

February 6, 2022,

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Welcome

OUR MISSION

With St. Philip as our patron and heavenly intercessor we, the parish family of St. Philip Catholic Church of Battle Creek, MI, are a community centered in the Eucharistic Christ. Together we strive to live in constant conversion, invitation, and prayerful anticipation of the heavenly kingdom that awaits us.

Up Coming Events

Reform Yourself: the latest book for the Read about it program is available in the Parish Office Monday-Thursday 9-3 and Friday 9-noon. Books are free to those who attended the previous book group. Only \$6 for anyone new interested in joining.

The group will meet on Wednesday February 23rd to discuss the book.

Today's Scripture

February 6, 2022 Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11



INORDINARY TIME Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." - Lk 5:5

SACRAMENTS

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact the office. In an Emergency, contact the Parish Office and follow the prompts. MARRIAGE: Registered parishioners should contact the Pastor or Deacons at least six months before the desired date for appropriate marriage preparation instruction. BAPTISM: Family must be registered at the Parish and attend a preparation class. Contact the Parish Office for information. RECONCILIATION: 45 minutes before every Mass, lasting for 1/2 hour. Saturday at 3:00pm - 4:00 pm

Reflecting on the Word

Today we witness three encounters with the Holy One in three different settings, but with three similar responses, both immediate and long-term. Isaiah's vision of God in the temple included angels surrounding God and praising God's glory. His immediate response was fear and unworthiness at seeing the living God. But God's compassionate action of purifying his lips leads Isaiah to offer his service.

For Simon Peter, the experience of the holy came when a stranger walked by as Simon was finishing an unsuccessful night of fishing. Jesus got into his boat, taught the crowds first then turned to Simon. Something in Jesus' manner must have persuaded Simon to follow his directions. The result was so many fish that the boats almost sank. Simon suddenly knew he was in the presence of the Holy One. Unworthiness and fear flooded his heart, but, as God did with Isaiah, Jesus removed Simon's fear and Simon followed him.

Paul briefly alludes to his own unworthiness to be an apostle, rooted in his experience of the Holy One on the road to Damascus. He witnesses to God's grace at work by preaching what has been handed on to him: that Christ died for our sins, was raised from the dead, and appeared to Paul, the least of all the apostles.

An experience of the holy can come to us in church, in the midst of our work, or even when we are heading in a very different direction than the one God has planned for us. Pray God we will respond to it.



SACRED HEART ADORATION CHAPEL Rosaries Prayed: 109 Year 2022: 493 Grand Total: 262,064

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel has resumed, Wednesday 9 a.m.-Saturday 9 a.m. If you are interested in signing up for a specific day and time please contact Betty Dillard at 962-8255.







PRAYER & WORSHIP Mass Intentions | Pray For



Jeanette Aleo Geri Bateman Bev Behrndt Mary Bishop Sandy Bosrock Annabelle Breedon Megan Buckle Tom Burgess Judy Butler Gina Cobb Dick Cohfeldt Katy Comtois David Crell Clayton Cummings Joe Cummings Jim Dillard Virginia D'Lamatter Valerie English J.T. Faber Jennette Gagnon Agnes Gallagher Noah Garrett **Peyton Garrett** Carol Graham Philip Granish Bill H. Jeffery Holmes David Jaconette Nicole Johnson **Ethan Kosmerick** Nolan Kosmerick Dave Kulka Kykora family Josh Laforge Peggy Laforge

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When blessings are received and someone should be removed from this list, please let the parish office know so we can give thanks.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession are available at the following times:

Monday-Saturday	7:15-7:45 am	
Saturday:	3:00-4:00 pm	
Sunday:	8:15-8:45 am	
	10:45-11:15 am.	

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 5			
8: 00 a.m. .	Will Rapelje (special intentions)		
4:30 p.m.	†Joanne Fausey-White		
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 6			
7:00 a.m.	Latin Mass		
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish		
11:30 a.m.	Mariana Bethel (special intentions)		
MONDAY FEBRUARY 7			
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
8:00 a.m.	†Don Eldridge		
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 8			
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
12:10 p.m.	Constance Civerchia		
	EBRUARY 9		
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
8:00 a.m.	†Jim Huysentruyt		
THURSDAY FEBRUARY 10			
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
8:00 a.m.	†Mary Lewandowski (birth date)		
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 11			
6:30 a.m.	Latin Mass		
8:00 a.m.	Sean Gage (special intentions)		
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 12			
8:00 a.m.	†Mike Meskel		
4:30 p.m.	People of the Parish		
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 13			
7:00 a.m.	Thomas Beck (Latin Mass)		
9:00a.m.	†Tillie Jereck		
11:30 a.m.	†Janet Cobb		



February is the shortest month of the year, but here in Michigan it can seem like the longest and can wear on us. So how about some Prayer, Song and Praise to lift us up and lighten our hearts Please join us in the Parish Center Thursday, February 17th from 6-8pm. Come share and listen to what others have done to keep their faith going and join in lifting up our hearts.

> Rejoice Always, Pray continually, Give thanks!

An Offering of Thanks to God

JANUARY 30, 2022		
Sunday	\$	9,765.00
Electronic Transfer	\$	4,451.00
Year to Date	\$	430,988.11
Budget YTD	\$	455,096.13
Restoration Fund	\$	172,556.62

Weekend Ministry Schedule

FEBRUARY 12/13

Lectors	
4:30 pm	Victoria Unger
9:00 am	John Sajtar
11:30 am	Denise Pajak
Altar Ser	ver
4:30 pm	Jacob Thome, Lucas Buehner
9:00 am	Greg Garfield, Emily Mawi
11:30 am	Brady Lightfoot, Zander Barnett
Sacristar	1
4:30 pm	Sandi Summers
9:00 am	Tom Lawrence
11:30 am	Kathy Bevins
Ushers	
4:30 pm	Brian Wemple, Pat Hirzel, Cathy Hirzel
9:00 am	Mike Sartor, Sharon Frey
11:30 am	Bruce Behrens, Jan Gray, Jim Beavers

Coffee and donuts will be offered in the Parish Center on Sunday from 9-11:15 a.m. Please join us for some sweets and fellowship.

We are looking for

some volunteers to help with coffee and donuts once a month. If interested please see Carla Behrens at coffee and donuts or call the office at 968-6645.



February Altar Server

Brady is a Freshman here at the high school. He has been serving at St. Joseph church for 5 years and recently began serving at St.

Philip in the fall. Brady is a member of the varsity football team and the JV basketball team. In his spare time, Brady likes to spend time with his family.

Congratulations Brady and thank you for your faithful devotion to serve our Lord on the altar!!

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

News & Events

READ ABOUT IT PROGRAM

It is time to pick up the next book in the "Read about it Program" *Reform Yourself*, How to pray, find peace, and grow in faith with the saints of the Counter-Reformation, is now available in the parish office. If you were part of the first book group in this program you may stop by the parish office during regular business hours to pick up your free copy. If you would like to join the program or if you just want a copy of the book for yourself, anyone is welcome to a copy for \$6.

On February 23rd from 6-7:30pm in the Parish Center will be the book review and discussion.

TRI-PARISH PRO-LIFE UPDATE:

and Caring Network, the Tri-Parish Pro-Life Ministry would like to thank all the parishioners who donated so generously for the Baby Item Collection in January. These two organizations are so grateful for all the beautiful clothes, diapers, layette items, blankets, bottles, shampoo and lotion, socks, and other miscellaneous items. Caring Network also received \$650 and Alternatives received \$225 in financial donations. Your generosity is very much appreciated. God bless you all! Please mark your calendar for the next meeting of the Tri -Parish Pro-Life Ministry on Thursday, February 17th, at 7:00 pm in the St. Joseph Parish Center Board Room. All parishioners are welcome to get involved!

THIRD ORDER FRANCISCAN:

St Joseph Parish is forming a Third Order Franciscan group which will be associated with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. If interested, please call St. 2022 and welcome any man 18 years of Joseph Church at 962-0165. Our first meeting will be February 1st.

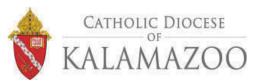


It's not too late to sign up or register for this session. If you are slightly interested please come to this first session and at least check it out.

Join our Financial Peace University class, and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the On behalf of Alternatives of Battle Creek future together! Interested? Join us at St Philip Church starting Sunday, February 6, 2022 Seton Center 10:30 am. You can sign up and start your 14-day free trial of **Financial** Peace at

> fpu.com/1146698. If you have any questions feel free to contact Ken Huebschman at 269.274.7765 or Louise Huebschman at 269.209.7636 (Please leave a message if we don't pick up) or email at Idhuebschman@gmail.com. If vou cannot afford the class. please contact us as there are several scholarships available for St. Philip parishioners.

> CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP ("Men's Group") is a group of Christian brothers that meet weekly on Wednesdays from 7pm till 8pm at St. Joseph, and we discuss the struggles and joys of being a Christian man in today's world. We encourage one another to be better and support each other in times of strugale. We are excited to revamp this group in age or older (catholic or not) who wishes to join us. Please reach out to Ryan Hoch with any questions, he can be reached most easily by email at ryanmatthew1970@gmail.com.



Middle School Youth Rally featuring **Catholic Artist Joe Melendrez** Middle school aged students from around the diocese are invited to a Youth Rally on Saturday, February 12, 2022 from 1 to 4 p.m. at St. Augustine Cathedral's Crowley Center. Cost is \$25/person. Register online

at www.diokzoo.org/youthrally.

The Presence Lite

All 9th-12th grade youth are invited to The Presence Lite on Saturday. February 19, 2022 from 6 to 9 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 939 Charlotte Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49048. Cost is \$25 **Register online at** www.diokzoo.org/presence2022.

The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: 844.324.3374 The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit: ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

SCHOOL NEWS Upcoming Events | Parish Directory



The staff and students at the Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools last week celebrated each day during Catholic Schools Week with prayer, fun, games, and community outreach. We are so grateful for our pastors, teachers and staff, parents and parishioners. Your ongoing support allows our students to learn, serve, succeed and lead.

We invite you to prayerfully consider Catholic education for your family. Applications for enrollment for the 2022-23 school year are now available through bcacs.org. Click on "Join our Family." You are also welcome to schedule a tour by contacting Cathy at 963-1131 or via email: cerskine@bcacs.org.

One BCACS family shared their thoughts:

"Our Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools are special places. This community cares for one another and cheers for each other's successes and bears each other's sorrows. A family's involvement in school is expected and celebrated. Our children are able to learn in an environment that is free from distractions and the result of all of this, are children who excel in academics, score well on standardized tests and are good people in the end. We are a proud Battle Cree Area Catholic Schools family!"

The Shugars Family



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