

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:30 p.m. - Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass: Tue, Thurs & Fri 8:30 a.m., Wed 6:00 p.m.

Holy Days: Please see bulletin.

Confessions Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00p.m.

Wednesday 5:00-5:45p.m.

Adoration Wed 5:00-6:00 p.m., Fri 9:00-10:00 a.m.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome! All parishioners should be registered in the Parish. Registration is important for the better care of souls, for the administration of the Sacraments, for sick calls and for administration of the Parish. Registration packets can be found on the Welcome Table in the narthex.

All registered parishioners can receive Offertory Envelopes monthly by mail or give online. Only donations received in an offertory envelope or online will be recorded for tax purposes. The obligation to support the Parish rests on all parishioners.

Parishioners are urged to affiliate themselves with Parish activities and societies.

Those who change address or leave the Parish should notify the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

In an effort to strengthen married life, the Diocese of Lansing has adopted a policy for wedding preparation to begin at the time of engagement. Please contact the Parish Office soon after engagement.

Baptism:

Parents are required to be practicing Catholics and registered members of the parish. Baptism Prep classes are also required.

Ministry To The Sick and Homebound:

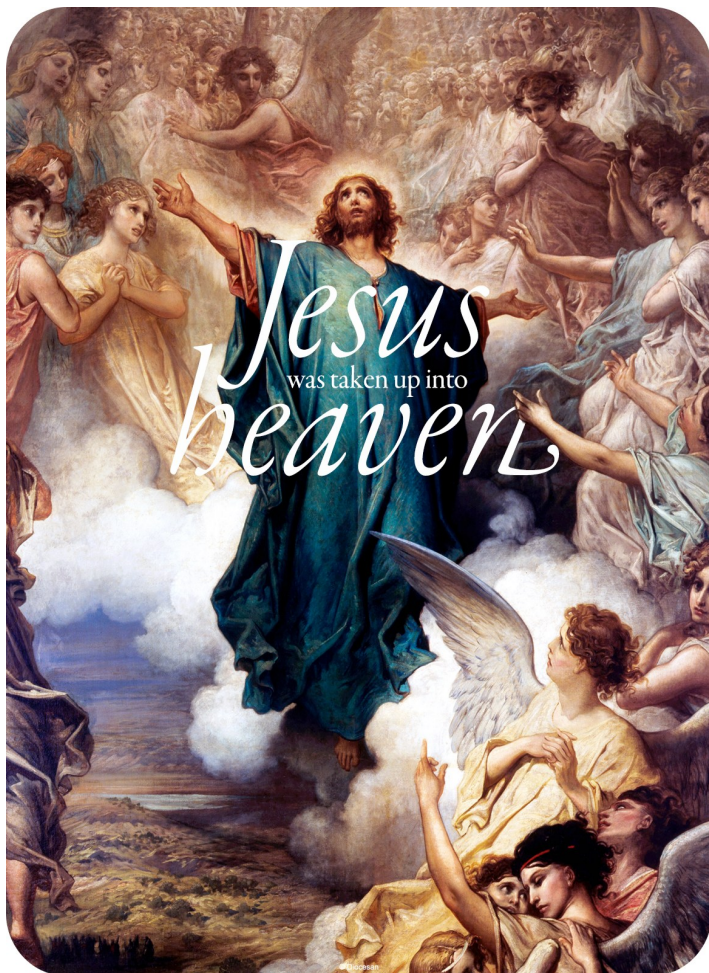
If you or a member of your family are hospitalized, homebound or convalescing and wish to be seen by a priest or Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday 12 Noon.

Download our app at myparishapp.com

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"Called by the Spirit, Our Lady of Fatima is a loving, caring, sharing, Christian community of the followers of Jesus Christ, practicing discipleship and ministry according to the Good News."

**The Sanctuary Candle is burning
In Memory of Bob & Millie Warner
Offered by Family**



FROM FR. AMAL

“Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.”

With the great Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, we conclude the completion of the paschal mystery through which we have been redeemed. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us: “Christ’s Ascension into heaven signifies His participation, in His humanity, in God’s power and authority. Jesus Christ is Lord: he possesses all power in heaven and on earth. He is ‘far above all rule and authority and power and dominion,’ for the Father ‘has put all things under his feet.’ Christ is Lord of the cosmos and of history.” (CCC 668)

Some people, critical of Christianity, critical of the idea of religion, or afterlife doctrines in religion, criticize the Church for being too other-worldly in focus. Partially, the criticism is just; for we Christians sometimes too quickly treat this world and its troubles as insignificant. Only when we see everything in our lives in and through the complete Paschal Mystery, not segmenting it by placing the Passion in one box, the Resurrection in another, the Ascension in yet another and so on, will our lives make sense. Ultimately, it is the gift of the Spirit, he who will lead us to all truth, he who is coming at Pentecost, who will grant us the grace to bear what it is we cannot hear and understand right now.

Here on the Ascension, we are given the opportunity to cherish one of our faith’s deepest truths: the Return of Christ, the Fulfillment of his promise, the coming of all good things. Indeed: He who has been taken up into heaven will return in the same way he was seen going into heaven.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus gives his mission to all believers: “Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” This mission is not given to a select few but to all believers. To be a Christian is to be a proclaimer and an evangelizer. There is a difference between preaching and proclaiming. “We preach with words but we proclaim with our lives.” As we celebrate the Lord’s Ascension, we are being commissioned to go forth and proclaim the Gospel of life, love, hope, and peace, by the witness of our lives.

When the trials of life feel too heavy to bear, we must remember that Christ will come again in glory, the same glory in which He arose from the tomb, the same glory in which He ascended, and the same glory in which He currently abides. In this way it is possible for each of us to be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit into agents or instruments of Christ. We are enlivened, and our actions become animated in a new way by Holy Spirit as we serve the God we love.

***Where the Head has gone before in glory,
the Body is called to follow in hope.***

Fr. Amal sdc

Sharing Our Treasure—Weekly Offering

May 25, 2025

Sunday, April 27th..... \$6,901.00
(\$3,412.00 envelopes / \$2,545.00 online / \$944.00 loose)

Envelope count was 70 out of 349 parishioners who receive envelopes. Online givers was 41.

Other collections

Capital Improvement.....	\$ 50.00
Altar Flowers.....	\$ 25.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$ 60.00

Online Giving
is simple and easy!

SIGN UP TODAY!
www.fatimaparish.net

MASS SCHEDULE / CHURCH CALENDAR**Saturday, May 31st**

3:00-4:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Rosary

4:30 pm For the intentions of Fr. Amal
(Religious Profession Day)

Sunday, June 1st

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am + Orma Jurewicz (Ed & Nancy Marvin & Family)

10:00 am Rosary

10:30 am For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, June 3rd

8:30 am + Ron Konopacki (Erwin Chrapek)

Wednesday, June 4th

5:00-6:00 pm Adoration

6:00 pm + Clarence Shuman & Aunt Kay (Ken & Sue Shuman)

Thursday, June 5th

8:30 am + Debbie Bradley Maino (family)

Friday, June 6th

8:30 am + For the deceased members of the Galubenski & Thorp families (Jill Johnson)

9:00-10:00 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, June 7th

8:30am + Ron Racine (Todd & Alicia McEllis)

3:00-4:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Rosary

4:30 pm + Ken Braun and Sharon Braun (family)

Sunday, June 8th

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am For the People of the Parish

10:00 am Rosary

10:30 am + John Wellesley (Fr. Amal)



PRAYERS NEEDED

Rebecca Bahlau	Mark & Pauline	Bob Smith
Janet Beilfuss	LaRocque	Virginia Smith
Darren Blodgett	Ava Lindsay	Ray & Maria Sowa
Howard Blodgett	Anna Loegering	Dan Stanton
Amy Brown	Jim Margul	Carol Stygles
Nancy Buchin	Pat McGaskey	Terry Stygles
Gert Burzynski	Ken & Connie Michaud	Pat Tavalsky
Greg Cagney, Sr	Hai Najor	Pam Towler
Rodney Cropsey	Gertrude Nelson	Bill Turner
Lance Cunningham	Therri Oberdick	Tom Turner
Ruth Daley	Chelsea Parrish	Pat Tuthill
Chet Eicher	Frankie Parzych	Bill & Dolores Walsh
Jerry Havens	Annie Pelton	Elise Walter
Naomi Hill	Fr Bob Pienta	Bill & Nancy White
Louann Holt	Debbie Poole	MaryAnn Wilson
Howard Kaak	Harriet & Alex Robb	Bob Wolfe
Geri King	Brad Schleicher	Rosa Wright
Jerry Kulpinski	Karen Schwartz	Chris Zemer
Dave Laughlin	Joseph Siller	Don Zenisek

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FATIMA**June**

- 3rd K of C meeting at 7 pm
8th Grade Advancement Mass 6pm
5th K of C 4th degree meeting at 7 pm
8th K of C Breakfast
Graduation Celebration at both Masses
11th PLA meeting at 7 pm
12th - 14th 40 hours Adoration for the Jubilee year
13th 13th of the month Rosary
21st Diocesan Corpus Christi procession in
Lansing, 10 am to 3 pm
22nd Deanery Corpus Christi procession St. John, 2pm
SVPD Meeting 9:05 am in the Conference Room
24th Prayer service for the overturning of Roe vs Wade
at St. John Cemetery, 6 pm

July

- 8th-10th Vacation Bible School
19th & 20th Mission Appeal

August

- 7th-9th Rummage sale
19th Parish Council mtg 7pm
21st Finance Council mtg 7pm

September

- 7th Parish Picnic, 11 am to 3 pm

October

- 18th Craft show
19th Confirmation Mass, 2 pm
21st Parish Corporate Mtg 2:50 pm
26th Trunk or treat

November

- 1st K of C Drawdown
18th Parish Council mtg 7pm
20th Finance Council mtg 7pm

December

- 13th Christmas Caroling 1 pm

THE GREAT JOURNEY WITH JESUS
9:00 AM TO 12:30 PM
AGES 3-12
\$20 PER CHILD / \$50 PER FAMILY
REGISTER BEFORE JUNE 23RD TO
RECEIVE A T-SHIRT

WE'RE HOSTING

July
8, 9, 10th

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**VBS THIS SUMMER!**

REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE ON THE
KIDS TABLE IN THE NARTHEX OR IN THE
PARISH OFFICE.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Need Assistance? Let us help! Call 764-4180

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JUNE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Applesauce
Canned Pasta with Meat
Cake Frosting
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New members are always needed and welcomed!
Please call the parish office 517-764-2088 if you would like more
information or have questions!

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Our meeting are normally held on the 3rd Sunday of
the month at 9:05am (immediately after the 8am
Mass) in the conference room off the hall.

June meeting is June 22 due to Father's Day.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE—SENIORS GROUP

Thursdays, 9 - 11 am in the new St. Clare Room.
(next to the food pantry)

You are welcome to stay as long as you want to meet
with other seniors of the parish and together cultivate a
deeper relationship with Jesus, play card games, do puzzles,
start a book club or simply visit.

*God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of
trumpets for the Lord.*

PARISH LIFE APOSTOLATE**BIRTHLINE DRIVE**

A pack-n-play will be placed in the narthex to put the requested baby items in:

Diapers sizes 4-6 (open pkg ok)	Swaddle
Formula: Parent's Choice	Sleep Sacks
New baby clothes (18mos-3T)	Sheets for Crib
Bibs	Baby Towels/Wash Clothes
Onesies	Receiving Blankets
Hats	Baby Shampoo/Wash/lotion
Socks	Nail Clippers
Jackets	Baby Wipes
Pajamas	NO baby powder
Shoes (sizes 0-8)	Safety Outlet Plug Covers
High Chair	Dishes (fork/spoons)
Bassinet	Baby Monitor
Seeing	Diaper Bag
Car Seat (2016 or newer)	Modern books on pregnancy
Potty Seat	Modern books on child rearing
Stroller,	Children's Books (infant to toddler)
Changing Table	NO Knitted or Crocheted items
Baby Sling	

Volunteers for all types of jobs. Financial Support one time or cans provided. Checks: to Birthline of Jackson.

K of C NEWS

All men of the parish 18 years of age or older who are interested in becoming a Knight or information about the Knights should contact:

Jim Miller 734-718-8563 or GK6687@MIKofC.org

CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATES!

Join us as your parish family to celebrate YOU at both Masses
NEXT Sunday, June 8th!

(Grads, wear your cap & gown)

Enjoy a complimentary breakfast for you and your family at the K of C Breakfast beginning at 9am.

Call the parish office if you are attending the breakfast so we can reserve seats.

**Join Us - next Saturday, June 7th****First Saturday Celebration**

8:30 am Mass

followed by

Eucharistic Adoration with Confessions

**THE JUBILEE YEAR****40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration**

From the Sunday of Pentecost to the day of the Corpus Christi Procession in Lansing on June 21st, each parish of the Diocese of Lansing, will turn host 40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration for the intention of bringing the Gospel of Hope to the world.

Q. What is the 40 Hours Devotion?

It is 40 Hours of uninterrupted adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This devotion originated in Milan in the 1500s and is associated with many graces and miracles. Rooted in deep Eucharistic reverence, this devotion provides a powerful opportunity for spiritual renewal, prayer, and evangelization.

Q. Why is it 40 hours long?

The number 40 is very important Biblically: Christ spent 40 hours in the tomb before rising on Easter Morning; the Israelites wandered for 40 years in the desert; in the time of Noah, it rained for 40 days and nights; Moses fasted for 40 days before he received the law on Mt. Sinai; and, there are 40 days between Jesus' Resurrection and his Ascension.

Q. Why are we doing this?

The 40 Hours devotion has long been associated with deep spiritual renewal, conversion, and even miracles. The extended period of Eucharistic Adoration fosters intense prayer, repentance, and intercession, creating an environment where God's grace can work powerfully in individuals and communities.

40 Hour Adoration

JUNE 12TH - JUNE 14TH

Beginning Thursday evening at 8:00 pm
and continuing until Saturday at 12:00 pm



SCAN ME



Sign up now for your Adoration slot

Q. What should I pray for while in Adoration?

Feel free to pray any way you feel comfortable. Pray the rosary, read the Bible, meditate quietly or read a spiritual book. We do encourage you to specifically pray for people who you know who have fallen away from the faith.



DIOCESAN CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:

The Diocese of Lansing is planning a diocesan-wide observance of Corpus Christi, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus, on **Saturday June 21st** with an outdoor **Mass at 10:30am in Lansing's Jackson Field** where the Lugnuts play. Following Mass, there will be a Eucharistic procession from the ballpark to the Cathedral, followed by food trucks and an outdoor party. There will be limited seating on Lumen Christi buses for those who would rather ride than drive. Queens will pay for the buses. We ask you to tip your driver.

If you would like to reserve a spot on the bus, seats are first come, first serve. Call the Queens Parish Office (517.783.2748) and leave your name and number. The buses will depart the west lot of St. Johns Church at 8:30am. You will be dropped off at the ballpark for Mass. Pick up will be near the Cathedral at the end of the procession. The procession is just over a half mile in length. Keep that in mind if you have mobility issues. Learn more about the Mass and Procession at www.eucharisticjourney.org.

What a beautiful way to spend the afternoon after Mass on Sunday!



ALL SEVEN PARISHES OF OUR
JACKSON DEANERY
INVITE YOU TO JOIN US ON
ON SUNDAY, JUNE 22 AT 2:30 P.M.

CELEBRATE THE

Feast of CORPUS CHRISTI

JOIN US AS WE HONOR OUR EUCHARISTIC LORD
IN PROCESSION AND SONG!
OUR PROCESSION BEGINS AT ST. JOHN CHURCH, PROCEEDS TO
ST. JOHN SCHOOL, AND THEN TO ST. JOSEPH CHURCH.
(A SHUTTLE BUS WILL MAKE TRIPS BACK TO ST. JOHN PARKING
LOT)

We extend a special invitation to all First Communicants to join in this beautiful procession wearing your suits and dresses.



JACKSON
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**GREAT 50/50 RAFFLE
WINNERS FOR MAY**

#0686 Angie Wood
#0262 Chad Packard



Not receiving our monthly newsletter via email?
Go to our website and sign up or call the parish office!
We also have copies on our Welcome Table in the narthex!