

STAR OF THE NORTH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Fr. Emmanuel T. Finbarr, Administrator

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 25, 2022 - Year C



Mass Times

Saint Joseph

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Holy Family

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saint Joseph

Saturday, 4:00-4:45p.m.

Holy Family

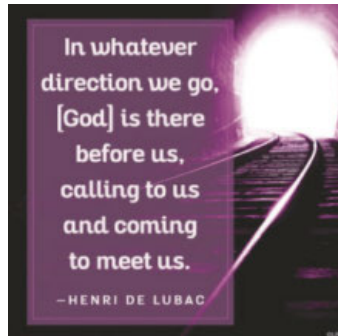
Thurs, 10:00-10:30a.m.

(after Mass)

and by appointment

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, September 26

No Mass

Tuesday, September 27

9:30 a.m. Vicky Toma **St Joseph**

Wednesday, September 28

9:30 a.m. Phyllis Lehman **St Joseph**

Thursday, September 29

9:30 a.m. **Holy Family**

Friday, September 30

9:30a.m. **Mass St Joseph**

Saturday, October 1

4:00-4:45p.m. **Private Confession St Joseph**

5:00p.m. **Mass Tom Schmitt St Joseph**

Sunday, October 2

8:00a.m. **Mass Nancy Ehinger St Joseph**

9:30a.m. **Mass** For the people of Holy Family
& St Joseph Parishes **Holy Family**

11:00a.m. **Mass Tom Sauve St Joseph**



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

1st Sunday— October 1st & 2nd

Altar Servers

- 5:00PM Casey Klofft
- 8:00AM Emily and/or Olivia Leibler
- 9:30AM
- 11:00AM Chase Brewer

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00PM **3 Needed**
- 8:00AM **3 Needed**
- 9:30AM Becky Goulette, Sally Vanderbusch, Josie Burnham, Jane Hollobaugh
- 11:00AM **3 Needed**

Proclaimers of the Word

- 5:00PM Julie Meir, Joan Denemy, As requested
- 8:00AM Tom & Elisabeth Kish, As requested
- 9:30AM Doug Goulette, Rose Allard
- 11:00AM Ken Newsham, Joan Denemy

Hospitality Ministers

- 5:00PM **VOLUNTEERS**
- 8:00AM Brian Leibler, Rick Leibler, Dick Ehinger, Mike Balsler
- 9:30AM **VOLUNTEERS**
- 11:00AM William Kuzenko

**ST. JOSEPH
WEEKEND COLLECTION
9/18/22**

Offertory: \$9,758.00

2022 CSA Target: \$81,093.00
100 Pledges for a total of: \$48,220.00



**HOLY FAMILY
WEEKEND COLLECTION
9/18/22**

Offertory: \$2,754.00

2022 CSA Target: \$20,570.00
60 Pledges for a total of: \$17,896.00



**To those who continue to support
the parish financially and with your
prayers!**

***If you cannot attend mass during the week or weekend you can mail-in your tithes, sign-up for electronic transfer (call the parish office for information) or you can put your envelope in the mail box at the parish center.



CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Thank you to all who have made their gift to the 2022 Catholic Services Appeal. St. Joseph is 59% towards their goal of \$81,093. Holy Family is 87% towards their goal of \$20,570. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, it is not too late to help us meet and even exceed our target. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church by giving today.

St. Joseph CCW News

Saturday October 8th, 9am-3:30pm at St. Francis of Assisi, Lewiston. **“Loved into Being: A Day of Prayer and Reflection.”** In this presentation, we will look at the nine expressions of Spirituality—Activist, Ascetic, Caregiver, Contemplative, Enthusiast, Naturalist, Sensate, and Traditionalist— and the way we are called to living out that call. Registration is due by October 1st, with a check for \$20, which includes morning snacks and lunch. Copies of the registration form are on the bulletin board. Call Sharon for more information and/or to coordinate rides.

Our October meeting will be on Monday, October 10th, 2pm at the K or C Hall. We will be working on plans for our bake sales for November and December. In December we have a Christmas luncheon with Holy Family CCW, so November is our last meeting until spring.

Wednesday October 26th is our next regional CCW meeting at Holy Family Church, Klacking Creek West Branch. Save the date; details will be announced soon.

National Conference of CCW to be held in Minneapolis— St. Paul November 3rd-5th at the Minneapolis Marriott. Basic registration is \$400. Meal and activities (some include the speaker) is around \$300, rooms begin at \$146 plus taxes for single and goes up depending on how many are in the room. Again more information is online or contact Sharon.

Meditation for the week: “Happy are they whose way is blameless who walk in the law of the Lord. Happy are those who observe his decrees, who seek him with all their heart.” (Ps 119:1-2)

Questions, ideas, suggestions, please call Sharon Fritz at 989-343-0772.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2022 NEWS

September 16th-30th Calendar Winners!!

- 16th - 366 Don Maul \$25
- 17th - 588 Sue Wangler \$25
- 18th - 623 Autumn Driscoll \$50
- 19th - 940 Calli Lawe Barr \$25
- 20th - 313 Ron Kish \$25
- 21st - 117 Bob Micholski \$25
- 22nd - 619 Jordan Yaklin \$25
- 23rd - 748 Trisha Beamish \$25
- 24th - 529 Clara Roach \$25
- 25th - 988 Ted Zettel \$50
- 26th - 228 Joe Toma \$25
- 27th - 156 Margie Taylor \$25
- 28th - 509 Joshua Pope \$25
- 29th - 628 Justin Hammontre \$25
- 30th - 721 Randy Johnson \$25

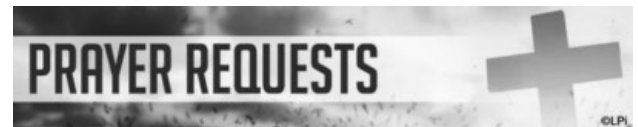


Congratulations! Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus Council #2022

On behalf of the Knights of Ogemaw council 2022, **we would like to thank everyone for purchasing the 2023 raffle calendars.** We appreciate you all & your support to the Knights of Columbus!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The intentions requested in the parish petition book, our sick, and our deceased.



Sylvia Selesky, Karen Benjamin, Geraldine Chrivia, Mary Ellen Houston, Cecil Zettel, Joe Hintz, Donna Fritz-Stanley, Rosie & Brian Evans, Geri Tabaka, Rita Rhead, Hazel Peralta & Tina Peralta Wilkes, Steve Kenworthy, Virginia Bailey, & Cathy Adamski.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

We had our final Golden Ticket Drawing for our third year of the Golden Ticket last Monday. This drawing has been a substantial help financially for our school. The 4th year of drawings begin next month on October 17th . Thank you to all who support St. Joseph School! We appreciate our parish family!

Congratulations September Golden Ticket winners!

#40 – AOH MSR Flannery Division of Gaylord, 1st Draw \$2500

#57 – Loretta Kramer, 2nd Draw \$1250

#45- Joyce Nelander, 3rd Draw \$1250

First and second graders are learning about the changes that happen to an apple tree across the seasons. They are looking forward to their Johnny Applesseed celebration on September 26th!



GOLDEN TICKET

It's your golden chance!
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 The Golden Ticket Raffle supports St. Joseph Catholic School of West Branch

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Casey Swartz
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VOTE NO ON PROPOSAL 3

The Catholic bishops in Michigan are calling on all Catholics to vote NO on Proposal 3 on the November election ballot. The proposal would create a constitutional amendment to allow for unlimited, unregulated abortion throughout all of pregnancy. For more information about the proposal and how to help defeat it, please visit dioceseof-gaylord.org/defeatproposal3 for more information on how to connect with the official "Vote NO" campaign.



FAITH AND BLUE OPEN HOUSE

You're Invited! This gathering is to encourage open communication and understanding between the police and faith based organizations. A chance to tour the State Police Post and ask questions.



Date: **October 9, 2022**

Time 12pm-1pm

Location: 2021 Fox Run
West Branch, MI 48661



HOLY FAMILY CCW GARAGE SALE

Friday, Sept 23rd 9am-5pm

Saturday, Sept 24th 9am-5pm

ROSE CITY COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

At Holy Family Church Parish Hall
402 W. Peters Rd, West Branch
(3/4 Mile West of M-33)

October 5th from 1:00pm to 5:45pm.

For info or appointment, visit red-crossblood.org (sponsor code: rosecomm) or call 1-800-733-2767. American Red Cross We're all in this together!

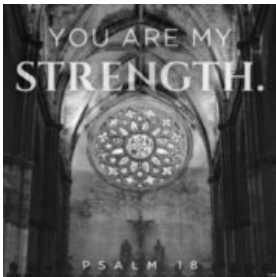
EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Competing Like a Steward

Picture it: family game night. What are you playing? Monopoly? Clue? Chess? Poker?

Whatever your game of choice, I'll bet the night is a lot more fun when everyone tries their best to win. Sure, no one likes an obnoxiously competitive opponent — but if we're being honest with ourselves, it's actually more annoying to face off with someone who just doesn't care. A little competition gives the activity a pulse. It keeps everyone interested. It speaks to the worthiness of the endeavor.



We are told to “compete well for the faith.” These are confusing words, perhaps, since cutthroat competition doesn't jive with the spiritual ideals of submission and humility. So why is God asking this of us? He isn't

setting up some kind of cosmic contest to reward the smartest, strongest, and fastest among us with His mercy and grace.

Competition doesn't have to mean aggressive self-interest. It doesn't have to mean ferocity and lack of principle. Competition can — and should — mean witness. Think of the Olympics. There's a competition that isn't a conquest or a performance but rather a testimony — a feat of strength! A celebration of ability, hard work, and effort. Does anything glorify God more than that?

Let's strive to be competitive, but with the competitive nature of an everyday steward: that which seeks the good of all running the race.
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY NEWS

Flowers and decorations must be removed by October 1. Winter greeneries can be put on starting November 15 and removed April 1, 2023.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings



Monday, September 26 S Cosmas & S Damian

Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Job probes the mystery of providence and of human suffering (1). Through tested, he did not sin (Ps). Even the lowliest among us is precious in God's sight (2).

Tuesday, September 27 S Vincent de Paul

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56
Job cries out to the Lord (Ps), cursing the day of his birth (1). Jesus is patient with those who do not accept him (2).

Wednesday, September 28 S Wenceslaus, S Lawrence Ruiz

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10b-15; Lk 9:57-62
How can a mere mortal bring proceedings against an all-knowing God (1) whose faithfulness is from of old (Ps)? Jesus speaks of the demands of discipleship (2).

Thursday, September 29 S Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
Let us join the countless hosts of angels (1a) in singing the praises of the Lord (Ps), and of his victory over sin and death (1b). They are God's faithful ministers (2).

Friday, September 30 S Jerome

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14b; Lk 10:13-16
Job longs to see God (1) in the land of the living (Ps). Jesus sends forth the seventy[-two] who proclaim the reign of God (2).

Saturday, October 1 S Therese

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Job acknowledges his limited understanding when compared to God's eternal wisdom (1, Ps). The mystery of the Father's love is revealed to the disciples (2).

Sunday, October 2 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

Faith is a gracious gift from God. It can neither be earned nor bought, only responded to with works of love and service (3). A vibrant faith can make us strong, loving, and wise (2), confident that God will guard us from all harm (1). He is the Rock of our salvation (Ps).

September 25, 2022

****STAR OF THE NORTH CLUSTER
OFFICE HOURS**

Office hours are as usual, however appointments are preferred. Please call the office during these hours and we will be here to answer or leave a message and we will call you back as soon as possible. Thank you.
Monday - 10:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.
Tuesday - Thursday - 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.
Friday - 10:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.

BAPTISM

To have your child baptized please contact the parish office 989-345-0064 extension 301 to make arrangements for baptismal preparation.

MARRIAGE PREP & R.C.I.A.

Anyone planning on getting married or would like to become a Catholic, please contact Joan Denemy at 989-345-0064 extension 304. For weddings please contact at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

PIANOS FOR SALE

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—Yamaha digital CLP-585
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ATTENTION

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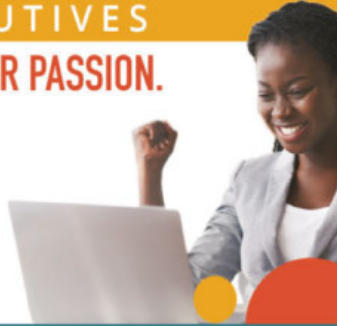


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