

*Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.*

Matthew 2:2




St. Catherine Laboure Catholic Church

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PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Timothy D. Krzyzaniak

DEACON: Thomas C. Arehart

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00-4:30 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,

Friday: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Wednesday: Closed

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 AM

Wednesday: 7:00 PM

The Sacrament of Baptism

Attendance at a baptismal class is required for parents who desire baptism for their infant. Godparents must both be Catholic, fully initiated into the Church at least 16 years old, and practicing their faith. The date and time of baptism will be determined by the pastor. Baptismal preparation classes can be attended prior to the birth of your child. Please contact the parish office to inquire.

The RCIA: the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process by which an adult enters into the Catholic Church. RCIA classes begin in the fall of the year. The sacraments of initiation are received at the Solemn Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter. Please call the parish office for more information.

The Sacrament of the Eucharist

The children of the parish are prepared to receive their First Holy Communion in the second grade. The reception of the sacrament takes place at a Sunday Mass in the spring of each year. If your child is beyond the second grade and has not yet received their First Holy Communion, please call the parish for information about preparation to receive the sacrament.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

The Youth of the parish are prepared to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in grades 8 and 9. It is a two year program. The youth will receive the sacrament from the Bishop of Lansing in October of their 2nd year in a regional Confirmation Mass. The sacrament of Confirmation completes full initiation into the Catholic Church. If you are an adult and have not been confirmed please call the parish office to inquire about the reception of the sacrament.

The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

The children of the parish are prepared to receive their First Penance in the second grade prior to their First Holy Communion.

The sacrament of Penance is celebrated on Saturday from 3:00-4:30 p.m.

A Communal Penance Service is celebrated during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

The Sacrament of the Sick

The sacrament of the Sick is available anytime upon request. It is intended for those who are facing serious physical or mental illness, surgery, or the declining effects of aging. A communal service of the sacrament is celebrated on the First Friday of each month at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Holy Communion is taken to the sick and home-bound upon request.

St. Catherine Laboure Church attends to the Catholics in the local care facilities.

The Sacrament of Matrimony

A period of at least nine months is required for marriage preparation. Scheduling the wedding date takes place after the initial meeting with the pastor. If there has been a previous marriage by either party, Catholic or not, a declaration of nullity must be sought through the Diocese of Lansing before the marriage can occur. Please call the office to inquire.

Devotions:

The Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed at 8:50 a.m. on Mondays.

Exposition and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place on the First Friday of the month at the end of the 11:00 a.m. Mass until Noon.

OUR MISSION

St. Catherine Laboure Catholic Church is a growing rural family-oriented community with a unique history and strong commitment to each other and our faith. As a spirit-led Christian community, we teach and learn, following the example of Christ. We encourage others in their Christian Growth both within and outside our own community. We worship together, laugh together and support each other.

Mass Schedule

Low Gluten hosts are available



**Saturday, January 4 - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton,
Religious**

5:00 PM - Lawrence Riske †

Sunday, January 5 - Epiphany of the Lord

10:30 AM - People of the Parish
Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

Monday, January 6

Miraculous Medal Novena at 8:50AM
9:00 AM Mass - Diane Hancock †
Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday, January 7

NO SERVICES

Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday, January 8

Evening Prayer at 6:50PM
7:00PM Mass - Joan Arehart †
Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

Thursday, January 9

Morning Prayer at 8:50AM
9:00AM Mass - Kathy Sylvester †
Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25

Friday, January 10

Morning Prayer at 8:50AM
9:00AM Mass - Rev. James Lothamer †
Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday, January 11

5:00 PM - Lawrence Riske †

Sunday, January 12 - Baptism of the Lord

10:30 AM - People of the Parish
Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Parish Calendar

- Sunday, January 5 - 10:30am Mass/FF PreK-6th Grade
9-10:15am/Confirmation Class 6 - 7:30pm
- Friday, January 10 - Finance Council 11am
- Saturday, January 11 - Confession 3:00 - 4:30pm/5pm Mass
- Sunday, January 12 - 10:30am Mass/FF PreK-6th Grade
9 - 10:15am

**Ministry Schedule Services
Week 2**

Saturday, January 11 - 5:00pm Mass

Altar Servers: Ben Reiniche
Cross Bearer: Matt Reiniche
Extraordinary Minister: Deacon Tom Arehart
Greeter: Don and Julie Haughey
Reader: Mary Turk
Usher: Margaret Byers

Sunday, January 12 - 10:30am Mass

Altar Server: Emma Reagle, Adella Thorrez
Cross Bearer: Ben Hawes
Extraordinary Minister: Deacon Tom Arehart, Cherie Moore,
Robert Ludwick
Greeter: Duke and Joanne Reese
Reader: Jeff James, Trevor Reagle
Usher: Jody Fransted, Greg Reagle, Nate Frazer

If you cannot make your appointed time/date, please call a substitute

**An Evening of Reflection
With**

**Fr. Timothy Nelson
Pastor**

St. Mary Star of the Sea, St. Stanislaus Kostka Chapel
and the Chapel of Sacred Heart

The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist Thursday,
January 16th, 2020
St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish 120 E. Wesley St., Jackson
6:00pm Mass, Dinner, Reflection

Especially for Catechists and Teachers All adults are welcome!
\$12 per person. Please RSVP with Leslie Reagle by January 10.

"An Evening with the Sacraments"

Presented by The Lumen Christi Junior Class

Wednesday, January 8th, 2020 6:30 - 8:00pm. Lumen Christi Library. The junior class at Lumen Christi has spent their first semester studying the Sacraments. They look forward to "teaching" you what they have learned. Everyone and anyone welcome to attend.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

OUR MILITARY



- Andrew Griffin
- Mark Ziegler
- Philip Flynn
- Brendan Chesley
- Krista Lee Ray
- Patrick & Ben Clayton
- Lauren, Conner & Bryce Fiero
- Patrick and Paul Wheeler

ILL & SUFFERING

- Conne Gormley
- Julie Sanford
- Socorro Buentello
- George Price
- Ken Weatherholt
- Mike Carrigan
- Chief LaFleur
- Jill Nichols
- Darlene Wagner
- Ruth Price
- Paul Scott
- Bob Byers
- George Callahan
- Russell Jean

Miscellaneous News

New Refrigerator Delivered:

On December 23rd our new kitchen refrigerator was delivered and installed by Cascades Refrigeration of Jackson. They also dismantled and removed the old one, which died after 25 years of use. The total amount spent on the new refrigerator was \$4,050.00 and \$150.00 to remove the old unit.

Asphalt Update:

The asphalt that was laid in the fall is not acceptable. There are pools of water that are collecting in many areas. Alan Olson, from the Diocese of Lansing has been our advocate on the project. He met with representatives of McKearney Asphalt of Lansing to find a solution to our problem. According to Mr. Olson, in the spring, a great deal of the current asphalt will be milled up and reinstalled. The work might also entail the removal and reinstallation of the new curbing around the flag pole area. We paid half of the bill prior to the beginning of the project and will pay nothing further until the Diocese signs off on the work. This delay in paying the remaining portion of the bill will give us an opportunity to accrue more funds in our Witness to Hope pledge account, which will reduce the amount of our loan from the Diocese. I encourage you to keep up with your Witness to Hope pledges. I will keep you informed when I hear anything further.

Cupola Repair:

The cupola repair project will not be able to begin until we have paid off what we will owe for the asphalt project. The sooner that the funds from the pledges are deposited into our Witness to Hope account the sooner we will be able to address this long standing nuisance. If you have noticed, the plaster around the interior of the cupola has been falling down. Fortunately, there have not been any leaks for at least 9 months. I believe what is happening is that the water damaged plaster is drying out and giving way. I am hoping to borrow a hydraulic lift from Queens and remove any loose plaster. Recently, a piece of plaster did fall on my day off. It would have most likely landed on my head. I guess God was watching out for me!

Fr. Tim

Knitting for a Difference

February is Heart Month, so Henry Ford Allegiance Hospital has contacted Knitting for a Difference about making 150 booties or baby socks to be given to the new born babies at the hospital during the month of February. They must be red and can be crocheted or knitted. The hospital will furnish the yarn and Knitting for a Difference has patterns and will furnish supplies. You don't have to be involved in Knitting for a Difference to share in this project. All you have to do is be able to knit or crochet. 150 sounds like a lot but many hands make light work! You only work at your pace. I have faith that with enough volunteers we can meet the goal. St. Catherine's will get recognized by the hospital for their contribution. To get started or for more information contact, Joyce Rochow at 563-2861.

Widower's Group - Tuesday, January 21st, 2020 at 9:30am

Widow's Group - Tuesday, January 28th, 2020 11:30am at Cracker Barrel. If you are in need of a ride, please contact Joyce Rochow at 563-2861. All widow's are welcome.

WEEKLY OFFERING DECEMBER 22, 2019

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Weekly Budget - 2019-2020 Budget (\$4,432.00), Sunday Envelopes - 12/22/19 (\$2,927.00), Loose Money - 12/22/19 (\$194.00), On-Line Giving (\$320.00), TOTAL COLLECTION (\$3,441.00), Above/Below Budget (-\$991.00), YTD Above/Below Budget (-\$19,191.00).

Table with 2 columns: Item and Count. Includes Envelopes used out of 188 envelopes issued - 61, Online Givers (6), TOTAL (67).

CHRISTMAS OFFERING DECEMBER 25, 2019

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Holy Day Envelopes - 12/25/2019 (\$7,164.00), Loose Money - 12/25/2019 (\$578.00), TOTAL COLLECTION (\$7,742.00).

Envelopes used of 188 envelopes issued - 71

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church The GREAT 50/50 RAFFLE

Proceeds to benefit Jackson Catholic Schools and Parishes

Two prizes drawn each month February - November 2020. Tickets sales December 1, 2019 - January 31, 2020 \$100 per ticket. Prize value depends on the number of tickets sold by January 31, 2020. Tickets and mail-in order forms are available in the office or go to www.jcslumenchristi.org click on Quick Links. Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover accepted. Winners will receive their winnings by check in the mail.

Accept the Challenge 2020: Diocese of Lansing Catholic Men's Conference

Men, come to grow in your faith at the annual Diocese of Lansing's Catholic Men's Conference. For years, this conference has been helping Catholic men courageously live a Christ-centered life in today's world. That's the most important challenge of our lives. Come and be equipped to "Accept the Challenge" at this year's men's conference. "Iron sharpens iron, So one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

February 22, 2020 - Oosterbaan Field House, 1202 S. State St., Ann Arbor. From 9am - 6pm.

Motivating messages from Fr. Larry Richards, Bart Schuchts, Dan DeMatte. Adoration and confessions. A mouth-watering pig roast BBQ lunch from Stick-A-Pig-In-It. Excellent music. Mass with Bishop Boyea at 12pm. Registrations are now open. For more information or to purchase your tickets, visit www.acceptthechallenge.org.

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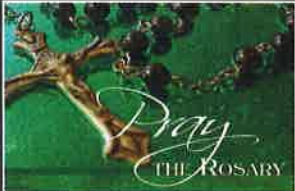
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