



This Week at St. Martin:

- 11/2 - The Rescue Project at 4:00p
- 11/3 - Bible Study w/ Msgr. Martin at 6:00p
- 11/4 - Adult Education Meeting at 6:00p
- 11/5 - Praying Grandparents at 9:45a
- 11/6 - Sharing Joe Morning Prayer Breakfast at 5:45a
- 11/7 - Central Deanery Meeting for Priests

Want more info? Please contact the Parish!

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

Dear Parish Family, I wish to thank you for supporting me with your thoughts and prayers in my journey with Leukemia this year. I also want to share with you that your prayers do work. Two weeks after the prayer request changed from a general request for good health using my first name to a specific treatment request for a diagnosis using my full name I received a diagnosis and from there I went on to treatment and the treatment seems to be working.

From this I think it is evident that the Father likes to hear from us especially in detail and with full names.

Mr. Tom Swiat

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 next session will be November 5th.

Call or text Annette Janofski at 1-269-998-7604.

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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Total Collection:

\$6,864.00

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THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROSITY OF YOUR GIFT!!!



MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

- Nov 01** 10 - 11a Reconciliation
- Nov 01** 5:30p Mass + Rita Sokolowski by Devon Swiat
- Nov 02** 8:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin
- Nov 02** 9:30a Adult Study & Rel Ed
- Nov 02** 11:00a Mass + Alice Mary Annis-Gula by Devon Swiat
- Nov 03** 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr. Martin
- Nov 05** 9:00a Mass + For Special Intention by S. Kim Lee
- Nov 05 9:45a Praying Grandparents**
- Nov 05 6:30p Adoration Holy Hour at St. Edward**
- Nov 06 5:45a Sharing Joe Men's Prayer Breakfast**
- Nov 06 7:00p OCIA Class**
- Nov 07 8-9a, 9:30a-7:00p First Friday Adoration**
- Nov 07 9:00a** For the Guidance of President Trump & Cabinet by S. Kim Lee
- Nov 08** 10 - 11a Reconciliation
- Nov 08 5:30p** Mass + Rita Sokolowski by Sokolowski Family
- Nov 09 8:00a** Mass For the People of St. Martin of Tours
- Nov 09 Farmer's Breakfast after each Mass**
- Nov 09 9:30a** Adult Study & Rel Ed
- Nov 09 11:00a** Mass + Deceased Members of the Escamilla Family by Vickie Kelley

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, Deena Anderson, Haley's Baby & Family, Larry, Lori Burnham, Matthew Izzi, Merle Shelling, Mike Gergely, Mike H and Wife, Patrice, Robin, Roger VanderBeek, The Repose of the Soul of Sharon Zinser and Peace and Consolation to Richard and her family, Toni, Zeke Escamilla, Rescue Participants

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns to declare that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the tabernacle. The candle for our Sanctuary Lamp is provided this week in memory of

Nov 2 - 8 + Tom Kelley by Vickie Kelley

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

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

Life Chain Review: Many thanks to the five parishioners and countless unseen prayer partners who prayed for the safety and protection of those who participated in Life Chain last weekend, praying for an end to abortion and offering alternatives to those with unplanned pregnancies. We are blessed in Kalamazoo to have two pregnancy resource centers, Caring Network (which is a part of Catholic Charities) and Alternatives (which is directly across the street from Planned Parenthood). If interested in spending an hour a week (Tues at 11:00 or 1:00) until November 2, participating in 40 Days for Life, a prayer vigil in front of Planned Parenthood, please contact Deena at (269) 303-8016. Thanks!

South County Community Services food pantry requests for November are instant mashed potatoes, gravy jars or cans, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, canned pumpkin, biscuit mix, Kleenex. Thank you for your generosity!

"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, Nov. 6th.** 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 Lambrich at 734-755-6941 or lambrixe@gmail.com

End of Life: What We Need to Know Wednesday November 12th from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. We'll begin with dinner at 5:30 pm followed by Welcome and Introductions from Kathi Lovell and presentations from Mary Smith RN (Hospice & Hospice Home Options), Steve McCowen (General Overview on Funeral Homes), Rob Baas (Funeral Prearrangement Benefits), and Msgr. Thomas Martin (Catholic Traditions). The evening will conclude with a Question and Answer session. Please consider joining us for this event!

Happy November! This terrific time of transition in which we see the green of summer move to the array of yellow, orange, red, pink, brown, and, in the case of the maple in my backyard, purple and almost black leaves paint the scenery and sky around us.

In the Church, November also reminds us of the transition of life, moving from one year to the next and finally moving from life to death. On this Sunday, we recall the family, friends, acquaintances, truly All Souls, who have gone before us. We are rightly saddened at the loss of the dead from this life and many of us, naturally, have worries about our own demise.

This Commemoration of the Faithful Departed - All Souls Day – reminds us that, through Jesus Christ and the Church, the transition of life to death isn't just like a changing leaf from green to orange, but our transition continues to move from life to death *to life*. We remember the dead with **great hope** that we will see them, and they will see us, again. We will be alive in a way that surpasses what we know now.

Fr. John Riccardo, a priest of the Archdiocese of Detroit and head of a group called ACTS XXIX, mentions in their evangelization project called "The Rescue Project", that he speaks with his deceased parents more now than he did when they were alive. Our connection to our lost loved ones should be similar to our earthly connections as they are very alive to intercede on our behalf before God. Know of my prayers for you each and please keep me in your prayers that together we may embrace the transitions of our life with great hope in our Savior Jesus Christ.

ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!

-Raking Leaves is Saturday, Nov. 15. If any parishioners would like to be put on the list, please contact Michelle or the office.

-A big thank you to all our food donors for Youth Ministry. Thank you for making our evenings special!

-Our Catholic Heart Workcamp summer trip date and location has been decided: Dover, Delaware 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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LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

Nov 08 5:30p Lector: Pam T

Ushers: Gail & Ken D, Deb & Doug S

Raise Right: Doorlag

Nov 09 8:00a Lector: Priscilla S

Ushers: Jan & Ron G, Melissa & Dominic C

Raise Right: LeVan

Nov 09 11:00a Lector: Jackie P & Emma P

Ushers: Kathie & Steve D, Alex P, Nick P

Raise Right: Musselman

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IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Caregiver Connection: Are you a caregiver for someone with a disability? Do you sometimes feel alone or overwhelmed? We invite you to join us for our virtual gathering to build relationships, share experiences, and create a supportive community. We'll spend some time getting to know each other and share a brief reflection on the Sunday scriptures. We gather via ZOOM on the first Sunday of the month** from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (** on holiday weekends we shift to the second Sunday - see flyer for dates) REGISTER ONLINE: diokzoo.org/personswithdisabilities Or contact Veronica Rodriguez at 269-349-8714, Ext. 1240 or via Email: vrodriguez@diokzoo.org **Our next gathering is on November 2nd. We'd love to have you join us and other caregivers for reflection and support!**

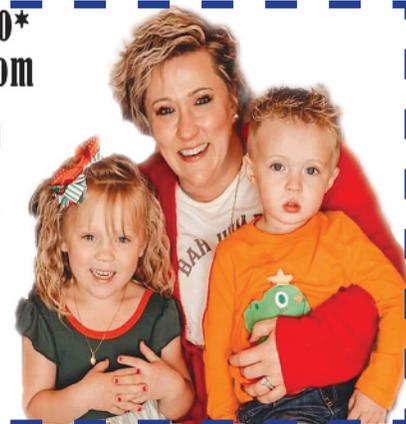
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Diocese of Kalamazoo Diocesan Pastoral Center Opening - Accountant This position reports to the Chief Finance Officer and is responsible for financial reporting, budgeting, analysis and operations services for diocesan related entities. A minimum of three years of experience is required. Go to www.indeed.com, search for "Accountant" and "Diocese of Kalamazoo" to read the job description and to apply. Please send any questions to: humanresources@diokzoo.org

Catholic Charities Diocese of Kalamazoo seeks new board members in 2025-2026. The Board of Catholic Charities is a vibrant community of leaders committed to serving vulnerable people in the nine counties of the Kalamazoo Diocese. The mission of Catholic Charities is: "We are God's hands providing housing, health and hope to His children." In addition to providing leadership and guidance for the overall organization, the Board focuses on current and long-term strategic thinking and planning in the areas of Financial planning, future infrastructure planning, expansion of services, and fundraising. The Board knows that this is God's work and that God will provide the right leaders to meet this moment. Through our own discernment, the Board recognizes that we might benefit from new leaders who 1) have expertise in any of the above areas, 2) are members of an underrepresented minority, 3) live and serve in parts of the Diocese beyond Kalamazoo, and 4) have been recipients of CCDOK services. If you have a heart for service and are attracted to the CCDOK mission and work, we invite you to consider joining us in Board service. For more information, visit our website at www.ccdok.org or contact Toni Newell, Executive Director, at 269-381-9800, ext. 224, or toninewell@ccdok.org

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