

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Pastor

Here I Am, Lord

Aquí estoy Señor



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From the desk
of Fr. Leo



Today I present to you these three small reflections that can be deepened, discarded or ignored. Either way, it will be fine for everyone.

From today's first reading we hear the explicit warning - addressed to the spiritual leaders (priests) - about the imminent threat of their existence becoming a curse, and a total rejection of the people, as a consequence of not listening to the word of the wisdom, and as a result of diverting the path of righteousness, and practicing treason among the brothers themselves. He is talking about the corruption of the best being the worst (Malachi 1:14-2:8-10).

The second reading speaks of a community that learns to listen - beyond the babbling of spiritual leaders - to the voice of God. It is about any community or person who learns that the love and welcome shown by those who lead them are the expression of the light of divinity that flows and is transparent through them (1Thesalonians 2:7-13).

This Sunday's Gospel refreshes our memory about the oldest work that has existed since time immemorial: The exercise of the chair, of teaching, of spiritual leadership, which today appears pale and disfigured, to the height of decadence that always begins with the corruption of leaders who abandon the circle of fraternity, dress in the veil of dogmatism and create their own ghettos, proclaiming themselves as teachers, to become a force of overwhelming demands towards the most fragile (Mt 23: 1-12)

Fr. Leo



The parish office will be closed Thursday, November 9, for a diocesan staff training.



La oficina de la parroquia estará cerrada el jueves 9 de noviembre para una capacitación por parte de la diócesis.

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 November 5, 2023

Side Altar Vigil candle intentions

Blessed Virgin Mary: Shirley & George Hitch
St. Joseph: Lauri & Does North

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, November 4

4:30p.m. † Margaret Hammill (100th birthday),
req Her daughters

Sunday, November 5

8:30a.m. † Bill & † Sally Barnes, req Bill Barnes Jr.

10:30a.m. † Victor M Sanchez, req Myrna Phillips

1:00p.m. † Emilio Ortiz Mendoza, req Olivia Mendoza

Monday, November 6

8:30 a.m. For the people of the parish

Tuesday, November 7

4-6:00 p.m. Adoración

6:00 p.m. Para la gente de la parroquia

Wednesday, November 8

8:30 a.m. † Robert & † Mary Leindecker & Family

Thursday, November 9

8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Friday, November 10

8:30 a.m. † Rose Anne Weaver

11:00 a.m. Mass at Heritage Community

Saturday, November 11

4:30p.m. † Ryan Andrew Dent, req Mom & Crissy

Sunday, November 12

8:30a.m. For the intentions of Myrna, Mary, & Alicia,
req Donita Simmons

10:30a.m. † Francis Westrick Jr., req Karen Moore

1:00p.m. Para la gente de la parroquia

Bulletin Sponsor of the Week

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Activities in our parish

Sunday, November 5

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. BAZAAR
 9:35 - 10:25 a.m. Bible Study
 11:45-12:45 p.m. Religious Education classes
 Clases de educación religiosa
 Coro

Monday, November 6

3:00 p.m. Praying the Rosary
 Rezando el Rosario (Ing)
 7:00 p.m. Praying with Scripture
 7-8:30 p.m. Parent Religion Class (Ing)

Tuesday, November 7

4-6:00 p.m. Adoración y Misa
 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society
 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, November 8

7:00 p.m. RCIA-Deacon John

Thursday, November 9

6:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
 6:00 p.m. Children's Choir practice
 6:30 p.m. Adult Choir practice

Friday, November 10

6:00 p.m. RICA Spanish
 7:00 p.m. Rosario (Sp)

Saturday, November 11

7:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship

Sunday, November 12

9:35 - 10:25 a.m. Bible Study
 11:45-12:45 p.m. Religious Education classes
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 Coro



Del escritorio del P. Leó



Hoy les presento estas tres pequeñas reflexiones que pueden ser profundizadas, descartadas o ignoradas. Como sea estará bien para cada uno.

Desde la primera lectura de hoy escuchamos la advertencia explícita -dirigida a los líderes espirituales (sacerdotes) - sobre la inminente amenaza de que su existencia se convierta en una maldición, y un rechazo total del pueblo, como consecuencia de no escuchar la palabra de la sabiduría, y como resultado de desviar el camino de la rectitud, y practicar la traición entre los mismos hermanos. Está hablando de que la corrupción de los mejores es lo peor (Malachi 1:14-2:8-10).

La segunda lectura habla de una comunidad que aprende a escuchar -más allá de los balbuceos de los líderes espirituales- la voz de Dios. Se trata de cualquier comunidad o persona que aprende que el amor y la acogida manifestada por aquellos que los lideran son la expresión de la luz de la divinidad que fluye y se transparenta a través de ellos (1Thesalonians 2:7-13).

El Evangelio de este Domingo refresca nuestra memoria acerca del trabajo más antiguo que existe desde tiempos inmemorables: El ejercicio de la cátedra, de la enseñanza, del liderazgo espiritual, que hoy aparece pálido y desconfigurado, hasta el colmo de la decadencia que comienza siempre por la corrupción de los líderes que abandonan el círculo de la fraternidad, se visten con el velo de los dogmatismo y se crean sus propios guetos, auto proclamándose como maestros, para convertirse en una fuerza de exigencias y demandas agobiantes hacia los más frágiles (Mt 23:1-12)

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Kalamazoo Together Volunteers is proud to announce our 2nd year collaborating with St Joseph church to offer a **free community Thanksgiving dinner in the Bennett Building!**



Dinner will be held on Thanksgiving, 11/23, from 2-4 pm. Just like last year, we will need your support to make this happen! Sign up sheets will be available after mass, starting, October 29. Please contact Judy Lowery via text or calling (269)370-0407 or loweryjudy98@yahoo.com with questions.



Donations: checks may be made out to Judy Lowery
 PayPal- Loweryjudy98@yahoo.com
 CashApp- \$Jujuscash1
 Venmo- @Judy-Lowery-5

Scripture Readings for Week of November 5, 2023

Sun., Nov. 5: Mal 1:14b-2:2b,8-10 Ps 131:1-3 1 Thes 2:7b-9,13
 Mt 23:1-12

Mon., Nov 6: Rom 11:29-36 Ps 69:30-32,33-34,36 Lk 14:12-14

Tues., Nov 7: Rom 12:5-16b Ps 131:1cde,2-3 Lk 14:15-24

Wed., Nov8: Rom 13:8-10 Ps 112:1b-2,4-5,9 Lk 14:25-33

Thurs., Nov. 2: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9
 1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17 Jn 2:13-22

Friday, Nov. 3: Rom 15:14-21 Ps 98:1-4 Lk 16:1-8

Sat., Nov. 4: Rom 16:3-9,16,22-27 Ps 145:2-5,10-11 Lk 16:9-15

Sun., Nov. 5: Wis 6:12-16 Ps 63:2-8 1 Thes 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13

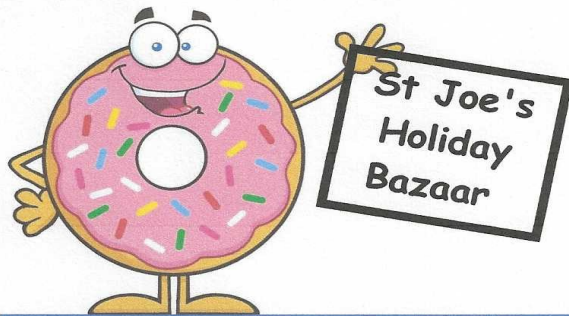
LECTORS & SERVERS SCHEDULE

Mass/Date	Server	Lector
Nov 4, 4:30	Anne Fish	George Daleiden
Nov 5, 8:30	Katie Jones	Pat Curtis
Nov 5, 10:30	Ed Solis	Brian Thompson
Nov 11, 4:30	Darlene Smith	Toni Gross
Nov 12, 8:30	Tony & Jaden Thomas	MT Courtade
Nov 12, 10:30	Ed Solis	Mary Kay Allbee Mickey Sykes

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
Angela Cronk
Marlene Estrada
Regina Sanchez Franco
Carmen Frybarger
María Guadalupe
Josie Gutiérrez
Amy Harrington
Mary Hiscock
Marianne Houston
Shaïd Juarico
Gerald Kistka

Annie Lang
Kevin Luckas
Michelle Luckas
Kimberly Lynn
Rosa Hilda Maldonado
Mara & Kevin McHugh
Juana Mendiola Hernández
Trina
Andrew J. Pineda
Fr. Greg Poser
Jeannette Pushell
Maria Ramsey
Roxann Reisterer
Lun Schrepper
Howard Simmons
Michael VanArkel
Yareli Velázquez Martinez
Melanie Wiedmayer
Terry Wycoff
Francisca Zepeda



Join us for Coffee & Donuts
while shopping at the
St Joe's Holiday Bazaar
Nov 4th & 5th

St. Thomas More—Arts & Crafts Fair

Saturday, November 11, 9am-3pm

421 Monroe St., Kalamazoo

Beautiful arts and crafts, bake sale, lunch and snacks. Shop the fair, then stay and sit, enjoy coffee, baked goods, or lunch.

Our Gifts for God

Week of October 29, 2023

Sunday Collection\$5,425.00
Online Collection\$1,688.00
Loose Cash\$1,619.37
Holy Days\$50.00
Total Offertory received\$8,782.37
Needed Weekly\$9,231.00
Shortage.....\$448.63

Income not included in weekly needs:

Candles\$76.35
Food Pantry\$10.00
Rent (El Concilio)\$3,450.00
Facilities Rent (NA and Quinceañera).....\$235.00
Movie Night\$500.00
Memorials.....\$40.00
Miscellaneous.....\$100.00
World Mission Sunday.....\$37.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

God Bless You!

Happy Birthday!!!
¡Feliz Cumpleaños!



Mary Klenow
Graciela López
Molly NeSmith
Celo Villalon
William Aro
Alonzo Garza
Matthew Trevino
Desirae Barnes
Daman Molina
Danielle Quiroga
Travis Bell
Arely Castro
Emeka Debyser
Rubí Diaz

María González-Vivas
Gary Nelson
Juan Ortiz-Ponce
Miguel Rojo
Paige Salemka
Sylvia Angelidis
Devin Bloomfield
John Brown
Robert García
Teodo Gutiérrez
Jocelin Ramírez
Roberta Taylor
Evelyn Muñoz

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 NIÑOS EN EDAD PREESCOLAR

Hay dos canastas en la parte trasera de la iglesia. Cuando venga a misa elija un libro para que los niños los lean durante misa.

Hay libros en Español e ingles. Regrese los libros cuando se vaya.

Share the Warmth Coat Drive

Please drop off your gently used, or new coats to the bin located by the cry room before Nov 20.



Catholic Gift Annuity to benefit your parish is a generous expression of your support for God's work on this earth. The Catholic Foundation of SW Michigan Catholic Gift Annuities are now available through a program offered by the Catholic Church Extension Society, one of. By taking out a Catholic Gift Annuity you may be eligithe largest, oldest, and strongest managers of annuities in the U.Sble for a charitable tax deduction, receive fixed payments for life and leave a legacy to your parish. To learn how you can join thousands of Catholics who invest in the future of the Catholic Church, please email Keith Tharp at ktharp@diokzoo.org or call 269-349-8714 ext. 1351 and tell him you want to establish an annuity to support your parish.

KEYS

Kindly return any key that belongs to any room at St. Joe. We are currently conducting an inventory of keys. If you have a set of keys that you use periodically, please call the office to let us know so we can account for those keys.



LLAVES

Por favor devuelva cualquier llave que tenga que pertenezca a la parroquia. Estamos haciendo un inventario de llaves. Si usa las llaves regularmente, llámenos y díganos cuales llaves tiene.



St. Joseph Church in Kalamazoo is seeking applicants for a permanent full-time position of Maintenance / Groundskeeper.

This is much more than a janitor for the parish campus. We need someone who can assess the condition and maintenance needs of facilities and grounds, research and implement solutions, track spending, order supplies, and be the liaison to work with/coordinate outside contractors and vendors for the parish community.

Requirements: high school diploma or equivalent; college or trade school/journeyman apprenticeship a plus; at least 5 years of proven experience in minor building repairs (carpentry, machining, electric, and HVAC); have a working knowledge of computers to track maintenance scheduling and costs; basic familiarity with video surveillance equipment; ability to troubleshoot basic audio equipment; ability to lift up to 50

pounds; work with light machinery and hand power tools; be able to stand, sit, kneel, crouch, bend, twist and otherwise be physically flexible to climb stairs, ladders, and work in sometimes small spaces.

The work is mostly days, but person is expected to be available for emergencies and special needs.

Position offers competitive wages, health insurance, retirement, and vacation.

Please mail or drop off resume to:

St. Joseph Catholic Church.
936 Lake St. Kalamazoo
MI 49001.
Attn: Myrna Phillips.

Or by email at:
myrna.stjoekal@gmail.com



Aquinas College Open House

Saturday, November 11 from 9 a.m. to noon

Aquinas College welcomes high school students and their families to an Open House on Sat., Nov. 11! Explore academic programs, connect with faculty, staff & students, and tour our scenic campus. Plus, attend a session on navigating the college search process that will equip you with practical knowledge you can immediately use at the event. Visit aquinas.edu/openhouse to register.

Langeland Funeral Homes invites you to their **Candle-light Holiday Memorial Ceremony**, Nov. 12, 2-3pm, 3926 S. 9th St., Kalamazoo

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Hackett Catholic Prep invites you to open houses:

- For students on Thurs., Nov. 16, 10:30-2pm. Attend a class, get to know students and teachers, have lunch, and learn about extracurricular activities and opportunities..
- For parents on Thurs., Nov. 16, 7-7pm parent panel, 7-7:30pm school tour.



Senior Exercise Class

Each Wednesday
 Bennett Gym
 10-11am. \$5 a week.
 We have fun, staying healthy!
 Join us & check it out.
 More info?
 Call Maribeth
 269-250-0935



Hidden in Plain Sight 60th anniversary of assassination of President John F. Kennedy Presentation by Tim Smith

Wed., Nov. 22, 6:30pm at St. Augustine Cathedral

Presentation highlights of 25 years of research and interviews, based on fact, testimony and independent inquiry. Followed by light refreshments, question and answer time, and book signing.



Diocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass and celebration with Bishop Edward M. Lohse will be held Sun., Nov. 19, St. Augustine Cathedral, 2pm. If you or someone you know is celebrating 50 years of marriage anytime in 2023, we invite you to let your parish know, or complete the form on the diocesan website (www.diokzoo.org/50th-anniversary) or mail your information to receive a personal congratulatory certificate signed by Bishop Lohse. To receive a special certificate signed by Bishop Lohse, please mail your name, wedding date, address and contact information to:

50th Wedding Anniversary Diocesan Celebration
 215 N Westnedge Avenue
 Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Questions? Please email Socorro Truchan, struchan@diokzoo.org or call 269-349-8714 ext 1112

GRIEFSHARE HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Are you grieving the death of someone and wondering how you will navigate the holidays? Join grief counselor Mary Beckley-Clark MSW at St. Thomas More Parish, 421 Monroe St., Kalamazoo on **Sun., Nov. 19 from 1-3pm to learn some practical coping strategies.** Workshop includes video presentation and group discussion. Participants will receive a copy of the GriefShare Holiday Survival Guide. Call St. Tom's at 269-381-8917 with questions.



Catholic Charities is sponsoring a St. Nicholas Raffle on Dec. 6, to benefit their thousands of clients served each year in our 9-county diocese. Win \$5,000 or a prize package. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100.

Attend the live drawing and dinner at 6pm that night for \$75, (includes dinner, drinks, a raffle ticket, and visit from St. Nicholas.

Visit www.ccdok.org/stnicholas/ for more information or call them at 269-381-9800 or email info@ccdok.org.



St. Therese Catholic School is hosting **PURSE BINGO** on November 18 beginning at 6:00pm at St. Cyril and Methodius Parish Hall. There will be 20 games for \$20 with a designer handbag as the prize for each game. Find out more and reserve your spot at www.sttcatholicsschool.org.



LANGUAGE FOR REPORTING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT:

The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigations 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**

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.

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

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 call the office at 269-343-6256 or contact Fr Leo.

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