for three nice baskets full. We will also sell tickets for a 50/50 raffle during the dessert break. We hope to see you there! HALOS

REFLECTION FOR THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

It can take a lot to change the way you think or to change the way of your heart. Your “normal”; what you are used to and where you are most comfortable is your place of operating, for good or bad, and it is difficult to truly leave this spot.

*But what we have as Catholics, namely a relationship with Jesus Christ, is both our great opportunity to see where we need to change and how we actually can go about achieving this change. We are baptized and confirmed with the **power** of the Holy Spirit that cause radical and life-changing transformation within us—if we allow. So, “compete well for the faith” (1 Tim. 6:12) and in faith, seek and become the child of God you are called to be and embrace your new normal!*

LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

Oct 04 5:30p **Lector:** Sue M
Ushers: Gail & Ken D, Deb & Doug S
Raise Right: DeWolff

Oct 05 8:00a **Lector:** Priscilla S
Ushers: MaryAnn & Al K, Joe S, Bill Z
Raise Right: Koenigsknecht

Oct 05 11:00a **Lector:** Kathie D
Ushers: Kathie & Steve D, Bill C, Mike L
Raise Right: Van Dalen

ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!

-Our next Youth Night this Sunday, Sept. 28! Join us for food, fun, and fellowship from 5 -7pm in the Teen Center. Register your 6-12 grader at our church website!
-“Mulching Party” will be Sat. Oct. 4th at 9am. We’ll meetup in the Teen Center after for hot chocolate, cider, snacks, and free time.
-Our Catholic Heart Workcamp summer trip date and location has been decided: Fort Wayne, IN from June 13-19. This trip is open to all high school students. Cost is \$275 per person. Contact ym@stmartinvicksburg.org for any questions.
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IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Life Chain Sunday is on the 1st Sunday of October. Please plan on joining other churches in the Kalamazoo/Portage area on October 5 from 2:30 - 3:30 to witness to the Sanctity of Life and to pray for an end to abortion. Meet in the Walgreen’s parking lot on the corner of S. Westnedge and W. Milham to get your signs and be directed to our prayer place on S. Westnedge just north of the Walgreen’s. For more information, contact Deena at (269) 303-8016.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS OCTOBER 5: The Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries will take place Sunday, October 5 honoring couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th anniversaries. Mass will be celebrated at St. Augustine Cathedral at 2 p.m. with a reception following in the Fr. Crowley Center on the Cathedral grounds. Contact Socorro Truchan, struchan@diokzoo.org for more information and to register.

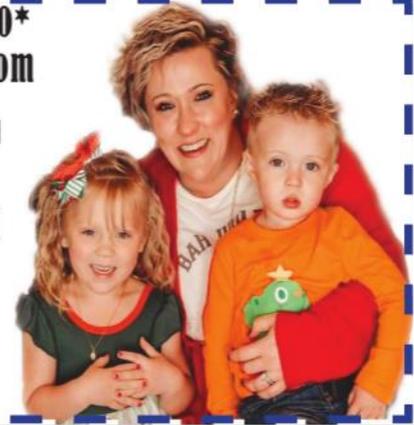
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St. Monica Catholic School is seeking an outstanding, energetic, dedicated and talented individual to fill a Middle School Math position for the 2025-26 school year. The successful candidate will be faith-filled, dynamic, compassionate and willing to work collaboratively in a team environment. Interested candidates please submit a letter of interest, resume and references, to: Jennifer Crawford, Principal St. Monica Catholic School, at jcrawford@stmonicakzoo.org. Questions? Please contact 269-345-2444 Thank you!

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 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.

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