Our Lady of Fatima Parish

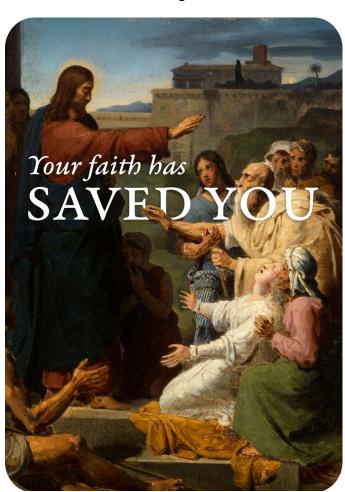
913 Napoleon Road Michigan Center, Michigan 49254

Parish Website:

www.fatimaparish.net

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

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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."

Linda Weber, Administrative Assistant linda@fatimaparish.net

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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 as soon as you are engaged.

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 Wanda Maryanski Offered by Lee & Chris Butler



FROM FR. AMAL-

"It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

We say this prayer every time we celebrate Mass at the preface. This call to gratitude is also the central theme of today's readings, reminding us how important it is to give thanks daily, both to God and to those who help us.

Campaign Kickoff: Stewardship for Saints and Scholars This weekend, we officially launch the "Stewardship for Saints and Scholars" capital campaign in our parish. The campaign's goal is to make Catholic education on-mission, affordable, and accessible through initiatives like teacher support, financial assistance for families, and facility upgrades. The campaign encourages prayer and financial pledges from the community, with support directly benefiting parishes, schools, and students. Key initiatives include support for teachers, financial assistance for families, and vital facility upgrades.

Why It Matters

The Diocese of Lansing currently has: **36 Catholic schools** (28 parochial, 4 diocesan high schools, 4 independent), **over 8,400 students**, from preschool through 12th grade, **More than 600 teachers and administrators.**

The results are inspiring: Catholic school graduates are 7 times more likely to attend Mass regularly, 6 times more likely to consider the priesthood, 3 times more likely to consider religious life, Over 200 elementary students entered the Church through the Sacraments (2020–2023). Our schools are more than places of learning - they are communities of faith and evangelization, preparing students not only for success in life, but for a life rooted in Christ.

A Personal Note of Gratitude

I speak from experience. I was one of eight children, and only three of us were able to attend Catholic high school - thanks to the financial support of our parish. All three of us discerned religious vocations. I would not have discovered mine without the generosity of others. As today's readings remind us, we are called to remember with gratitude and to give back generously.

Your Role in the Mission

"Everything we have is a gift from the Lord, and we are to share generously what we have freely received." Please join me in praying for the success of this campaign. I also ask you to consider how you can participate - through prayer, encouragement, and financial support. Your gift will help more families raise their children in the faith and keep Catholic education strong in our parish and across the Diocese.

Thank you for your generosity. May God bless your sacrifice and make it fruitful for generations to come.

Fr. Amaba sde

Sharing Our Treasure—Weekly Offering

Envelope count was 79 out of 329 parishioners who receive envelopes. Online givers was 41.

Other collections

Capital Improvement	\$ 435.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 310.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 50.00

Online Giving is simple and easy!

SIGN UP TODAY! www.fatimaparish.net

Need help getting set up with online giving? Call the Parish Office and speak with Ann.

MASS SCHEDULE / CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday, October 11th

3:00-4:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Rosary

4:30 pm + Ed & Millie Blissick (family)

Sunday, October 12th

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am For the People of the Parish

10:00 am Rosary

10:30 am + Debra Beaudry (Don)

Tuesday, October 14th

8:30 am + Valerie Nunes (Jeff & Barb McEllis)

Wednesday, October 15th

5:00-6:00 pm Adoration

6:00 pm Special Intentions of Bernie Czubko

Thursday, October 16th

8:30 am + Janelle Siller (Phyllis Hazeres)

+ Tom Stevens (Todd & Alicia McEllis)

Friday, October 17th

8:30 am + Kelli McGaskey (Pam Towler)

9am-10am Adoration

Saturday, October 18th

3:00-4:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Rosary

4:30 pm + Pat Tavalsky (Rodney & Debbie Dickinson)

Sunday, October 19th

7:30 am Rosary

8:00 am For the People of the Parish

10:00 am Rosary

10:30 am + Dale Fisher (Rodney & Debbie Dickinson)



The Rosary is prayed before each daily Mass (7:55am) for the intention of the deceased for whom the Mass is being offered that day.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Darren Blodgett
Nancy Buchin
Gert Burzynski
Rodney Cropsey
Lance Cunningham
Ruth Daley
Sandra Dandrow
Chet Eicher
Jerry Havens
Levitucus Haw thorne

Naomi Hill Margie Horsch Howard Kaak Geri King Nancy Koon Jerry Kulpinski Dave & Fran Laughlin Ava Lindsay Anna Loegering Jim Margul Pat McGaskey

Wendy (Schweda)
Oakley
Therri Oberdick
Frankie Parzych
Anne Pelton
John Pienta
Fr Bob Pienta
Mike Pienta
Debbie Poole
Joseph Siller

Carol Schwarts
Ray & Maria Sowa
Carol Stygles
Terry Stygles
Pam Towler
Bill Turner
Tom Turner
Pat Tuthill
Bill & Dolores Walsh
Bill & Nancy White
MaryAnn Wilson
Bob Wolfe
Rosa Wright
Chris Zemer
Don Zenisek

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



IST & 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

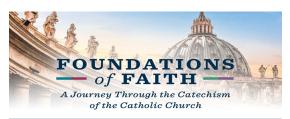
October 19th ~ Class 9am to 10:15am November 2nd ~ Class 9am to 10:15am November 16th ~ Class 9am to 10:15am



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

&

ADULT FORMATION



Join us! SUNDAY ~ 9-10:15AM

(see calendar on this page for dates) SCHOOL LIBRARY

If you are interested in joining the Church or if you would like to learn more about the Church—this class is for you.

If you have any questions, please see Amy Parrish or email amy@fatimaparish.net or call the Parish Office 517-764-2088

PILGRIMS OF HOPE—SENIORS GROUP

Thursdays—9 am to 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.



Download our **Parish App** now! Search your phone's app store for **myparish** Stay connected w/ our parish with instant notifications, prayers, daily mass readings, calendar and much more!



Follow us on *Facebook*Daily messages, prayers, and much more!
Need help? Call the parish Office 764-2088



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 and on our website!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FATIMA

October

7th K of C Meeting 7:00pm

12th K of C Breakfast 9:00am

18th Craft show 9-3pm

19th Children's Faith Formation Class 9-10:15am O.C.I.A. 9-10:15am school library Coffee Hour between the Masses Confirmation Mass, 2pm

21st Parish Corporate Mtg 2:50 pm

26th O.C.I.A. 9-10:15am school library

Fatima Fall Fun Night / Trunk or Treat 4 pm-9pm

November

1st K of C Drawdown

2nd Children's Faith Formation Class 9-10:15am O,C.I.A. 9-10:15am school library Coffee Hour after 8am Mass

4th K of C Meeting 7pm

9th K of C Breakfast 9am

16th Children's Faith Formation Class 9-10:15amO.C.I.A. 9-10:15am school libraryCoffee Hour after 8am Mass

18th Parish Council mtg 7pm

20th Finance Council mtg 7pm

23rd O.C.I.A. 9-10:15am school library

December

2nd K of C Meeting 7pm

7th Children's Faith Formation Class 9-10:15am O.C.I.A. 9-10:15am school library

Coffee Hour after 8am Mass

8th Holy Day of Obligation Masses 8:30am & 6:00pm

13th Christmas Caroling I pm

14th K of C Breakfast 9am

21st Children's Faith Formation Class 9-10:15am O.C.I.A. 9-10:15am school library

24th Christmas Eve Masses 4:30pm & Midnight

25th Christmas Day Mass 9:00am

We will be collecting **HALLOWEEN CANDY** again this year to make up goody bags to hand out at our

TRUNK OR TREAT

Goody Bags will also include info about Fatima as a form of outreach to the community.

A marked basket is in the narthex!

Thank you!



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Need Assistance? Let us help! Call 764-4180

OCTOBER FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Applesauce, Pancake Syrup, Small jars of Peanut Butter, Small canisters of Oatmeal

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New members are always needed and welcomed!

The next meeting will be held on

Next Sunday, October 19th @ 11:45am in the

Conference room off the hall.

Please call the parish office 517-764-2088 if you would like more information or have questions!



Kick off weekend is here!

Our parish goal is \$620,000.

This week you will receive a letter from Bishop Boyea. Some may have already received it! It includes a specific amount that we would like you to prayerfully consider.

A volunteer may contact you to answer your questions and help complete your pledge card if needed.

Please pray for the success of this campaign!



"In the present age, we seek to form and inspire young people who will bring a new order to our culture so that the salvation won for us in Jesus Christ can be shared by our society and the world."

BISHOP EARL BOYEA Bishop of Lansing

www.stewardshipforsaintsandscholars.com

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CRAFT SHOW

NEXT Saturday, October 18th ~ 9am-3pm
Contracts are available in the narthex.

Spread the word! Vendors needed to make this a successful show!

Our Lady of Fatima

Knights of Columbus

29thANNUAL "DRAWDOWN"

Saturday Nov. 1st, 2025

1st Prize \$3,000, 2nd Prize \$2,000, 3rd Prize \$1,000

4th Prize \$500, 5th Prize \$250 and in addition

6 - \$100 Prizes & 8 - \$50 Prizes

Donation \$ 75 per Ticket (2 People)

2nd Chance -\$25 Per Ticket

PLACE: Our Lady of Fatima Fr. Dunne Hall

913 Napoleon Rd Michigan Center

Tickets: Contact Any KofC member or the OLF Parish Office (764-2088)

Raffle License # R82398

Buffet Dinner starts at 6:00 PM

Time of Event is 7:00PM-9:30PM

Tickets on sale now!!
After all Masses or in parish office.

PARISH LIFE APOSTOLATE



FATIMA FALL FUN NIGHT

Sunday, October 26th ~ 4-9pm Trunk or Treat & Food Served @ 4pm (hot dogs, hamburger, cider & donuts)



BON-FIRE 6-9pm ~ Bring a lawn chair.

Everything will be set up in the front lot and courtyard. **We need decorated cars with treats for the kids!** Only prewrapped treats please.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

A Virtuous Woman...

GROWING IN VIRTUE THROUGH GOD'S GRACE

Women's Retreat - January 9-11, 2026

We have organized a women's retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center in Dewitt, Mi for any women of the parish who are interested.

Contact Amy Parrish @ amy@fatimaparish.net

Video presenters include Dr. Andrew Abela and Bishop Earl Boyea. Special guest presenters will join us at the retreat. The weekend also includes Mass, Confession, Adoration, and individual reflection time.

10th Annual



Join us for COFFEE HOUR

between the Masses on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the Month in the hall.













JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL PUBLIC ROSARY, DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET, AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT!

THIS Sunday, October 12th, 2025 ~ 2-3pm Horace Blackman Park 200 W Michigan Jackson, MI

Join our priests in praying for our church, our city, our nation, and our persecuted brothers and sisters.

Bring a lawn chair or something to sit on.

In event of inclement weather, the PUBLIC RO-SARY will be held at: Oueen of the Miraculous Medal Church.

SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY—OCTOBER 12TH

734-475-8430 or

robins@stlouiscenter.org

HELP YOURSELF TO THE BOOK

"CONNECTED—HOW STRONG FAMILY **RELATIONSHIPS LEAD TO INTERNET** SAFE KIDS"

FOUND ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX OR THE PARISH OFFICE.



Join us for the 13TH OF THE MONTH **ROSARY**

6:30 pm this Monday, October 13th in the church



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

October 25th—8-12pm Queens Church in the Vincentian Hall

Cash Only!

Kids \$5 Adults \$10 Families \$40

Help raise money for the Victims' of Violent Crimes Monument. All proceeds go directly to maintaining the Monument for future years to come.

Pls call Victims Rights for questions 517-788-4071