

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish of Vassar

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 3 pm

MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish of Vassar is a community that believes and celebrates our Catholic Faith as we reach out in compassion

We welcome you to our parish faith community.

Adults 18 years and older are invited to register as members of our parish.

Father Christian Tabares, Pastor (emergency number 989-863-1544) christiantabares76@gmail.com

Elizabeth Grzemkowski, Secretary/Bookkeeper email: stfrancescabrinivassarparish@gmail.com

Bridget Hildner: Office Assistant
Steve Blackmer. Commissioned Lay Minister; Sue Bielski Commissioned Lay Minister
Jeremy Weaver, Music Minister;

Julie Bender, Choir Director; Larry Klein, Maintenance

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Rick Moreau (Chair); Dennis Smith (Vice-Chair & Worship Com. Rep.); Linda Moreau (Secretary), Ron Jakubczak, Greg Ellison, David Kennard, Cheryl Deike, Mary Smith, (Christian Service Com. Rep.); Tim Ellison (Finance Council Rep.);

FINANCE COUNCIL: Tim Ellison (chair); Katie Foco (secretary), Francis Longuski; Brian Sutherland, Nick Cooper, Linda Stahl, Adam Hildner

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

EUCHARIST: Sundays at 10:30 am; at St. Elizabeth, Reese 4:30 Saturday & 8:30 am Sunday

BAPTISM: Contact parish office for Baptism preparation.

RCIA: Those interested in learning about the Catholic Church please call the parish office.

RECONCILIATION: Private confessions on Saturdays 3:30 to 4:15 at St. Elizabeth, Reese.

And by appointment at St. Frances.

MARRIÁGE: Arrangements must be made at least six months before the wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Those seriously ill or awaiting surgery, and wish to be anointed, call the parish office. When entering the hospital, please register as a member of St. Frances Cabrini Parish of Vassar, MI.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Quiet prayer on Sundays from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE MINISTRY

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND: If you are sick or homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion in your home or need a ride to church for Mass, call the parish office.

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Call the parish office with a prayer request.

ST. FRANCES MISSION STORE is a resale store for furniture & household items at 153 Maple Street, in our old church (823-8803). Open on Tues. from 10 am to 2 pm. Our outreach ministry program helps emergency victims with household items and raises money for food pantries and for those who help the needy.

VASSAR AREA EMERGENCY FUND, and THE SALVATION ARMY SERVICE CENTER: Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 am: Call the parish office for an appointment. Peggy Simpson, Coordinator. VASSAR FOOD PANTRY: Tuesdays 10:00 am—2:00 pm: Peggy Barnes, Coordinator

Jesus told
the Apostles:
"Go into the
whole world
and proclaim
the gospel
to every
creature."

Mark 16:15

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursday, September 30, 9:00 am Mass

October 3, 2021, 10:30 am Mass

Presider: Fr. Christian Tabares **Mass Intention**: For the People of the Parish

Sacristan: Mary Śmith Lector: Priscilla Jakubczak EMHC: Tim Ellison

Ushers: Steve Blackmer & Greg Ellison

Weekend Masses at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish of Reese

Saturday, 4:30 pm Sunday, 8:30 am

Money Counters Sept. 28: Dawn P & Sue M.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.

Mark 9:41

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generosity become easier. Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ, when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain.

2021 Year of Unity

ST. FRANCES CABRINI PARISH

Thank you to our bulletin sponsor: Madison Professionals—Tim Ellison

<u>ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:</u> Sundays anytime from 6-8 pm at St. Frances. Come for silent prayer anytime between 6 and 8 pm and stay for any length of time.

We love our parishioners and our visitors alike, and we are so glad you are here. If you would like information on joining our parish family, please call the parish office or e-mail us at stfrancescabrinivassarparish@gmail.com



- ⇒ If an immediate family member dies or is sick, please let the parish office know. Hospitals do not always have volunteers to call and let us know when your loved one is admitted.
- ⇒ If you have difficulty walking and would like Father to bring communion to you, we ask that you sit in the front pews on the right side.
- ⇒ Balance on Christ Mission Appeal (CSA), if not pledged will have to be made up from our operating budget. The current balance we owe is \$1,845.76



Virtus Training Session September 29,2021 6:30 pm

St. Frances will be hosting a VIRTUS training session. If you work or volunteer for any position within the Church or Diocese, you must complete this training. Please call the St. Frances Parish Office to register (989)823-2911.

DATES TO REMEMBER (subject to change)

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Sept. 29	Virtus Training at St. Frances	6:30 pm
October 4	Sewing Ministry	2:00 pm
October 7	Knights of Columbus	7:30 pm
October 10	Crop Walk	1:30 pm
October 14	Joint Finance/Parish Council	7:00 pm
October 17	Renew & Rejoice Potluck	11:30 am
Nov. 1	Sewing Ministry	2:00 pm
Nov. 3	Joint Liturgy Commissions at St. Elizabeth	6:30 pm
Nov. 4	Knights of Columbus	7:30 pm
Nov. 7	Mass of Remembrance	10:30 am
Nov 7	Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinner	12:00 pm
Nov. 10	Joint Stewardship Commissions at St. Frances	6:30 pm



Sunday Day of the Lord

Sunday: Day of the Lord

It was on the 7th day that God rested and so too should we. But this rest isn't simply for its own sake: God rested on the 7th day to reflect upon what had been created and to affirm its goodness. Sunday is our opportunity to reflect upon our past week, our successes and failures at discipleship, and to bring our life to the altar of God at Mass.



Baptism Class at St. Elizabeth Sept. 29 at 3:30 pm

Class is open to all parents wishing to have their child baptized. Additional classes will be offered this winter

GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP Collection for September 19, 2021

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 3,067.00
Adult Envelopes and Loose	\$ 2,499.00
Parish Development Fund for Sept	\$ 1,900.00
Needy Fund for September	\$ 790.00
Christ Mission Appeal Goal	\$ 21,765.08
Christ Mission Appeal Status	\$ 19,919.32
Christ Mission Appeal Balance Due	\$ 1,845.76

Thank you for continuing to share your time, talent and treasure with your parish family and those in need. Thank you also to those who have been mailing in their contributions.

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Thank you to the families that have returned their completed registration packets to the office. There are still many families that have not registered their children for Faith Formation classes yet. Please return completed forms to the parish office asap. Forms have been emailed and are also available for pick up in the church or parish office. Please contact Dina Territo at dmterrito@seacs.org to have a copy of the forms emailed to you. Completed forms must be received by the parish office in order for students to board the bus for Faith Formation classes. The first day of faith formation classes is Monday, October 4th. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the parish

email.



Annual Crop Walk October 10th at 1:30 pm

Our annual CROP HUNGER Walk will be held on Sunday, October 10th at 1:30 pm. This year we will be meeting at the Vassar Methodist Church.

Did you know?

- The majority of the money raised in the Crop Hunger Walks stays here in the United States.
- CROP Hunger Walk funds are used to aid people impacted by natural disasters, such as the earthquake in Haiti or Hurricane
- Last year the Vassar/Millington/Reese CROP Hunger Walk raised \$13,189 and that over \$2,900 of the money raised went to support the Vassar/Millington Food Pantries.

Please support our CROP HUNGER Walk by being a walker or a sponsor. Walkers will be in the back of the church for the next few weeks to accept pledges. Checks should be made out to St.

Frances Cabrini with CWS/CROP in the memo line so all money can be directed to Catholic Relief Services.



Readings for the Week of September 26, 2021		
Sunday	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14;	
	Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48	
Monday	Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest	
	Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23;	
	Lk 9:46-50	
Tuesday	Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence	
	Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs	
	Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56	
Wednesday	Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,	
	Archangels	
	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;	
	Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51	
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor	
	of the Church	
	Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11;	
	Lk 10:1-12	
Friday	Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus,	
	Virgin and Doctor of the Church	
	Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16	
Saturday	Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels	
	Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37;	
	Mt 18:1-5, 10	
Sunday	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Heb 2:9-11;	



Knights of Columbus Council. #7591Chicken Dinner↔ November 7,2021↔ St. Frances X. Cabrini - Vassar↔ Take out Only ↔ 11:30 am-1:30 pm↔

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Join us for a Special Parish Event!

If you were unable to stay after Mass last weekend and create your candle, candle kits are available in the vestibule of the church after Mass or in the parish office. If you are unable to pick up your candle kit, please call the parish office to have a kit delivered to you. Candles will be presented during Mass on October 16th &17th. (Watch for more info!)

Building Project Update

DING Because the bids we received on this project were much higher than expected

due to material cost, we have decided to postpone the project until next spring. We will rebid the project this Fall and hope to receive more bids, closer to the original estimate from Spicer

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Or, are you already a member, but would simply like to learn more about your faith? We will begin our RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) in the Fall. The program will feature relaxed group discussions about many topics such as: What do Catholics believe?, The Sacraments, The Mass, The Church History, and The practices of Lent and Holy Week to name few. The group will meet with a flexible schedule, one or two times a month, to share, learn and grow together in faith. Please contact Dina Territo at dmterrito@seacs.org or (989)868-4081 and start your faith journey with us.



53rd Annual

October 2021 Rosary Novena October 7-15, 2021 - Tentative Schedule



Confession: 5:30 PM* • Holy Mass: 7:00 PM* Sunday Mass: 7:30 PM Rosary and Novena Prayers Each Night

Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish St. Hyacinth Church •1515 Cass Avenue • Bay City, MI

















"I am the Lady of the Rosary. Continue always to pray the Rosary everyday." Our Lady grew very sad and said:

"Do not offend the Lord our God anymore, because He is already so much offended." Our Lady of Fatima, Oct. 13, 1917

NOVENA: How Living the Fatima Message Prepares Us for Our Current Times. You are cordially invited to learn more how the Fatima message applies more than ever in the times we are living in.

"Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is close at Hand" Matthew 4:17 *This Novena is in memory of the late Saginaw Diocesan Division President and Founder Mrs. Jean Brieske

Sponsored by: The World Apostolate of Fatima (Blue Army) Saginaw Diocesan Division



Thank You to the Cookie Bakers!

Our cookie donations raised \$770.00 for the seminarians and were enjoyed by the novices of the Alma Mercy Convent.



Face Masks are encouraged but not required during Mass. Please remember to social distance.



Grief Support Group Meets Thursdays 6-7:30 pm St. Elizabeth Parish Center Sessions start on Oct. 7

A series of Thursday evening sessions where persons who have experienced a loss of a loved one can come together with others to learn, share and support each other in a therapeutic and nonthreatening environment. Contact Jeanne Bender at 989-274-9755 or Darryl Tafoya at 989-996-0700 for more information.

Is God CALLING YOU? +

Become a Permanent Deacon

If you believe God is call-

ing you to become a permanent Deacon contact Dr. Dan Osborn in the office of Permanent Diaconate before the end of October, since a key deadline is approaching. Call at 989-797-6662 or email at

diaconate@dioceseofsaginaw.org



Respect Life Sunday Mass: Every October, we celebrate Respect Life Month as on opportunity to consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and to reflect on how to build a culture that protects life rom conception to natural death. The U.S. Conference of Bishops have chosen the theme; "St. Joseph, Defender of Life, pray for us", for the year beginning Oct. 1 through Sept. 30,2022 as a reminder of St. Joseph's beautiful example of the protection of life. Parish celebrations of Respect Life Sunday will continue through the month of October. The Respect Life Sunday Mass at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption will be livestreamed on Oct. 3,2021 at 10:30 am.

40 Days for Life is the beginning of the end of abortion. You can help save lives by praying for an end to abortion in your community. The prayer vigil begins on Wednesday, Sept. 22 at 7:00 am and will continue daily from 7 am to 7pm though Oct. 31st. You may participate in the vigil by signing up for one hour of prayer at the Women's Center at 3141 Cabaret Trail South, Saginaw, MI 48603 to end abortion, change the hearts of abortion-minded mothers and fathers to see their child as a blessing and not a burden, and pray for the conversion of abortion doctors and abortion clinic workers. Invite family, friends and neighbors to pray together as a group. For more details and to sign up visit: 40 Days for Life or contact Lori Becker, Coordinator of Diocesan Outreachat 989-797-6652.

2021 Rice Bowl Grants Available: The Diocese of Saginaw is pleased to announce that the 2021 Rice Bowl Grant Applications are now available online at 2021 Rice Bowl Grant Application. These grants are made possible through the annual Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl collection held during Lent throughout our diocese. CRS recognizes the importance of our global responsibility as Christians to assist those both in our local communities and in other countries, so 25% of the gifts collected in our diocese remain local. Grants will be awarded to parishes and/or local organizations that address the needs of hunger, shelter, clothing and poverty alleviation programs in their communities.