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#### **INTERCESSORY PRAYERS:** We Pray For ...

All Who Need Physical and Spiritual Healing, Especially: Michelle Allen Peter Allen Larry Avery MaryAnn Baer Frank Baldwin Robert S. Berman Dr. Charles Bethke Michalyn Bethke Robbie Bethke Warren Blackburn Matthew Boersma Carol Buiocchi Chuck Buiocchi Christine Campbell Aurora L. Convery

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Hal Schneider Leanne Seguin David Showerman Kellie Soper John Stanowski Kim Stark Paul Stevens Wayne Thelen Donald Trentel

All Serving in Our Armed Forces

The Repose of the †Soul of: †All our dearly departed loved ones

We offer these prayers in the name of Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

#### PLEASE NOTIFY US IF ...

A loved one has passed so we can add your family and their soul to our Prayers.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT OUR FAITH? You
are invited to attend RCIA classes this
fall! We are ready to inspire you with
testimonies from Catholics of how
and why they entered the Church,
and show you the Bible's relevance,
dive into the teachings of Scriptures,
and explore the amazing gifts of our
Catholic Sacraments and Traditions!
With questions, email Deacon Carl at

#### CCW WOMEN'S DONATIONS:

dcncarl@st-martha.org.

SHARED PREGNANCY needs larger baby items: portable bouncy seats, crib mattresses, swings, safety gates, light folding strollers, umbrella strollers, car seats less than 5 years old, highchairs, dressers, bassinets, activity saucers, play mats, pack-n-plays; crib sheets, infant washcloths, hooded towels, bibs, burp cloths, preemie and newborn footed sleepers, receiving blankets; shower wash, lotion, and shampoo for moms; visit amazon.com/registries and search SP Women's Center for a full list of needs. HANNAH'S HOUSE needs computer paper, address labels, ladies and household items. Collection bins are out at both church entrances for donations. For help with delivery and for donation of larger items, contact Liz Carls at 517-281-1451 or Soraya Nowland at 517-755-6909.

#### VISIT OUR PARISH LIBRARY

in our Saint Teresa Room to borrow books, CDS, and DVDs for all ages that will build your faith and inspire you! There is no cost, and you can come in anytime during our Weekday Business Hours!

# IF YOU HAVE BEEN ABUSED OR VICTIMIZED

by anyone representing the Catholic Church, you can contact Cheryl Williams-Hecksel at 888-308-6255 or <u>cwilliamshecksel@dioceseoflansing.org</u> to make a formal complaint of abuse to the Diocese of Lansing, find support, and arrange for a personal meeting with the Bishop's office. You can also contact the confidential 24-hour

#### FEAST DAYS, READINGS, AND INTENTIONS - YEAR A, CYCLE I

Monday, June 12 - Weekday

Readings: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7 / Matthew 5:1-12

8:30 am Mass †Joseph Lindich, from S. and A. Readett

Tuesday, June 13 - Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Readings: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22 / Matthew 5:13-16

8:30 am Mass †Chuck Willems

Wednesday, June 14 - Weekday

Readings: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 / Matthew 5:17-19 6 pm Mass †Diane Liskiewicz, from S. Rucker

Thursday, June 15 - Weekday

Readings: 2 Corinthians 3:15 - 4:1,3-6 / Matthew 5:20-26

**8:30** am †Scott Liskiewicz, from S. Rucker

Friday, June 16 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

**Readings:** Deuteronomy 7:6-11 / 1 John 4:7-16 / Matthew 11:25-30

8:30 am Mass †William Hazen, from D. and C. Comar

Saturday, June 17 - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Day) / Eleventh Sunday

in Ordinary Time Vigil (Eve)

Daytime Readings: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 / Luke 2:41-51

Vigil Readings: Exodus 19:2-6a / Romans 5:6-11 / Matthew 9:36 - 10:8 5 pm Vigil Mass †Jerry, †Lee, and †Mike Cvengros, from R. Cvengros

**Sunday, June 18 - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time / Father's Day** 

**Readings:** Exodus 19:2-6a / Romans 5:6-11 / Matthew 9:36 - 10:8

8 am Mass †Christine Ballor, from R. and L. Ballor

10 am Mass All People of Saint Martha

#### THIS WEEK'S FEAST DAYS: VISIT FORMED.ORG, CATHOLICSAINTS.ORG

Anthony of Padua 08/15/1195 to 06/13/1231; Canonized 05/30/1232; Doctor of the Church 01/16/1946; Patronage animals, counter-revolutionaries, disabilities, faith in the Blessed Sacrament, fishermen, harvests, hunger, illness, lost items/people/souls/spouses, mail carriers, miracles, oppression, poverty, sailors, sterility, swineherds, the elderly, travelers, watermen; indigenous people of the Americas, the Tigua Pueblo tribe; Custody of the Holy Land; multiple regions

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** devotion of His heart as a symbol of "God's boundless and passionate love for mankind" (*Pope Benedict XVI, 06/19/2009*); observed as early as 1818, it was moved by Pope Paul VI in 1969 to 19 days after Pentecost

Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary devotional name referring to the interior view of Mary's joys, sorrows, virtues, perfections, virginal love for God the Father, maternal love for her Son Jesus, and motherly love for all mankind (*The Catholic Encyclopedia*, 1910); observed as early as 1643, in 1969 Pope Paul VI moved it to the Saturday immediately after the solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

#### **EUCHARIST TO CARE HOMES**

Willows of Okemos R. Salyers

Brookdale, Medilodge M. Fletcher

#### **ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORS**

June 10/11 †Adam and †Bernice Pleva, from M. Halverson and family

June 18/19 (2) arrangements available

#### **OTHER OFFERINGS**

#### Monday, June 12

9 am to Noon VBS

**SMS** Report Cards Posted

9 am Reconciliation Fr. Irish

6 pm CCW Board Meeting

**7 pm** Baptism Prep Class

#### Tuesday, June 13

9 am to Noon VBS

9 am Reconciliation Fr. John

7:30 pm Men's Pick-Up B-Ball

#### Wednesday, June 14

9 am to Noon VBS

11 am ICMCF Mass Fr. Mike

**6:30 pm** Reconciliation Fr. Mike

**6:30 pm** Adoration

**7:20 pm** Benediction

#### Thursday, June 15

9 am to Noon VBS

**9 am** Reconciliation *Fr. John* 

9:15 am FOTS Mom's Group

#### Friday, June 16

9 am to Noon VBS

9 am Reconciliation Fr. Mike

#### Saturday, June 17

7:30 am Upper Room Men

3:30 pm Reconciliation Fr. Mike

#### Sunday, June 18

after 8 and 10 am Masses Thank You Receptions for Father John 11 am SVdP Open Meeting 6 pm FF:HSYG

#### SACRISTANS AND LECTORS

#### Saturday, June 17 - 5 pm

S. D. and L. McAlvey

L. M. L-Krusky, J. Matuszak, J. Zalba

#### Sunday, June 18 - 8 am

**S.** Dcn. J. and L. Collom

L. C. DeKoninck, S. Kostaroff, S. O'Dea

#### Sunday, June 18 - 10 am

**S.** K. and N. Leemon

L. B. Martell, C. Flammini, D. Ianni

#### Sunday, June 18 - 5 pm

**S.** T. and M. Werner

L. I. Stines, M. Werner, Volunteer

#### FROM FATHER MIKE'S DESK:



Remember when you were in elementary school? And a teacher gave you an elementary-school understanding of how the world works? And so you were carrying around a childish understanding of everything -- American history, economics, astronomy, the animal kingdom, marriage, the Constitution, geology, world affairs, the political parties,

everything. The Catholic faith, too -- your elementary understanding of Religion got you through any pop-quiz that a teacher would hand to you.

And then you grew up.

And you gained some higher education. And a career. As the years passed, your understanding of the world continued to grow and develop. As you read books and articles of all sorts -- paper and electronic -- you gained far greater insight into all manner of topics. In your trade or profession, you took particular care to stay current on new developments of all sorts. With regard to your Catholic faith, perhaps you were reading and growing there, too. Too many of us, however, have not been putting the same effort into staying current on the Faith.

So here is one of those dreaded pop quizzes. Do you know how the Tigers did last week? Do you know who entered the presidential race last week? Do you know which saints had feast days last week? If you did okay on the first two questions, and drew a blank on the third, then perhaps it's time to check up.

As we have noted on other occasions, we truly live in a golden era of Catholic sources. There are great Catholic podcasts from amazing priests like Father Mike Schmitz and our own Father Joe Krupp. And from so many others. Catholic radio is available in many markets and The Catholic Channel is channel 129 on the SiriusXM dial.

In booklet form (small enough to fit easily in a pocket or purse), powerful daily reflections (along with the Mass readings and much more) can be had in *Magnificat* or *Give Us This Day*. I talk about *Magnificat* more, because I am a longtime subscriber and because you can get a discounted subscription through the parish office. But *Give Us This Day* is quite similar.

Electronic choices abound. It takes almost no effort to receive daily reflections from Dynamic Catholic, EWTN, The Catholic Company, Bishop Barron's Word on Fire, and many other solid Catholic sources.

Our parish has made it possible for any parishioner to have access to Formed (formed.org), where one can find virtually anything Catholic. If you have movie night in your family, know that Formed has great entertainment that is appropriate for all ages.

Maybe as a couple, take some time to go through a great series. Watch and discuss. Listen to (celebrate!) the insights of your spouse. Three obvious possibilities are *The Wild Goose* (thewildgooseisloose.com), *The Search* (thesearchbegins.org), and the men's series *Into the Breach* (https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html)

If your family hasn't yet discovered *The Chosen*, it is well worth your while. Elaborating on the Gospel narratives, it powerfully suggests possible ways that events in the life of Jesus might have looked and sounded. The first two seasons are free on Amazon Prime. The third season is also free and is available through Angel Studios, which produces the series.

Of course, summer is a good time to give the electronics a rest. Taking slow bites of a good book, like *Introduction to the Devout Life*, the spiritual classic of Saint Francis de Sales, can give a wonderful opportunity for growth. And you can never go wrong reading anything by C.S. Lewis or G.K. Chesterton.

Through it all, we must never forget to be dipping into the original source -- Sacred Scripture. Saint Jerome famously said that ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ. Take a slow trip through the Gospel of Luke. Or of Mark. Read the adventures of the early disciples in Acts of the Apostles. Or begin to engage with the rich content of Saint Paul's epistles.

Through it all, however, we are mindful that this is not just filling our head with knowledge. Pope Benedict XVI of blessed memory frequently observed that Christianity is not an ideology or a philosophy or a moral code -- it is a relationship with a living person, Jesus Christ.

This summer would be a great time to get to know Him better.

Blessings!

frmike

#### ACCESS FREE CATHOLIC FAITH RESOURCES ON FORMED.ORG! Signing up is quick and easy:

Visit formed.org/signup ... Search Zip 48864 ... Select Saint Martha, Okemos ... Enter your info ... Click the emailed link and enjoy!

#### HERE AT SAINT MARTHA:

# CONTRIBUTION SUMMARIES

Online Giving May \$50,499 June TD \$17,451

**4-Week Average** \$18,678.17

**In-Person Giving** 

**May 14** \$9,050 **Maintenance** \$136

May 21 \$6,283.68 Maintenance \$185

May 28 \$7,761 Maintenance \$160

June 04 \$9,254

# EASY GIVING ELECTRONICALLY

**Visit** st-martha.org/howtogive

or Scan this QR Code



with your phone camera and click on the internet

# Do You Need A RIDE TO CHURCH?

Call 517-394-2282 CATA Curb to Curb Discounts available for 62+ and

Visit

#### ST-MARTHA.ORG

for a variety of ways to support us and for our full Calendar of



**DSA 2023** 

Our Parish Goal: \$114,503

We are almost there!
Give online at
www.dioceseoflansing.org/DSA

IN A LOVING, NURTURING, CHRIST-LIKE ENVIRONMENT,
SAINT MARTHA SCHOOL GUIDES EACH STUDENT TO DEVELOP HIS OR HER UNIQUE
ABILITY AND POTENTIAL THROUGH PRAYER, STUDY, AND SERVICE.

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17-349-3322

Office Hours Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 3:30 pr



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RECIPIENTS OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS FROM OUR COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND OUR CCW CHAPTER.





#### **FAITH FORMATION**

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#### HERE AT SAINT MARTHA CONTINUED ...





# NAMING SAINT MARTHA PARISH AND SCHOOL AS A BENEFICIARY OF AN IRA OR OTHER QUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN MAY SAVE YOUR HEIRS AND YOUR ESTATE A POTENTIAL TAX BURDEN.

The gift can be made simply, by using your beneficiary designation forms.

Another commonly used option to make a gift to charity is through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA. A QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA to Saint Martha Parish and School. This is a gift from your assets that will not impact your checking or savings account balance. Because Saint Martha is tax exempt, there is no tax paid on the transfer. You must be at least 70½ years old. You can give from pre-tax assets and the gift is not reported as taxable income. This is easily done - just talk to

# SPRING CLEANING BUCKET BRIGADE HELP US HELP FAMILIES IN NEED



Grab a bucket • Fill it with cleaning supplies
Return it by June 12

This effort is sponsored by our Education Commission

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

11:30 AM TO 1:30 PM

# **50-UP CLUB POTLUCK LUNCH**

BLESSED SOLANUS CONFERENCE ROOM

All 50-Ups are invited for our first potluck since the beginning of the Pandemic!

RSVP to Sister Pat with your attendance and what food you are bringing by texting or calling 517-927-8575, or by emailing s\_pat99@yahoo.com



#### HERE AT SAINT MARTHA CONTINUED ...



#### **NEIGHBORHOOD HOSTS STILL NEEDED**

Our groups who have a host are starting to get together for a simple social event. If you have not been contacted by someone, your neighborhood may still need a host. Why not you? To learn more about this simple volunteer opportunity, contact Jackie at <a href="mailto:irosalez@st-martha.org">irosalez@st-martha.org</a>.



#### WHY JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

There is much work to be done in this world - good work, necessary work. That is what the Knights of Columbus do every day. Assisting the sick and disabled, feeding the hungry, protecting those who can not protect themselves. We do not all do everything, but we each do that which we can. And as we do these things, we become better neighbors, better husbands, better fathers, and better Catholics. To join or to get more information regarding the Knights of



#### **MSU FOOTBALL AND SAINT MARTHA**

Our Knights of Columbus would like to extend an open invitation to any parishioner who would like to join us at the Michigan State University Football Staff Fundraiser Event. The proceeds of these efforts support many charities, general and specific Saint Martha church needs, and Saint Martha School. For this event, we provide volunteers to work the MSU home football games for hours before the game and at least one additional quarter (or halftime) during the game. When not working, volunteers are able to watch most of the game from almost anywhere in the

stadium for free. Lunch is provided to volunteers at all the home games, and we also have a tailgating party before one of the season's games. This is a great fall activity to get involved in where you will see many of your fellow parishioners outside of church and get to know them better! Contact Don Klump at <a href="mailto:djklump@comcast.net">djklump@comcast.net</a> or 517-336-0631 to learn more if you are

#### TO SCHEDULE THE FOLLOWING, VISIT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING WEEKDAY BUSINESS HOURS:

MASS INTENTIONS provide a more prayerful offering for souls, and "contribute to the good of the Church and ... support its ministers and works". (CCC 945 §2). There are Masses available to be scheduled for the living or †deceased from April through August of 2024 for \$10 per Mass.

	OPCOMING SAINT MAKTHA DOLLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES					
All articles must be sent by email, and received no later than Noon on the Monday 2 weeks prior to the you are requesting. (If there is an upcoming holiday / holy day that requires different dates, they will be						
	BULLETIN DATE	DUE BY NOON	BULLETIN DATE	DUE BY NOON	BULLETIN DATE	<b>DUE BY NOON</b>
	June 17/18	*past	July 22/23	July 10	August 12/13	July 31
	June 24/25 & July 01/02	June 12	July 29/30	July 17	August 19/20	August 07

August 05/06 | July 24

ILDOMING SAINT MARTHA RILLETIN SURMISSION DEADLINES

July 08/09 & 15/16 June 26

**August 26/27** 

August 14

#### HERE AT SAINT MARTHA CONTINUED ...



#### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- June 8: Summer Chill @ STA 7 to 9pm
- June 11: Film Workshop @ STM 11 am to Noon
- June 15: Summer Chill @ STA 7 to 9 pm
- June 16: Eucharistic Encounter @ IHM 6 to 8:30 pm
- June 21: Volleyball @ McCormick Park 7 to 9 pm
- June 22: Summer Chill @ STA 7 to 9 pm
- June 2 to 25: Steubenville Retreat
- June 28: Volleyball @ McCormick Park 7 to 9 pm
- June 29: Summer Chill @ STA 7 to 9 pm



st-martha.org/youthgroup

### **FILM WORKSHOPS**

Workshops are to give you inspiration, teach about film, and provide help with creating and finalizing your films.

#### Workshop Focuses:

- · Introduction to film
- · Examples of films
- Super 8 film introduction
- · Film development
- · Editing help

June 11 at 11 am

July 7 at 6 pm at Saint Thomas Aquinas

July 24 at 6 pm

at Saint Martha



There will be a variety of topics addressed at each workshop these focus items are just a general idea of some things that may be addressed.

#### ACROSS THE DIOCESE: VISIT <u>DIOCESEOFLANSING.ORG</u> FOR THESE AND OTHER AREA EVENTS!



THE DIARY OF SAINT MARIA FAUSTINA 1578 - Cenacle of Eucharistic Apostles of The Divine Mercy

"Let souls who are striving for perfection particularly adore My mercy, because the abundance of graces which I grant them flows from My mercy. I desire that these souls distinguish themselves by boundless trust in My mercy. I Myself will attend to the sanctification of such souls. I will provide them with everything they will need to attain sanctity."

#### U.S. CATHOLIC SISTERS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING MONTHLY AWARENESS REFLECTION

"Talitha Kum" (Little girl, I say to you, rise up) is a global network of Catholic sisters who stand with victims and survivors of trafficking, and who work to promote a just world in which every human being can live in dignity and fullness of life. To learn more about the evils of human trafficking and how you can help, visit sistersagainsttrafficking.org.

# MEN ON FIRE PRESENTS "FATHERHOOD, PATIENCE, AND TRUST IN THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS" WITH FATHER JOHN ROCUS

Thursday, June 15, at Holy Spirit in Brighton
5:45 pm Prayer • 6:15 pm Mass • 7 pm Talk
Ordained in 2001, Father John has faithfully shepherded his congregation since 2007. There is no charge to attend and all men who desire to grow in faith are invited. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the talk.

#### RAFFLE TO SUPPORT SAINT LOUIS CENTER

Drawing to be held on Monday, June 26 at the 2023 Golf and Glory Outing, UM Golf Course Raffle tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100, with a seven-day inside passage Alaskan cruise grand prize. Proceeds benefit the Saint Louis Center. To buy tickets, call 734-475-8430 or visit stlouiscenter.org/have-fun-here/events.

# DAY PILGRIMAGE TO SAINTE ANNE DE DETROIT AND THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

8:30 am to 4:45 pm on Friday, July 7 departing from Saint Michael in Grand Ledge

Join Father Jim Eisele for a guided tour and Mass at Sainte Anne, followed by a visit to the Detroit Institute of Arts. There will be free time for lunch (purchase at the museum cafeteria or bring your own) before a guided tour of the museum highlights. Then there will be additional time at the gift shop for browsing or shopping at the gift shop. The cost is \$50 and includes the charter bus, admission to the museum, and guided tours. Reservations are taken on a first come first served basis and are due by Friday June 30 by calling the Saint Michael Parish Office at 517-627-8493 or emailing Melissa at melissacollsmith@stmichaelgl.org. No bags over 11" x 10" x 3", backpacks, totes, or anything carried over the

#### ACROSS THE DIOCESE CONTINUED ...

shoulder are allowed in the museum; no food or drinks are permitted in the museum.

#### **ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON PREACHING**

Monday, June 26, to Wednesday, June 28 hosted by the Theology Department at Notre Dame, Indiana How can we effectively preach the social teachings of the Church and conclusively bridge the gap between preaching and social action? Register at rb.gy/96nj for this opportunity that includes fruitful dialogue and enriching collaboration among those who are in Church's ministry.

## MICHIGAN HIKING AND RAFTING PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18 THROUGH 39

7:30 pm on Friday, July 21, through Noon on Sunday, July 23 at Cheboygan State Park on Lake Huron

This camping pilgrimage is a great opportunity to meet new friends while growing closer to God. The weekend includes a 10-mile hike, Eucharistic procession to the Shrine of the Cross in the Woods, 2 hours of Sturgeon River rafting, Mass, meals on Saturday, and Sunday breakfast. For more information and to register for \$85 each by Saturday, July 1, visit eventbee.com/v/pilgrimage2023#/tickets.

## **ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY SUMMER INTENSIVE OPPORTUNITIES**

Featuring Fathers Mathias Thelen and Patrick Gonyeau, and speakers Patrick Reis, Sarah Kaczmarek, and Joe Philip

Drawing from the richness of our Catholic heritage, Encounter School of Ministry seeks to teach, equip, and activate disciples to demonstrate the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit in their sphere of influence.

Option 1: 4 Weeks/4 Classes Online Campus beginning Thursday, July 6. Experience the first 4 quarters in a 4-week period. Each week includes 2 flexible schedule course video lessons and a once-weekly, live Zoom session facilitated by Online Campus Director Joe Philip with prayer ministry, Q&A, activations, testimonies, and more. Zoom sessions are held from 1 to 3 pm or 7 to 9 pm on Thursdays in July.

Option 2: 4 Days/4 Classes on their Main Campus from Monday, July 10, to Thursday, July 13. Experience a survey of the first 4 quarters over a fast 4-day period, that gives participants a taste of the joy, transformation, and renewal that is at the heart of Encounter's mission! Sessions are held from 5 to 9 pm each evening at the Parish Life Center of Saint Patrick Parish, 711 Rickett Road in Brighton and include music with Encounter Worship.

For full details and to register for either Intensive, visit encounterministries.us/summer-intensive-offerings.

#### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Friday, August 11, through Sunday, August 13 at Holy Family Parish, Novi Friday, September 20, through Sunday, October 1 at Augustine Center, Petoskey

For more than 50 years, WWME has helped couples in nearly 100 countries deepen their marriages using teachings that are faithful to the Church's definition of marriage. *To apply for a weekend, visit www.org or call 517-667-0433.* 

#### SUMMER SCRIPTURE DAYS WITH BISHOP BOYEA

Tuesday, August 22, through Thursday, August 24 at Saint Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt

Adults: come explore the life and letters of Saint Peter and deepen your understanding of scripture! For full details and registration, visit stfrancis.ws/ssd.

#### A CATHOLIC WRITER'S RETREAT

Monday, October 9, through Friday, October 13 at Saint Francis Retreat Center

Facilitated by the Catholic Writers Guild with speaker Deacon Greg Kandra, the week offers abundant time to work and time to critique with other Catholic writers. **Register for \$875** and find full details at stfrancis.ws/writersretreat.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 2023 MICHIGAN CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

9 am on Saturday, October 21 at the Lansing Center, downtown Lansing

Quenched: You will be like a well-watered garden. Ladies: you are invited to come focus on your faith, be encouraged and inspired by Catholic speakers, engage in praise and worship music, and celebrate Mass with bishops from across Michigan. This year's keynote speaker is Lisa Brenninkmeyer, Founder of Walking With Purpose. Other presenters include Father Dan Westermann, Karen Ervin, Melanie Rea, Sheri Wohlfert, and fan favorite MC, Erin Looby Carlson. The registration fee is \$72.50, with a discounted rate of \$65 for seniors (62 and over) and students. Visit michigancwc.org for full details and registration. Those interested in becoming a vendor or exhibitor and to sponsor scholarships for ladies who would like to attend but are unable to afford the cost are also sought. "Then the Lord will quide you always and satisfy your thirst in parched places, will give strength to your bones and you shall be like a watered garden, like a flowing



#### **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

Walking together in Word and Sacrament, the Catholic Community of Saint Martha shares the redeeming love of Christ through acts of faith, hope, and charity.

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday through Friday 8 am to 4 pm

#### **GENERAL PARISH INFORMATION**

**Registrations and Information Updates** can be done online via the My Own Church link on our website, or in person at the Parish Office.

**Faith Formation** instills in your children a sense of awe and wonder and a knowledge and deep commitment to the love of God. We seek to teach as Jesus taught and to nurture the Faith that you, as parents, are instilling in your children as their primary educators. We have classes for Pre-K through 12th. To register, contact Jackie Rosalez.

**Intercessory Prayer** individuals remain on the list until the Parish Office is notified otherwise. Contact the Office to add/update.

**Military Individuals for Prayer** remain on the list until we are notified they are home. Contact the Parish Office to add/update.

Bulletin Articles Must Be Emailed to IvyLynn by noon on the Monday 2 weeks prior to the date you are requesting inclusion.

Mass Announcements Must Be Emailed to IvyLynn by noon on the Wednesday of the week prior to the date you are requesting.

#### **SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION**

**Baptisms** are celebrated during Mass the 2<sup>nd</sup> full weekend of the month and rotate through the 4 Mass times. Preparation classes are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays at 7 pm. Contact the Parish Office to register.

**Anointing of the Sick and Communion to Shut Ins** are available by contacting the Parish Office.

**Marriage Preparation** begins with the Priest prior to setting up a Wedding date and at least 6 months in advance of your ideal date. Contact the Parish Office to begin arrangements.

The Adult Sacrament of Initiation (RCIA) is for any older teen or adult who is considering becoming Catholic or who wants to learn more about our Faith. Contact Deacon Carl Boehlert for more information.

#### **SCHOOL INFORMATION**

Contact Us: 517-349-3322

Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 3:30 pm Full Day PreK to 8: Monday through Friday, 8 am to 3:30 pm



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#### MASS OPPORTUNITIES

Saturday

5 pm

Sunday

8 am, 10 am, 5 pm

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 am

Wednesday

6 pm

**Saturday** 9 am - at Saint Mary Church 157 High Street, Williamston

#### RECONCILIATION OPPORTUNITIES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday after 8:30 am Mass until all are heard

Wednesday 6:45 to 7:15 pm

Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Other times by appointment
Lent and Advent announced as scheduled

#### PRAYER/ADORATION OPPORTUNITIES

#### Monday

International Rosary after 8:30 am Mass

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Holy Hour of Reparation after 8:30 am Mass

#### Wednesday

5:30 pm Rosary for the Unborn
5:45 pm Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Adoration after 6:30 pm Mass
until 7:20 pm Benediction

#### Thursday

8 am Rosary for peace and those suffering from war

#### Friday

Rosary after 8:30 am Mass First Friday monthly Adoration after 8:30 am Mass until 3 pm Benediction