

# St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish



One Holy Family in Christ

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Twenty-Eighth  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time ~ C  
October 13, 2019

## Durand Location

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](http://stmarystjoseph.org)  
[Myparishapp.com](http://Myparishapp.com)

## Gaines Location

9450 Duffield Rd., Gaines, MI 48436  
1-989-271-8434

### Mass Time:

Sun.: 8:30am  
Weekday Masses - See Bulletin  
Office hours: Tues., 9:00am to 3:00pm  
Wed., Thurs., 9:00am to 1:00pm.  
Website: [stmarystjoseph.org](http://stmarystjoseph.org)  
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## Mission Statement

As members of St. Mary and St. Joseph Parish, we believe that we share in the mission of Jesus through our baptism and commitment to the values expressed in the gospel.

The dedication of our parish to the Holy Spirit calls us to be particularly attentive to the inspiration and guidance of the Spirit as we:

- gather as a community that worships together and supports one another in spiritual growth;
- witness to our belief through sharing our faith with others and providing for education in faith to our members;
- respond with compassion to both the spiritual and corporal needs of those around us;
- care for the many gifts we have been given and seek to use them wisely.

We do all of this as members of a larger community of believers within the Diocese of Lansing and greater Roman Catholic Church.

## ~Sacraments~

**Baptism:** You must be a registered active member of St. Mary & St. Joseph 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 our parish office for times and dates.

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



## From Deacon Wayne's Desk

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 13, 2019

*This saying is trustworthy: If we have died with him we shall also live with him; 2 Tim 2:11*

As we enter the harvest season in Michigan, we see the leaves turning beautiful colors, the oaks are dropping their acorns, farmers bringing in the crops they planted and cared for this year. This time of year brings back fond memories of growing up on my father's farm. The harvest season was intense but there was always a great sense of accomplishment as we harvested the sugar beets, beans, and other crops.

As we all know, the underlying premise behind any harvest is "the end". As it states in John's gospel, it's only "when a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies that it produces much fruit". Just like crops, there is a harvest of our lives. We live and we die. We cannot escape it. We grow then. We are harvested. The real question is; will there be fruit that is born from our lives here in this growing season that some call the circle of life?

It's all around us. We can't avoid it. We can't pretend it's not there. One day we go to bed healthy and the

next day our knees, or back, or shoulders start aching or our hair is falling out. We are slowly being harvested. A little bit of our selves each day. This should remind us that hanging on to things that we think are so precious to us, will go away. Our strength, our hair, our lives. Why does this happen? Here is a suggestion for you to ponder. God is using everything in nature and in our humanness to get our attention to instruct us of the importance of giving up what is most dear to us, voluntarily. Our time, our resources, ourselves.

Giving of ourselves, or what is precious to us each day, is a form of dying. Each day is an opportunity to divest ourselves of what we think is most valuable to us. Dying just a little bit each day. God continually provides opportunities for us to do this, but it's our natural reaction to steer clear from doing just that. Maybe that is why so many of us are chasing the "fountain of youth". And when we can't reach it, and the time comes for us to leave this world for good, we fight it tooth and nail.

*You will soon be asked to let go of some part of your (false) self, which you foolishly thought was permanent, important, and essential! You know God is doing this in you and with you when you can somehow smile and trust that what you lost was something you did not need anyway. In fact, it got in the way of what was real. - Richard Rohr*

What is real in our lives? Love, charity, forgiveness, humility, humbleness. These are gifts from God that we receive from Him and are asked to give them away in our day to day operations. When we give these things away without reservation, then we are dying with Him and we are also living with Him.

On October 17, Thursday evening, at 7 pm at our Gaines location, we are having our 2<sup>nd</sup> Night of Prayer and Healing. These are offered because many of us are DEEPLY hurting from events that have happened to our parish and our Catholic Church. If you are holding any anger, grudges, worries or flat out hate, I encourage you to attend. We need God's mercy in our lives and there is no better way to become merciful than to receive God's Mercy. We are offering reconciliation, healing prayer and a chance to encounter Christ's healing presence. Please don't turn your back on this. Don't run from this, run to it. WE NEED HEALING. ALL OF US.

*Dcn. Wayne*

### St. Mary & St Joseph Parish Liturgy Schedule

#### Monday, October 14 - No Liturgies

Rom 1:1-7, Ps 98:1-4, Lk 11:29-3

#### Tuesday, October 15 - Durand

**Eucharistic Adoration** - 8:00am to 8:50am

Open to everyone as is all our holy hours.

Rom 1:16-25, Ps 19:2-3,4-5, Lk 11:37-41

#### Wednesday, October 16 - Gaines

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

**Mass** - 8:30am - Sharon McRae by Maureen Schisler

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

Rom 2:1-11, Ps 62:2-3,6-7,9, Lk 11:42-46

#### Thursday, October 17 - Durand

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

**Mass** - 8:30am - Irene Sedlak by family of Irene Sedlak

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

Rom 3:21-30, Ps 130:1b-6ab, Lk 11:47-54

#### Friday, October 18 - No Liturgies

2 Tim 4:10-17b, Ps 145:0-13,17-18, Lk 10:1-9

#### Saturday, October 19 - Durand

Rom 4:13,16-18, Ps 105:6-9,42-43, Lk 12:8-12

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

**Mass** - 5:00pm - Kimberly Ann Dolehanty by Michael & Brenda Wells

#### Sunday, October 20

**Mass at Gaines** - 8:30am - St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishioners

**Mass at Durand** - 11:30am - Mitchell Wilcox by Tim Trebtoske

Ex 17:8-13, Ps 121:1-8, 2 Tim 3:14- 4:2, Lk 18:1-8

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SUFFERING OF ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH PARISH

For those who are ill at home, in the hospital or in the nursing home.

Lisa Terry, Sandy Corrión, Amellia and Nick Hall, Monica Townsend Coolich, Toby Vusola, Will Taylor, Ben Monroe, Net Myers, Phil Elder, 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.**



**Hour of Prayer and Worship  
St. Mary St. Joseph Parish**

Oct. 17 - Gaines Location  
Nov. 21 - Durand Location  
Dec. 19 - Gaines Location

**Mark your calendar.** Each evening from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. These powerful transforming gatherings will bring; praise and worship music, scripture, reflection, and silent prayer in the Presence of God together to fill our hearts, souls, minds and bodies with God's love.



RCIA has started. There is still time to join us. We are meeting Monday evenings weekly at the Durand gathering space 6:00pm-8:00pm. Contact Sandy Corrión if you have questions (989) 721-7847

**Volunteers Needed:**  
We are looking for individuals that will be willing to supply light snacks for the RCIA sessions. You would be providing snacks for 20 people. (Paper plates, napkins and drinks provided)  
Please sign up in the gathering space for a specific class. We are asking that snacks be dropped off in the Durand gathering space either Sunday or Monday. We are also asking you to pray for those attending RCIA between 6:00pm-8:00pm on Mondays. Any questions call: Sandy Corrión (989) 721-7847.

**Coffee and Donuts**

Coffee and donuts will be starting after Sunday Masses on the **third weekend of the month**. Volunteers, families, and friends are asked to sign-up to pick-up, prepare, and help serve coffee and donuts after the 8:30am Mass and the 11:30am Mass. Sign-up sheets are in the gathering spaces for both locations. *Please sign-up for your weekend to serve!* For more info call Kathy 989-271-9933, or parish office 989-271-8434.



**St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish  
Donuts and Discussion...**

Casual get together after each Daily Mass on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:20-10:20. During these times of fellowship, we will open the floor to whatever topic you want to bring to the coffee table. It can be related to the daily readings, discussion on prayer and prayer life, or things in general that are going on in our parish and our diocese. These will be held in the kitchen at our Gaines location on Wednesdays and in the lower level of the church at our Durand location. Fr Bill and/or Deacon Wayne will be there to help in what ever the conversation will be about.



**Relationships Matter**

All relationships are important! Our relationships with others bring us closer to our relationship with God! We are kicking off our monthly fellowship for adults. Our goal is to meet each month on the 3rd Saturday for adult fun and fellowship. Our first gathering is going to be Mexican Train and Spaghetti!



Come join us on **October 18, at 6:30pm** at our Gaines location. Sign up for sauce, salad or dessert! Bring domino's!

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Prayer...**

...May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. 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.



**Parish Support for the weekend of Oct. 6**



**COLLECTION FOR WEEKEND October 6, 2019**

General Collection (Budgeted weekend amount).....	\$4,708.00
General Collection (Received).....	\$6,221.87
Overage.....	\$1,513.67
Energy.....	\$25.00
Building Debt.....	\$183.00
World Mission Sunday.....	\$25.00
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General Collection.....	\$1,040.00
Outreach.....	\$20.00

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**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday  
November  
10am-4pm**

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RAFFLE  
LUNCH**

**CHURCH  
BAZAAR**

St. Joseph Hall ~ 12145 Ray Road  
Reserve Table: Jill Rohner (810) 836-1557

The Oct. 20 bulletin cut off is Mon., Oct. 14 by noon.  [bulletinmj@gmail.com](mailto:bulletinmj@gmail.com)