

The Catholic Community of St. Jude

Mission Statement

We, the people of the Catholic Community of St. Jude, are followers of Christ, striving to live the Gospel and reflect the compassion and love of Jesus to all people.

Third Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2017



Please Support Our

Catholic Charities Appeal

St. Vincent Catholic Charities and Cristo Rey Community Center provide services to thousands of children, families and adults living in this community. Their services supply tools and compassion needed to help individuals see value in themselves and find self-sufficiency.

Next weekend, contribution envelopes for the Catholic Charities Appeal will be placed in your parish pews. Please consider giving a gift in support of our Catholic Charities. The local need is great, and your gift will provide new hope to those hurting within our communities and will directly impact the lives of your neighbors who are in greatest need.

Adult Faith Formation Planning



Parishioners who participated in ARISE and any other adults who are interested are invited to come to a potluck dinner on EITHER

May 1 or May 2 at 6:30pm to help plan for the future.

See page 9 for details

Scholarships

2017 Bill Reed and Jack Armstrong Scholarship Applications







Calling all volunteers!

Join Fr. Bob on Saturday, May 6 at 9am — 4pm
For a Spring cleaning of our Parish grounds. Bring gloves, rakes and cutting tools.
Lunch provided.

Memorial Walkway Brick orders now being accepted until May 7

Forms can be found in the gathering space on the table by the grandfather clock and on our website at www.stjudedewitt.com





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Church & Community Center:

801 N. Bridge St. (517) 669-6049 Community Center

Parish Offices are located at 409 Wilson Street **Phone** (517) 669-8335 *Fax* (517) 669-8343 Religious Formation Office Phone (517) 669-8341

After Hours Emergency phone (517) 803-0911

Parish Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday 9:00AM to 5:00PM Bulletin Deadline is 10:00AM Wednesdays - Contact Tina Simon

Other Parish Staff & Phone Extensions

Deacon Ted Heutsche

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Deacon Kevin Orth Email: deaconkevin@stjudedewitt.com





Parish Office Manager: Christina Simon Ext. 13 Email: tinasimon@stjudedewitt.com

Bookkeeper: Rosemary Starn Ext. 15 Email: rosiestarn@stjudedewitt.com



Maintenance: Ray Taylor

Helping Hands Ministry phone (517) 930-1383

Weekend Masses

Saturday, 5:00PM, Sunday, 8:30AM, 11:00AM

Weekday Masses

Tuesdays at 6:00PM (Sept-May)
Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 8:00AM

Reconciliation Saturdays, 4:00PM-4:30PM or by appointment

Other Area Reconciliation Opportunities

- St. Thomas Aquinas (E. Lansing) Saturday 3-4PM & following 4:30PM Mass
- St. John the Evangelist (MSU)Mon., Wed. & Fri. 11AM-Noon, Tues.8-9PM
- St. Therese of Lisieux (Lansing) Saturday 3:30PM
- St. Joseph (St. Johns) Saturday 4PM
- St. Gerard (Lansing) Saturday at 9AM-10AM

www.stjudedewitt.com

Visit us on our Parish, Youth & K of C Facebook pages



Mass Intentions & Events for the Week

Sunday, April 30, Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

8:30AM K of C Corporate Communion Mass:

People of St. Jude

Children's Liturgy of the Word, Wee Believers

9:30AM Faith Formation Program

9:45AM Adult Faith Update

11:00AM Mass: Ken Kloska by Howard Shepherd

1:00PM Mass: First Eucharist Celebration

6:00PM K of C Family Fun Night

Monday, May 1, Saint Joseph the Worker

Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 6:30PM ARISE Potluck Dinner

<u>Tuesday, May 2, Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of</u> the Church

Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

Noon Senior Luncheon

6:00PM Mass: Hallie Dutcher by her Family

6:30PM ARISE Potluck Dinner

Wednesday, May 3, Saints Philip and James, Apostles

1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

8:00AM Mass: Children with Special Needs

by Patricio & Laura Medina

6:15PM Final Elementary Faith Formation

6:30PM May Crowning

Thursday, May 4, Easter Weekday

Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

8:00AM Mass: Strengthened Family Life

by Patricio & Laura Medina

Friday, May 5, Easter Weekday

Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

8:00AM Mass: Ruth Pearson by the Parish Family

Saturday, May 6, Easter Weekday

Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69

9:00AM Parish Grounds Spring Clean Up

NO Reconciliation

5:00PM Mass: Jim Call by Dave & Janice Thelen

Sunday, May 7, Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

8:00AM K of C Rosary

8:30AM Mass: People of St Jude

Children's Liturgy of the Word, Wee Believers

9:30AM Final Faith Formation Program

10:00AM May Crowning

9:45AM Adult Faith Update

11:00AM Mass: Eleanor Goushaw by the Bordui Family

3:00PM Youth Fusion, Infused and Rooted

Messy Game Day

7:00PM CYC Rooted

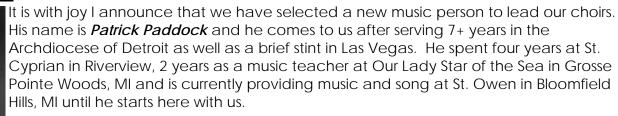




The FBI Report

Father Bob Irish, Pastor 669-8335 ext. 11 frbob@stjudedewitt.com

New Music Director



Patrick is an alumnus of Madonna University in Livonia, MI graduating in 2008 with a Bachelor Degree with concentrations in Church Music & Education and a minor in Elementary Education). Patrick is a member of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians and Hand-bell Musicians of America Association.

Patrick was born in southern California and raided in Orlando. He is the second of four children (Nicole, David & Jacob) born to Eric and Kerry Paddock. He is skilled on both the piano and organ and comes with a great deal of enthusiasm and energy.

Patrick will be here on the weekend of June 24 & 25 to be introduced at all the Masses and we will host coffee and deserts after each of the Masses where you can introduce yourself (and family) and welcome him to our parish family. However it will be the weekend of July 1 & 2 that will be his first 'official' weekend where he will lead us in music and song as he takes over the reign of directing our choirs.

We had seven applicants and after phone interviews with all seven, I invited four to visit to give an audition of their talents and skills. All four candidates were skilled in both the piano and organ as well as in singing. After a second on-site visit by Patrick, the decision was made to proceed with an offer. I wish to extend a thank you to the members of our selection committee for their time & energy spent reviewing the resumes' & attending the auditions and in giving me their insights & recommendations on each candidate.



These two local Catholic charities work to serve our Lansing area St. Vincent Catholic Charities community to provide support to our most vulnerable children and families through a variety of programs (Immigration Law Clinic, Children's Home, Foster Care & Adoption Program, Health Clinic,



Food bank and a Refugee Resettlement Program as well as general Counseling Services). I believe that some of you may know of someone who has been blessed by their services and know how important those were to them in whatever their need was.

Next weekend, May 5 & 6 will be the date that we offer an opportunity to donate to this valuable campaign that supports so many within the immediate Lansing area. Please consider making any size contribution and if this is not financially possible, offer prayers up for the success of this campaign and for those who are in need. Easter Blessings.

Spring Clean Up

Please join me on Saturday, May 6 from 9:00AM - 4:00PM for a spring cleaning of our church and office properties. We need to clear out some dead brush, trim trees, etc. so any help you can give would be greatly appreciated. We will provide the food and drinks for lunch. Bring gloves, rakes and cutting tools!





Rome & Assisi Pilgrimage to Italy

I am planning a pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome, Italy in 2017. The exact dates for this trip will be Friday, November 3 – Friday, November 10. There is still time to join us for this wonderful and spiritual visit to Italy. For greater details, go to our website and click on the link for a detail itinerary. Don't miss out on this once-in-a-life-time trip!

Next Sunday's Scriptures

A reflection on the readings for Mass next Sunday, May 7



Christ is the very center of our faith. He is our shepherd and we listen to his voice; through him we enter into fullness of life. We who belong to Jesus by virtue of our baptism now share in his mission of redemption. How we prepare for this task is important. We need to strive for repentance, lead lives of prayer and patient endurance, and desire to listen attentively to his voice.

The first reading from Acts, 2:14a, 36-41, tells of Peter, empowered by the Holy Spirit, boldly proclaiming the risen Christ and calling all to repentance and baptism. The second reading, 1 Peter 2:20b-25, exhorts the early Christians to imitate Christ: they are to be patient as Christ was patient in the face of his suffering. Our Gospel, John 10:1-10, reminds us that we are to follow Christ as the sheep follow the shepherd: for as the shepherd cares for his sheep, so Christ cares for each of us.



Anniversaries of deceased friends and family from our parish

Adele Szumlas
Richard Hasselbach
Linda Wozniak
Richard Myszak
William Parks

April 30, 2013
May 1, 2009
May 2, 2014
May 2, 2015
May 4, 1987

Teresa Flynn	May 4, 1995
Edwin Miller	May 6, 1973
Rosemarie Penfield	May 6, 2003
David Premo	May 6, 2011

May 4, 1995 May 6, 1973 May 6, 2003

We remember in prayer . .

All who are sick may be healed in body and spirit, especially: Addison Martin, Shawna Boyle, Barb LaLonde, Patricia Strouse, Stephanie Dorr, Joanie Eckhart, Debbie Platt, Tom Adams, Eileen Church, William Steinman, Doris Welsh, Deacon Ted Heutsche, Larry Garagiola, Bill Pearson Jr., Jean Cramner, Bruce Ely, Sarah Swank, Ken Jensen, Sharon Hunt, June Dennany, Barbara Bernardo, James Irish, Irene Gilbreath, Don Williams, Steve Kelly, Jerry Strayer, Cathy Smith, Becky Schafer, Brian Byelich, David Starn, Larry Starn, Therese VanWormer, Robert Steinman, Barbara Katch-Smith, Brian Shellberg, Jackie Hunt, Mary Jo Piecuch, Mary Therese Swanson, Robert Ataman, Samantha Sontich, Deanna Hartwell, Jeff Church, Steffi Kracko, Tom Reid, Pat McCrackin, Camilla Smith, Kari Quimby, Cheryl Corr, Greg Gillispie, Peg Schmid, Kathleen Gladding, Mary Erickson, Rose Parks, Elizabeth Downie, Cathy Koski, Carol Haege, Daniel Thelen, Judy Welling, Ken Mohnke, Bethany Ames, Mary Montcalm, Jordan Ramos, Nick Robinson. If you have someone listed here who has recovered please contact Tina at 669-8335 x13 so their names can be removed.

Greetings Corner

Birthday Greetings to Connie Botke, James Skower and Floyd Lenneman



Happy Anniversary on the occasion of their 35th to William & Mary Lou Hussey 40th to Richard & Mary Kish 45th to John & Lois Blanchard 54th to Robert & Sandra Orwat



Celebrating a milestone anniversary, a milestone birthday, a notable accomplishment? If you happen to be celebrating a milestone birthday, 65 and older (we automatically print those who are celebrating 65, 70, 75, 80 and over) and we know about it, we will congratulate those folks. Contact the parish office at 669-8335 x 13 if you have someone to add.

Parish Sacramental Policies

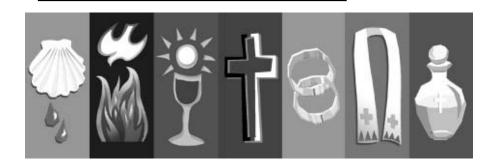
Baptism: To schedule a baptism or register for the baptismal preparation program, parents may contact Laurie Seybert or Deacon Ted. Baptisms may be celebrated during the Masses on the second weekend of each month, except during Lent.

Marriage: Arrangements should be made with Fr. Bob at least one year in advance of your proposed wedding date. No weddings are celebrated during Lent.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Please call the parish office if you are hospitalized or at home and would like a visit from a Eucharistic minister to the homebound, Fr. Bob, or to receive the Anointing of the Sick.

Anointing of the Sick: is also celebrated after each Mass the weekend of the third Sunday of each month.

Parish Sacramental News



The next Baptism Preparation Class will be held on June 6 at 7pm at the Parish Offices at 409 Wilson Street.

Please contact Laurie Seybert at 669-8341 ext. 16 or by email at laurieseybert@stjudedewitt.com to register or for information about preparing for your child's baptism.

Wedding Banns...

II Jill Davis and Josh Byers

Please remember in prayer our parish members and their families that are serving in our armed forces.



Brett, Chandra, Christopher, Stephen, Matt, Vann, Kara, Robert, Tyler, Kyle, Michael, Joseph, Erin, Matt, Michael, Ryan, Tamara, and Dalton.

Dear God, we pray to give all of our soldiers the courage and strength to do the duty that is required of them. May they always remember our appreciation for the sacrifice they are making for us. We are thankful for the men and women who are willing to risk their lives to protect our freedom. We ask you to go with each one of them and protect them wherever they go. Amen



Liturgical Ministry Schedule for May 6 & 7

5pm Mass

Altar Server: Emma Simmons
Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa Grost,
Sally Locher, Lyle & Beverly
Nichols, Tina Simon, Chris Thelen

Greeters: Larry Ciolek, Theresa Fedewa-Wells, Lyle & Beverly Nichols Lector: Chris Thelen

Mass Coordinator: Marie Ciolek

Ushers: Thomas Doyle,

Dennis Locher, Mitch Maher,

Paul Schaefer

8:30am Mass

Altar Servers: Steven Canales, Michelle Johnson, Ava Smith Eucharistic Ministers: Ken & Cindy Armbrustmacher, Ryan

Armbrustmacher, Ryan Armbrustmacher, Greg Brya, Kellie Hardenbergh, Therese

Hudak

Greeters: Sharon Carlock,

Lynn Fiedler, Alex & Heidi Johnson Lectors: Ken Armbrustmacher and

Don Carlock

Mass Coordinator: Alex Johnson

Joshua Johnson, Pete McKinnon, Eric Schafer

Ushers: John Blanchard,

11am Mass

Altar Servers: Aaron Ellsworth, Julia Ellsworth, Daniel Entler

Eucharistic Ministers:

Christy Callahan, Theresa Cowgill, Barbara Mahoney, Mike Ongena, Eileen Phillips, Kathy Thelen

Greeters: Doug & Maria Cook

Lector: Michael Logan

Mass Coordinator: Anna Neher

Ushers: Rob Gilbreath,

Jim Mahoney, Bob Swanson,

James Taylor

Faith Formation News



Grades Pre-K through 8th: Mary Lippert, Director, 669-8341 ext. 17 ● marylippert@stjudedewitt.com

FORGIVENESS

Students in grades 4-7 talked about forgiveness in a very powerful way during the April 23 session. Who needs to be forgiven? Who do we need to ask forgiveness of? The students wrote their worries in the sand and then wiped them away clean as they handed them over to God.



Then they carved their blessings in stone and laid them at the foot of the cross. Pictured here are the 7th grade students.

OUR LAST YOUTH FUSION AND INFUSED IS ON SUNDAY, MAY 7TH

ALL 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th 3PM-5PM MESSY GAME DAY!

DRESS ACCORDINGLY....
PUDDING PICTIONARY
...TWISTER
...WATER RELAY
and more messy surprises!

Elementary End of the Year May Crowning and Marian Celebration

The Elementary Faith
Formation students will be
celebrating the end of the
year with May Crowning!
Everyone is welcome at the
Grotto on either
Wednesday, May 3rd at
6:30pm or
Sunday, May 7th at 10am.
There will be songs,
scripture, art and a special
litany devoted to our
Blessed Mother. Everyone
is asked to bring
a flower



Parents and FFP families, join us in the Community Center for frozen treats, nearly perfect attendance awards, and goodbye's. Plan on an early dismissal.

VBS JUNE 26-29



Register after May 1st

Formation Administration Assistant: Laurie Seybert

Email: laurieseybert@stjudedewitt.com

Phone: 669-8341 ext. 16

Formation Assistant: Lynda Roof Email: lyndaroof@stjudedewitt.com

Phone: 669-8341 ext. 19



Faith Formation News

Hallie Card, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, **Grades 9-12** 669-8335 ext. 14 halliecard@stjudedewitt.com



This past Sunday, members of Rooted were joined by current eighth graders for a special "Come and See" Meeting. We got to know each other, shared some high fives, debated whether taking the pen from the bank is a sin, and ate more chicken nuggets than should ever be allowed.

Like figuring out what foods we like, we went over some new (or in some cases medieval old) ways to pray in an attempt to expand our prayer life like we expand our food palate. Some of the fellas were so good at laying in true prostrate position, I wonder if they are actually called to be monks.

Our next day of meeting is **May 7**. We will meet for MESSY GAMES from **3:00 - 5:00** and then return at **7:00** for a special Science vs. Religion Meeting. ** Make sure you wear old clothes to the Messy Games! See you there!

Spring Clean Up

On Saturday, May 6, from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm, we are calling all Teens to join Hallie and Fr. Bob and come help with a Spring Service Day wherein we will give back to the Catholic Community of St. Jude by cleaning up the parish grounds.

This is a great way to earn those last minute service hours for seminar or clubs like NHS while, at the same time, doing something worthwhile for your Faith Community.

It will be a fun day with lunch provided! If you cannot stay the whole day, any time you can give will be helpful!

Bring yourself, a friend, and any gardening gloves, rakes, or cutting tools you can provide. Any questions,



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Baccalaureate Mass and Breakfast

High School Graduation is right around the corner, and that means our Baccalaureate Mass and Breakfast is as well!

- Baccalaureate Mass will be at the 8:30 Mass on Sunday,

 June 4, with the breakfast immediately following.
- Graduates are asked to bring their caps and gowns to wear for the Mass and to arrive by
 8:15 am
- RSVP to this event by visiting the link on our webpage or emailing Hallie Card
- We are looking for each participant to submit a photo of the graduate (from this year or childhood, your choice!) as well as their future plans (college, military, vocation, etc.) to be used in the celebration. These can be emailed or dropped off at the parish office during regular business hours.
- We are looking for parent volunteers to help with the event in various ways. If interested, please contact Hallie Card by emailing halliecard@stjudedewitt.com or calling (517) 669-8335 x 14 NOTE: Parents of Juniors are encouraged to

participate.

Adult Faith Enrichment and Pastoral Associate's Notes

Terry Humenik, R.N., B.S.N. M.P.S. 517 669-8335 ext. 18 terryhumenik@stjudedewitt.com

Learning more about the Catholic Faith

Anyone who would like to know more about the Catholic faith is asked to contact Terry Humenik at 669 8335 ext 18. You do not have to commit to becoming Catholic but we would like to tell you more about what we believe. We now have a year around process of RCIA to become Catholic and so those who are interested can become involved at any time of the year. The best gift you can give someone is to invite them to come with

journey of faith. Those who have already been Baptized will have a shorter process tailored to individual needs the so that you do not need to wait until Easter to become Catholic. We are here to help you on this journey of faith in Jesus Christ.

you as you help them start on the

Evangelization is Everybody's Job

We all should be involved in sharing our faith with others. No, I don't mean I want you to go door to door telling people how great it is to be Catholic. But I do hope that you are willing to tell others what gives you strength during tough times and security knowing that God loves you and wants to give you eternal life. You might be surprised at how easy it can be a part of normal conversation with friends and neighbors, even relatives who may not be practicing Catholics any more.

Another way you can be an evangelizer is to be welcoming to the people who are on the journey to becoming Catholic. As we welcome people throughout the year, they will be at Masses with us. Once they have gone through the Rite of Welcoming you will be able to identify them by the wooden cross necklaces that they wear. Pray for them regularly and speak to them when you see them at church. Congratulate them for entering this journey of faith. Invite them to sit with you at Mass. Be welcoming to them as new brothers and sisters in Christ.

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Parishioners who participated in ARISE and any other adults who are interested are invited to come to a potluck dinner on EITHER May 1 OR May 2 at 6:30pm to celebrate our journey with ARISE and to help plan for the future for Adult Faith Formation. We need to know what you would like to do so that we can provide formation that interests you. There are several

options available that we can



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presentations for the entire parish and small faith communities.

Thanks - Mass of Anointing

Many thanks to all those who made the Mass of Anointing a beautiful occasion. The music was inspiring and the luncheon was delicious. The Holy Spirit was certainly present with those who were anointed. This sacrament brings strength to the spirit as a person endures illness and recovery.

Prayer Partners in Flint

We have several people in Flint who are still in need of someone to pray for them and drop them a note or a card periodically. Those who are already participating have found the people to be grateful for the contact and prayers and they really enjoy the cards and letters. Could you and your family pray for someone in Flint on a daily basis? Prayer and encouragement are the best gifts we have to give to the lonely, isolated and poor. Contact Terry Humenik for the name

and address of someone you can pray for.

Other News in Our Parish

Events, Reminders and Announcements of Activities in our Parish and others

Calling all Volunteers! Join Fr. Bob on Saturday, May 6 from 9am to 4pm for a Spring clean-up of our Parish grounds; raking, trimming & cutting of trees, etc. Lunch provided.



The Mary & Marthas are hosting a Spring Tea!

Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30pm. Ladies are invited to decorate a simple table! **Not** elaborate, very informal setting for 8 people. No candle light or lighting. Very simple, pretty, disposable even!



All the ladies of the parish are invited to attend a night of friendship/fellowship. There will be no formal entertainment, we will have coffee, tea and punch and potluck desserts. Please bring your best dessert to share and for fun wear your Easter hat, or one of your grandmothers! There is no cost. To sign up visit the parish website at www.stjudedewitt.com and look for the link to the Spring Tea. Any questions call Tina at the parish office 669-8335 x13.



Pencil it in on your calendar NOW!

Be our guest at the Volunteer **Appreciation Picnic on** Tuesday, June 13th at 6PM!

Other Areas Announcements

The Association of Catholic Women will have their May meeting Saturday, May 13th at noon in the St. Mary Parish Hall, 219 Seymour Street, Lansing, St. Elizabeth Seton Hall, second floor. At this meeting members will show off their lovely spring hats as well as make donations to Catholic School Librarians. The cost of the meal is \$12.00. Please contact Jeanette @627-5370 before Monday, May 8th if interested in attending.

All Catholic women of the Diocese are invited to the monthly meeting of the Lansing Catholic Women's Club on Thursday, May 18. Our luncheon at Red Lobster will begin at 12:30 pm. For a reservation (\$18), call Michele at 706-9198 by May 11. Please join us!

Summer Sports and Activities Camps at LCHS: Do you have a student interested in one of Lansing Catholic High School's sports or activity camps? The 2017 dates have been set and registration forms are available at www.lansingcatholic.org.

Enrollment at Lansing Catholic High School is still accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Applications are available on the school's website: www.lansingcatholic.org. Families who would like more information should contact the admissions office at 517-267-2102 admissions@lansingcatholic.org.

The Women of Grace Benedicta Leadership Institute for Women and SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary have partnered to present a dynamic new offering for women interested in Catholic Women's **Leadership**. This program provides women with the opportunity to acquire a certification or graduate credit hours in Catholic Women's Leadership. Graduate credit hours can then be applied toward a Master of Arts in Theology degree with a concentration in Catholic Women's Leadership, No matter which level of endeavor a woman desires. this program will help her attain her goal, and assist her to "help transform the world one woman at a time." Class will be held at SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary in Orchard Lake June 19 -30. For more info call 1-800-558-5452 or email aibrahim@womenofgrace.com.

www.benedicta.womenofgrace.com

Looking to spark the faith of your children while they have a blast at the same time? Check out Camp Sancta Maria located in Gaylord, Michigan. We are a Catholic camp that provides fun experiences in a technology-free zone (and they won't even miss their cell phones!) while immersed in a faith-filled environment. We offer separate camping experiences for boys and girls that include daily Mass, horseback riding, swimming, archery, various sports, high and low ropes, campfires, crafts and more. For additional information, check us out at www.CampSanctaMaria.org or call (248) 822-8199.

This past Wednesday was Administrative Professionals Day when we honor our administrative staff. I wanted to affirm the administrative support staff here at St. Jude consisting of Lynda Roof, Laurie Seybert, Tina Simon, Rosie Starn, and Ray Taylor. I think most people have the perception that church staffs have a fairly easy, non-stressful work environment. I retired to this environment. I mean, how tough can it be to prepare for a few Masses, catechism, and serving the parish, right? Wrong! Each of these individuals work tirelessly to serve the parish and without them it would be chaos. They are an important part of our overall staff and all of their efforts are greatly appreciated. I'm sure that there are times when they may feel undervalued but the good that they do in serving all of us will reap its own rewards. Their photos are in the parish bulletin so if you haven't met any of them yet, introduce yourselves and say "thanks" for a service well done.

Parish Offerings

April 17-23 Contributions

 Budgeted Expenses:
 \$13,592.00

 Offertory:
 -8,364.00

 On-Line Giving:
 -3,430.00

 Non-Offertory Income:
 -641.75

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 (\$1,156.25)

Building Fund Collection: \$1,450.00

Fiscal YTD 7/1/16-6/30/17

 YTD Budgeted Expenses:
 \$584,456.00

 YTD Offertory:
 -392,500.02

 YTD On-Line Offertory
 -185,573.58

 YTD Non-Offertory Income
 -50,750.71

 YTD Surplus
 \$44,882.81

YTD Building Fund (Phase II) \$62,083.88

Counter Schedule: May 1 — Team #1 May 8 — Team #2

Food Pantry
Update

The food pantry is in need of:

Mac and cheese and laundry detergent.

FOOD DELIVERY SCHEDULE: May 1 — Rosie Nitzsche

May 8 — Linda Burns

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, May 6 **Spring Cleaning** of our Church and Parish Center property with raking, tree cutting and trimming, etc. Bring gloves and cutting tools. 9am-4pm, **Lunch will be provided.**

Sunday, May 7 K of C Rosary in the church at 8am

Monday, May 8 K of C Officers & Trustees Meeting in the meeting room at 7pm Wednesday, May 10 K of C Business Meeting at 8pm in the community center

The Knights of Columbus is honoring our Blessed Mother in this the 100th anniversary year of Our Lady of Fatima on **Saturday, May 13 at 2pm** at the State Capitol. The youth of the Lansing Diocese, the future of America, are especially invited. They can join the Knights as part of the living rosary. Following the rosary there will be a light lunch will be served on the State Capitol grounds.

The St. Francis Assembly #2982 monthly raffle winners for April are: \$100 – DeShaunda Benson, \$75 – Jim Rundborg, \$50 – Max Feldpausch, \$25 – Rich LaMay. Thank you for supporting the Knights of the Patriotic Degree in the DeWitt area. Tickets are on sale for the 2017-2018 monthly raffle, the first drawing will be in July. See a member of 4th Degree for a \$20 ticket with 48 chances to win. Only 300 tickets will be sold.

Any Catholic man that's interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus, please contact our Membership Director, Chris Thelen at 517 489-8675. See our website **www.DeWittKofC.com** for additional Council information.

K of C Corner

Dresser Ministry

The Dresser Mission is on vacation until after the Easter Season. I thought I would give a little background for those of you who are new to The Catholic Community of St Jude. The Dresser Ministry will place in the gathering space a piece of furniture for a nursery. Along side the furniture will be a wish board with items necessary for a

Individuals may choose a tag, purchase the item, and return it to the gathering space. After several weeks the items, along with the furniture, are donated to a Christian based program to assist women who have chosen to keep their babies.

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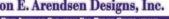
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- ♦ 1st 6:30pm ARISE Potluck Dinner
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- ♦ 3rd 6:15pm Final Wednesday Faith Formation Session 6:30pm May Crowning
- ♦ 6th 9am Parish Grounds Spring Clean Up
- ♦ 7th 9:30am Final Sunday Faith Formation Session
 10am May Crowning
 3pm Fusion, Infused & Rooted Messy Games Day
- ♦ 8th 9am Prayer Shawl & Quilt Ministry Workday
- ♦ 10th 8pm K of C Meeting
- ♦ 14th 9:30am Mother's Day K of C Breakfast
- ♦ 16th 6:30pm Marys & Marthas Spring Tea
- ♦ 21st 6pm K of C Family Fun Night
- ♦ 22nd 6pm Catechist Appreciation Dinner
- ♦ 24th 6pm CYC Rooted Senior Send Off Game Night
- ♦ 29th 9am Memorial Day Mass in the Cemetery



AY 2017 Events at the Catholic Community of St. Jude

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:30PM ARISE Potluck Dinner	2 Noon Sr. Citizen Luncheon 6PM Mass 6:30PM ARISE Potluck Dinner	8AM Mass 6:15PM Final FFP 6:30PM May Crowning	4 8AM Mass	5 8AM Mass	6 8AM Diaconate Formation 9AM Parish Grounds Spring Clean Up NO Reconciliation 5PM Mass
8AM K of C Rosary 8:30AM Mass, CLW., WB 9:30AM Final FFP 10AM May Crowning 9:45AM Adult Faith Update 11AM Mass 3PM Youth Fusion & Infused Messy Games Day 7PM CYC Rooted	8 9AM Prayer Shawl & Quilt Workday 7PM K of C Officers & Trustees Meeting	9 Noon Sr. Citizen Luncheon NO Mass	10 8AM Mass 8PM K of C Meeting	11 8AM Mass 5:30PM Finance Council Meeting	12 8AM Mass Wedding Rehearsal	13 8AM Postal Food Drive Davis & Byers Wedding 4PM Reconciliation 5PM Mass
14 Mother's Day 8:30AM Mass 9:30AM K of C Mothers Day Breakfast 11AM Mass	15	16 Noon Sr. Citizen Luncheon 6PM Mass 6:30PM Marys & Marthas Spring Tea	17 8AM Mass	18 8AM Mass 5:30PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	19 8AM Mass	4PM Reconciliation 5PM Mass Anointing of the Sick
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