



St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish

One Holy Family
Together In Christ

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St. Mary Church

700 Columbia Dr., Durand, MI 48429

1-855-288-6704

Mass Times:

Sat.: 5:00pm - Sun.: 11:30am

Weekday Masses - See Bulletin

Office hours: Mon., Thurs., Fri., 8:30am to
2:30pm.

Tues. 8:30am to Noon

Website: stmarystjoseph.org

Myparishapp.com

St. Joseph Church

9450 Duffield Rd., Gaines, MI 48436

1-989-271-8434

Mass Time:

Sun.: 8:30am

Weekday Masses - See Bulletin

Office hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs.,
9:00am to 3:00pm.

Website: stmarystjoseph.org

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~Sacraments~

Baptism: You must be a registered active member of either Parish for three months prior to the baptism. Parents are expected to attend a baptismal preparation class before baptism.

Marriage: Arrangements should be made at least 12 months before the date of the marriage to take marriage preparation courses.

Anointing of Sick: Upon request, contact the Durand office, 1-855-288-6704.

RCIA: Starts in the fall. Contact your respective parish office for times and dates.

Reconciliation: St. Joseph on Wednesday 9:00am to 9:30am. St. Mary on Saturday 3:30pm to 4:30pm. Special request, contact the Durand office. Check the bulletin for special times.

From the Pen of the Pastor...



Dear brothers and sisters,
I am in Salina, KS as I write this for the episcopal ordination in a few hours of Bishop-elect Jerry Vincke. You may have seen his picture and story in Faith magazine and the local papers because he is not only a priest from our diocese but also grew up just north of us in New Lothrop.

Bishop Vincke was the vocations director when I entered seminary and he is a big reason why I ended up studying for the diocese of Lansing. God worked through him to make it clear to me I should be here. In the years that followed, I came to know Bishop (then Father) Vincke as a good man, a joy to be around and a holy priest. Salina, KS is getting a good bishop and we are losing a good priest. I am grateful to be able to be here and I will miss him greatly.

As our Church deals again with gravely sinful actions on the part of bishops and priests and grapples with how best to not only bring justice, healing and mercy to victims but also prevent such evils as best we can in the future, I am praying hard that Bishop Vincke will be a shepherd after the Good Shepherd's own heart, a man who will help bring healing, reconciliation and conversion to our world. I know he was this type of shepherd as a priest in our diocese. He spoke of this briefly last night at our Vespers (evening prayer) service. While I believe more can and should be done, and that it will involve the laity leading in bringing about helpful change, we can start, as Pope Francis wrote this week, with prayer and fasting. Please pray and fast, and pray that all priests and bishops will dedicate themselves to prayer and fasting for their conversion and in reparation for sins we have committed. And pray that bishops and priests will have the wisdom, courage and humility to make changes that help us all grow in holiness and become saints.

We (finally!) received the professional appraisal on the Delaney property for which we have been waiting. This means in the coming days we will be working as a parish with the diocese on selling the property. There is a good amount of interest in the property, so I am hopeful we will get market value for it. Some of the steps that will be involved to make this sale will be meeting with our finance and parish councils, communicating with the diocese, getting the approval of the diocesan finance council and college of consultants along with the bishop. Lots of steps! Lots of people! Please join me in praying that all of this goes smoothly, quickly and successfully.

May God bless you and your family abundantly this week.

GROW + GO

**Grow - Pray.....for others
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
SUFFERING OF ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH**

For those who are ill at home, in the hospital or in the nursing home.
Alex Proulx, Janette Borke, Steve Doyle, Dick and Stephanie Schlenker, William & Rosemary Gamble, Ben Monroe, Janette Borke, and Curt Rivard

Please note: Individual names will remain on the prayer list for four (4) weekends, before being removed. If your illness is long term, your name should be put on the prayer board in the back of your church. St. Mary's parish office 1-855-288-6704 or the St. Joseph's office at 989-271-8434.

Pray for all men and women in the armed services.

St. Mary & St Joseph Parish Mass Schedule

Monday, August 27 - No Mass
Tuesday, August 28- St. Mary
 Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am
 Mass - 8:30am - Alexander Rushka by John & Peggy Mitosinka

Wednesday, August 29 - St. Joseph
 Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am
 Mass - 8:30am - Kevin Dickenson and Bud Pitman by Mary Dickenson and Ceil Pitman
 † **Sacrament of Reconciliation** - 9:00am to 9:30am

Thursday, August 30 - St. Mary
 Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am
 Mass - 8:30am - Bob Tillson by Karen Carsten

Friday, August 31 - St. Mary
 Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am
 Mass - 8:30am - Margaret Doyle by Hyla & Bud Brown Family

Saturday, September 1 - St. Mary
 † **Sacrament of Reconciliation** - 3:30pm to 4:30pm
 Mass - 5:00pm - Chris Coady by family

Sunday, September 2
St. Joseph Mass - 8:30am - James Elford by John and Patti Mueller
St. Mary Mass - 11:30am - St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishioners

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time Prayer...



...O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Rest In Peace

**We pray for
Charles Klein**
 Husband of Marianne, father to Chad, Mark, Suzanne & Maureen
 ...that he may now enjoy the great blessings of eternal life. We pray also for his family and friends that they may find peace in the promises of Christ.

Rest In Peace

**We pray for
Chester "Chet" Grifka**
 Husband of Sylvia, father to Colleen and Shelley
 ...that he may now enjoy the great blessings of eternal life. We pray also for his family and friends that they may find peace in the promises of Christ.



New! New! New!

Story Hour

For children ages
3 to young 5
beginning Saturday,
Sept. 8th



The St. Mary and St. Joseph **Story Hour** for wee ones will be rooted in stories from the greatest library of stories the world over—the **Bible**! We may make a lapbook or try our hand at acting out the story. We'll play instruments and learn songs and finger play. Imagination is all that is needed!

Story Hour will be held at the home of parishioner Linda Yanta on Saturday mornings from 10:00am to 11:00am. **At least one parent must accompany their child to Story Hour.** Sharing your faith with your little one is as simple as joining in the fun! Have you ever built an ark or journeyed with Jonah when he was swallowed by a whale?

Questions? Look for Linda in the St. Mary and St. Joseph gathering spaces after the Masses, Sept. 1st & 2nd. Information and examples of content will be provided. Or call or email...

810-877-0919/lyanta@charter.net



"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I may remember. Involve me and I learn..."

Benjamin Franklin

September Event Calendar

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Life Teen Open House	Sat/ 8 th Sun/ 9 th	6pm 12:30pm	St Mary Ed Bldg St Mary Ed Bldg
Religious Education	Sun/9 th	9:45am	St Mary
Life Teen Meeting	Sat/ 15 th	6-7:30pm	St Mary Ed Bldg
Diocese of Lansing Assembly <i>Outdoor Eucharistic Procession</i> <i>Assembly Gathering with Speakers</i> All Diocesan Mass	Sat/ 22 nd	7am – 6pm 9:30-11:30am 1:00- 4:30pm 4:30-6:00pm	Lansing St Mary Cathedral Breslin Center Breslin Center
<i>5:00pm, Saturday Mass at St Mary will be cancelled for Sat, Sept 22nd</i>			
Parish Council Meeting	Tues/ 25 th	7pm	St Joseph
Altar Servers Training	Sat/ 29 th	9:30-11am <i>(lunch included)</i>	St Joseph
Altar Servers Training	Sat/ 29 th	12-2:00pm	St Mary

Life Teen

Open House at
St Mary, Fr. Hay Building

Sept 8th, 6-7pm

Sept 9th, 12:30-1:30pm

Life Teen Mass

Sept 15th

5pm Mass, St Mary

Rosary

St. Mary:

Gathering space, Tues., 1:30pm

St. Joseph:

Sundays at 8am

Divine Mercy Chaplet

St. Mary-Fridays at 9am

Litany to the Sacred Heart-
First Fridays

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St. Mary

Sept 6, Thurs 7pm
Sept 20, Thurs 7pm
Education Building

St. Joseph

Sept 4th, Tuesday
7pm
St Joseph Hall

MotherTeresa

Meeting:

St. Joseph

First Tuesday at
6:30pm

Bake Sale:

Last Sunday -
After 8:30am Mass

Working Hands

Ministry

Sept 19th
Wed, 7-8:30pm

Sept 20th

Thurs, 1-2:30pm

St Mary Ed Building

St. Joe Food

Pantry

1st & 3rd Wed.
of the month

St Mary and

St Joseph,

Pray for us.....

Diocese of Lansing

Assembly

Sat, Sept 22nd

Register now:

Madeforhappiness.org

All Diocesan Mass

4:30-6pm Breslin Center
Lansing, MI

Choir

St. Mary



Saturdays at 3:45pm
Sundays at 10:30am

St. Joseph

Every Saturday or
as scheduled

GROW + GO **Grow - Serve.....others' needs**
 The St. Mary Outreach is collecting school supplies and backpacks for the kids that we service. Please pick up some extras while shopping and leave them in the box in the gathering center. Thanks!

GROW + GO **Grow - Study.....the faith**
New! New! New! Story Hour - For children 3 to young 5 beginning Saturday, Sept. 8. Contact Linda Yanta for more details: 810-877-0919. See this weeks insert for more information.

LIFE TEEN

Attention Attention!! Calling all 8th-12th grade teens and families!! There will be a Lifeteen Open House on September 8 from 6:00pm-7:00pm and September 9 from 12:30pm-1:30pm in the Father Hay Education Building, in the 6th/Lifeteen classroom. There will be refreshments and information on what Lifeteen is and how your teen can become involved. Looking forward to seeing you!!

This week's prayer to carry in your hearts and your prayer time:
Pray for all those having surgery.

GROW + GO **Grow - Serve.....others' needs**
 The Mother Teresa Group is planning our second annual Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, Nov. 3. We are looking for crafters and vendors interested in renting tables for this event. Again this year, tables will rent for only \$20. The Mother Teresa Group is also looking for crafts to sell at our table. If you have something to donate, please contact any of the ladies. Lunch will be available as well as a bake sale. Table rentals will be available September 1. Please contact Jill Rohner for additional information at 810-836-1557

GROW + GO **Grow - Study.....the faith**
 Religious Education classes will begin Sunday, September 9. We will begin with a parent / student session in the church at St. Mary. We will begin at 9:45am. Registration forms may be filled out ahead of time and placed in the collection basket. Please make checks out to St. Mary and St. Joseph.

Thank You! A big Thank You to all that have worked so hard this summer to keep the grounds at St Mary and St Joseph looking so beautiful! Thank you for all of your time and talent for mowing, weeding, and planting flowers!

GROW + GO **Grow - Serve.....others' needs**
 The Working Hands Ministry (WHM) will be meeting on the following dates for the remainder of 2018. All meetings are held at the St. Mary Education Building:
 Wednesdays, 7:00pm to 8:30pm
 Sept. 19; Oct. 3, 17, 24; Nov. 14, 28; Dec. 12
 Thursdays, 1:00pm to 2:30pm
 Sept. 20; Oct. 4, 18; Nov. 1, 15, 29; Dec. 13
 More information to follow.

GROW + GO **Grow - Serve.....others' needs**
 Northeast Regional Council of Catholic Woman (NECCW) Fall Meeting: Sept. 27, starting with 8:30am Mass with meeting and event to follow. St. Roberts Catholic Church, 310 N. Cherry St., Flushing. Theme: Human Trafficking. Guest Speaker, Amy Rouleau of Restoration Place. Registration in Angel Hall, Refreshments, Business meeting & Free Luncheon. RSVP Kay Huggins, 810-659-8129.

Catholic Charities
 Shiawassee County Catholic Council on Aging
Senior Day of Appreciation
Monday, September 24, 2018
 St. Isidore Catholic Church
 310 Crum Street, Laingsburg
 Please join us for a time of reflection and fellowship.
 Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m.
 For more information or to RSVP for this free event, please contact your parish office to register no later than Monday, September 18th.




GROW + GO **Grow - Serve...others' needs**
ST. MARY USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018
 5:00pm – Jim Morency, Diana Lippstew
 Dick & Pat Tullar
 11:30am – Tim Trebtoske, Brenda Wells,
 Joe & Paty Guzniczak
ST. MARY GREETERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018
 5:00pm – Michael and Sharon Gould
 11:30am – Lauretta Bradley

Parish Support for the weekend of August 19



August 19 offering (general collection)....	\$4,574.60
Energy.....	\$73.00
Outreach.....	\$1,038.00
Building Debt.....	\$200.00
Peters Pence.....	\$125.00
Altar Society.....	\$155.00
Assumption.....	\$951.00

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 September 2 bulletin cut off is Mon., August 27 by 10:00am. bulletinmj@gmail.com