

February 23, 2025
SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are collecting old palms for Ash Wednesday. Please put them in the basket in the narthex.
- *Estamos recolectando las palmas del año pasado para el Miércoles de Ceniza. Favor de dejarlos en el canasto en el nártex.*

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 10:00am

12:00pm (*Español*)

5:00pm

Monday: 12:10pm

Wednesday: 6:15pm (*Bilingual*)

Thursday: 12:10pm (*Latin*)

Friday: 12:10pm

First Saturday: 10:30am

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 3:00pm

Sunday: 4:00pm

30 minutes before each daily Mass

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Sunday: 4:00pm

30 minutes before each daily Mass

Office Located at the St. Mary Rectory: 239 W. Clay Ave
M: 9am-12pm & 1pm-5pm, T, W, & Th: 9am-12pm
Wednesdays at the former Hennessy's building - Handicap Accessible

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AROUND THE PARISH

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - COFFEE AND DONUTS

Our coffee and donut effort could use a few more volunteers! If you are interested in spending a little time once a month helping out with this opportunity for the parish to gather and have fellowship, please call the parish office and sign up. We have a few different roles to fill. Thank you!

AROUND THE DEANERY

PENANCE SERVICE: RECEIVE CHRIST'S FORGIVENESS & MERCY

Bishop Walkowiak will preside at a Penance Service at St. Francis de Sales, Norton Shores on Feb. 25 from 6-8pm.
Priests will be available to hear confessions after the service.

SERVICIO DE PENITENCIA: RECIBE EL PERDÓN Y LA MISERICORDIA DE CRISTO

El obispo Walkowiak presidirá un servicio de penitencia en St. Francis de Sales, Norton Shores, el 25 de febrero de 6 a 8 p.m. Los sacerdotes estarán disponibles para escuchar confesiones después del servicio.

SERRA CLUB SPEAKER EVENT CANCELED, TO BE RESCHEDULED

The serra club event scheduled for Thursday, February 27th, featuring Dcn. Jim Cross, has been canceled and will be rescheduled at a later time.

FAT TUESDAY PACZKI PARTY

Join us on March 4, 2025, 7:00-9:00 PM at Polish Falcons. 2 paczki, coffee/punch, and music by Virgil Baker & the Just for Fun Band. Cash bar. All for only \$8/person in advance, \$10 at the door or online. For tickets call Joane at 231-780-3162.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

FORMACIÓN PARA PAREJAS:

LA BELLEZA DEL "PARA SIEMPRE": FIDELIDAD, PACIENCIA Y PERDÓN

Preparación Matrimonial: Marzo 6, 13, 20, 27, 2025, 6:30pm – 9:00pm. \$100 por Pareja, incluye comidas y material.

Retiro de Parejas: Marzo 21-22, 2025. Presentador: Padre Cesar Arras CR. THEAT.

Viernes, Marzo 21: 6pm – 9pm. Sabado, Marzo 22: 8am – pm. \$60 por Pareja, incluye comida y material.



*Los dos tendrán lugar en: Centro Pastoral Diocesano (360 Division Ave. S., Grand Rapids, MI 494503).
Para registrarse en línea, escanee el código QR.*

AROUND THE DIOCESE, CONT.

JUBILEE YEAR: SYMPOSIUM ON THE TRUE, THE GOOD, AND THE BEAUTIFUL

March 1, 9am – 4pm

Donnelly Center at Aquinas College

Presentations on academic and artistic work that follow in the tradition of expressing truth, goodness, and beauty.

Find additional Jubilee Year events at Aquinas by visiting: aquinas.edu/jubilee-2025/

VOLUNTEER IN THE JUBILEE YEAR WITH CCWM

Turn your faith into action this Jubilee Year by serving your community alongside Catholic Charities West Michigan (CCWM)! On Friday, March 7, join CCWM's first of three "Days of Hope," a special time set aside to serve those in need. In Muskegon, volunteers will be crafting corsages for the elderly in our community who will be attending CCWM's annual senior prom. Save the date and sign up today at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4CA4AD22AAF58-54799281-days#/> or visit ccwestmi.org/jubilee for more information.

TOUCHED BY MERCY

Those affected by suicide are invited to Touched by Mercy on March 1 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Franciscan Life Process Center, Lowell Campus, 11650 Downes St. NE. Join us for this day of reflection led by Sister Colleen Ann Nagle FSE, MA, LPC. Lunch is included. Cost: \$65

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/TBM2025> Scholarships are available.

LEARN MORE ABOUT CATHOLIC TEACHING ON THE END OF LIFE

With advances in medical science and technology, the Church's position and guidance on end of life care may leave you feeling confused. How do these advancements shape our thoughts on hydration, pain relief and palliative care? Join Dr. Joel Phillips, regional medical director for palliative care and supportive care at Trinity Health Grand Rapids, Melissa Wedberg, vice president of community relations for Emmanuel Hospice, and Fr. Michael Cilibraise, pastor of Holy Family Church in Caledonia, to learn more. Join for this FREE event on Friday, March 21, from 1-3p.m., at Holy Family Church, at 9669 Kraft Ave., Caledonia. *Presentation sponsored by the Senior Care Coalition.

WE'RE HIRING!

We are looking for individuals who are passionate about sharing the Catholic faith to fill positions in our Catholic schools, parishes, and at the diocese. Please visit <https://grdiocese.org/employment/> to view open positions.

WANT TO DONATE?



Whether it's Hennessy's, Religious Ed, Celebrations/Dinners, Retreat Payments, or anything else - you can give easily!

Go to: www.osvhub.com/stmarysmuskegon/giving

Choose from 3 options:

- 1.) **Offertory** - used for general giving
- 2.) **Building and Restoration** - used to contribute to Hennessy's purchase, restoration projects, building upgrades, and more.
- 3.) **Other Gifts** - used for any other specific giving you want to make (i.e. retreat payment) - simply write who or what it's for.

PARISH GROUPS & APOSTOLATES

FORMACIÓN Y ADORACIÓN
Cada primer jueves del mes de 6:30 a 8:30 pm habrá formación espiritual y un tiempo de adoración del Santísimo. No reunimos en el sótano de la iglesia.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Visit our website for information about upcoming events: <https://stmarysmuskegon.org/high-school-youth-ministry/>

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCILS

Holy Rosary Council #13579
Marty Stevens, Grand Knight
(231) 402-0707

San Juan Bautista Council #9802
Angel Padilla, Grand Knight
(231) 329-6806

MEN'S GROUP

Meets every 1st Saturday of the month. We begin with adoration at 7am, followed by breakfast, fellowship, and faith.

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Meets on Tuesdays at 10:00am at the former Hennessy's building.

ST. JULIAN HOSPITALITY

Our parish hospitality group is looking for new members! If you would like to join, please contact the parish office.

ST. MARY'S LADIES GUILD

Meets on the first Saturday of the month after the 4pm Mass in Lourdes Hall, April-June and September-December.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Meets every 3rd Saturday of the month. Join us for adoration at 8am followed by prayer and fellowship. RSVPs appreciated but not required, please scan the QR code to RSVP:



UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 24	12:10pm	†Sharon Gardner
Wednesday, February 26	6:15pm	Intentions of Timothy
Thursday, February 27	12:10pm	†Sharon Gardner
Friday, February 28	12:10pm	†Sharon Gardner
Saturday, March 1	10:30am	First Saturday
	4:00pm	†Richard & Sharon Gardner
Sunday, March 2	10:00am	†Lorin Meade
	12:00pm	†Elida Rios & Francisco Solis
	5:00pm	People of our parish

EARLY RELICS EXHIBIT

Join us to venerate over 30 relics of the first century martyrs.

March 16, 2025

Holy Family Catholic Parish

9669 Kraft Ave, Caledonia, MI 49316

Public veneration from 3-4pm & 7:30-8:30pm. There will be a presentation of the relics from 6:00-7:30pm.

Please note that the exhibit will be closed from 4-6pm for a private presentation for our students and their parents.

EVANGELIZATION CLIP BY DEACON JIM SCHILTZ

Today's Gospel is one of the most challenging teachings of Jesus in all of the Gospels. Challenging, because we want everything to go our way. We are intolerant of people who "do not do it our way." We become defensive when challenged. Sadly, this applies even to our family, friends, and co-workers. Sometimes, we respond harshly. We judge people, even to the point of condemning them. We are slow to forgive, partially forgiving, or are non-forgiving. This makes us very much unlike Jesus. Consider our response when someone intentionally or inadvertently attacks or offends us. We could attack them in the same offensive way they offended us. We could become defensive in our response. A better solution would be to calmly enter into discussion with the other person. Seek the root cause of the problem. So. Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Be merciful. Stop judging. Stop condemning. Forgive. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

El Evangelio de hoy es una de las enseñanzas más desafiantes de Jesús en todos los Evangelios. Desafiante, porque queremos que todo salga a nuestra manera. Somos intolerantes con las personas que "no hacen las cosas a nuestra manera". Nos ponemos a la defensiva cuando nos desafían. Lamentablemente, esto se aplica incluso a nuestra familia, amigos y compañeros de trabajo. A veces, respondemos con dureza. Juzgamos a las personas, incluso al punto de condenarlas. Somos lentos para perdonar, perdonamos parcialmente o no perdonamos. Esto nos hace muy diferentes a Jesús. Considere nuestra respuesta cuando alguien nos ataca u ofende intencional o inadvertidamente. Podríamos atacarlos de la misma manera ofensiva en que nos ofendieron. Podríamos ponernos a la defensiva en nuestra respuesta. Una mejor solución sería entrar tranquilamente en una discusión con la otra persona. Busque la causa raíz del problema. Entonces. Amen a sus enemigos. Hagan el bien a los que los aborrecen. Amen a sus enemigos. Presten sin esperar recompensa. Sean misericordiosos. No juzguen. No condenen. Perdonen. Traten a los demás como quieran que los traten a ustedes.

PRAY FOR...

Abby Boxer – Cecelia Boxer – Isela Salazar – Valarie – Timothy – Jeffrey and Beth Bloom – Chloe – Annie Jim Koczur – the Mikula family – †Maureen Buckingham – †Lorraine LeMieux – Mary Boxer Aliyah Droblyn – William Mikesell

MILITARY

Staff Sgt. Jakob Bergquist – Petty Officer 2nd Class Dylan Hennigan