

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Rev. Msgr. Leonel Cartagena Franco

Pastor

TWENTIETH SUNDAY *in Ordinary Time*



*A*nd behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, “Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon.”

Matthew 15:22

*H*na mujer cananea, que llegaba de ese territorio, empezó a gritar: “¡Señor, hijo de David, ten compasión de mí! Mi hija está atormentada por un demonio.”

Mateo 15:22

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**From the desk
of Fr. Leo**



Blessed day for each one. This week we are congregating on the path of life that each one travels in their own way and with the weight of their own experiences. In this path of life we become aware of the presence of something, or someone that harmonizes our disorder, that is why we turn to this Divine power in the midst of pain, anguish, despair and even against certain religious leaders, to have mercy on us and we say: Have mercy! We are certain that in the way of thinking, feeling and acting we have certain similarities that align with one of these three characters represented in the Gospel of the Canaanite woman in Mt 15: 21-28

- a human being affected by marginalization, deficiencies, or misunderstanding (like the Canaanite woman)
- a person who exercises some leadership tinged with rigidity and inflexibility (religious leaders)
- an individual who assumes that he is very close to Jesus and therefore does not want anything or anyone to bother him (like Jesus' disciples)

These characters, all of them, are in the dynamic of the ascent to access Jesus, who is the answer for each one, but from Acceptance, Recognition and Love. So, regardless of where and how you are, we will always be benefited by the merciful action of Master Jesus.

Fr. Leo

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Donut Sundays for Sept & Oct
September 10th & 24th
October 8th & 22nd
After the 8:30 Mass

We still need volunteers. Contact:
Diane (269)544-9591 or Maribeth (269)250-0935

If you would like to have a candle lit for your prayer intention, please let the office know your name, which altar you request, and your prayer intention. The candle will remain lit for 7 days. Suggested donation \$5.

Si desea tener una vela encendida para su intención de oración, informe a la oficina su nombre, qué altar solicita y su intención de oración. La vela permanecerá encendida durante 7 días. Donación sugerida \$5.

Week of August 20, 2023

Side Altar Vigil candle intentions

Blessed Virgin Mary: † Carol Mapes
St. Joseph: † Roger Mapes

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, August 19

4:30p.m. † Kulandai Therese, req Terry Lewis

Sunday, August 20

8:30a.m. † Tony Baldwin, req Pat & Scott Schrum
10:30a.m. † Roger & † Carol Mapes,
req Tim & Janice Kistka
1:00p.m. Para los gente de la parroquia

Monday, August 21

8:30 a.m. † Christine Carow, req Jim Carow

Tuesday, August 22

6:00 p.m. † Eo Glenn Simmons, req Dennis Simmons

Wednesday, August 23

8:30 a.m. †

Thursday, August 24

8:30 a.m. No Mass

Friday, August 25

8:30 a.m. For the people of the parish
11:00 a.m. Mass at Heritage Nursing Home

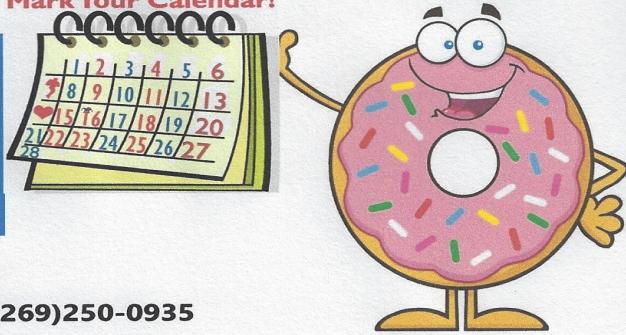
Saturday, August 26

4:30p.m. † Bernie Steffler,
req Jerry & Celeste Fredericksen

Sunday, August 27

8:30a.m. † Eugene Comiskey, req Joe Comiskey
10:30a.m. Grandchildren of Janet Germain
1:00p.m. † Faustino Mendiola Hernandez,
req Maximina Mendiola

Mark Your Calendar!



Activities in our parish

Sunday, August 13

9:35 - 10:25 a.m.

Bible Study

Monday, August 14

3:00 p.m.

Praying the Rosary
Rezando el Rosario (Ing)
Praying with Scripture

Tuesday, August 15

4:60 p.m.

Adoración y Misa

Wednesday, August 16

10:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

Senior Exercise Class
RCIA-Deacon John

Thursday, August 17

6:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous
No Adult Choir practice

Friday, August 18

6:00 p.m.

RCIA Spanish

Saturday, August 19

7:30 a.m.

Men's Fellowship

Sunday, August 20

9:35 - 10:25 a.m.

Bible Study



Del escritorio
del P. Leo



Bendecido día para cada uno, en esta semana nos estamos congregando en el camino de la vida que cada uno va transitando a su modo y con el peso de sus propias vivencias. En este sendero de vida nos hacemos conscientes de la presencia de algo, o alguien que armoniza nuestro desorden, por eso acudimos a este Divino poder en medio del dolor, de la angustia, de la desesperación y aun en contra de ciertos liderazgos religiosos, para que se apiade de nosotros y le decimos: !!!Ten misericordia!!! Tenemos la certeza de que en la manera de pensar, sentir y actuar poseemos ciertas similitudes que se alinean con alguno de estos tres personajes representados en el Evangelio de la mujer cananea de Mt 15: 21-28

- un ser humano afectado por la marginación, las carencias, o la incomprendión (como la mujer Cananea).
- una persona que ejerce cierto liderazgo matizado por la rigidez y la inflexibilidad (los líderes religiosos).
- un individuo que supone que está muy cerca a Jesús y que por tanto no quiere que nada ni nadie lo incomode (como los discípulos de Jesús).

Estos personajes, todos, están en la dinámica del ascenso para acceder a Jesús que es la respuesta para cada uno, pero desde la Aceptación, el Reconocimiento y el Amor. Así que, independientemente de donde y como te encuentres, siempre seremos beneficiados por la acción misericordiosa del Maestro Jesús.

Fr. Leo



Online Giving: If you would like to set up an account for online giving, visit our website and select [online giving](#) from the drop down menu on top of the page, or call 1-800-348-2886 ex 2 for help, or with questions.

Scripture Readings For Week of August 20, 2023

Sunday, Aug. 20: Is 56:1,6-7 Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8 Rom 11:13-15,29-32 Mt 15:21-28

Mon., Aug. 21: Jgs 2:11-19 Ps 106:34-37,39-40,43ab,44 Mt 19:16-22

Tues., August 22: Jgs 6:11-24a Ps 85:9,11-14 Mt 19:23-30

Wed., Aug. 23: Jgs 9:6-15 Ps 21:2-7 Mt 20:1-16

Thurs., August 24: Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-13,17-18 Jn 1:45-51

Friday, August 25: Ru 1:1,3-6,14b-16,22 Ps 146:5-10 Mt 22:34-40

Sat., Aug. 26: Ru 2:1-3,8-11,4:13-17 Ps 128:1-5 Mt 23:1-12

Sun., August 27: Is 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-3,6,8 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

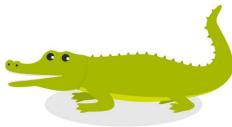


The St. Joseph's Food Pantry at is open three days a week and serves families referred to us by Loaves and Fishes **and** walk-in clients from the neighborhood.

THANK YOU ALL for helping us provide this ministry to our neighbors in need! We serve an average of 80 families each month – over 300 individuals in July. Though our hours are limited, the need for food has increased dramatically this year. Many of our clients are employed at minimum wage jobs, retired, or on fixed incomes that don't stretch far enough. Your donations of money, food and paper products help fill their bags with needed items. Special thanks to those who drop off fresh produce or stop in and ask what is most needed right now. We are so grateful for your ongoing generosity and are keeping all of you in prayer.

We now have a PaperGator

God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth." (Gen 1:27-28)



Just because God gave us the earth doesn't mean we should treat it as a garbage dump. It's our job to take care of it. You can help care for our planet by REDUCING, REUSING, and RECYCLING.

We can earn a penny a pound for the following products we collect:

- ◆ Newspaper, catalogs and magazines
- ◆ Phone books, hard & soft cover books
- ◆ School/office paper & shredded paper
- ◆ Paperboard (cereal box types)
- ◆ Corrugated cardboard 12"x12" or **smaller**

Not accepted: plastic, metal, garbage, frozen food boxes, cardboard larger than 12"x12"



If we each do a little,
together we can do a LOT!

Our Gifts for God

Week of August 13, 2023

Sunday Collection	\$3,775.00
Online Collection	\$1,095.00
Loose Cash.....	\$1,685.66
Visitors.....	\$45.00
Total Offertory	\$6,555.66
Needed Weekly	\$9,231.00
Shortage.....	\$2,675.45

Income not included in weekly needs:

Candles	\$43.40
Food Pantry	\$45.00
Memorials.....	\$225.00

Thank you for your continued support to our parish.
God Bless You!

Prayers For The Sick

Douglas Bailey
Bradford M. Baldwin
Karen Barnes
Naïve Boyce
Bill & Jane
Jaciel Castro Gonzalez
Luz Elena Chavez E.
Manuel Cordoba
Harold Cronk
Marlene Estrada
Regina Sanchez Franco
Carmen Frybarger
Maria Guadalupe
Josie Gutierrez
Amy Harrington
Mary Hiscock
Marianne Houston
Shaid Juarico
Gerald Kistka
Annie Lang

Kevin Luckas
Michelle Luckas
Rosa Hilda Maldonado
Mara & Kevin McHugh
Juana Mendiola Hernández
Trina
Andrew J. Pineda
Jeannette Pushell
Maria Ramsey
Roxann Reisterer
Ricky Sanchez
Victor Sanchez Montes
Lun Schrepper
Howard Simmons
Michael VanArkel
Yareli Velázquez Mtnez.
Melanie Wiedmayer
Terry Wycoff
Francisca Zepeda

We are looking for a volunteer to work in our parish library, to prepare books for people to browse on Sundays. If you can give a few hours each week, please call the parish office at 343-6256.

Thank you for considering this opportunity.

Happy Birthday!!!

¡Feliz Cumpleaños!



Linda Jennings
José Ramírez
Patricia Ramírez
David Schrepper
Ailani Vázquez
Ruby Hernández
Zoe Naylor
Adam Paiz
Araceli Quintero
Estela Reyes
Sarah Schieber
Theresa Shane
Luz María Vargas
Omar Villalon
Ángel Francisco
Rebecca Salemka
Sarah Veeck
Kevin Buckley
Mayra Cabrera
Erika Camarillo
Araceli Gervacio
Meghann Lockett-Ollie
Mauricio Martínez
Kelly Mezo
Gustavo Vera-Molina
Pamela Anderson
Nicholas Margol
Emely Morales-Amates
Rayna Myers
José Razo
Joan Smith
Luis Alcalá
María Garrido
Carmen Gómez
Kenneth Laymon
Emma Ramos
Kenia Guerrero
Lillian Hanna
David Mejía
John Mitchell
Pamela Munson
Joseph Reisterer

Bishop's Annual Appeal Update

The 2023 Bishop's Annual goal is \$87,150.00. As of 7/24/23, \$68,319.00 has been pledged by 151 families. If you could please make your pledge soon, it would be greatly appreciated.

If you are unable to pledge this year, please return your pledge card marked zero. This will save the parish postage on follow up letters. Thank you.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL PAYMENT INFORMATION: To ensure that your Bishop's Annual Appeal payments get credited to your account in a timely and accurate manner, please send ALL PAYMENTS directory to the Diocese of Kalamazoo, 215 N. Westnedge, Kalamazoo, MI 49007. Checks should be made payable to the Diocese of Kalamazoo with St. Joseph-Kalamazoo in the memo line. Online payments can also be made on the Diocesan website at <https://diokzoo.org/give>. Payments that are dropped in the offertory basket are no longer processed weekly.

Thank you. Any questions, please call Pat in the rectory office at 343-6256.

La meta anual del obispo para 2023 es de \$87,150.00. A partir del 24/7/23, 151 familias han prometido \$68,319.00. Si pudiera hacer su compromiso pronto, sería muy apreciado.

Si no puede contribuir este año, devuelva su tarjeta de compromiso con cero indicado. Esto ahorrará el franqueo de la parroquia en las cartas de seguimiento. Gracias.

INFORMACIÓN DE PAGO DE LA APELACIÓN

ANUAL DEL OBISPO: Para asegurarse de que los pagos de la Campaña Anual del Obispo se acrediten en su cuenta de manera oportuna y precisa, envíe el directorio TODOS LOS PAGOS a la Diócesis de Kalamazoo, 215 N. Westnedge, Kalamazoo, MI 49007. Los cheques deben hacerse a nombre de la Diócesis de Kalamazoo con St. Joseph-Kalamazoo en la línea de notas. Las contribuciones en línea también se pueden realizar en el sitio web diocesano en <https://diokzoo.org/give>. Las contribuciones que se depositan en la canasta de ofrendas ya no se procesan semanalmente.

Gracias. Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a Pat a la oficina de la rectoría al 343-6256.

MASS TIME PRESCHOOL BOOKS

We now have two baskets in the back of church for families with preschoolers. When families come to Mass preschool books may be picked from either the Spanish or the English basket.

Please return the books to the baskets as you leave church for the next group of children.

LIBROS PARA PREESCOLAR TIEMPO DE MISA



Ahora tenemos dos canastas en la parte trasera de la iglesia para familias con niños en edad preescolar. Cuando las familias vienen a misa, los libros preescolares se pueden elegir de la canasta en español o en inglés.

Devuelva los libros a las canastas cuando salga de la iglesia para el próximo grupo de niños.

Donut Sundays for Sept & Oct
September 10th & 24th
October 8th & 22nd
After the 8:30 Mass

We still need volunteers. Contact:
Diane (269)544-1591 or Maribeth (269)250-0935



LECTORS & SERVERS SCHEDULE

Mass/Date	Server	Lector
Aug 19, 4:30	Darlene Smith	Toni Gross
Aug 20, 8:30	Katie Jones	Dave Barry
Aug 20, 10:30	Anne Fish	Janice Kistka
Aug 26, 4:30	Anne Fish	Kathy Nederhoed
Aug 27, 8:30	Tony & Jayden Thomas	MT Courtade
Aug 27, 10:30	Stephanie Thompson	Sharon Anderson-Western

Apply Now! Job Openings at St. Monica School

- Middle School English Language Arts Teacher (Full-time salaried)
- Full Time 4th Grade Aide (40 hrs/week)
- Early Childhood Classroom Aide, Wed-Fri (25 hrs/wk)
- Traffic Monitors (10 hrs/week) (morning & afternoon)
- Lunch Room Monitor (12 hrs/week)
- After-School Care Worker (12 hrs/week)
- Substitute Teachers
- Office Staff Substitutes

For questions or to apply, please email Principal Jordon Beery: jbeery@stmonicakzoo.org or call the school office at 269-345-2444 for more info. Come join our team!

Apply Now! Job Openings at St. Augustine Cathedral School

Do you enjoy working with kids? Would you like to be a part of a faith filled school family? They are hiring part time classroom aides, Monday – Friday, 12noon–3pm, and for an After School Care Lead Teacher, Monday – Friday 2:45–6pm. Please email the principal, Andra Zommers, azommers@stakzoo.org, or call 349-1945, for more information.



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***Cursillo News:** There will be an Ultreya gathering \ Sunday, Aug. 20, from 4-6pm at Holy Angels Catholic Church, 402 S Nottawa St, Sturgis. They will have a witness talk from a mother-daughter duo, discussing the World Youth Day and the Camino Trail. You are welcome to bring a snack for the potluck table. Please feel free to bring guests. Our next Women's Weekend is coming up October 19-22, at the Amigo Center in Sturgis. Contact Angela Martin, 269.208.5192 for any questions or to register for the weekend. MAKE A FRIEND, BE A FRIEND, AND BRING A FRIEND TO CHRIST.

***Servants of Mary Charismatic Conference** Fri.-Sun., Sept. 1-3, at St. Augustine's Crowley Center, 542 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo. Speakers Jesse Romero and James (Butch) Murphy. Cost \$90 Single; \$150 Couple (cash or check at the door). For more information, go to: <https://theservantsofmary.org>

On Tues., Sept. 12, from 6:3-8:30pm, St. Catherine of Siena begins the 13-week **GriefShare program**, for anyone who has lost a loved one and seeks to learn more about how to navigate the grief journey. They create a sacred space for working through grief not often found in our everyday lives. Registration fee of \$25 payable at first meeting includes workbook.



For more info or to register, contact Paula White:

1. go to www.griefshare.org
2. Phone Paula White at **269-330-362**
3. Email Paula White a pwhitentc@mac.com

LANGUAGE FOR REPORTING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT:

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Would you like to join Our Parish?

If you would like to enroll, change your address, or simply have questions about our parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Church office:

936 Lake St, Kalamazoo, MI 49001

Name _____
Address _____
City/Zip _____
Phone _____

- I would like to enroll as an active member.
- Please change my address to the one shown above.
- I would like to learn more about school/parish activities.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- I would like to offer the name of a homebound or ill Catholic who is not currently being visited: _____
- I would like to speak with a priest about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

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Mass and Contact Information

**Mass times: Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., Sunday 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30 a.m. in English — Tuesday 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)**

Eucharistic Adoration: 4:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. every Tuesday and at 7:30 p.m. Fridays

Sacrament of Penance: 3:30- 4:30 p.m. Saturday and 8:00—8:25 on Sundays or by request.

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact the Parish Office 269-343-6256

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the sick: Please contact the office at 269-343-6256 or call Fr Leo.

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Homebound	Deacon Tim
RCIA	Deacon John

Baptismal Classes (E)

Deacon John

Baptismal Classes (S)

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