

"Unity and charity is our motto"
Blessed Michael J. McGivney
Founder of the Knights of Columbus
Beatified October 31, 2020

Mass Schedule

Saturday, October 31 - Vigil: All Saints

5:00 pm † Margaret & Basil O'Reilly by Family

Sunday, November 1 - All Saints

7:45 am Benediction

8:00 am The People of St. Joseph & St. Jerome

10:00 am † Deceased Members of Pessetti Family by Family

12:00 pm † Lyle Goscenski by Anne & Family

2:00 pm + Randy Bicksler by Doyle Family Burmese

5:00 pm † Arcilia Calderon by Herminda Quinmtanila de Leon **Spanish**

Monday, November 2

8:00 am † Deceased Members of Peter Lan Family by Family

6:00 pm † All Souls **Spanish**

Tuesday, November 3

8:00 am Conversion of Our Nation by Our Lady of Fatima

Wednesday, November 4

8:00 am † Patricia Brown by St. Joseph Parish

Thursday, November 5

8:00 am † Mary Alice Smith Stokes by Kathleen Kelly Zehner

5:00 pm Holy Hour for Vocations

First Friday, November 6

8:00 am † Ed Wyson by Phill and Mary Sue Avery

8:30 am Adoration 12:15 pm Confessions 4:45 pm Benediction

First Saturday, November 7

8:00 am + Billie Bright by Family

8:30 am Confessions
3:30 pm Holy Hour for Life
3:30 pm Confessions

Saturday, November 7 - Vigil: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm † Dan Boone by Catherine Hannon

Sunday, November 8 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am † Rebecca Boone by Fr. Chris and Staff

10:00 am † Kenny Wilson by Bernadette Heldt

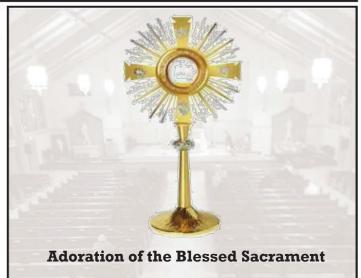
12:00 pm † Max Stark by Leilani & John Beckwith

2:00 pm † The People of St. Jerome & St. Joseph Burmese

5:00 pm † Anne Hoenes by Family **Spanish**

Readings For 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14, 1 jn 3:1-3, Mt 5:1-12a



- Monday 7:00 8:00 pm in the Parish Center Chapel
- Wednesday 9:00 am Saturday 9:00 am in St. Philip Seton Center Chapel
- Thursday 5:00 6:00 pm Holy Hour for Vocations in St. Joseph Church.
- Friday 8:30 am Benediction at 4:45 pm in St. Joseph Church
- Saturday 3:30 5:00 pm Holy Hour for Life in St. Joseph Church

St. Joseph: To sign up for a Holy hour or to be on the sub list for Friday Adoration, please call Marlene: 962-8641 and leave your name and phone number.

St. Philip: Seton Center Chapel, Wednesday 9:00 am to Saturday 9:00 am, call Betty Dillard: 962-8255 to sign up.

Financial Information

Collection information is not available due to the Parish Office being closed last week.



Our Parish Bishop's Annual Appeal Update *

Pledges \$85,186. Paid \$57,775.

175 Families

* As of October 15

Thank You For Your Generosity

Minister Schedule - November 7/8

5:00 pm 8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm Cantor J Grady R Valkner H Chick H Skutt Reader D Nielsen J Clem A Cutshall S Yeomans S Nielsen E Stark

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Mírror of Patience, Pray for Us

From Fr. Christopher Ankley

From a sermon of St Bernard of Clairvaux Let us make haste to our brethren who are awaiting us

Why should our praise and glorification, or even the celebration of this feast day mean anything to the saints? What do they care about earthly honors when their heavenly Father honors them by fulfilling the faithful promise of the Son? What does our commendation mean to them? The saints have no need of honor from us; neither does our devotion add the slightest thing to what is theirs. Clearly, if we venerate their memory, it serves us, not them. But I tell you, when I think of them, I feel myself inflamed by a tremendous yearning.

Calling the saints to mind inspires, or rather arouses in us, above all else, a longing to enjoy their company, so desirable in itself. We long to share in the citizenship of heaven, to dwell with the spirits of the blessed, to join the assembly of patriarchs, the ranks of the prophets, the council of apostles, the great host of martyrs, the noble company of confessors and the choir of virgins. In short, we long to be united in happiness with all the saints. But our dispositions change. The Church of all the first followers of Christ awaits us, but we do nothing about it. The saints want us to be with them, and we are indifferent. The souls of the just await us, and we ignore them.

Come, brothers, let us at length spur ourselves on. We must rise again with Christ, we must seek the world which is above and set our mind on the things of heaven. Let us long for those who are longing for us, hasten to those who are waiting for us, and ask those who look for our coming to intercede for us. We should not only want to be with the saints, we should also hope to possess their happiness. While we desire to be in their company, we must also earnestly seek to share in their glory. Do not imagine that there is anything harmful in such an ambition as this; there is no danger in setting our hearts on such glory.

When we commemorate the saints we are inflamed with another yearning: that Christ our life may also appear to us as he appeared to them and that we may one day share in his glory. Until then we see him, not as he is, but as he became for our sake. He is our head, crowned, not with glory, but with the thorns of our sins. As members of that head, crowned with thorns, we should be ashamed to live in luxury; his purple robes are a mockery rather than an honor. When Christ comes again, his death shall no longer be proclaimed, and we shall know that we also have died, and that our life is hidden with him. The glorious head of the Church will appear and his glorified members will shine in splendor with him, when he forms this lowly body anew into such glory as belongs to himself, its head.

Therefore, we should aim at attaining this glory with a wholehearted and prudent desire. That we may rightly hope and strive for such blessedness, we must above all seek the prayers of the saints. Thus, what is beyond our own powers to obtain will be granted through their intercession.

From St Ambrose's book on the death of his brother Satyrus Let us die with Christ, to live with Christ

We see that death is gain, life is loss. Paul says: For me life is Christ, and death a gain. What does "Christ" mean but to die in the body, and receive the breath of life? Let us then die with Christ, to live with Christ. We should have a daily familiarity with death, a daily desire for death. By this kind of detachment our soul must learn to free itself from the desires of the body. It must soar above earthly lusts to a place where they cannot come near, to hold it fast. It must take on the likeness of death, to avoid the punishment of death. The law of our fallen nature is at war with the law of our reason and subjects the law of reason to the law of error. What is the remedy? Who will set me free from this body of death? The grace of God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

We have a doctor to heal us; let us use the remedy he prescribes. The remedy is the grace of Christ, the dead body our own. Let us then be exiles from our body, so as not to be exiles from Christ. Though we are still in the body, let us not give ourselves to the things of the body. We must not reject the natural rights of the body, but we must desire before all else the gifts of grace.

What more need be said? It was by the death of one man that the world was redeemed. Christ did not need to die if he did not want to, but he did not look on death as something to be despised, something to be avoided, and he could have found no better means to save us than by dying. Thus his death is life for all. We are sealed with the sign of his death; when we pray we preach his death; when we offer sacrifice we proclaim his death. His death is victory; his death is a sacred sign; each year his death is celebrated with solemnity by the whole world.

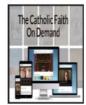
What more should we say about his death since we use this divine example to prove that it was death alone that won freedom from death, and death itself was its own redeemer? Death is then no cause for mourning, for it is the cause of mankind's salvation. Death is not something to be avoided, for the Son of God did not think it beneath his dignity, nor did he seek to escape it.

Death was not part of nature; it became part of nature. God did not decree death from the beginning; he prescribed it as a remedy. Human life was condemned because of sin to unremitting labor and unbearable sorrow and so began to experience the burden of wretchedness. There had to be a limit to its evils; death had to restore what life had forfeited. Without the assistance of grace, immortality is more of a burden than a blessing.

The soul has to turn away from the aimless paths of this life, from the defilement of an earthly body; it must reach out to those assemblies in heaven (though it is given only to the saints to be admitted to them) to sing the praises of God. We learn from Scripture how God's praise is sung to the music of the harp: *Great and wonderful are your deeds*, Lord God Almighty; just and true are your ways, King of the nations. Who will not revere and glorify your nature? You alone are holy; all nations will come and worship before you. The soul must also desire to witness your nuptials, Jesus, and to see your bride escorted from earthly to heavenly realities, as all rejoice and sing: All flesh will come before you. No longer will the bride be held in subjection to this passing world but will be made one with the spirit.

Above all else, holy David prayed that he might see and gaze on this: *One thing I have asked of the Lord, this I shall pray for: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, and to see how gracious is the Lord.*

Connecting with Mercy Some folks made an extra trip to get postage. Some added granola bars to their grocery list. Others brought Christmas cards old and new. Together these efforts combined to show such caring and kindness toward those confined to jail.

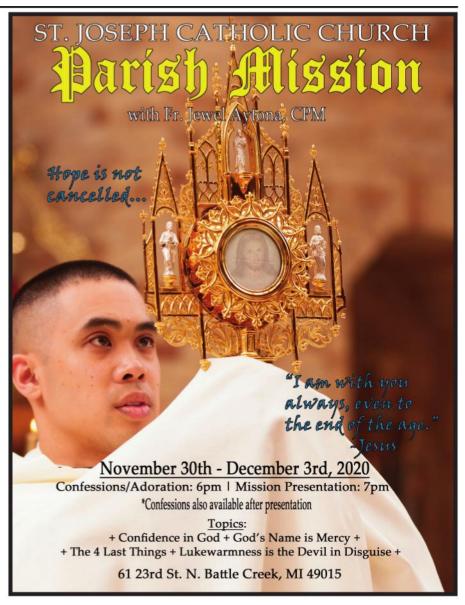


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The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: **844.324.3374.**

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service 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.





Liturgy of the Hours, eBreviary The Liturgy of the Hours prayer for the current hour is offered using the QR code pictured, courtesy of ebreviary.com. Morning Prayer, Daytime Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer are available for every day.

Prayers for the Sick/Those in Need

Geri Bateman, Chris Bradley, Chuck Brown, Peggy Crane, Melody Dulyea, Bernadette Emmons, Sharon Harris, Theresa Henderson, Sr. Cyrilla, Carolyn Kewley, Pat Kukla, Nathan & Robert Lindstrom, Jakob Livingston, Victor Lupina, Scott Marko, Doug Marshall, Curtis Mason, Lori Ann McAdam, Katie Miller, Laurie Morris, Karen Partin, Sally Ringle, Cheryl Scales, Kathy Scott, Gerald Smith, Margaret Smith, Carol Strope, Michael Wells, Elizabeth Wells, Leon White, Sara Wixson, Dee Wygant, Christine Ybarra, Marion Zull

Prayers for the Deceased

Sang Kip, David Redmond

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed,
through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Knights of Columbus will be making breakfast sandwiches packaged to go. Choices are:

- Breakfast Burrito with scrambled eggs and bacon.
- Biscuit Sandwich with sausage patty, egg and cheese.

Cost is \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Preorder at KnightsofColumbus@bcacs.org. Preorders are preferred as quantities will be limited.

Orders will be distributed after 8:00 and 10:00 Mass on November 8.

Marriage Ministry The Marriage Ministry program at St. Joseph Church is intended to help couples grow in love for one another, and love for God through each other.

The evenings are the 3rd Thursdays of the month from 6 - 7:30 pm in the St. Joseph School Cafeteria. Each month a speaker will present a topic for growing stronger in your marriage. The evening also includes Eucharistic Adoration with couple discussion. We cannot offer childcare at this time. Until we can, we will be live streaming the evenings on Facebook.

Nov 19, 6 - 7:30 pm Presenter Fr. Ken Schmidt

Some Myths About Marriage

Fr. Kenneth Schmidt is a licensed professional counselor and executive director of Trauma Recovery Associates, which trains mental health professionals and spiritual caregivers in the US and several other nations. He is the Ad vocate for Priestly Ministry and Support for the Diocese of Kalamazoo. He is the author of several books published by Liturgical Press.

All Souls' Day Candles

Remember your loved ones during the month of November with a personalized candle burned in their memory.

Requests received by Monday 9 am will have candles burning the following weekend.

	Remaining Dates:	Week 2: NOV 6-9	Week 3: NOV 13-16	Week 4: NOV	20-	23	
Circle desired dates	next to name(s) below						
In memory of:				Week	2	3	4
In memory of:				Week	2	3	4
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Requested by:				Phone:			

Cost: \$5.00 per candle. For \$20 you could have one person for all four weeks or four people in one week. Please include this form in an envelope with your check and drop off at the rectory or in the collection basket.



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St. Joseph Middle School	Katy Arnson	963-4935
St. Philip High School	Stacy Lightfoot	963-4503

BCACS Positions Available

BCACS is seeking an art teacher for this school year. Interested applicants should have a degree in K-12 Art Education. Please send a letter of interest, resume, and references to Sara Myers at smyers@bcacs.org

St. Philip Catholic Central High School is seeking an English Teacher. Applicants should have a valid Michigan teaching certificate with appropriate endorsements. Qualified applicants should have strong classroom management skills, knowledge of various learning styles and knowledge of the Catholic faith. To apply, please provide a letter of intent, resume and letters of recommendation to vgroat@bcacs.org.





The BCACS Foundation is excited to kickoff our 2020-2021 Annual Fund Drive in early November. More details to follow, early pledges are welcome.

THANK YOU to all who have donated already!

Parish Directory

Emergency Assistance

St. Vincent de Paul Society 969-5606

Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you are homebound, contact Linda Kellogg

Sacrament of Baptism

Parishioners should call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Eucharist Sacrament of Confirmation

Contact our Schools or our Director of Faith Formation.

Sacrament of Marriage

Parishioners must contact one of the parish priests at least six months before setting a wedding date.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

If you or someone you know has a vocation, contact a parish priest for assistance.

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

In case of an accident, surgery or other emergency, call 962-0165.

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