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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." - Lk 12:39-40

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MASS TIMES

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	6:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM
Thursday	8:00 AM
Friday	12:15 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM
Saturday Vigil	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM (live streamed) 11:00 AM

CONFESSION

Tuesday	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Friday	11:00 AM - 11:45 AM
Saturday	3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

In Eucharistic Chapel

Tuesday	10:00 AM - 5:45 PM
Wednesday	9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Closed for lunch 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

FROM OUR PASTOR

We hear in today's second reading that Abraham and his descendants considered themselves "strangers and aliens on earth". That is, they acknowledged their heavenly homeland. How easy it is for us, especially given the comforts we experience in the US, to consider this our home. Yet, we are reminded that we are made for something infinitely greater! Eye has not seen, nor has ear heard what God has prepared for those who love Him. So, brothers and sisters, let us fix our eyes on heaven! Let us recognize that we do not belong here, but rather, we are called to a heavenly home.

Sisters of Life- One of my good friends, Sr. Maria Regina, is currently serving as the vocations director for the Sisters of Life, based out in New York. We look forward to a visit she will make with some of our college students and young adults this week, since she is back here for a home visit. If you are not familiar with their community, I would encourage you to look them up. The work they do is so important given the current cultural climate. I would be quite ecstatic, as well, if any young ladies from the parish decided to join their community!

Bishop's BBQ- The Bishop is hosting a Barbecue for any young men that are juniors in high school or older that may be considering seminary on August 21. If you know of someone who might be interested, please, have them reach out to me so we can get them registered for the event. We already have a good sized contingent signed up from the parish, but there is always room for more!

In Christ,

Fr. Dan

RCIA 2022-2023 Information Meeting



Are you thinking about becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic and looking to receive all your sacraments? Are you still unsure, but interested in learning more? We want to walk with you as you learn more, discover the gospel and pursue the fullness of the gift that Jesus offers in the Catholic Church.

Join us for an information meeting about adult sacrament preparation for this coming year on Sunday, August 21st in between the 9 AM and 11 AM Masses in the Lounge.

Contact Jess Jenkins at disciples@ypsicatholic.org to RSVP. Hope to see you there!



Volunteers Needed!

Faithful parishioners continue to cook and serve a dinner to the needy & homeless on the first Sunday of each month. The meals are cooked and distributed at Hope Clinic on Harriet Street here in Ypsilanti.

If you'd like to help cook at 3:00 PM or distribution prep beginning at 3:45 PM, please contact Janice at janiceshort65@gmail.com.

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all new individuals and families! Please register as soon as possible at the parish office.

Registration forms can be found in the Narthex.
You can also download the form from our website:

www.ypsilanticatholic.org

MATRIMONY

Couples should contact the parish office to inquire about Marriage Formation as soon as they are engaged.

PARENT PRE-BAPTISM CLASS

Parents are required to attend a preparation session and must be registered parishioners for at least three months. Pre-registration for this preparation class is required. Please call the parish office for more information: 734-483-3360.

BAPTISMS

Visit our website, Sacramental Life tab, to view the Baptism policy for our parish. Please contact the parish office three months in advance: 734-483-3360.

LAY MINISTER INFORMATION

If you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister or wish to update your schedule preferences, please submit your request by email to schedule@ypsicatholic.org

REQUESTING MASS INTENTIONS

Call the parish office to ask for a special day. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. The stipend for a Mass intention is \$10. Mass cards are also available.

CATHOLICISM

Interested in learning more about Catholicism or becoming Catholic? Please contact Jess Jenkins: disciples@ypsicatholic.org

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	August 8	<i>No Mass</i>
TUESDAY	August 9	6 PM † Richard Binder, Donnie Stokes, and Marty Wideman <i>Requested by Doreen Binder</i>
WEDNESDAY	August 10	8 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory <i>Requested by Kathleen Fromm</i>
THURSDAY	August 11	8 AM Intentions of Fr. Dan on the Anniversary of his Installation as Pastor at SJB
FRIDAY	August 12	12:15 PM For an Increase in Vocations Mass preceded by the Angelus
SATURDAY	August 13	8 AM † Eileen Wencel <i>Requested by Bill Wencel</i>
SATURDAY	August 13	5 PM † Sonia Madrigal <i>Requested by Peter and Paul Wadaga</i>
SUNDAY	August 14	9 AM † William and Amada Aparicio <i>Requested by Family</i>
SUNDAY	August 14	11 AM People of the Parish

Lay Ministry Teams Schedule August 13 & 14, 2022

Mass Times	Lector	Usher	Sacristan
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Patricia Gillay <i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Fred Baker Josh Reszke Joe Stefanov <i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Sophie Heitkamp David Stolarski	Angela Parrinello Christine Sullivan Mark Welker <i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Maralee Meyer
Sunday, 11:00 AM	Gary Czupinski Shelly Czupinski	Fred Hall Barb Stimach Jim Stimach Carol Wack	Judy Ramirez

Join our Staff!

- Evangelization Coordinator
- Director of Youth Discipleship



To apply and for more information, visit the Diocese of Lansing website at dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers.

A Note about Interactions with the Poor

We see a lot of poverty in the area since we are in the inner-city. Here are some tips on how to respond to people that may approach you asking for money.

- Remember that they are people. Ask for their name and use it in conversation.
- Never give cash. Several police officers have said that giving cash is never helpful. Please, under obedience to your pastor, do NOT give any cash away.
- Please respond with one of the following options:
 - 1) Direct them to the food pantry which takes place here on Thursday nights, or to the many other outreach opportunities in the area.
 - 2) If you have the time and feel comfortable, offer to buy them a sandwich. You can head over to the sandwich shop down the road and purchase a meal for them. All the while, you can ask them where they are from, what do they enjoy doing, and simply love them. You can also offer to pray with them.

Giving cash to the poor does not actually help—in fact, it can further reinforce the notion that if I just throw money at a problem it will go away. However, institutions cannot love, only people can! So, refrain from giving cash, and consider taking on these other ways of showing charity.

Fall Bible Study to Begin September 12, 2022

In 1999, a group of parishioners at St. John the Baptist initiated a weekly Bible Study Program. We are happy to say that this program will resume on Monday, September 12, 2022. We will meet each Monday evening for approximately ten weeks from 7:00-8:45 PM in the Bible Study Room 3 in the St. John Activity Center. We will use Steve Ray's Footprints of God series. This session is entitled, "Apostolic Fathers, Handing on the Faith". Each week you will receive suggested Scripture readings, discussion questions, and view an exciting and informative video. There is no charge for this study. For questions, please contact Tony Comazzi at 734-649-7138 or Lynne Comazzi at 734-945-2960. We encourage and welcome you to join us!

Now that Roe v Wade has been overturned by the SCOTUS and the decision to make abortion legal or illegal goes back to the states, we in Michigan need to Fight Like Heaven to preserve a law on our books that makes abortion illegal, as our Governor has vowed to Fight Like Hell to make abortion legal through a constitutional amendment on the November ballot. Please join us in prayer NOW as abortions are still taking place here in Michigan! The Ann Arbor 40 Days for Life 365 prayer vigil is taking place in the public right-of-way outside of Planned Parenthood at 3100 Professional Drive in Ann Arbor from 8 AM to 2 PM Monday through Thursday year-round. St John the Baptist parishioners are being asked to cover the hours every 3rd Thursday of the month (or any other hour that works into your schedule). Please make your appointment with God in one hour increments at 40daysforlife.com/annarbor and be sure to select the 365 calendar or contact Sandie at 734-657-1936 or plan2pray@gmail.com. If you are a new participant, please contact Sandie and she will meet you there. Drop ins are always welcome - Anytime! Anyday!

All men of the parish are invited to become a Knight. For more information, contact Phil Donato, Grand Knight, at 734-635-1958 or knights3230@gmail.com www.kofc.org





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 Angela Collins
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Please Pray for our Armed Forces Personnel:

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 CWO Mary Gable, USCG
 Capt. Kristin Mixon
 Capt. Russ Mixon
 Staff Sgt. Stacey Moore
 MAJ William Muraski
 Cayce Whitcomb, USMC 3rd Battalion 5
 Cpl. Hailey Ann Roof
 Tech. Sgt. Jay Russell
 Chief Petty Officer, Jacob Meyer



WEEKLY MASS READINGS

Sunday	Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b] Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
Monday	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14 Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday	Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday	2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 Jn 12:24-26
Thursday	Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63 Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Mt 19:3-12
Saturday	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b] Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

Walk for Life

Making All Things New

We're thrilled to invite you to join us for our first Post-Roe Walk for Life! This year our theme is *Making All Things New*.



Location: Lillie Park South in Ann Arbor 4365 Platt Road Ann Arbor, MI 48108

Date: Saturday, August 13

Time: 9:30 AM - Noon

Strollers, wagons, lawn chairs, and wheelchairs are welcome.

Please register today. At <https://tinyurl.com/ytbys788>.



Sunday Mass Prayer Teams

"Pray for one another, that you may be healed." James 5:16 Praying for one another and receiving prayer is an essential part of living life as a disciple. Once a month after the Sunday Masses, we want to have a team of people available to pray with anyone who wants to receive prayer.

If you are interested in joining this ministry team, contact Jess Jenkins at disciples@ypsicatholic.org. Training will be provided!

HOSPITALITY TEAM

Hospitality Team: Greeters

We want to cultivate a culture of hospitality so we are growing our hospitality team to include a dedicated team of greeters! If you enjoy sharing the heart of the Father by smiling, holding doors, and welcoming people, consider signing up for this ministry. We are also always looking for more ushers to help with tasks like helping people find seats, passing out bulletins and closing and opening the doors at the beginning and end of Mass.

If you are interested in either of these ministries, contact our office at: office@ypsicatholic.org.



Open House for Trail Life

Join us for an open house event to learn more about Trail Life, a nationwide Christian scouting organization for boys age 5 to 18, and Troop 1890 at St. Joseph parish. Troop 1890 was chartered by St. Joseph Catholic Church in the Summer of 2021 and had 29 boys its inaugural year. The troop is considered a parish ministry and provides a structured and safe environment for boys to grow in their faith and into their future roles of husbands, priests, and leaders. Although Trail Life USA is an ecumenical Christian organization, Troop 1890 is Catholic. Every meeting begins and ends with prayer asking for the intercession of St. Joseph, rosary is prayed nightly at camp outs, and boys participate in liturgical events such as Eucharistic processions. Woodlands (ages 5-10) gain knowledge about outdoor skills, citizenship, character, friendship, and faith through fun activities, awards, and skill instruction. Programming for this age group is focused on participation. Navigators (ages 11-13) and Adventurers (ages 14-18) explore areas of interest and earn Trail Badges for advancement. Programming for this age group is balanced between achievements and experience.

When: Sunday, August 21 from 1:00 to 2:30 PM

Where: St. Joseph Catholic Church, 9425 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48197

What: There will be a Q&A session for parents and lots of activities for boys including s'mores over a campfire, archery, knot and rope lashing demonstrations, sports, and other fun stuff.

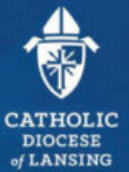
Refreshments will be provided. For more information, email: trailife@stjosephysilanti.com



Rosary Reminder

Recitation of the rosary is held in the church every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday starting five minutes after daily Mass.

Required For Those Entering A 2ND Marriage



There is a new marriage preparation requirement for couples entering into a second union whether following death of previous spouse, or a previous nulled marriage. Typical marriage education programs and ministries are not sufficient for couples entering into blended family marriages. Since marriage in a stepfamily is a "package deal" you must minister to both the couple and "the package". This requires addressing dynamics related to ex-spouses and co-parenting, loss, step-parenting, spiritual shame, finances, and the expectations of both children and adults--just to name a few." To do anything less is grossly inadequate to prevent divorce. The Smart Stepfamilies program, created by author, therapist, and blended family expert Ron L. Deal, brings together these different aspects a stepfamily will encounter, in order to empower blended family couples and their extended family for successful family living. The Remarriage Retreat is a way for couples to come together in a non-threatening setting to learn about the challenges that will be experienced, as well as children entering into a stepfamily. It is also an opportunity for a couple to, possibly for the first time, begin to focus on previously unknown information or previously undiscussed topics that will bring challenges and begin the process of sharing with each other how this will be addressed within their new family dynamic. All the Facilitators have journeyed through the trials and blessings of living in their own blended family and are willing to share their stories and help with the questions the attending couples may have. The next retreat will take place the weekend of October 29th at St. Francis Retreat Center.

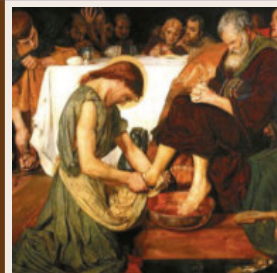
To learn more go to: <https://www.stfrancis.ws/retreats>



Women's Discernment Group

Join young women from the parish as you discern your vocation. For more information, email Sr. Lisa at srlisa@ypsicatholic.org.

"I found Him whom my soul loves"
Song of Songs 3:4



MEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP

Join other young men from the parish as you discern your vocation. For more information, email Fr. Dan at frdan@ypsicatholic.org.

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