

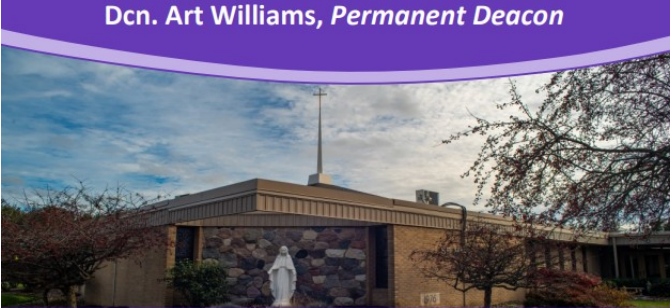
THE COMMUNITY OF

St. Mary & St. Ann

807 St. Mary's Blvd. • Charlotte, MI 48813

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Dcn. Art Williams, *Permanent Deacon*



MARCH 22, 2026—5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

DATES YOU MIGHT WANT TO KNOW

* SM = at St. Mary Church; SA = at St. Ann Church *

MARCH

23: Becoming Catholic 6:30pm SM
24: Rosary Walking 6:30pm SM
25: Ladies Bible Study 10am SM
25: Soup & Bread Supper 6pm SA
25: Lenten Bible Study 7pm SM
25: Young Disciples/Youth Group 7pm SM
26: Pastoral Council 7pm SM
27: Lenten Bible Study with Fr Dwight 10:30am SA
27: Fish Fry 4:30—7pm SM
28: Becoming Catholic retreat 9am-6pm SM
29: Confession and Reconciliation 7pm SM
30: Becoming Catholic 6:30pm SM
30: Confession and Reconciliation 7pm SA
31: Seder Meal 6:30pm SM

APRIL

1: K of C meeting 7pm SM
1: Lenten Bible Study 7pm SM
2: Holy Thursday: Morning Prayer 9am SM
2: Holy Thursday: Mass 7pm SM
2: Holy Thursday: Prayer at Altar of Repose 'til 11pm
3: Good Friday: Morning Prayer 9am SM
3: Good Friday: Stations of the Cross 1pm SM
3: Good Friday: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 1:45pm SM
3: Good Friday: Tenebrae Service 7:30pm SM
4: Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer 9am SM
4: Holy Saturday: Blessing of Easter Foods 1pm SM

4: Easter Vigil: Mass 7pm at St Mary
5: Easter Sunday: Mass 8am at St Mary
5: Easter Sunday: Mass 10:30am at St Ann
5: Easter Egg Hunt following Mass at St Ann
5: An Easter Brunch will follow the Egg Hunt at St Ann
7: Rosary Walking 6:30pm SM
8: Ladies Bible Study 10am SM
8: Lenten Bible Study 7pm SM
8: Young Disciples/Youth Group 7pm SM
10: Kids of the Cross 3:45pm SM
12: First Eucharist Workshop 12:30pm SM
14: Rosary Walking 6:30pm SM
14: Worship Commission 7:30pm SA
15: Ladies Bible Study 10am SM
15: Youth Confirmation Prep 7pm SM
15: Young Disciples/Youth Group 7pm SM
16: SonShine Club potluck lunch 11:45am SM
19: Youth Confirmation 2pm St Mary Cathedral, Lansing
20: St Vincent de Paul meeting 7pm SM
21: Parish Vocalist Workshop 6pm SM
21: Rosary Walking 6:30pm SM
22: Ladies Bible Study 10am SM
22: Young Disciples/Youth Group 7pm SM
23: Finance Council meeting 7pm SM
26: First Communion during 11:15am Mass SM

Reminder: these dates are also listed on the parish app calendar under Events or Mass options.

**** All dates are subject to change or cancellation.**

THE COMMUNITY OF ST. MARY AND ST. ANN DIRECTORY

ST. MARY CAMPUS (SM)

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517-543-4319

email: parishoffice@stmarycharlotte.org

ST MARY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:15 am
Wednesday: 9:00 am
Thursday: 9:00 am
Friday: 9:00 am

RECONCILIATION AND ADORATION

Saturday: 3:00–4:00 pm

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Saturday: 3:45 pm

ST. ANN CAMPUS (SA)

312 South Main St. • Bellevue, MI 49021
269-763-9372

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ST ANN MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 9:30 am
Tuesday: 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION AND ADORATION

Tuesday: 6:00-7:00 pm

ROSARY

Tuesday: 6:30 pm

Sacramental Emergency
517-667-9384

OFFICE HOURS

Regular office hours are only held at our St. Mary Campus
and by appointment at St. Ann

Monday–Friday: 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Closed for lunch 12:30 pm–1:30 pm

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St. Vincent de Paul www.stmarycharlotte.org/st-vincent-de-paul
Food Pantry (St. Mary).....517-543-4319 x1026
General Assistance (St. Mary).....517-599-3167

ST. MARY SCHOOL & CHILDCARE

School.....517-543-3460
Child Care & Pre-School.....517-543-4319 x1037

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of Sick: Inform the Parish Office prior to elective surgery or when someone is homebound or hospitalized.

Baptism: Contact Terry Humenik

Marriage: Contact Fr. Dwight Ezop at least 6 months in advance of planned wedding date.

Becoming Catholic: Contact Elaine Shegitz

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Bulletin Deadline: Monday afternoon to:
parishoffice@stmarycharlotte.org

Bulletin Article Submissions: If your organization is holding an event we are happy to post it in the bulletin, as space allows. Writing, proofreading and submitting an announcement is the responsibility of the sponsoring group. All bulletin content is subject to review by the pastor and/or parish staff and content may be edited or declined. See the parish website for all bulletin submission guidelines



LITURGY SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

* SM = Mass at St. Mary Church; SA = Mass at St. Ann Church *

Saturday, March 21

3:00 pm (SM) Confession and Adoration

4:30 pm Mass (SM) + Tim White, by The Flynn Family

Sunday, March 22

8:00 am Mass (SM) Intentions of the Parish Family

9:30 am Mass (SA) For the sick and homebound of the parish

11:15 am Mass (SM) + Fred Kracker, by Bob & Gloria Wilson

Monday, March 23

NO MASS

Tuesday, March 24

6:00 pm (SA) Confession and Adoration

7:00 pm (SA) + Micki Lothamer, by Don & Jackie Sokolowski

Wednesday, March 25

9:00 am (SM) + Fr. David Rosenberg, by The Goelz Family

Thursday, March 26

9:00 am (SM) + Patrick Cicorelli, by Frank Cicorelli

Friday, March 27

9:00 am (SM) + Marian Arendash, by Josephine Gezymalla

Saturday, March 28

3:00 pm (SM) Confession and Adoration

4:30 pm Mass (SM) + Patrick Cicorelli, by Frank Cicorelli

Sunday, March 29—PALM SUNDAY

8:00 am Mass (SM) Intentions of the Parish Family

10:30 am Mass (SA) + Nancy McKillop, by the Mullin Family

READINGS THIS WEEK

Week of

March 22, 2026



Sunday (March 22): Ez 37:12-14

Ps 130:1-8

Rom 8:8-11

Jn 11:1-45

Monday (March 23): Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62

Ps 23:1-6

Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday (March 24): Nm 21:4-9

Ps 102:2-3, 16-21

Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday (March 25): Is 7:10-14; 8:10

Ps 40:7-11

Lk 1:26-38

Thursday (March 26): Gn 17:3-9

Ps 105:4-9

Jn 8:51-59

Friday (March 27): Jer 20:10-13

Ps 18:2-7

Jn 10:31-42

Saturday (March 28): Ez 37:21-28

Jer 31:10-13

Jn 11:45-56

Sunday (March 29): Is 50:4-7

Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Phil 2:6-11

Mt 26:14--27:66



Please remember in your prayers all who are sick, those in need of comfort, and those requesting prayers during the neighborhood SENT evangelization walks.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Mary is seeking donations of **personal care items** for our local food pantry. These items: **shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, toothpaste, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, and toilet paper.**

St. Vincent de Paul Society meets on the **third Monday of each month at 7:00 PM** at St. Mary. This dedicated group of volunteers operates the food pantry, offers emergency assistance, and supports the Friends of Returning Citizens program. The need in our community is great, and we invite you to consider joining this important ministry. Thank you for your continued support. We are truly blessed by your kindness. For more information, please visit stmarycharlotte.org/st-vincent-de-paul.





Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter Sunday

Sometimes I hear it said that Sunday Mass is always the same. Well, that's certainly not true of the liturgies of Holy Week—beginning Palm Sunday and continuing to the Triduum (Latin for “Three Days”) that begins with Holy Thursday, continues with Good Friday and concludes with the Easter Vigil.

Making the time to attend the liturgies of Holy Week is something I hope we all get better at. Spending a little extra time with Jesus, recalling his journey to Jerusalem, the cross, and beyond, will be a wonderful way to bring this Lent to its conclusion and be ready for the beauty of the Easter Season. These beautiful and unusual liturgies are an opportunity to “step up close to Jesus” as you’ve heard me share in my homilies during this Lent.

We look forward to welcoming you and your family and friends for these holy days and times. Below is the schedule for those liturgies. ***Please note that liturgy times are a bit different for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday in order to accommodate these liturgies and to give Fr. Dwight adequate time to travel between both parish locations.*** We have also adjusted times on Good Friday to better accommodate both the Stations of the Cross and the Passion Liturgy.

Palm Sunday

Saturday, March 28 4:30 PM Mass at St. Mary
Sunday, March 29 8:00 AM Mass at St. Mary
10:30 AM Mass at St. Ann

Tuesday of Holy Week—Tuesday, March 31
6:30 PM Seder Meal and Potluck at St. Mary

Holy Thursday—Thursday, April 2
9:00 AM Morning Prayer at St. Mary
7:00 PM Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper at St. Mary Altar of repose at St. Mary until 11:00 PM

Good Friday—Friday, April 3
9:00 AM Morning Prayer at St. Mary

1:00 PM Stations of the Cross at St. Mary
1:45 PM Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion at St. Mary
7:30 PM Ecumenical Tenebrae service at St. Mary
Holy Saturday—Saturday, April 4
9:00 AM Morning Prayer at St. Mary
1:00 PM Blessing of Easter foods and Easter baskets at St. Mary
7:00 PM Easter Vigil at St. Mary (**NOTE: The Easter Vigil is more than 2 hours in duration. The Vigil is followed by a reception at 10:00 PM**)

Easter Sunday—Sunday, April 5
8:00 AM Easter Mass at St. Mary
10:30 AM Easter Mass at St. Ann—followed by an Easter egg hunt and brunch

Opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

The season of Lent is a good time to do some spring cleaning of our spiritual homes. From now until Easter, there are still opportunities for the individual reception of the sacrament of reconciliation on Tuesday evenings at St. Ann and Saturday afternoons at St. Mary. I will also make extra time available on Sunday, March 29 at our St. Mary location, and Monday, March 30 at our St. Ann location. I will begin at 7:00 PM and continue until the last confession is heard. These will be the last regularly-scheduled confessions until after Easter Sunday.

Join in Praying the Stations of the Cross for Lent

The praying of the Stations of the Cross is a very popular devotion during Lent. The Stations of the Cross will be prayed at our St. Ann location on Tuesday evenings during Lent as part of the hour of Eucharistic Adoration that begins at 6:00 PM each Tuesday at St. Ann.

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed out our St. Mary location on Friday mornings during Lent, following the 9:00 AM Mass—so just about 9:45 AM each Friday during Lent.

It’s Still Fish Fry Time!

Our final fish fry for Lent 2026 will be this Friday, March 27. The fish fry begins at 4:30 PM and continues until 7:00 PM at our St. Mary location.

MORE FROM FR. DWIGHT

Like last year, the fish fry features dine-in service in the parish hall at our St. Mary location. Take-out service is also available. The fish fry is a great way to build community and to support the work of our parish community. My thanks to all of our Knights of Columbus for the good work that they are doing for each parish fish fry, and in so many other ways, too.

**St. Mary Church
Fish Fry Dinner
DINE IN or TAKE OUT**

Every Friday-St. Mary Hall
February 20, 2026-March 27, 2026
4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
807 St. Mary's Boulevard,
Charlotte, MI

FISH DINNER
2 PIECE FRIED OR BAKED COD
BAKED POTATO or FRENCH FRIES,
COLESLAW & DINNER ROLL

CHILD PLATE
1 PIECE FRIED or BAKED COD
FRENCH FRIES

MAC "N" CHEESE DINNER
MAC "N" CHEESE
BAKED POTATO or FRENCH FRIES,
COLESLAW & DINNER ROLL

Fish Dinner: \$16.00
Child Plate: \$11.00
Mac "N" Cheese Dinner: \$9.00
Mac "N" Cheese Side: \$5.00
School Dessert Fundraiser Available

Easter Vigil Reception: Goodies Needed

After the Easter Vigil in Saturday, April 5, we will joyfully welcome our newest church members at a reception in the Parish Hall. Would you consider donating something? See the sign up sheets posted in the gathering space at both churches. Contact Denise Droscha with questions or if you would like to help in some way. 517-652-3406 or denise.droscha@gmail.com

Turn your palm branch into a cross

Join Patty Abent in the St. Mary parish hall after the 4:30pm and 8am Palm Sunday Masses and learn how to make a cross with your palm branch.



Seder Meal



Holy Week will be upon us soon. **Would you join us in taking part in the Seder Meal (Passover meal) and pot luck at 6:30pm on Tuesday, March 31 at St. Mary?** The Seder is a traditional Passover meal that includes listening to readings, drinking 4 cups of wine (juice), telling stories, sampling special foods, singing, and concludes with a wonderful potluck dinner. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering spaces at each church. Contact Denise Droscha to help set up or with questions: 517-652-3406 or denise.droscha@gmail.com

Soup & Bread Suppers at St. Ann

The annual Soup & Bread Supper series is hosted by St. Ann this Lent on Wednesdays through March 25. Churches joining us this year are the Bellevue Methodist Church under the direction of Pastor Ben, and the Olivet Congregational Church under the direction of Pastor Garry. The soup and bread meals begin at 6pm and finish at 7pm.



Please join us for this wonderful time of fellowship. Free will donations will be accepted and any money collected goes to the charities each church supports. St. Ann will be donating their money to our St. Vincent de Paul food pantry.





Mark your Calendars for Vacation Bible School

June 15—June 18, 2026

5:30 to 8:00pm

807 St Mary's Blvd, Charlotte

Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a life-long adventure, discovering the nature of God, and exploring what it means to be rooted in relationship with their creator, a safe place in life's storms.

Volunteers (teens and adults) are needed to make this a fun experience for our youngsters.

All the information about the jobs is on the website. Scan the QR code to sign up. **It is very important for volunteers to state their availability not only during the event, but also if they are available the week before VBS begins.**



For more information please contact James Tennes at 27tennesjames@lansingcatholic.org or call James at 517-719-1818.



CALLING ALL YOUTH: 7TH – 12TH GRADE

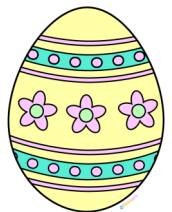
Learn to be a disciple of Jesus and come to youth group on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:15 pm:

March 25: Game Night

For the second half of the year we are going to change things up a bit. In the fall, the youth decided that we would do a week for planning, a week on scripture, a week on learning our Catholic faith, and a game night. As the attendees change from week to week, it is hard to zero in on a series on scripture or a series on the Catholic faith without having to do a lot of review for those who have missed. This second half of the year, we are going to switch over the Lectionary based learning, which means we will focus on the Sunday gospel but pull in elements of our Catholic faith and deepen our understanding of scripture. Each lesson is independent on its own and disciples won't feel like they missed something if they miss a night.

Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch

There will be an Easter egg hunt for the kids following Easter Sunday Mass, April 5th at St Ann. Also, following Mass there will be a brunch. Please come join us in celebration of our Risen Lord!



During Lent our parish has been participating in the Rice Bowl project sponsored by Catholic Relief Services to help support those who are hungry throughout the world. It is time to start thinking about returning that rice bowl money, which represents the personal sacrifices you have made this Lent to help the hungry among us. Please return by Easter Sunday. Thank you.





March 14: SENT Ministry Update

Last weekend the team knocked on 22 doors and talked with 9 residents and will write 4 follow up letters. Since the team began its ministry, they have knocked on 1,816 doors and have written 196 follow-up letters.

NEIGHBORHOOD WALK PRAYER REQUESTS

Would you please join the team in praying for these requests?

Prayers are requested for those who are ill or have other health challenges; for someone recovering from a heart attack; for those experiencing financial challenges; that Christ’s love will shine through all who claim to be Christian; for those without a church background or are away from church; for those who said they don’t need prayers.

Has the Holy Spirit urged to you to learn more about how to be the blessing to our neighbors? Call Joel Lubick 517-983-8546 and take a walk on Saturday mornings from 11am—noon.

To Benefit Area Veterans in Need

The Knights of Columbus are collecting items to benefit homeless and disadvantaged veterans in our area. If you can donate to help those who served our country, it would be greatly appreciated. All items can be left in the green collection box in the gathering space. Please note that there are some guidelines. **All items must be new and unused.** Clothing must have tags or packaging. In March, we are collecting the following:

- Shampoo/conditioner
- Gently used musical instruments
- Backpacks, duffle bags
- Yoga mats
- Forever postage stamps
- Crackers (graham, cheese, etc.)
- Nuts, seeds, trail mix, dried fruit, etc.
- Can openers



The VA is unable to accept the following items:

- No used clothing
- No knitted or crocheted blankets/lap robes
- No non-perishable food
- No canned goods
- No medical equipment
- No used sunglasses
- No bar soap
- No vitamins
- No sample size personal care items

Disciple Maker Index Survey

The Community of St Mary and St Ann is participating in a diocesan survey to help determine how we are doing in a variety of areas, and how and where we need to improve to meet the needs of our parishioners in a more Christ like manner. In order to do that, WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU! What do you like? What needs to be improved? How could you help us?

The way we have done this for the past several years has been with the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) that is being used by parishes all around the diocese. We need input from as many parishioners as possible.

We ask that you complete the DMI as soon as possible to assess our unique strengths and opportunities. Share your perspective to help strengthen the Community of St Mary and St Ann and guide us for the future.

The survey will be available only through March 31. Use the QR code to access the survey. Here’s the survey link: <https://survey.catholicleaders.org/d/p7pc68> Paper copies are also available at both parish locations.



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Music

during Lent

from your Music Ministry team

Yes, Lord, I Believe

In this week's Gospel, John recounts the events surrounding the death and resuscitation of Lazarus. Jesus is continuing to teach his disciples, and all of us, about his true identity as the Messiah, the Son of God. When he first hears of the illness of Lazarus he delays going to him for 2 days so that he can perform his greatest miracle. The disciples do not know the reason for the delay and are concerned about the public reaction to Jesus' presence in Judea because the people had recently tried to stone him. After spending the past 3 years with Jesus, they loved him and believed in him. Of course, they did not fully understand him but they were committed enough to him as the Messiah that they decided to go with him, hopefully to protect him or at the worst, to die with him. They had learned by listening to and watching Jesus, that he was truly the one sent from God to save the world. It seemed that their belief in Jesus had grown continuously since they first began to follow him.

Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, also loved Jesus and had been close friends of his for many years. They too had come to believe in him as the Messiah and they believed that he could have healed their brother if he had only arrived before Lazarus died. Their understanding of Jesus' power was still incomplete but they counted on him in their grief.

Jesus was disappointed that his friends and disciples had not grown any further in their faith in him. They understood and believed in him in a limited way because of the limits of their humanity.

It is important for all of us to work on developing our faith and our understanding of God throughout our lives. As children, we have only so much capacity to know Jesus, love him and understand his love for us. As we grow up and experience life and learn more about God, with appropriate study, we can develop a closer relationship and understanding of how much God loves us. Our growth in knowing and loving Jesus grows through the Church, the sacraments, the scriptures and the community of faith. Let us pray that our faith will continue to grow and that we will be filled with God's love throughout our lives so that we can say, "Yes, Lord I believe that you are the Resurrection and the Life."

On this fifth Sunday of Lent, we finally meet a close friend of Jesus – Lazarus. Arguably, one of the most recognized of the people in Jesus' life, just because of this one incident. Jesus was so moved by the death of Lazarus, that we are told – He wept. Lazarus was surely dead.

But, we also know the rest of the story. And we hear how faith-filled Lazarus' sisters were, to prompt Jesus to raise Lazarus from death to new life. And we realize the same can be true for our lives.

The music this week offers us many opportunities to reflect on today's message. First, our gathering song points out God's power in offering us 'new life'. Then He reminds us of His 'everlasting love' for us, and His 'faithfulness and mercy' for us. And finally, we sing 'Awake, O sleeper, rise from death ... go forth in faith, and [He] will give you life'.

What a Lent this has been. We have seen, time and time again, and sung week after week about just how much God loves us, and offers us a new life.

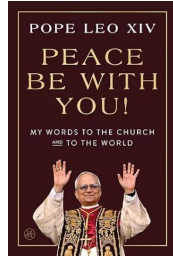
We can look back and see His hand in every week. As Jesus invites us - 'Leave all things you have, and come and follow me', and we respond – 'Lord, we ask you, change our hearts'. Again, On This Lenten Journey.

And Let There Be Peace

Our world today suffers from war and violence in so many places that it is difficult to keep track of them all.

We pray that all people, especially our leaders, will come to understand and protect the human dignity that comes from our creation by God, who loves us unconditionally. What more can we do guard human dignity and bring about peace?

The following is the text of Pope Leo XIV's introduction to his book "Peace Be with You!" published by HarperCollins and now available in bookstores in the United States and English-speaking countries. The book is the English-language version of the volume "E pace sia!" published in August 2025 by the Vatican Publishing House. Here are a few excerpts:



"Peace is one of the great themes of our time and is at the same time a gift and a commitment: a gift from God built by men and women throughout the centuries.

We live in a world wounded by many conflicts and struck by bloody hostilities. Extreme nationalism cripples the rights of the most vulnerable. Even before it is crushed on the battlefield, peace is defeated in the human heart when we yield to selfishness and greed and when we allow partisan interests to prevail rather than looking to the common good. Many authors have claimed that it is when we refuse to listen to other people's stories that we begin to deprive them of their dignity. Depersonalizing others is the first step to all war. Knowing others, however, is a harbinger of peace.

Besides, our heart is the most important battleground. It is in it that we must learn the quiet, but necessary, victory over the impulses of death and domination: only peaceful hearts can build a world of peace. We must practice a culture of reconciliation, creating nonviolent labs, places where distrust in others can become an opportunity for meeting. The heart is the source of peace; in it, we must learn to meet instead of conflict, to trust instead of mistrust, to listen and understand instead of closing ourselves out to others. "

Scholarship Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus are pleased to offer scholarships to qualified students. The following are some of the basic criteria upon which a committee made up of the Grand Knight and Trustees will base a scholarship award. Applications will be accepted until April 15 and the award(s) will be made by May 1st annually. Amounts may vary depending on the recommendation of the committee and with the approval of the council membership.

- Registered parishioners of the Catholic Community of St. Mary and St. Ann
- Active member of our faith community
- Shows a charitable nature and generous disposition
- Demonstrates academic and social responsibility
- Experience with community, family, and/or church, projects or activities
- Involved with extra-curricular activities
- Can demonstrate a values-driven work ethic, both in school and out
- Can articulate a sound higher educational plan
- Has a financial need

Scholarship applications are available in the parish office and, online, from Deacon Williams

dcnwilliams@stmarycharlotte.org

Stations of the Cross

Praying the Stations of the Cross is a wonderful way to unite our hearts with the suffering that Jesus endured on his way to his death by crucifixion. These prayers can be prayed at any time but they are most commonly prayed during the season of Lent, especially during Holy Week.

The Stations of the Cross are prayed on Friday mornings following the 9 am Mass at St Mary, and at St Ann they are prayed on Tuesday evenings after the 7 pm Mass. We will pray the Stations on Good Friday at 1 pm before the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

For those who are unable to come to Church during the times the Stations are prayed, you are welcome to come at any time to walk and pray the stations on your own. Another option is to use YouTube and enter "Virtual Stations of the Cross." There are dozens of entries from many sites around the world that will lead you in praying the Stations. Choose one that you feel most comfortable using. Praying the Stations of the Cross to walk with Jesus is a special way to grow close to him during Lent.



ST. MARY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 28/29	4:30 pm	8:00 am	11:15 am
Lector	Joel Lubick Terry Humenik	Cheryl Coslow L. Pray & E. Shegitz	No 11:15 Mass— Palm Sunday
Mass Coordinator	Robert Squires	Dave Normand	
Eucharistic Minister <small>*Denotes EME for Precious Blood</small>	Patty Abent *Deb Lubick *Darlene Taylor *Deacon Art	Damon Coslow *Paige Kutas *Chris Tennes *Deacon Art	
* Altar Servers *	Audrey Siler Jillian Toadvine	Archar Hart Gunnar Hart	
April 4/5 EASTER	7:00 pm Vigil	8:00 am	11:15 am
Lector	See schedule	Wendy Walser	No 11:15 Mass— Easter Sunday
Mass Coordinator	Linda Spica	Marcy Klingshirn	
Eucharistic Minister <small>*Denotes EME for Precious Blood</small>	Mark Bratschi *Droscha *Deacon Art	Aggie Lewis *Julie Coenen *Deacon Art	
* Altar Servers *	Riley Epkey James Tennes	Faith Tennes Joe Tennes	



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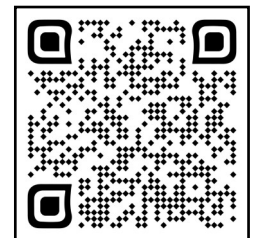
March 23
Jerry Sweeney
Sue Sweeney

March 30
David Normand
Aggie Lewis

April 6
Carol Rossio
Patty Abent

ST. ANN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	March 29 (10:30am)	April 5 (10:30am)	April 12
Sacristan	Brian Epkey	Bill O'Rourke	David Carpenter
Altar Server	Bill O'Rourke	Greg Carey	Brooklyn Wine
Lector	Bill Ethier Kate Eveland	Marie Toburen	Kate Eveland
Eucharistic Minister	Kristina Priesman Ron Alberty John Gehrig	Kelly Wine BillieJo Ethier Ady Carey	Mary Gehrig Jill Boehmer Karen O'Rourke
Ushers	David Carpenter Ron Alberty	Ron Alberty Kaleb Sharp	Ron Alberty Kaleb Sharp



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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Financial Summary for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

	Contributions	Mar. 9—15	Fiscal YTD	Last Year to date	Difference
Offertory—cash, checks and online	\$	10,348.00	\$ 370,539.84	\$ 355,343.78	\$ 15,196.06
Building Maintenance donations	\$	450.00	\$ 38,944.00	\$ 27,849.50	\$ 11,094.50



AROUND THE DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY

Catholic School New Family Grant

Thanks to your generosity to the Stewardship for Saints and Scholar campaign, Bishop Earl Boyea is delighted to announce that all Catholic families who newly enroll in a Catholic school in the Diocese of Lansing are now eligible to receive a New Family Grant of up to \$1500 per family. The New Family Grant is available to any Catholic family who has not previously had a child enrolled in a Catholic school within the Diocese of Lansing. The details are as follows:

- New families enrolling one child or more in kindergarten-8th grade will receive a \$500 tuition grant per family.
- New families enrolling one child or more in high school will receive a \$1,000 tuition grant per family.
- New families who receive these grant funds are still eligible to apply for additional scholarships.

For more information, contact Kathy Ruddock, Administrative Assistant, Office of Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Lansing at kruddock@dioceseoflansing.org

Five Week Grief Workshop

April 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13

Wednesdays, 4:00 - 6:00pm

St. Michael Parish, Grand Ledge Siena Room

The workshop is presented in a DVD format that that offers prayerful reflection, practical learning, and personal fellowship. If you are grieving the death of a family member or a friend, and trying to learn how to cope with your loss, you are encouraged to attend. Presenters will include, Fr. Michael Suhy, Fr. John Riccardo, as well as John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry. For more information about Good Mourning Ministry, please visit goodmourningministry.net.

\$15 per participant. Please call the St. Michael parish office to register: 517-627-8493.

St Michaels Spring 2026 Rummage and Bake Sale!

Shop for bargains in our Fellowship Hall,
345 Edwards St., Grand Ledge
Wednesday, April 22nd, 12 pm-6 pm (\$5 per bag).
Thursday, April 23rd, 8 am-3 pm (\$5 per bag, 8 am-noon & \$3 per bag, noon-3 pm)

This will be St Michaels only rummage sale in 2026.



May 15-17, 2026 (registration closes May 8)

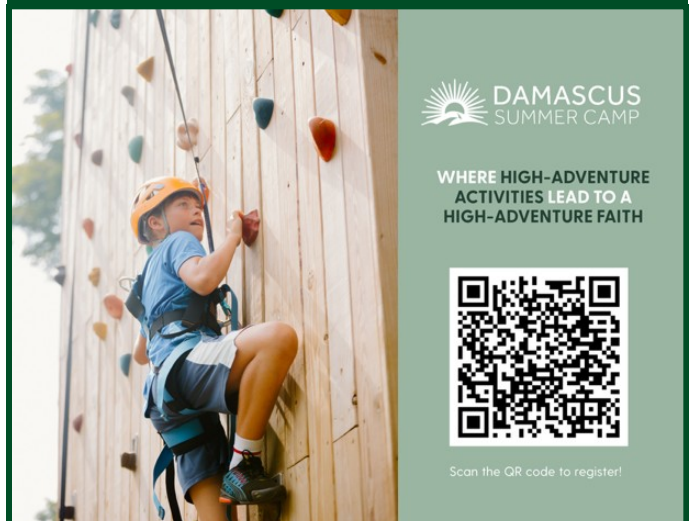
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Scholarship inquiries and other questions:
Contact Emma Rose Fisher erfisher@dioceseoflansing.org

More information and registration can be found at dioceseoflansing.org/event/revival-retreat-may-2026

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