



“Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

November 5, 2023
31st Sunday
In Ordinary Time

*Welcome to Our Cluster
of Catholic Churches*

*Bienvenido Nuestro rupo
Iglesias Católicas*

Masses • Intentions • Daily Readings

Ministry Schedules
November 11

St. Francis Xavier 4:00 PM

Sacristan/EM.....Irene Bosman
LectorSharon Denhof
Ushers.....Don Crowley

St. Joseph 5:30 PM

Sacristan..... Deb Clelland
Lector Reggie Poindexter
EMHC Deb Clelland
Ushers Steve Umlor & Joe Dietrich
Servers Liam & Esme Beuschel

Sunday, November 12

St. Catherine 9:00 AM

Sacristan..... Brenda Goodno
Lector Rich Grover
EMHC Kathy Bensinger
Ushers Randy Helsen, Mike Iwaniw,
Jason Klein, and Luke Meyers
Servers.....Everleigh Hackenburg
& Chloe Bothe

St. Joseph 11:00 AM

Sacristan.....Ben Benefiel
LectorMichele Allers
EMHCBen Benfiel
Ushers Tyler & Charles Armock
Servers.....Mason & Elliot Gleich



Offertory October 29th
St Catherine..... \$3,941.
St. Francis Xavier.....\$1480.
St. Joseph\$4937.

St Joseph only. Text (616)
377-2855, enter the dollar
amount, Enter your info.
Questions: (616) 215-9181

Online Giving:

St Catherine:

tinyurl.com/5a9jfd6n

St Joseph: tinyurl.com/7ns3j3ya

St Francis Xavier:

tinyurl.com/5fep7wr23ya

Counters - Nov

St Catherine

Mary Patterson

Cheryl Helsen

St Francis Xavier

Bill May

St Joseph

Barb Umlor

Jackie Schoenborn

Marj Williams



Offerings

Saturday, November 4

Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11

3:00 PM ~ Confessions until 3:45 PM.....SFX

4:00 PM ~ Members of the Cluster.....SFX

+ Gerard Brown by Barb & Jeff Brown..... SFX

5:30 PM + Brian Schoenborn by Norma Umlor.....SJ

+ Diana Zimmer by family & friends.....SJ

Sunday, November 5

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1, 2, 3; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

9:00 AM ~ Members of the Cluster.....SC

+ Wyatt Maleski by Darlen Stepping.....SC

11:00 AM + Bonnie Denhof by Bill May.....SJ

+ Rosemary Rasch by MM Phil Brown.....SJ

Monday, November 6

Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14

8:00 AM ~RosarySFX

8:30 AM -Carol Poffinbarger by Luann .Shepardson.....SFX

5:15 PM ~Confession /Adoration until 6:15 pm.....SFX

Tuesday, November 7

Rom 12:5-16ab; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:15-24

8:30 AM + Margaret Miller by Esther Finkler.....SJ

9:00 AM ~ Adoration until 3:00 PM.....SJ

Wednesday, November 8

Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2,4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday, November 9

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

8:30 AM + Wyatt Maleski by M/M Rich Grover.....SC

Friday, November 10

Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 16:1-8

8:30 AM + James Kline by Alicia Laansma.....SJ

Saturday, November 11

Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15

3:00 PM ~ Confessions until 3:45 PM.....SFX

4:00 PM + John Diendorf by KC #4404.....SFX

+ Bill Finkler by M/M Mike Homrich..... SFX

5:30 PM ~ Members of the Cluster.....SJ

+Frank Knauf by M/M Dennis Umlor.....SJ

Sunday, November 12

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 1 Thes 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

9:00 AM +Deceased members of the

Herman Family by George Herman.....SC

+ Leonard Piasecki by Donna Piasecki.....SC

11:00 AM +Carmen Dietrich by M/M Leo Rasch.....SJ

+Michelle Graham by M/M George May.....SJ

ST CATHERINE-SC • ST FRANCIS XAVIER-SFX • ST JOSEPH-SJ

St. Catherine's News

Prayer Line
Mara Kroll: (231) 853-6880
Ethel Nutt: (231) 853-6733

St. Francis Xavier News

Prayer Line
Kate Videtich: (616) 678-5838
Lucille Finkler: (616) 899-2367



Thank you for all the prayers, kindness and support you have shown us. A special thanks to Fr Andrew and Deacon Ed for the personalized and meaningful rosary and funeral mass. We would also like to thank all the ladies that provided food and assisted with the luncheon.
~From the Family of Paul VanDyke

St. Joseph's News

Prayer Line
Linda Nowatzke: (616) 899-2166
Theresa Miller: (616) 899-5561

The Cluster News



Senior Euchre

1:30-3:30 PM St. Joseph Parish Hall. Barrier free entrance, lower south side. \$1 gets you an afternoon of fun!
Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month.
Next date is November 14th.



A loved one lost? In *GriefShare* you'll find that you are not alone and find others who understand. **Griefshare Topic: What do I live for now? We will explore why the process of moving forward is a necessity, and why peace and pain**

will always co-exist. Join us on Mondays at 5PM at **First Church Parsonage.**

Call 231-853-6621 for more information.



The Memorial Prayer Service for our loved ones, especially those we have lost this past year, will be held Sunday, November 5, 2023 in St. Francis Xavier Church at 3 p.m.

If you have a family member from outside our Cluster parishes enter into their heavenly home, from Oct 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 and would like them to be remembered at our Memorial Service, please call the parish office with the information by October 31st.

Blood Drive

Turn a new leaf
Fall into giving

Monday
November

20

2:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.



St. Vincent de Paul Hall
Community Blood Drive

Blood drive will be held in the Hall
21130 32nd Ave.
Conklin, MI 49403



APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED:
Call 866-642-5663, or scan the QR code.

*Walk ins welcome, as schedule allows!

Give blood, get noodles! Receive a coupon for a buy one, get one half off entrée from Noodles & Company, while supplies last. -PLUS- All attempting donors will be entered for a chance to win 1 of 3 DIY project prizes valued at \$2500.*

*NO PURCH. NEC. MI, OH, IL, IN, and WI residents only. 18+. Ends 11/16/23. One drawing, three (3) winners. Enter by blood donation or online. See Official Rules and online entry form at versiti.org/DIY. Sponsor: Versiti, Inc., 638 N. 18th St., Milwaukee, WI 53233.



****SAVE THE DATE****

**Tuesday, December 5, 2023
at 6:30PM**

The Ladies Advent by Candlelight will be held for All the Ladies of the Cluster Parishes for ages High School and up. More information to come!



Divine Providence Academy



Helping Hands is taken up as a second collect the **first Sunday of every month.**

The Helping Hands Scholarship is designed to help supplement the tuition to assist families with sending their children to a Catholic School.

Catholic Schools educate to develop the whole child. The educational process is an opportunity to cultivate the entire person by engaging the human need for physical, mental, social, and spiritual nourishment. It is the mission of Catholic Schools to do just that.

Bulletin Announcements

Please submit no later than Thursday by Noon, the week before the date of publishing. Submit to the office

clustersecretary@ourcluster.org

Items may be edited for content or space.

Spanish Ministry

Beginning in November, Spanish Mass will be held every second Sunday of the month at 1:30 at St. Joseph's Church.



Day of the Dead– Saturday, October 28th, Hispanic Ministry will have their annual altar, honoring the deceased in the back of church. All are invited to bring a photo or keepsake of their loved ones to place on the altar for the duration of the month of November.



****Tamale Sale****

Pre-Order with Zonia by November 2nd at noon.

Orders may be picked up after 5:30 Mass on November 4th and after 11:00 Mass on November 5th.

****Please contact****

Mrs. Zonia Martinez with any questions at 616-405-9338 or email zaniya42@gmail.com

Outside the Cluster

Volunteers needed for new St. Gianna's No Cost Baby Boutique!

Catholic Charities West Michigan will be opening their brand-new Grand Rapids baby pantry in late October on Plainfield Ave. The previous location inside God's Kitchen has closed. The new location will offer expanded services and room to help more families. They can't do this without the help of dedicated volunteers like you! Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays to sort and organize inventory and fill pantry orders for distribution. Volunteers should be able to do some light lifting.

Contact Davina at dbryan@ccwestmi.org to learn more or visit this link <https://www.volunteereasy.com/Site/CCWestMI/ViewOpportunity/98378#/>

Gianna's Baby and Toddler Boutique offers a selection of free items for infant and toddler care.

Serra Annual Vocations Benefit Dinner November 8th

Please join us in supporting our priests, seminarians and religious at the Annual Vocations Benefit Dinner to be held at Prince of Peace Parish in North Muskegon on Wednesday, November 8th, 2023. Sponsored by the Serra Club of Greater Muskegon, the Most Reverend David John Walkowiak, will provide our keynote talk. We will also share messages from current seminarians. The event starts with Mass at 6pm followed by dinner and program. Tickets are \$50 each or \$350 for sponsoring a table of 8. Please reserve by Tuesday, November 1st by calling or texting Robert Nolan at (231) 557-2943.

Please join us for the Michigan March for Life!

Be one of the voices lawmakers hear during the first-ever State March for Life! Join thousands of Catholics from across the State as we draw the attention of lawmakers and their staffs to the important, ongoing issue of respecting life from conception to natural death.

Date: Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023

Where: The State Capitol, 100 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing

Time: 9:30 a.m. - Mass at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Lansing.

Space is limited and you must register to attend Mass:

<https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/event/2023-mi-mass-life>
10 a.m. – Pre-Rally Concert, Capitol lawn

11 a.m. – Rally, Capitol lawn

Noon – March to the State Supreme Court

Register: mi.marchforlife.org

Men of the Eucharist

**STRENGTHENED IN
CHRIST
RESPONDING WITH JOY**



Pray for Seminarian:

Alex M. Paiz

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