



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 sure that you are aware of our government's recent policy of separating the parents and children of families that were detained trying to come into our country illegally. While the government has (I would suggest rightly) reversed this policy and are in the midst

of reuniting thousands of children with their parents, I read an article this week about a family here in Michigan (Chelsea) that tried to open their home as foster parents to one of these separated children.

In addition to being an inspiring story of a family doing what they can to help someone in need, it was a reminder to me of the ongoing need for a home not only for these children, but also for many others, both other refugee children from around the world and also others from our own community. One of inspiring moments for me since arriving at this parish was discovering how some of our parishioners have been foster parents to dozens and dozens of children. What a gift!

I would encourage every family to prayerfully consider being a foster family. I'm sure if you want to talk to one of our parishioners who have been foster parents, they would be happy to share their experience. Just contact me and I will put them in touch with you. I am also including some agencies that can help you find out more and even get started on the process, which I'm told takes a few months.

One local resource is our own local Catholic Charities (<https://www.catholiccharitiesflint.org>). Two others here in MI that were mentioned in the article are Bethany Christian Services (<https://www.bethany.org>) and Samaritas (<https://www.samaritas.org>). Please say a prayer for all children in need and consider being a foster family.

On a different note, don't forget that August 15 is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, body and soul into heaven. This is a Holy Day of Obligation for us. This means that we see Mass as an obligation in our commitment to love God and neighbor. Sadly, the past several decades have seen a huge decline in Catholics not only not going to Sunday Mass every week, but even more so these Holy Days that fall during the week. Changes in our culture do make it much more difficult to choose Sunday Mass and Holy Day Mass, but God knows this and so is certainly providing all of us with the extra help we need to be faithful to Him. Please mark your calendar, say a prayer for all our parishioners and Catholics, and take a moment to invite a family member or friend whom you think may need some extra help.

May God bless you and your family abundantly this week.

St. Mary & St Joseph Parish Mass Schedule

Monday, August 6 - No Mass

Tuesday, August 7- St. Mary

Mass - 8:30am - Bob Tillson by Philip and Mary Arbanas

Wednesday, August 8 - St. Joseph

Mass - 8:30am - Carl Schisler by Mary Deering

† Sacrament of Reconciliation - 9:00am to 9:30am

Thursday, August 9 - St. Mary

Mass - 8:30am - Dorothy McDonald by Joyce Kubik

Friday, August 10 - St. Mary

Mass - 8:30am - Margaret Doyle by Ann Marie

Young Family

Saturday, August 11 - St. Mary

† Sacrament of Reconciliation - 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Mass - 5:00pm - St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishioners

Sunday, August 12

St. Joseph Mass - 8:30am - Josie Klein by Mark Dyer

St. Mary Mass - 11:30am - Margie Soloc by Sandy Bensinger

NOTE: Fr. Jon will be out town through August 10. No Eucharistic Adoration will be held before the week day Masses during that time period.

August 15: Solemnity of the Assumption Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass: 8:30am St. Joseph

Mass: 7:00pm St. Mary

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time Prayer...

...Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. 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.

Ben Monroe, Janette Borke, Michael Larry Konderl, Curt Rivard, Darlene & Pat Marzec, Shannon Gould-Sage, Andy Bartes, Mabel Hart, and Elizabeth Craig



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 Picnic**

Walnut Hills Campground
7685 Lehring Rd
Durand, Mi 48429 (989) 634-9782



Sunday, August 26th

Mass 10:30 am

At the Campgrounds

8:30 Mass at St. Joseph

11:30 Mass at St. Mary's will be cancelled that Day

Picnic immediately following Mass

Bring a Dish to Pass!!

Meat, Baked Beans, Potatoes, drinks, and table service will be provided

If your last name starts with A – R bring a side dish, salad, vegetable, or Hot dish

If your last name starts with S – Z bring a dessert, chips, or Munchies

Games for all ages will begin immediately following Lunch

Swimmers MUST have a parent present at all times. No life guard on duty, showers available.

No Pets or gas powered ORV allowed

Park near pavilion #2. Handicap parking will be provided.

If you want a comfortable seat to sit in, feel free to bring your lawn chair.

Please join us for Mass and Fellowship!

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MADE FOR HAPPINESS ASSEMBLY

SEPTEMBER 22, 2018 • LANSING, MI



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
It is with great joy that I invite you to join with me, all the clergy and thousands of other Catholics from across the Diocese of Lansing for a day of celebration, witness and worship together. MADE FOR HAPPINESS will be an historic event in our diocese and it is my hope that it will inspire attendees to embrace more deeply their true identities as daughters and sons of God and, as a result, share the Gospel of Jesus Christ more freely and joyfully with those around them. Please join me for this defining moment in our great diocese!

Paul Boyer

OUTDOOR EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

from St. Mary Cathedral to the Breslin Center

9:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

ASSEMBLY GATHERING WITH INSPIRING SPEAKERS

Breslin Center on the MSU Campus

1:00 P.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE BRESLIN CENTER:

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
| RELIGIOUS DISPLAYS | CATHOLIC RESOURCES
| CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES | CHILDCARE
| CONCESSIONS

ALL DIOCESAN MASS

4:30 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

REGISTER EARLY SPACE AT THE BRESLIN
CENTER IS LIMITED!

Admission is free, but advance registration is required:

WWW.MADEFORHAPPINESS.ORG

The Gaines Knights of Columbus rodeo committee would like to extend an invitation to an **appreciation dinner** for all the volunteers, their families, knights and their families that helped put the rodeo on **Sunday, August 12, 12:00pm to 5:00pm at the St. Joseph hall** behind the school. Fixings will be pulled pork, chicken, pork-n-beans, coleslaw, fries, pop and juice. If you would like, this is also BYOB. Thanks for the help. K of C Rodeo Committee



GROW + GO **Grow - Study.....the faith**

The **CATHOLICISM** series is celebrating its 10th Anniversary by offering a **FREE Online Screening Event**. From Aug 7-16, you can watch all 10 episodes for free at <https://CatholicismSeries.com>. If your faith has been strengthened by this series, please share the link with your friends and family!

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 - Engage...in parish life.**

Mass schedule for our Parish Picnic weekend, August 25 & 26

August 25:
5:00pm Mass at St. Mary.
August 26:
8:30am Mass at St. Joseph.
10:30am Mass at Walnut Hills Campground.



This week's prayer to carry in your hearts and your prayer time:
God, thank you for giving us so many ways to find our way to heaven.

Parish Support for the weekend of July 29



July 29 offering (general collection).....	\$4,240.00
Outreach.....	\$55.00
Building Debt.....	\$145.00
Energy.....	\$45.00
MTG Cowboy Breakfast.....	\$1,118.00
DSA Thru Week Twelve - 183 Pledges Totaling \$28,618.19	
We are at 89.72% of our goal of \$31,898. Thank you to all those who have pledged so far.	



August 12 bulletin cut off is Mon., August 6 by 10:00am. bulletinmj@gmail.com

GROW + GO **Grow - Serve.....others' needs**
Knights of Columbus Rummage Sale
August 16, 17 and 18

We appreciate any items for the Rummage sale to be dropped off at the St. Mary Education Building. Please no televisions or computers. **Thank you!!!**



GROW + GO **Grow - Serve.....others' needs**
The Mother Teresa Group Bake Sales will be taking a break. The next sale will be held in September. Thank you for your past and future support.

Garage Sale Leftovers?

Donate your rummage sale remains to **Catholic Charities' Community Closet**. We provide free clothing, bedding, towels, furniture, and appliances, as well as household goods and toiletries to those in need. All donations are tax deductible.



Drop off hours:
Monday-Friday
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
812 Root St., Flint

Call to schedule a pickup of large items.



810-785-6911

Providing Help... Creating Hope

If you want to donate to the Catholic Charities of Shiawassee County, they can be contacted at:
1480 N. M-52, Ste 1, Owosso, MI 48867
989-723-8239 www.cccsgc.org

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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.

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