



# 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 in Christ,

This week's Gospel reminds us of the Lord's ability to transform what is ordinary into what is extraordinary. Just as He can make simple water into the best of wine, so, He can use what little we offer to Him and make it into something glorious. Don't be afraid to give Him permission to

bring about that transformation in your life.

**Discernment Retreats-** The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist are hosting some discernment retreats for young women. I would highly recommend for any of the young women in the parish to go, even if you aren't seriously considering a vocation. Just spending time with these women who love the Lord so deeply can be a great blessing.

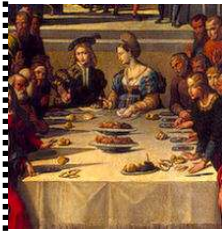
**Conference-** I'll be away for a few days with my priest fraternity to attend a conference in Toronto called, "Catch the Fire". The hope is to be even more empowered by the fire of the Holy Spirit. I look forward to sharing the graces with you in the weeks to come.

**Scripture-** I've had a number of folks tell me they took my challenge to read scripture everyday with some powerful results. If you haven't tried it yet, I'd encourage you to start reading just a chapter a day. For those of you that have been reading, keep going! The Lord always has more!

May you have a blessed week walking with our Lord.

Fr. Dan

### The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Prayer...



...Almighty ever-living God, who governs all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. 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.

### RESTORE, RENEW, AND HEAL- FEBRUARY 15 - 17 RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT...

... is a place to renew, rebuild, and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential, and non-judgemental, environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal, and healing. [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org). Contact : Della Seeley/ New Life Center 517-993-0291, [nlcrachelsvineyard@gmail.com](mailto:nlcrachelsvineyard@gmail.com)

### The Man Event 2019

Diocese of Lansing Catholic Men's Conference  
Feb. 23 at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 913 Napoleon Rd., Michigan Center, MI 49254. 10:00am to 5:00pm. Ticket prices: Adults \$40, Students \$30.

What to Expect: Motivating messages, adoration and confessions, mouth watering pig roast BBQ lunch, music by Brian Flynn & Band, and Mass with Bishop Boyea (4:00pm).

Registrations are now open. For more information or to purchase your tickets, visit [www.themanevent.org](http://www.themanevent.org).

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

Lord, I pray for peace.

## St. Mary & St Joseph Parish Mass Schedule

**Monday, January 21 - No Mass**

**Tuesday, January 22 - St. Mary**

**Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am**

**Mass - 8:30am - Bob Tillson by Georgia Gavin**

**Wednesday, January 23 - St. Joseph**

**Eucharistic Adoration - cancelled**

**Mass - 8:30am - Cheryl Quin (birthday) by Marie Dyer**

† **Sacrament of Reconciliation - cancelled.**

**Thursday, January 24 - St. Mary**

**Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am**

**Mass - 8:30am - Carolyn & Robert Trebtoske by Tim Trebtoske**

**Friday, January 25 - St. Mary**

**Eucharistic Adoration - 7:20am to 8:20am**

**Mass - 8:30am - Delores & Wesley Combs by Tim Trebtoske**

**Saturday, January 26 - St. Mary**

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

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

**Sunday, January 27**

**St. Joseph Mass - 8:30am - Harold and Donna Cole by Brent and Marlene Cole**

**St. Mary Mass - 11:30am - Joe Lezovich (90<sup>th</sup> Birthday) by family**

### 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.

Shirley Kerchaert, Phil Elder, Judy Mathis, Joe Carsten, Cindy Goad, Doug Perry, Sam Yanta, Brian Jones, and 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.**

Religious Education classes are back in session for the winter term from 9:45am to 11:15am on Sundays in the Franklin Hay education building at St. Mary. Please use caution in the parking lot area.

### The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist

Invite Young Single Women (Ages 16-32)

To drop everything, take a leap of faith, and spend

**February 9-10,**

**April 6-7 or November 9-10, 2019**

in Ann Arbor with dozens of other young women

exploring the answer to the question

**"Where is God calling me?"**

For more information visit [www.sistersofmary.org](http://www.sistersofmary.org) or pick up a flyer in the back of the Church.



**The Mother Teresa Group** is asking any women who are not already involved in our group to come to a meeting and join us. We are also looking for more help to make the Fellowship Breakfast on the first Sunday of the month. We have 3 teams so that is a total of 4 times a year your team would need your help. If you are interested in joining a breakfast team, please talk to Karrie Johnston, Mable Hart or Mary DeMott.

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** For 2019, the combined Knights of Columbus Councils are offering three scholarships through Shiawassee Community Foundation. These scholarship applications are available now through February 1, 2019. These are Faith based scholarships open to graduating high school seniors and currently enrolled college students of St. Mary/St. Joseph families in good standing and are available online at: [www.shiacf.org/scholarships/](http://www.shiacf.org/scholarships/) Scroll down to and click on "Online Scholarship Application". If needed, there is a "Scholarship Application Instructions" pad to click on. Thank You, The Knights of Columbus Scholarship Committee



Due to a scheduling change, the St. Mary K of C Council # 7955 will be moving the general membership meeting to their original day of the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 7, 2019, 6:30pm for officers and 7:00pm for general membership. Thank You.

# LIFE TEEN

**Save the Date:** Mardi Gras dinner will be March 2 from 6:00pm-11:00pm in the St. Mary Church Hall. The cost will be \$15 per person. Tickets will go on sale at all masses beginning in February. More information to follow as the date gets closer.



### Altar Society - Paint and Pray

All are invited to join us on **Thursday, February 21**, from 6:00pm-9:00pm in the St. Mary Church Hall. Artist Dana George will be leading us in a step by step painting project. You will leave with a one of a kind creation, and be inspired by meditative prayer. The cost is \$20 per person, which includes your canvas and paint supplies. Reservations are a must, and there will be a table set up after all masses to register. **Please note: doors will open at 6:00pm and painting will begin at 6:30pm.**



Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, in Burton, will have a special needs Mass on January 27, 2019, at 1:00p.m. We encourage and welcome all to attend this mass, especially children and those with special needs. The Mass is a little shorter and the homily and music is tailored to those with special needs. The Mass allows everyone to be themselves and to serve, to read, to usher, play one of our many instruments, and to participate in whatever way that they feel comfortable. There will be refreshments following the Mass.

COME AS YOU ARE, YOUNG AND OLD.  
ALL ARE WELCOME.

### GROW + GO

**Grow - Serve...others' needs**  
**St. Mary Outreach Food Pantry Volunteers Needed:** The next food distribution is on January 26. Volunteers are needed for unloading. Initial food packaging (packers) and building setup takes place on Friday, January 25 at 6:00pm. On distribution day, we gather at 8:30am in the education building.

For any questions concerning the St. Mary Outreach Food Pantry, please contact Diane Pelky at 989-288-4446 or Kathy Schmidt 989-288-4183 or [stmaryfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryfoodpantry@gmail.com).

Thank you again for your continued support. God Bless!

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Dear Parishioners: Please join us on the 3rd and 5th Friday of every month at 11:00am at the Argentine Care Center in Linden. We visit the residents, have a short prayer service and sing a few songs. Please see Vic Huddas or Paul for more information.

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St. Mary's Altar Society is in need of a few more ladies to help with cleaning the sacristy in 2019. We need one person for June, October and November and 2 people for July. We clean twice per month and it takes 1-2 hours. Please call Carol Spoor if interested. 989-980-3642.



**K of C Council 12186 website updated:**  
Check out [www.kofccouncil12186.org](http://www.kofccouncil12186.org). The website is still under construction but information will be added and updated on a regular basis.

### Annual Men's Retreat - March 1-3, 2019 St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, MI "From Chaos to Order: A Scriptural Guide"

Join us to gain new scriptural insights on ways to bring order into your own life and community. The suggested donation for the weekend is \$175 - retreat begins with check in at 6:00 pm on Friday and ends after lunch on Sunday. Men of all ages are welcome! Register with St. Francis at 517-669-8321; registration is also available online at [www.stfrancis.ws](http://www.stfrancis.ws). Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to set aside time for this encounter opportunity!



### Parish support for the weekend of Jan 13

#### COLLECTION FOR WEEKEND Jan. 13, 2019

General Collection (Budgeted weekend amount).....	\$5,200.00
General Collection (Received).....	\$5,453.00
Overage.....	\$253.00
Holy Family/Solemnity of Mary.....	\$10.00
Outreach.....	\$50.00
Building Debt.....	\$86.00
Energy.....	\$398.00

#### Sponsor of the Week

### Security First Insurance Agency

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The Jan. 27 bulletin cut off is Mon.  
Jan. 21 by 10:00am.

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