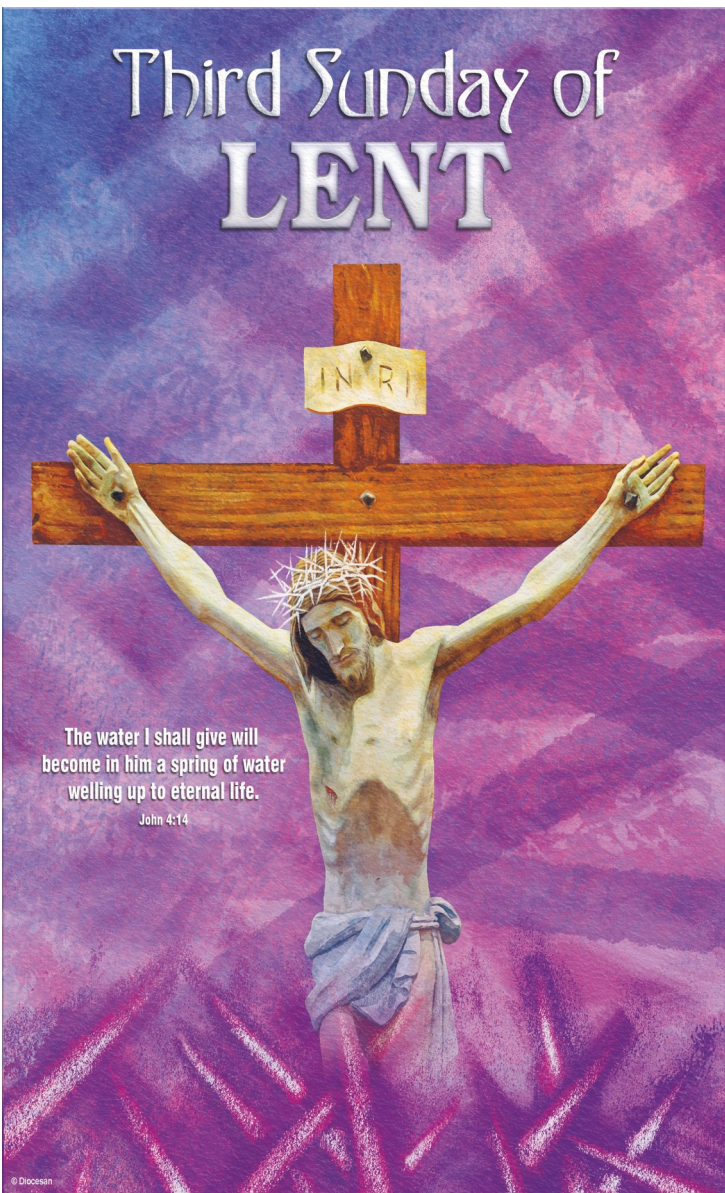


Our Lady of Fatima

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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 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

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
Keith Smith
Offered by: Family**



FROM FR. AMAL

“We no longer believe because of your word;
for we have heard for ourselves,
and we know that this is truly the savior of the world.”

The liturgy today centers on Baptism and the gift of new life. The “Living Water” represents the Holy Spirit, who comes to us in Baptism, penetrating every aspect of our lives and quenching our deepest spiritual thirst. The Holy Spirit, the Word of God, and the Sacraments of the Church are the primary sources of this living water of divine grace. We are gathered here to drink from this fountain of eternal life and salvation. Washed in this water at Baptism, renewed by it at every Eucharist, nourished by it through the proclamation of the Word, and strengthened daily by the anointing of the Holy Spirit, we are challenged by today’s Gospel to remain thirsty for the living water that only God can give.

The Gospel of the Samaritan woman at the well (John 4:5–42) reminds us that Lent is a journey of thirst and encounter. Like her, we often seek satisfaction in things that cannot truly quench our hearts. Yet Christ meets us in the ordinary moments of our daily lives—in our routines, our weariness, and even our brokenness—and offers us living water. He invites us to face the truth about ourselves, not with fear, but with trust in His mercy. We must allow Jesus free access to our personal lives. He desires to enter even those hidden and “private” areas—not to shame, judge, or condemn us, but to heal, transform, and give us what we truly need: the living water of the Holy Spirit. During this Lenten season especially, we are called to seek this living water in the Sacraments, in prayer, and in Sacred Scripture.

This Gospel also challenges us to let go of unholy attachments, sinful habits, and addictions that enslave us. Lent is a time to reflect honestly on the ways we may have overindulged—whether in food, drink, material comforts, unhealthy relationships, or other distractions that distance us from God. It is a season of purification, renewal, and deeper freedom in Christ. Furthermore, we are called to be witnesses, as the Samaritan woman became after encountering Jesus.

Just as God provided water for the Israelites in the desert, so He now provides for us through His Son. From Jesus’ pierced side flowed blood and water, a fountain of grace for the world. Here at this Mass, His saving sacrifice becomes present to us. In the Eucharist, He continues to pour out His abundant life to refresh and strengthen our souls.

As the Lord waited for the woman at the well, so He waits for each of us. He meets us in our thirst and offers life-giving water for all our spiritual needs. May we come to Him with open hearts, drink deeply of His grace, and be renewed in the new life He alone can give.

Fr. Amal sdc

Sharing Our Treasure—Weekly Offering

Sunday, March 1st.....	\$11,371.00
(\$6,905.00 envelopes / \$3,840.00 online / \$626.00 loose)	
90 out of 324 parishioners who receive envelopes. Online givers was 42.	
Other collections	
Capital Improvements.....	\$ 270.00
Altar Flowers	\$290.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$650.00

**Contribution Statements are available.
You must contact the parish office to receive one.**

Online Giving
is simple and easy!

SIGN UP TODAY!
www.fatimaparish.net

MASS SCHEDULE / CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday, February 7th

- 8:30 am + For the souls in purgatory
- 3:00-4:00 pm Confessions
- 4:00 pm Rosary
- 4:30 pm + Tammy Turner (Jim & Barb Margul)

Sunday, March 8th

- 7:30 am Rosary
- 8:00 am For the People of the Parish
- 10:00 am Rosary
- 10:30 am + Kelli McGaskey (family)
+ David Sherwood (Bob Tavalsky)

Tuesday, March 10th

- 8:30 am + Debra, Nick, Matthew Dean (Phyllis Hazeres)

Wednesday, March 11th

- 5pm-6pm Adoration
- 6:00 pm + Gertrude Burzynski (Thomas & Linda Wickland)



Thursday, March 12th

- 8:30 am + Judy Maino (family)
- 7:00 pm Lenten Penance Service

Friday, March 13th

- 8:30 am + Pat Tavalsky (Kathleen Grabowski)
- 9am-10am Adoration
- NO 13th of the Month Rosary
- 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross



Saturday, March 14th

- 3:00-4:00 pm Confessions
- 4:00 pm Rosary
- 4:30 pm + Bud Wright (family)
+ Alicia Job (Jean Walczak & family)

Sunday, March 15th

- 7:30 am Rosary
- 8:00 am For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 am—10:00am Adoration
- 10:00 am Rosary
- 10:30 am + Emily Booms (Todd & Alicia McEllis)



PRAYERS NEEDED

Gaye Bivins	Leviticus	Debbie Poole
Darren Blodgett	Hawthorne	Harriet Robb
Nancy Buchin	Naomi Hill	Dale Roberts
Helen Buksar	Howard Kaak	Joseph Siller
Rodney Cropsey	Gerri King	Carol Schwartz
Lance Cunningham	Mary Kistka	Linda Schultz
JR DeLaRosa	Pauline LaRocque	Jerry Smith
Ruth Daley	Shirley Lantis	Jo Smith
Sandra Dandrow	Dave Laughlin	Ray & Maria Sowa
Peggy Doerr	Ava Lindsay	Bill & Laura Stoewer
Donald Draper	Jim & Barb Margul	Carol Stygles
Chet Eicher	Jack Melling	Terry Stygles
Baby Girl Eineder	Pat McGaskey	Pam Towler
Kristen Eineder	Wendy (Schweda)	Tom Turner
Liam Eineder	Oakley	Bill & Dolores Walsh
Craig Fiarine	Therri Oberdick	Bill & Nancy White
Dcn. Gene Hausmann	John O'Shea	Rik Wilkinson
Jerry Havens	Frankie Parzyck	Bob Wolfe
Margie Horsch	Anne Pelton	Chris Zemer
	Fr. Bob Pienta	Don Zenisek

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



1ST & 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
 March 15th ~ Class 9am to 10:15am
 First Holy Communion/First Reconciliation Dates

First Penance March 15th 9-10am

First Communion Retreat/Practice Sunday, April 26th, at 11:45 in Father Dunne Hall (Lunch will be served)

First Holy Communion Sunday, May 3rd @ 10:30 Mass

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FATIMA—MARCH

- 8th** DSA commitment weekend
 No K of C Breakfast
 The Chosen @ Noon in the hall
 Confirmation 2026 candidates meeting in library 9-10am
- 11th** Parish Life Apostolate Meeting 7pm
- 12th** Seniors Group 9-11am St. Clare Room
 Lectio Divina 9-10am St. Clare Room
 Lenten Penance Service 7pm
- 13th** Lenten Fish Fry 4-7pm
 Stations of the Cross 7:30pm
 No 13th of the Month Rosary
- 15th** Religious Education 9am
 O.C.I.A. 9-10:15 library
 First Reconciliation in Church for 2nd grade
 St. Vincent de Paul meeting 9am in conference room
 The Chosen @ Noon in the hall.
- 19th** Lectio Divina 9-10am St. Clare Room
 Seniors Group 9-11am St. Clare Room
 Safety and Security Meeting 5pm in parish office
- 20th** Lenten Fish Fry 4-7pm
 Stations of the Cross 7:30pm
- 22nd** O.C.I.A. 9-10:15am Library
 The Chosen @ Noon in the hall
- 26th** Lectio Divina 9-10am St. Clare Room
 Seniors Group 9-11am St. Clare Room
- 27th** Lenten Fish Fry 4-7pm
 Stations of the Cross 7:30pm
- 28th** NO Women's or Men's Prayer Group
LENTEN RETREAT at Pious Union of St. Joseph in Grass Lake 9-Noon
- 29th** Palm Sunday
 NO Religious Education / O.C.I.A. / The Chosen

The Chosen Watch Party
 Sundays in Lent – NOON

SEASON 5 – The Holy Week
 Lunch provided & NO RSVP needed

The CHOSEN



Join us for **ADORATION** on
Sunday, March 15th @ 9am
 (between the Masses)



- **Eucharistic Adoration:** Spending time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in a chapel or church is a primary form of reparation.

- **Prayers of Reparation:**
Fatima Prayer:

“Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly...I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is Offended”.



WHAT BETTER WAY TO REMEMBER A
 LOVED ONE...
OUR LADY OF FATIMA
“MEMORIAL BRICK WALKWAY”
 COST: \$250
 CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO ORDER



Join us for
 Coffee and Donuts
 on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month
 in the Fr. Dunne Hall between the Masses

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



Need Assistance? Let us help! Call 764-4180
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MARCH FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:
Mac & Cheese, Frosting, Spaghetti Sauce in jar
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New members are always needed and welcomed!
Our next meeting next Sunday, March 15, 2026 @ 9:05am
in the conference room off the hall.
Please call the parish office 517-764-2088 if you would like more information or have questions!

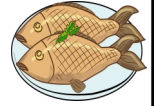
K of C NEWS



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

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LENTEN FISH FRYS
Fridays during Lent 4-7pm



Desserts are always needed! If you would like to bring a dessert, please drop it off to the kitchen on Friday afternoon.



CAKE MIXES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PICK SOME UP TO MAKE FOR THE FISH FRYS.



DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY!

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM OUR PARISHIONERS!

DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX

Complete the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey today. The survey will assess our unique strengths and opportunities. Share your perspective now to help strengthen Our Lady of Fatima and better prepare us for the future!

To take the survey online:
<https://survey.catholicleaders.org/d/pcg17p>

If you prefer a paper copy they are available on the Welcome Table in the narthex. Completed surveys can be return to the basket on the Welcome Table.

Survey ends March 31st.

- Your input helps strengthen our parish.
- Results help leadership prepare for the future.
- A report of the finding will be shared in May.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Our Lady of Fatima
Thursday, March 12th
@ 7pm

St. Mary
Saturday, March 14th @ 10am

St. John
Thursday, March 19th @ 7pm

St. Rita
Monday, March 23rd @ 7pm

Queen's
Tuesday, March 24th @ 7pm

Lumen Christi H.S. Jamaica Mission Trip
March 25-April 1, 2026

Lumen Christi staff and students will be continuing the tradition of service when they spend 7 days in St. Ann Parish, Jamaica.

The team will build a "little blue house" for a young family, repair and maintain houses that were build on previous trips, purchase and distribute grocery baskets to hungry families, and visit with residents of St. Ann Parish Infirmary.

Team members will be here at Fatima next weekend (March 13/14) to solicit donation to help pay for much needed supplies for the infirmary and its residents. (Team members pay their own way-donations will not be used for travel expenses.) Checks can be made payable to Lumen Christi with JAM 26 noted.



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!

"What we GIVE is what we have FROM the Lord"
1 Chronicles 29:14



Please scan the QR Code or visit www.dioceseoflansing.org/appeal to make a life-changing gift to DSA today! Envelopes are also available in the pews.



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Daily messages, prayers, and much more!
Need help?
Call the parish Office 764-2088



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!



Parish Goal: \$47,933.00

2026 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL



Stations of the Cross
Fridays @ 7:30 PM

Lectio DIVINA
Third Sunday of Lent (A)
The Meeting of Jesus with the Samaritan Woman
A Dialogue that brings new life
John 4:5-42

Thursdays in Lent
9 am - 10 am



St. Clare Room



**JOIN US AT
PIOUS UNION
OF ST. JOSEPH
IN GRASS LAKE**

LENT RETREAT
MARCH 28, 2026

9:00 AM	TALK
10:30 AM	ADORATION
	CONFESSION
11:30 AM	MASS
12:00 PM	LUNCH

Please call the Shrine office,
517-522-8017 OR
scan the QR code to RSVP.



**OUR LADY OF FATIMA
ANNUAL LENTEN –2026**

Fish Fry
ADULTS—\$15.00
SENIORS 65+ \$14.00
ACTIVE MILITARY & VETERANS \$13.00
CHILDREN 6-12 ARE \$8.00 AND
5 AND UNDER ARE FREE



All You Can Eat Fish Dinners Include:
Fried and Baked Fish, Baked Potato & French Fries,
Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Cornbread & Desserts

Every Friday starting on Feb. 20th thru March 27th
Times are from 4PM to 7PM *(Credit Cards Welcomed)*

Location: Our Lady of Fatima-Fr. Andy Dunne Hall
911 Napoleon Rd., Michigan Center, Mi.



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EST. 2024 Young Adult Group

MARCH Events

THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH
Join us for **Stations of the Cross**, followed by **Bible Study**.
From 7-9PM at Queen of the Miraculous Medal parish office

THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH
Celebrate **St. Joseph's Feast Day** with us! 7-9PM at the
Robinson's home (address will be shared in GroupMe) Bring
a dish to share with all!

THURSDAY, MARCH 26TH
It's **Game Night** tonight! Join us at **Queen of the
Miraculous Medal parish office** from 7-9PM for board
games, card games, strategy... you name it!



Have a question? Want to receive updates by
email?
Email youngadult@queenschurch.com
**Stay up to date with events and
weekly newsletters, join our
GroupMe chat!
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