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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office, located in Deerfield, is open on **Tuesdays and Thursdays:**
Regular hours 9:00 AM-5:00 PM
Summer hours after Memorial Day through Labor Day: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Alphonsus
Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 AM
St. Peter
Tuesday and Thursday: 9:00 AM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

St. Alphonsus
Sunday: 8:00 AM
St. Peter
Sunday: 11:00 AM (10:00 AM Summer Schedule between Memorial Day and Labor Day)

Saturday Mass **alternates sites at 4:30 PM.** (See website for schedule.)

Both Sunday masses will be live streamed. Go to YouTube and enter **light of christ church blissfield-deerfield**. Click on "Subscribe" for easy access later, then look for the green circle with an **L** in the middle and click on it.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office: 517 447-3500.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 3:00-4:00 PM, at the alternating location of the Saturday Mass.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the office if someone is in the hospital, sick or homebound and would like to be visited and receive the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the pastor 9-12 months before preferred date.

PRAYER LIST

Please contact the office if you'd like to be added (or add someone with their permission) to the Bulletin and weekly E-news prayer list.

DAILY MASS CANCELLATION POLICY

When schools in either Blissfield or Deerfield (Britton-Deerfield) are on a 2-hour delay or canceled, daily mass and any evening parish events will be canceled as well. Please be aware of the possibilities of inclement weather (fog, ice, snow, etc.) and check for school postings before venturing out. Stay safe!

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Please call the parish office for contact info.

PARISH COMMISSIONS
Finance Commission
Education Commission
Social Ministry Commission
New Evangelization Commission

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS
Funeral Luncheon Committees
Knights of Columbus
Heritage Garden Club
Women of Prayer

FOOD PANTRY

Open the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 1-2 PM at the Parish Center in Deerfield. Food will be delivered to vehicles parked in the church parking lot or in front of the building.

February 23, 2025
The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Forgive
AND
you will
be forgiven.

~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 23, 2025
1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Luke 6:27-38

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2, 2025
Sirach 27:4-7
1 Corinthians 15:54-58
Luke 6:39-45

JUST AS WE
have BORNE
THE IMAGE OF THE
EARTHLY ONE
we SHALL
ALSO BEAR THE
IMAGE OF THE
HEAVENLY ONE
1 COR.

-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-

February 16, 2025

Sunday \$2,152 - 43 env
Loose \$85
Mercy Fund \$25 - 1 env
Total \$2,262

Online Giving

Sunday \$901 - 21 env
Mercy Fund \$5 - 1 env
Bequest and Donation \$26 - 1 env
Total \$932

Overall Total \$3,144

**SATURDAY 4:30 PM MASS
SITE LOCATION
2024-25 SCHEDULE**

March 1	Deerfield
March 8	Blissfield
March 15	Deerfield
March 22	Blissfield
March 29	Deerfield

**LITTLE BOOKS FOR LENT
FROM THE DIOCESE OF SAGINAW**

The Little (black) Books for Lent are available at each church. They contain 6-minute scripture passages and reflections for each day during Lent. The **Little Book for Lent** begins next weekend on **Sunday, March 2**, the Sunday before Ash **Wednesday** (beginning of Lent).

Please help yourself!

**2025 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL
"You are my Chosen Witnesses"**

This weekend is our Diocesan Services Appeal Commitment Weekend. I invite all members of our parish community to join in support of our annual appeal. Our parish goal is \$27,455.22. No gift is too small... every dollar donated helps those in our parish and in our unified efforts in the wider church. Further, one-half of all paid contributions received, over and above our parish goal, will be returned for our local use here at Light of Christ Parish.

You can submit your DSA pledge envelope during Mass this weekend - or take your DSA envelope home to prayerfully consider your gift decision. Those paying by cash or check are invited to return their completed pledge form in

the DSA envelope to our parish office. Those who wish to pay by credit card or electronic funds transfer may enter your gift online at www.dioceseoflansing.org/appeal. I encourage every one of our parish households to reflect on how we can bear witness to our faith in Jesus Christ by supporting the work of the DSA this year.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Elizabeth "Liz" Parros of Petersburg passed away on February 10th and her funeral was February 14th. Please keep Liz and her family in your thoughts and prayers.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Hosted by the Women of Prayer**

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration the first Tuesday or Wednesday of the month (alternating sites after 9:00am Daily Mass) from 9:30-10:30am.

**The next adoration will be:
Tuesday, March 4, 2025
St. Peter the Apostle Church, Blissfield
9:30-10:30am. All are welcome!**

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank all of the ladies and gentleman that worked or donated to Urvin Reau's funeral luncheon on February 11 and Liz Parros' funeral luncheon on February 14. Without your help, we could not have had beautiful tributes for them.

God bless and thank you,
Ann Curtis

**LIGHT OF CHRIST
SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE
FOOD, FUN, FRIENDSHIP!
WE STILL NEED YOU!**

Please join us to brainstorm some fun special events for parish social gathering opportunities at both sites of our parish.

We'd like to have YOU join our team for fun meetings (minimal commitment) and to be a part of adding some new fun events to our parish calendar. We already have some parishioners ready to join us, but we'd like many more so we can all get to know each other better.

Our first meeting will be **THIS Tuesday, February 25, at 7:00pm in the SALT Center in Deerfield**. Please join us for refreshments, fellowship, & fun!

Please contact:
Deanna Burke (deannabdr@gmail.com)
or **Sue Cousino**
(lightofchristparish@gmail.com)
or call the Parish Office at 517 447-3500 for more information.

**We look forward to hearing from you!
Be Not Afraid**

KNIGHTS' NEWS



Jesus summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up

his cross, and follow me." Mark 8:34. Let us ask the Holy Spirit for a generous increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated religious. St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, pray for us.

Attention ALL Knights! Our Council is having a **Knights & Wives Dinner after the 4:30 PM Mass this Saturday, February 22, at St. Peter Church Hall**. All Knights are welcome, along with Widows of Knights, and anyone interested in becoming a Knight. Dinner will be prepared and served by the Knights and dining will commence after the blessing. For details, please contact GK Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868. St. Valentine pray for us.

Thank you, Knights, for all your meaningful contributions to our communities including helping with the Fresh Food Friday food distribution, donating blood, recruiting new Knights, helping neighbors clear snow from sidewalks and driveways, checking on the well-being of others, telling a good joke, giving rides to doctors' appointments and many other charitable acts. Please remind recruits they can receive a FREE online membership by visiting www.koofc.org/join, enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY or call GK Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-5868. Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us.

Win \$12,000.00 Cash! Our Knights are selling Knights of Columbus Michigan State Council Raffle tickets to support many charities and worthy causes in our state. **1ST PRIZE:** \$12,000.00 Cash & Grand Hotel Vacation for 4. **2ND PRIZE:** \$3,000.00 Cash & Soaring Eagle Waterpark & Hotel vacation for 4. **3RD PRIZE:** \$2,000.00 Cash & Hot Air Ballon Ride for 4. **4TH PRIZE:** \$1,000.00 Cash & Detroit Helicopter Tour for 2. Other CASH prizes are available and all will be awarded April 10, 2025. Please purchase your tickets from any Knight. Suggested donation is \$5.00 each.

Please pray for a speedy recovery for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and for the health and well-being of our priests, deacons, and consecrated religious. " O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. Amen."

The Knights of Columbus meet in Blissfield at 7:00pm every first Thursday of the month.

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

Tues., February 25- 9:00am St. Peter
† Charles & Josephine Szymanowski
by the Estate of Elizabeth G. Rost

Wed., February 26- 9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† John Witt
by family

Thurs., February 27- 9:00am, St. Peter
† Deacon David Paul Barrett
by Parish

Fri., February 28-9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† Jack Gainsley
by Henry & Dolores Thompson

Sat., March 1- 4:30pm, St. Alphonsus
† John Witt
by family

**Sun., March 2-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
† Ila Salenbien
by family

11:00am, St. Peter
† the People of the Parish

**NOTE: DAILY MASS CANCELLATION POLICY
FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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SAVE THE DATE!

**LENTEN SOUP & SUBSTANCE
Feed Your Body and Your Soul!**

Want to share your special soup?

There will be **sign up sheets** in the back of each church so you can **bring a crockpot of soup** to one of our soup suppers. We're usually blessed with many different types of soup, so why not join in on the fun! **The Parish will provide bread, butter, and beverages.**

The soup suppers will be:

**Wednesday, March 19, Blissfield &
Wednesday, April 9, Deerfield**
6:00pm Soup Supper
6:30pm Substance (Scott Hahn Video)
7:00pm Reconciliation (Confession)

Please join us and, if you're able, consider signing up to bring a soup so we have enough and a variety for all.

**We look forward to seeing you at our
Lenten Soup & Substance!**

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2025

Wednesday March 5:

Ash Wednesday:
9:00am Mass: Blissfield
7:00pm Mass: Deerfield

Friday, March 7:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Blissfield

Wednesday, March 12:

Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm Deerfield

Friday, March 14:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Deerfield

Wed., March 19: Soup & Substance Blissfld.

Soup Supper: 6:00pm
Scott Hahn Video: 6:30pm
Reconciliation (Confession): 7:00pm

Friday, March 21:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Blissfield

Wednesday, March 26:

Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm Deerfield

Friday, March 28:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Deerfield

Wednesday, April 2:

Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am Deerfield
Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm Blissfield

Friday, April 4:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Blissfield

Wed., April 9: Soup & Substance Deerfld.

Soup Supper: 6:00pm
Scott Hahn Video: 6:30pm
Reconciliation/Confession: 7:00pm

Friday, April 11:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Deerfield

Sunday, April 13:

Palm Sunday, Beginning of Holy Week,
regular Mass times

EASTER TRIDUUM

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

4/17: HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00pm Blissfield

4/18: GOOD FRIDAY

Passion of the Lord, 7:00pm Blissfield

4/19: HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil, 8:30pm Deerfield

4/20: EASTER SUNDAY

**Resurrection of the Lord
8:00am Deerfield, 11:00am Blissfield**

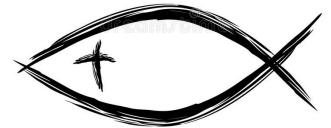
THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, February 25
Special Events Committee Meeting
7:00pm, SALT Center, Deerfield

Sunday, March 2
El. & MS Religious Education
**1st-8th Grade
BREAK**

Tuesday, March 4
Eucharistic Adoration
hosted by Women of Prayer
After 9:00am Daily Mass
9:30am-10:30am in Blissfield

ASH WEDNESDAY
First Day of Lent



Wednesday, March 5
9:00am Mass, Blissfield
7:00pm Mass, Deerfield

**LET US PRAY FOR
OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS
AND THEIR CAREGIVERS**

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Kathleen Adams | Gale LaVoy |
| Rita Bausman | Debbie Marietta |
| Aiden Beauregard | Vinny Martinez |
| Linda Beham | Joseph Mueller |
| Mike Bomia | Muriel Mueller |
| Ella Borowski | John Musielewicz |
| Ginger Borowski | Brenda Nagy |
| Becky Branscum | Karen Nevins |
| Darlene Breitner | Ken Nevins |
| Larry Brenke | Bev Pifer |
| Doris Bussing | Bob Rains |
| Danny Butcher | Eva Ricker |
| Linda Butcher | Brendan Robaszkievicz |
| Nicole Cassidy | Joseph Savarin |
| Stephen Cassidy | Sharon Schadewald |
| Liam Cherry | Jeannie Schroeder |
| Mary Clemes | Harold Sears |
| Isabelle DeLaCruz | Pat Sears |
| Madeline Denecker | Steve Shields |
| Colin Dietrich | Becky Shusta |
| Webb Drew | Margaret Smith |
| George Eastwood | Kenneth Smolka |
| Elaine Esper | Melissa Stasko |
| Kenneth Faust | Emily Stevens |
| Jennifer Gilson | Dana Strickler |
| Reagan Gobel | David Stucker |
| Katy Goodman | Stewart VanPelt |
| Makenzie Greer | Alice Van Staveren |
| Tammy Jarvis | Franz Van Staveren |
| Susan Johnson | Flo Wentworth |
| CJ Karpinski | Rita Woods |
| Norma Kelly | Kristen Wright |
| Traci Knaggs | |

Please call the parish office if you would like to receive the sacrament of the Sick, which can be done before/after mass, at your home or in the hospital. Also, if you or someone you know is on the above list and no longer needs to be, please contact the office at 517 447-3500.



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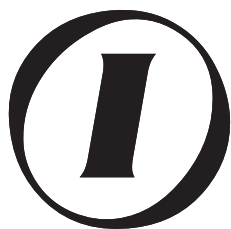
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