



LIGHT OF CHRIST CATHOLIC PARISH

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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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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.

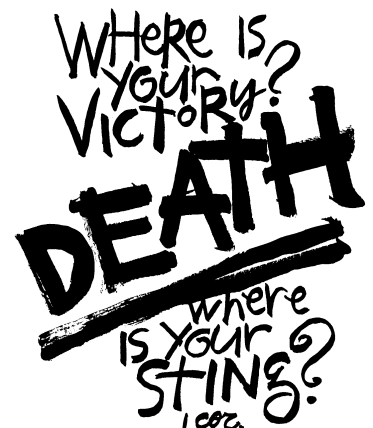
March 2, 2025
The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



~READINGS FOR THE WEEK~

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

The First Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2025
Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13



-STEWARDSHIP REPORT-

February 23, 2025

Sunday \$4,217 - 79 env

Loose \$180

Mercy Fund \$30 - 2 env

Total \$4,227

Online Giving

Sunday \$2,278.50 - 29 env

Mercy Fund \$25 - 3 env

Monthly Pledge \$7.50 - 1 env

Total \$2,311

Overall total \$6,538

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

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

SAVE THE DATE!!

Light of Christ Parish

VOLUNTEER

APPRECIATION

1950'S SOCK-HOP

Saturday, April 26

at the SALT Center

Invitations going out soon!

IT WILL BE A BASH!!

Spring Equinox Ritual
Celebration

All are invited to welcome the return of Spring with the Spring Equinox Ritual.

Celebration from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 23, 2025, at Weber Retreat and Conference Center. Bring a story and song, gratitude, and, if you like, a treat to share.

The celebration is free and open to all. Registration is not required.

Weber Center is on the campus of the Adrian Dominican Sisters Motherhouse, Adrian, Michigan. On East Siena Heights Drive, turn into the driveway between Adrian Rea Literacy Center and the solar panel-covered carport. Follow the signs to Weber Center.

For information, call the Weber Center at 517-266-4000.

2025 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

"You are my Chosen Witnesses"

Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge to the Diocesan Services Appeal this year. If you have not yet made your gift decision, please consider doing so today. Envelopes are available in the pews and may be placed in the collection basket or returned to the parish office. Those wishing to make their commitment online may do so at www.dioceseoflansing.org/appeal. Remember, 50% of all contributions in excess of our parish goal will come back to our parish for local use.

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 this weekend on **Sunday, March 2**, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday (beginning of Lent).

Please help yourself!

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:

THIS Tuesday, March 4
St. Peter the Apostle Church, Blissfield
9:30-10:30am. All are welcome!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY & HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ALL CELEBRATING IN MARCH!!

MANY BLESSINGS TO YOU.

STEWARDSHIP FOR SAINTS AND SCHOLARS CAMPAIGN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As you may have seen featured in Faith Magazine, the campaign aims to strengthen the mission, affordability, and accessibility of Catholic schools throughout the Diocese of Lansing.

For every dollar raised towards our parish goal, twenty cents will be allocated to directly support our parish needs.

We're requesting your help as a volunteer as we meet with campaign representatives to achieve this goal. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this mission which will **aid in the faith formation of the young people that will be the adult leaders of our future church.**

Volunteer Orientation is
Tuesday, March 11, 6:30-7:30pm, SALT Cr.

Please contact Fr. Jeff or the parish office for more information.



KNIGHTS' NEWS

Jesus said, "Judge not and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive and you will be forgiven; give and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, and it will be put in your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back." Luke 6:37-38. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to convert the warriors so the differences between Russia and the Ukraine can be settled. Our Lady of Fatima pray for us.

ALL parishioners, students, and Knight are invited to the recitation of the 1ST Thursday Rosary, March 6, 6:30 PM at St. Peter the Apostle Church. Extra Rosaries are available for those in need. "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy. Amen"

Knights are Pro-Life! 40 Days for Life, March 3 - April 13, is a peaceful prayerful campaign to end abortion through prayer, fasting, sacrificing, and peaceful vigil. Since 2007 we have helped save over 25,000 babies' lives, converted over 250 abortion workers and closed over 150 abortion centers. For more information about local participation please visit www.40daysforlife.com/Toledo, contact Kevin Jorrey at kjorrey@toledodiocese.org, or call him at 419 214-4933. St. Perpetua and St. Felicity, Martyrs, pray for us.

Our Holy Father's Intention: For Families in Crisis - Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Congratulations and thank you Knights and family members for making the recent Knights & Wives Dinner a complete success. Now we can spread the good cheer by inviting others to join the Knights for FREE by having them contact Grand Knight Nicolas Martinez at 517 442-3868, or by inviting them to visit www.kofc.org/join, enter Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, and pay no dues for 12 months. For Insurance, Investments, and other Fraternal Benefits questions anyone can contact our local field agent, Nicolas Novak, at 810 620-4240 or email Nicolas.Novak@kofc.org. St. Casimir pray for us.

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



Daylight Saving Time begins
next Sunday, March 9!

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

Tues., March 4- 9:00am St. Peter
† Tom & Juanita Garrett
by Mike & Sheila Garrett

**Wed., March 5- Ash Wednesday
9:00am, St. Peter**
† the People of the Parish
7:00pm, St. Alphonsus
† John Witt by family

Thurs., March 6- 9:00am, St. Peter
† Charles & Josephine Szymanowski
by the Estate of Elizabeth G. Rost

Fri., March 7-9:00am, St. Alphonsus
† Robert Forgiel
by Tom Marzec

Sat., March 8- 4:30pm, St. Peter
† Lena Silva
by granddaughters

**Sun., March 9-
8:00am, St. Alphonsus**
† Darlene Forche
by Leo Forche & family

11:00am, St. Peter
† Gus Laroy
by Russell & Rossa Parish

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FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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SAVE THE DATES!

**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

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

Sunday, March 9
✠El. & MS Religious Education✠
1st-8th Grade
9:50am-10:50am Blissfield

ASH WEDNESDAY
First Day of Lent



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

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

Kathleen Adams	Traci Knaggs
Rita Bausman	Gale LaVoy
Aiden Beaumgard	Debbie Marietta
Linda Beham	Vinny Martinez
Mike Bomia	Joseph Mueller
Ella Borowski	Muriel Mueller
Ginger Borowski	John Musielewicz
Becky Branscum	Brenda Nagy
Darlene Breitner	Karen Nevins
Larry Brenke	Ken Nevins
Doris Bussing	Bev Pifer
Danny Butcher	Bob Rains
Linda Butcher	Eva Ricker
Nicole Cassidy	Brendan Robaszkiwicz
Stephen Cassidy	Joseph Savarin
Liam Cherry	Sharon Schadewald
Mary Clemes	Jeannie Schroeder
Karen Coopshaw	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

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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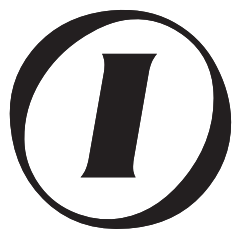
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