



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.

**St. Mary & St Joseph Parish
Mass Schedule**

Monday, October 1 - No Mass
Tuesday, October 2 - No Mass
Wednesday, October 3 - No Mass
Thursday, October 4 - No AM Mass
St. Mary - Special Mass for Healing and Reparation
 Mass - 6:30pm - For Reparation, Healing and Conversion
First Friday, October 5 - St. Mary
Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am
Mass - 8:30am - Chester "Chet" Grifka by Ann Taylor
Friday, October 5 - Senior Care Center
Mass - 10:30am - First Responders and Healthcare workers
Saturday, October 6 - St. Mary
 † **Sacrament of Reconciliation - 3:30pm to 4:30pm**
Mass - 5:00pm - Eleanor and Joseph Cesar by family
Sunday, October 7
St. Joseph Mass - 8:30am - Violet Lalone by Dcn Wayne and Sandy Corrión
St. Mary Mass - 11:30am - St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishioners

Mark Your Calendar...

Fr. Jon will be at the annual priest convocation from Oct 1-4. Because of this there will be no 8:30am Masses or Eucharist Adoration on Oct 2-4. Fr. Jon will be back to celebrate Mass Thursday evening (Oct 4) at 6:30pm in reparation for the sins of priests and bishops, for healing and conversion.

PLEASE NOTE: Since we are in our fourteenth month since St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishes merged and changed our name to St. Mary and St. Joseph Parish, we are asking for those parishioners that make their donations by check, to please start writing their checks out to St. Mary and St. Joseph Parish if you haven't already. At some point, Sagelink Credit Union (our banking institution) will be requiring that all checks be made out to our new name. Please keep this in mind when writing out your donation checks. Thank you so much. If you have any questions, please contact Paul Williamson at the office at 1-855-288-6704 Ext 7001

GROW + GO **Grow - Pray.....every day**
 A **special Mass** is being offered for reparation and healing the first Thursday in October, Oct 4, at 6:30pm, at St. Mary church, followed by a Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration. Please try to attend this special Mass and time with the Lord.

Rest In Peace

**We pray for
Joanne Smarney**
 Mother to Julie.

...that she may now enjoy the great blessings of eternal life. We pray also for her family and friends that they may find peace in the promises of Christ.

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time Prayer...



...O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. 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.

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.
 Roy Beville, Jean O'Bannon, Joe Lezovich, Dale Osborn, Hope Reed, Jerry Reed II, Janette Borke, Curt Rivard, Bob Smith, Alex Proulx.

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.

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Grow - Serve....others' needs

There will be a **Finance Council Meeting** on Tuesday, Oct 16, at 7:00pm at St Joseph Church.

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Grow - Serve.....others' needs

The Durand St. Mary Knights of Columbus Council 7955 is temporarily changing their monthly business meeting from the first Thursday to the second Thursday of the Month at 7:00pm.

This change will stay in place as long as there is a Reparation mass on the first Thursday. Thank You. K of C council 7955

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St. Mary Outreach Food Pantry; Save the Dates for the 2019 distributions!!! Looking forward to another great year!

Call Dates:

Distribution Date

Jan 14 – Jan 18
 Feb 11 – Feb 15
 Mar 25 – Mar 29
 June 3 – June 7
 Aug 12 – Aug 16
 Oct 21 – Oct 25

Jan 26
 Feb 23
 Apr 6
 June 15
 Aug 24
 Nov 2

From the Pen of the Pastor



Dear sisters and brothers,

Those who went were blessed. Now that Fall has returned, and being a Michigan fan, my thoughts seem to turn more frequently to Wolverine football. The coach Bo Schembechler had a saying: “Those who stay will be champions.” It came to mind as I thought of our Diocesan Assembly “Made For Happiness” last Saturday: *Those who went were blessed*. And those who stayed to the end of Mass, were blessed—with an papal blessing and plenary indulgence

It was a day where the Holy Spirit was present and at work in our midst.

In running into our parishioners and people that I know throughout the diocese, I was surprised at how often I heard the comment: “When are we doing this again?” And they were asking this while it was still the middle of the event! To have everyone from kids to grandparents make the same comment, and to see peoples’ faith in action through reverent prayer, through powerful, contrite confessions, through joy at learning about the faith, and so much more, was a clear sign to me that God was present and at work. You can see pictures and video at our diocesan website and Facebook page.

As we enter another Year of Prayer for the Holy Spirit as a diocese, join me in praying that our parish, and every one of us, will be open to God’s will, and experience a new outpouring, a new baptism, of the Holy Spirit. Pray that God will raise us all up to be missionary disciples and make our lives eternally fruitful.

We had a short Parish Council meeting this past Tuesday, mostly reviewing current and in-the-works projects taking place, including two connected to our Witness to Hope funds: parking lot lights for our St. Joseph church parking lot and a better elevator at our St. Mary church.

The parking lot light plans have been finalized and approved and we will have two new parking lot light poles with two LED lights each on them in the near future. It will be at least two months as the poles take 8-10 weeks to come in. The light poles will be placed in the middle of the lot, near the ends of the church building to maximize coverage.

On the elevator front, we are soliciting bids from architect firms so that we can develop designs. From there, we can accurately determine the cost of the project and decide if now is the right time.

Also, please say a prayer to Mary and Joseph that the property on Baldwin Rd that we hope to sell will happen quickly as we try to overcome some frustrating (at least for me!) obstacles that have significantly slowed down the process.

Finally, this year we are trying to enter into 40 Days For Life in a new way: by “hosting” one of the days of prayer and vigil in front of Planned Parenthood on Beecher Rd. This means we will try to cover all the prayer/vigil hours on one specific day during this Falls’ campaign (Oct. 24 from 8:00am – 6:00pm). You might recall that 40 Days For Life is a world-wide movement that seeks to bring an end to abortion through the power of God through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil.

A parishioner has volunteered to help coordinate our parish covering the hours from 8:00am – 6:00pm on Wednesday, October 24, in front of the facility. This is a great opportunity to prayerfully ask God to end abortion, to pray for the victims of abortion, and to witness to the truth about the fact that life begins at conception and every human life is of infinite and equal dignity. This is not side-walk counseling, or anything confrontational, but peaceful, prayerful witness. I will be there on 10/24 from 4:00pm – 6:00pm.

You can find out more or sign up to cover an hour or half-hour after Mass or contact the parish office.

Whenever I think and speak (or write) on abortion, I am always reminded of God’s desire to heal and forgive as he calls us to conversion and the truth. If you have been involved in the past in any way with an abortion, there is always hope. And there is a wonderful ministry that helps with healing: Rachel’s Vineyard. Find out more at: rachelsvineyard.org

May God bless our parish and wider community this coming week.

October Event Calendar

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
No daily Masses	M-Th/ 1-4 th	8:30am	St Mary/ St Joseph
RCIA sessions	Mon/ 1-29 th	7:00pm	St Mary Ed Bldg
Mass for Healing and Reparation Eucharistic Adoration	Thu/ 4 th Thu/ 4 th	6:30pm 7-8:00pm	St Mary St Mary
Finance Council Meeting	Tues/ 16 th	7:00pm	St Joseph
K of C Chicken Dinner	Fri/ 19 th	5:00pm	St Joseph Hall
Life Teen Mass	Sun/ 21 st	11:30am	St Mary
Ladies Altar Society presents: *** "Evelyn Smallbladder" ***	Thu/ 25 th	7-9:00pm	St Mary <i>lower level</i>
Life Teen Meeting	Sat/ 27 th	6:15-7:45pm	St Mary Ed Bldg

Life Teen

Mass and Holy Hour

Thursday, Oct 4th, 6:30-8:00pm

Life Teen Mass

Sunday, Oct 21st
11:15am-12:30pm

Life Teen Meeting

Sat, Oct 27th
6:15-7:45pm

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

K of C

St. Mary

Oct 4th, Thurs 7pm
Oct 18th, Thurs 7pm
Education Building

St. Joseph

Oct 2nd, Tuesday
7pm
St Joseph Hall

Mother Teresa

Meeting:

St. Joseph

First Tuesday at
6:30pm

Bake Sale:

Last Sunday -
After 8:30am Mass

Working Hands

Ministry

Wednesdays-
Oct 3, 17, 24th
7-8:30pm

Thursdays-

Oct 4, 18th
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.....

RCIA

Rite of Christian
Initiation for
Adults

Mondays

7pm

St Mary's Ed Building

Choir

St. Mary

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

St. Joseph

Every Saturday at
10:00am or
as scheduled

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Grow - Serve.....others' needs

The two Knights of Columbus Councils at St. Mary/St. Joseph Parish have worked out the details to work together and will offer three scholarships to our qualifying High School graduates and enrolled college students of the parish for 2019. The applications will be offered on line through The Shiawassee Community Foundation and will be available soon. We will supply the details as soon as they are made available.

Buildings are wood, brick and mortar, but the Church is its people. What better way to insure the Churches future then to educate our young people who will be leading the way. Please remember these K of C scholarships in any way, through contributions, support of fund raisers or through a will. Thank You, The St. Mary/St. Joseph K of C Councils

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Grow - Study....the faith

Ladies: You are cordially invited to attend the 6th Annual Diocese of Lansing Catholic Women's Conference entitled "Arise My Beloved" on Saturday, November 3, 2018 from 9:00am until 5:00pm at the Lansing Center. Join speakers Father Chris Alar and Kelly Wahlquist, musician Melanie Rea, emcee Erin Looby Carlson, Bishop emeritus Carl



Mengeling, and Bishop Earl Boyea. We provide lunch, shopping, music, Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Mass. Please join your sisters, daughters, and friends as we explore the deep treasure we have as a Catholic church. For more information and to register please visit www.LansingDioceseCWC.org.

Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinner...

...is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 19, starting at 5:00pm at the St. Joseph Hall. All are welcome!

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Grow - Engage.....in parish life

EVELYN SMALLBLADDER Comedy Show! For an evening of lots of side splitting laughter. Tickets \$10.00, will be sold after each Mass and at the door. Save the date Thursday, October 25, St. Mary's hall. Doors open at 6:00pm, show at 7:00pm.



Sponsor of the Week

Rajiva Tirtha D.D.S

See the full ad on the back page. Please patronize these sponsors, as they make our bulletin possible. Also, let them know where you saw it!



October 7 bulletin cut off is Mon., October 1 by 10:00am. bulletinmj@gmail.com

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The Next Mother Teresa Group...

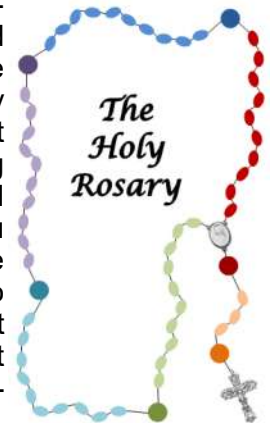
...meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 2, starting at 6:30pm in the St. Joseph gathering space. All women of the Parish are invited.

Also, we are planning our Advent by Candlelight to be held on November 18.

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Grow - Pray...every day

The St. Mary Rosary Group invites St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishioners who are interested in praying the Rosary to come join us each Tuesday at 1:30pm in the St. Mary gathering space. We pray the Rosary and other beautiful prayers which you might enjoy. We hope you will be able to attend and look forward to meeting you. Contact Pat Root 989-288-2775 or Linda Carsten at 989-288-3161 for more information.



This week's prayer to carry in your hearts and your prayer time:

St Peregrine, I will pray for cancer patients.

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Focus on Life Benefit Dinner

Right to Life of Michigan-Genesee County Affiliate Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018. The Captains Club of Woodfield, 10200 Woodfield Dr., Grand Blanc 48439.



Special Guest Speaker: Dr. Robin Pierucci. Actively pro-life, Dr. Pierucci

is a practicing neonatologist who cares for the tiniest pre-mature babies. She is a Jewish convert to Catholicism and has been seen on a number of EWTN shows. Tickets: Adult \$35 / Student \$20. Table of eight \$250. For info and reservations: call Fran 810-694-5079



Parish Support for the weekend of Sept. 23

Sept. 23 offering (general collection).....	\$3,725.00
Energy.....	\$10.00
Outreach.....	\$205.00
Building Debt.....	\$225.00
Help Spread The Faith.....	\$10.00

FLYER INSERT CORRECTION

NOTE: The address listed for the Lee and Trisha Wendt Halloween Party is supposed to be 9316 Ray Rd., Gaines. Sorry for the confusion.

