



# CHRIST <sup>THE</sup> KING

## CRISTO REY



**St. Joseph Catholic Church**

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From the desk  
of Fr. Leo



Fr. Leo is at a conference, and will return next week.

*Fr. Leo*



Harding's shoppers,  
you can have St. Joseph  
Church benefit from your  
purchases. Sign up at the  
customer service desk for  
a percentage of your pur-  
chases to be donated to St. Joseph's. It isn't a lot,  
but each month the parish gets a check from Har-  
ding's.



Last quarter, received a check for  
**\$258.00!!** Think of 100 households did this, or  
200! What an easy way to increase your offering to  
the parish!

If you would like to have a candle lit for your prayer inten-  
tion, 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 26, 2023

#### Side Altar Vigil candle intentions

**Blessed Virgin Mary: For the Bazaar Group**  
**St. Joseph: For the Kermés Group**

#### Mass Schedule and Intentions

##### **Saturday, November 25**

**4:30p.m.** † Helen Starnes, req Family

##### **Sunday, November 26**

**8:30a.m.** † Rose Anne Weaver

**10:30a.m.** † Lynn Clark, req Ellie Clark

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

##### **Monday, November 27**

**8:30 a.m.** † Alice & † Wenzel Lang, req Sara Miller

##### **Tuesday, November 28**

**4-6:00 p.m.** Adoración

**6:00 p.m.** † Heriberto Contreras, req Office Staff

##### **Wednesday, November 29**

**8:30 a.m.** Thomas Mero, req Mary Mero

##### **Thursday, November 30**

**NO MASS**

##### **Friday, December 1**

**8:30 a.m.** † Rose Anne Weaver

**11:00 a.m.** Mass at Heritage Community

##### **Saturday, December 2**

**4:30p.m.** † Fr. Anthony Bitchapogu, req Sara Miller

##### **Sunday, December 3**

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

**10:30a.m.** † Don & † Diane Geipei, req Sara Miller

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



### **Bulletin Sponsor of the Week**

**Joldersma & Klein Funeral Home**

To view their full advertisement,  
see the back page of the bulletin.

And please, remember to patronize  
**Joldersma & Klein Funeral Home**

## Activities in our parish

**Sunday, November 26**

12:00 p.m. Coro

**Monday, November 27**

3:00 p.m. Praying the Rosary

7:00 p.m. Praying with Scripture

7-8:30 p.m. Parent Religion Class (Eng)

**Tuesday, November 28**

4-6:00 p.m. Adoración y Misa

**Wednesday, November 29**

10:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class

7:00 p.m. RCIA-Deacon John

**Thursday, November 30**

6:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

6:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice

**Friday, December 1**

7:00 p.m. Rosario (Sp)

**Saturday, December 2**

7:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship

6:30 p.m. Novenario Virgen de Guadalupe

**Sunday, December 3**

9:35 - 10:25 a.m. Bible Study

9:45- 10:15 a.m. Preschool Music Group

11:45-12:45 p.m. Religious Education classes

Clases de educación religiosa

12:00 p.m. Coro



Del escritorio  
del P. Leó



Padre Leo está en una conferencia y regresará la próxima semana.

*Fr. Leo*

## CARRY YOUR BOOKS?

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters

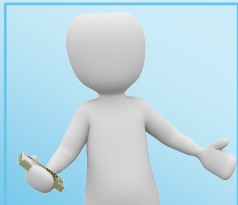


Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

-1 PETER 5:7 KJV

## 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.



Mark Your Calendar!



**Next Coffee & Donuts**

**December 10th**

**After 8:30 Mass**

**Limited Gluten-Free treats, too**

## Scripture Readings for Week of November 26, 2023

**Sun., Nov. 26:** Ez 34:11-12,15-17 Ps 23:1-3,5-6 1 Cor 15:20-26,28 Mt 25:31-46

**Mon., Nov 27:** Dn 1:1-6,8-20 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Lk 21:1-4

**Tues., Nov 28:** Dn 2:31-45 (Ps) Dn 3:57-61 Lk 21:5-11

**Wed., Nov 29:** Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28 (Ps) Dn 3:62-67 Lk 21:12-19

**Thurs., Nov. 30:** Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 4:18-22

**Fri, Dec. 1:** Dn 7:2-14 (Ps) Dn 3:75-81 Lk 21:2w9-33

**Sat., Dec. 2:** Dn 7:15-27 (Ps) Dn 3:82-87 Lk21:34-36

**Sun., Dec. 3:** Is 63:16b-17,19b,64:2:7 Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37



## LECTORS & SERVERS SCHEDULE

Mass/Date	Server	Lector
Nov 25, 4:30	Darlene Smith	Mary Lou Fleckenstein
Nov 26, 8:30	Tony & Jayden Thomas	Pat Curtis
Nov 26, 10:30	Ed Solis	Stephanie Thompson
Dec 2, 4:30	Anne Fish	George Daleiden
Dec 3, 8:30	Katie Jones	MT Courtade
Dec 3, 10:30	Tony & Jayden Thomas	Sharon Anderson-Western

## Home Heating Assistance Program!

Thank You for all who contribute to the Home Heating Assistance Program! Your generosity to keep those in your community warm is appreciated. Anyone needing heating assistance should contact the parish for help. The parish heating volunteers will assist all those in need, utilizing all available assistance prior to the home heating funds. The program begins Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup> and ends in March or until the funds last. Thank you for your warm hearts!

## ¡Programa de asistencia para calefacción del hogar!

¡Gracias a todos los que contribuyen al Programa de asistencia para calefacción del hogar! Se agradece su generosidad para mantener cálidos a los miembros de su comunidad. Cualquier persona que necesite ayuda con la calefacción debe comunicarse con la parroquia para obtener ayuda. Los voluntarios de calefacción de la parroquia ayudarán a todos los necesitados, utilizando toda la asistencia disponible antes de los fondos para calefacción del hogar. El programa comienza el jueves 4 de enero y finaliza en marzo o hasta agotar fondos. ¡Gracias por vuestros cálidos corazones!



## 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  
Sarah Ogrin  
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

**Save the date! Breakfast! Sunday, December 17** sponsored by our Knights of Columbus and our Donut Crew. More details in coming bulletins.

**¡Reserva! ¡Desayuno! Domingo 17 de diciembre** patrocinado por nuestros Caballeros de Colón y nuestro Donut Crew. Más detalles en próximos boletines.

## Happy Birthday!!! ¡Feliz Cumpleaños!



Mariel Martínez  
Diana Moore  
Alejandro Uribe  
Mary Jbara  
Chelsea Mazure  
Diovelit Torrecilla  
Miguel Valdez  
Daniel Barrett  
Irma Bowden  
Joanna Casarrubias  
Martha Gutiérrez  
Carina Márquez Villeda  
Edgar Medina Torres  
Dilan Mejía-Camacho  
Samuel Qualls  
Arely Vera-Ayala  
Gilberto Almaguer

Ángel González-Larez  
Leo Griffith  
Santana Ortiz  
Yahir Vázquez  
Ann Veeck  
Gonzalo Villegas  
Donald Weber  
Jesús González  
Susan Willis  
Valente González  
Therese Norris  
María Soledad Garcia  
Marleth Hernández  
Rafael Nonato-Nonato  
Brandon Reed  
Aaron Tipton

## Our Gifts for God Week of November 19, 2023



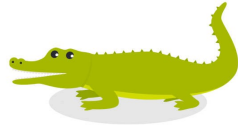
We do not have totals because of the early bulletin deadline due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

We will have two weeks of totals for you in the next bulletin.

Thank you for your support of St. Joseph Parish.  
**God Bless You!**

## We now have a PaperGator

You can help the environment and the parish by bringing your paper to recycle.



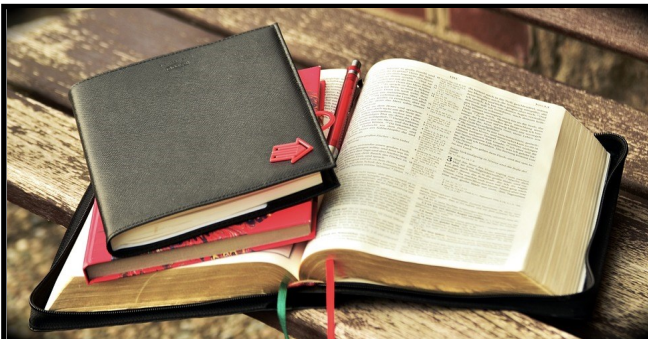
We can earn a penny a pound for the following products:

- ◆ 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"

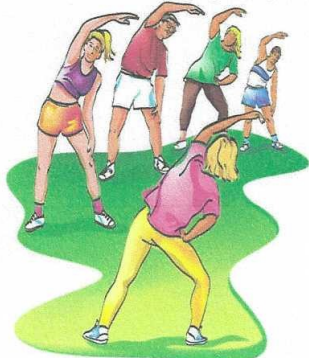


**If we each do a little,  
together we can do a LOT!**



¡Estamos buscando más lectores para la misa de la 1pm! comuníquese con la oficina si desea unirse al grupo de lectores.

### Senior Exercise Class



**Each Wednesday  
Bennett Gym  
10-11am. \$5 a week.  
Special Offer:  
Try a week FREE!  
Join us. It can be fun!  
More info?  
Call Maribeth  
269-250-0935**

**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 eligible for the largest, oldest, and strongest managers of annuities in the U.S. 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](mailto:ktharp@diokzoo.org) or call 269-349-8714 ext. 1351 and tell him you want to establish an annuity to support your parish.

Per Bishop Lohse's call for us to serve each other, the **Liturgy Commission** is eager to welcome anyone who would like to serve on the Liturgy Commission to plan and coordinate the celebrations and decorating of the Church. Contact Randy Dennis at [randy.dennis1948@gmail.com](mailto:randy.dennis1948@gmail.com)

Según el llamando del obispo Lohse para que nos sirvamos unos a otros, la **Comisión de Liturgia** está ansiosa por dar la bienvenida a cualquiera que desee formar parte de la Comisión para planificar y coordinar las celebraciones y la decoración de la Iglesia. Comuniquen con Randy Dennis en [randy.dennis1948@gmail.com](mailto:randy.dennis1948@gmail.com)

### 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 pertenece a la parroquia. Estamos haciendo un inventario de llaves. Si usa las llaves regularmente, llámenos y díganos cuales llaves tiene.





## Advent Penance Services

Individual confessions available  
after the communal service.

You are invited to any of the following:

Wed. Nov. 29	6:30pm	St. Ann Gull Lake
Sun. Dec. 3	3:00pm	St. Augustine
Wed. Dec. 6	6:30pm	St. Catherine of Siena
Sun. Dec. 10	3:00pm	St. Martin of Tours
Mon. Dec. 11	6:30pm	St. Thomas More
<b>Wed. Dec. 13</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>St. Joseph</b>
Thurs. Dec. 14	6:00pm	St. Monica
Tues. Dec. 19	6:00pm	St. Ambrose Parchment

**St. Joseph Food Pantry** is open M,T,W, from 11:30-1:30 pm, serving families referred by Loaves & Fishes and walk-in clients from the neighborhood.

We are very grateful for your ongoing support! Winter is almost here, and we know that chili and soups will be most welcome items. Cake and brownie mixes are always wanted. Please consider adding a few of these to your next shopping list.

Thank you to all who regularly donate items, and those who can only do this once in a while. **May God bless you always!**

### Immigration Assistance Program Services

The Immigration Assistance Program is currently open and offering walk-in consultations and renewals on Mondays from 9-4 at our new office located at 1819 Gull Rd, Kalamazoo, MI 49048. Please call 269-381-9800 or email [marielramirez@ccdok.org](mailto:marielramirez@ccdok.org) with any questions.

### Servicios del Programa de Asistencia de Inmigración

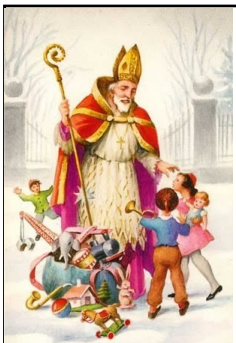
El Programa de Asistencia de Inmigración actualmente esta abierto y ofrece consultas y renovaciones sin cita los lunes 9-4 en nuestra nueva ubicación en 1819 Gull Rd, Kalamazoo, MI 49048. Por favor, llama al 269-381-9800 o enviar un correo electrónico a [marielramirez@ccdok.org](mailto:marielramirez@ccdok.org) con cualquier pregunta.

## St. Joseph Staff

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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/](http://www.ccdok.org/stnicholas/) for more information or call them at 269-381-9800 or email [info@ccdok.org](mailto:info@ccdok.org).

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**The Hackett Jazz Band** hosts for the tenth time the MSUFCU Jazz Artist in Residence Concert, featuring jazz drummer Sylvia Cuenca along with jazz musicians from MSU. They hope you will join them on Thursday, Dec. 7 at 7pm in the Hackett auditorium. Tickets may be purchased at the door, at this [link](#), or by using the QR code to purchase online. Thank you for supporting Hackett Catholic Prep!



#### 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.

#### COUNCIL CHAIRPERSONS

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**Baptismal Classes (E)**

**Baptismal Classes (S)**

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