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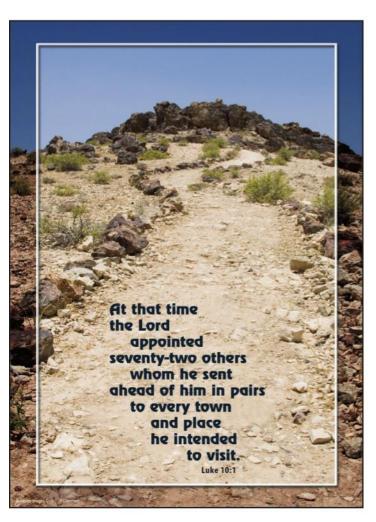
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"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."

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WEEKEND MASSES

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 Follow us on Facebook

The Sanctuary Candle is burning In memory of Millie and Bob Warner Offered by family



FROM FR. AMAL-

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

Today's liturgy takes us to a powerful moment in Jesus' ministry: He sends out seventy-two disciples in pairs to the towns He intends to visit. He gives them a mission: proclaim peace, heal the sick, and announce that the Kingdom of God is near.

Sent with a Mission, Jesus begins by saying, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few." This is not just a call to priests or missionaries, but to every baptized Christian. We, too, are sent into the world — our families, workplaces, schools, and communities — to share God's peace and love.

He instructs them: "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household." Our world is hungry for peace. Many families are broken by misunderstandings, societies torn apart by hatred and injustice. Our first mission is to bring peace — by forgiving, by reconciling, by being peacemakers.

Rejoice in What Matters Most. When the seventy-two return, they are excited: "Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name!" But Jesus gently reminds them: "Do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven." Success in ministry or good works is secondary; what matters most is our relationship with God — living as His beloved sons and daughters.

St. Paul, in the second reading, says: "May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." Our greatest glory is not in what we achieve, but in belonging to Christ, who saves us by His cross. Discipleship in the Lord comes with the understanding that we are all, ultimately, as the Scriptures phrase it, "useless servants." We all need to pull together and sanctify the world by what we say and what we do. We speak so much of evangelization, of showing mercy to those outside the Church, those who might feel marginalized. There is an old expression of which I would like to remind us all: "Charity begins at home." If we can give credible witness to the reality of our faith to each other, to other believers, to other practicing Catholics, then we surely can do so for the rest of the world. Jesus sends his disciples out, two by two. May we never forget his wisdom in doing so. Like the disciples and St. Paul, we are called to go out, not just to stay comfortable. Evangelization begins with our daily lives: kindness, honesty, service.

"...rejoice because your names are written in heaven."

Fr. Amaba sde

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MASS SCHEDULE / CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday, July 5th

8:30 am + Jim Buchin (family)

3:00-4:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Rosary

4:30 pm + Lucille Wrozek (Sherryn Commet)

Sunday, July 6th

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am + John & Sophie Blissick (family)

10:00 am Rosary

10:30 am For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, July 8th

8:30 am + Bob Warner (family)

Wednesday, July 9th

5:00-6:00 pm Adoration

6:00 pm In thanksgiving for prayers answered (Bernie)

Thursday, July 10th

8:30 am + Nick Dean (Bob & Kathy Kinch)

Friday, July 11th

8:30 am + The Watson Brothers (family)

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

Saturday, July 12th

3:00-4:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Rosary

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

Sunday, July 13th

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am + Claudia & Leon Burzynski (Steve & Shelly Job)

10:00 am Rosary

10:30 am For the People of the Parish

6:30 pm 13th of the Month Rosary



The Rosary is prayed before each daily Mass (8:00am) for the intention(s) of the deceased for whom the Mass is being offered that day.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Rebecca Bahlau **Janet Beilfuss** Darren Blodgett Howard Blodgett Amy Brown Nancy Buchin Gert Burzynski Greg Cagney, Sr Rodney Cropsey Lance Cunningham Ruth Daley Chet Eicher Jerry Havens Naomi Hill Louann Holt Howard Kaak Geri King Jerry Kulpinski

Dave Laughlin Ava Lindsay Anna Loegering Jim Margul Pat McGaskey Ken & Connie Michaud Hai Najor Gertrude Nelson Therri Oberdick Chelsea Parrish Frankie Parzych Anne Pelton Fr Bob Pienta Debbie Poole Harriet & Alex Robb **Brad Schleicher** Karen Schwartz Joseph Siller

Bob Smith Virginia Smith Ray & Maria Sowa Dan Stanton Carol Stygles Terry Stygles Pam Towler Bill Turner Tom Turner Pat Tuthill Bill & Dolores Walsh Elise Walter Theresa Ward Bill & Nancy White Bob Wolfe Rosa Wright Chris Zemer Don Zenisek

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Pat Tavalsky

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FATIMA

July

19th & 20th Mission Appeal

August

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

September

7th Parish Picnic, I Iam 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 I pm

PILGRIMS OF HOPE—SENIORS GROUP
Thursdays, 9 - I Iam 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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL UPDATE...



Unfortunately, due to low registrations we will not hold a Vacation Bible School this year.

Below is a list of a few other VBS in the area. Please consider sending your child(ren) to one of them.

Queen's—July 14-18 Queenschurch.com
St. Rita's—July 28-August 1 stritacatholicparish.com

Go to their website for more information and how to register.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



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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 guestions!

Our meetings 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.

Although all of our members were unable to be present, on Sunday, June 29th we consecrated our group to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the church lead by our honorary member, Fr. Amal.

Please prayerfully consider joining our small but mighty St. Vincent de Paul team to help us carry out our mission of helping the poor.

If interested please call the parish office.



Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.



DID YOU KNOW?

If the offered the Mass for your loved one or your intentions you are invited to participate in the Mass by bringing up the gifts at offertory.

Please see an Usher prior to the beginning of Mass to let them know you would like to participate. Otherwise, they will ask other parishioners to do this.





50/50 Raffle Winners for June 2025

676 Mary Belknap #0004 Susan Wood

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 Daley 734-904-9525 or

GK6687@MIKofC.org



We invite all parishioners to take a few moments to complete our **PARISH SURVEY**. Whether you prefer paper or digital, we've made it easy: printed surveys were available in the bulletin this last weekend and can be found on the Wel-

come Table in the narthex, and an online version is ready for those who'd rather respond electronically.

The online version can be on our website.

By sharing your thoughts, you help shape the future of our ministries, events, and community life.

Thank you for being an active part of our parish family!



Diocese of Lansing ~ PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT EVENTS

Men's Discernment Retreat: August 12-14 - St. Francis Retreat Center Bishop's Discernment Dinner: August 17 - St. Francis Retreat Center

Vianney Seminary Visit: November 13-15 (registration opens August 1) St. John Vianney College Seminary, St. Paul, MN

For more info: See the flyer on the bulletin board in the narthex.

3rd Annual GSCR Golf Outing





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Friday August 15th, 2025 9:00am Shotgun Start Time - Registration at 8am

Payment of \$300 per Team is due by August 7th and includes: 18-holes & Cart, Pulled Pork Lunch with Hot Dog at the turn, 4-person scramble—best ball, Option: Sr 65+ Play Senior Tees.

Checks payable to: Good Shepherd Catholic Radio and mail to: PO Box 1422, Jackson, MI 49204 or pay with credit card on the QR Code above or on our website: www.gscr.org.

There will be scheduled tee times in the event we do not have enough players for a (modified) shot gun start. Please provide your Team Captain Name & Phone # since they will be responsible for contacting the team.

Would you like to be a **Hole Sponsor**? The cost is \$100 per hole for the Team rate—otherwise \$200 if no Team.

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Join us on a pilgrimage around Lake Michigan! Visit holy sites, shrines and churches as we travel through four states bordering Lake Michigan. We will stop at the Shrine of Our Lady of Champion, the only approved Marian apparition in the US. We will learn more about Frances Cabrini, Bishop Baraga and Fr. Marquette. Spend a little time shopping in Chicago after touring Holy Name Cathedral. Travel by

ferry to Sugar Island, visit the oldest church in Michigan, and take a boat ride through the

Soo Locks. Visit the Cross in the Woods and end with a celebration of The Feast of the Assumption at Our Lady of the Wood. The cost is \$1350 per person (double occupancy) and includes coach transportation, hotels, and two meals a day. Tips and donations are extra. Scan the QR code for more information or contact Nancy Carter at St. Rita, Clarklake at 517-592-5470 Ext, 26.

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