



# 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

Myparishapp.com

## ~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,

**A heartfelt thank you to the many of you who made our Masses during the whole Christmas season such a beautiful and prayerful time.** Thank you to all our musicians and singers, especially to Paul and Donna. Thank you to those who helped with the decorating of our churches—the extra effort makes Christmas one of the most beautiful times. Thank you to Robin, Paul and all those who worked with our children for our children pageant. A thank you to our servers, our lectors, our ushers, our greeters, our extraordinary ministers of holy communion, to those who take communion to our homebound; your service is crucial to helping make our Masses times of fruitful worship and in building up our community and Jesus' Church.

**A personal thank you, as well, to the many, many of you who gave me Christmas gifts.** From a Christmas ham (Yes! I got a ham...and it was delicious), to cards, to homemade goodies, to gift cards, to special Masses said, and so much more, I will be enjoying your thoughtfulness for a long time to come. Your love is a blessing to me, and it's been a second joy for me to be able to share your gifts with others. Thank you.

**Are you looking in this new year to serve the needy a little more?** Please consider getting involved in our Outreach program. There are opportunities on Wednesday and Saturday mornings throughout the year, and other behind-the-scenes tasks that need to be done at various times. Con-

tact the parish office to find out more.

**Are you a creative type?** We need help with some of our parish outside signage. Please contact me to learn more on how you can help.

**Are you a married couple that feels called to work with engaged couples?** We need two more couples, who are practicing their faith, who can meet with engaged couples as part of their marriage prep process, and help them work through their FOCCUS marriage inventory. If you are willing to learn more and consider serving in this important way, please contact Dcn. Wayne at the parish office.

**May God bless you and your family abundantly this week.**

## St. Mary & St Joseph Parish Mass Schedule

**Monday, January 15 - No Mass**

**Tuesday, January 16 - No Mass**

**Wednesday, January 17 - St. Joseph**

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

**Mass - 8:30am - David Hollenbeck Jr. by Nanette Borke and Dave & Marylyn Hollenbeck**

**Thursday, January 18 - St. Mary**

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

**Mass - 8:30am - Karen Stinger by Cynthia Johnson**

**Friday, January 19- St. Mary**

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

**Mass - 8:30am - Jean Vandendries by Joe & Karen Lezovich**

**Saturday, January 20 - St. Mary**

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

**Mass - 5:00pm - Jennie DeNolf by friends of Jennie**

**Sunday, January 21**

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

**St. Mary Mass - 11:30am - Jean & Tomas Siminski by Tim Trebtoske**

### RCIA...

...is meeting on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm at St Joseph's. The first meeting was on January 11, 2018. RCIA is open to anyone wanting to join the Catholic Church, or wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith. Please contact the parish office or Dcn Wayne Corrion for more information.

## 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.

Chuck Harris, Claire Clough, Helene Sloan, James Elford, George Newberry, Debbie Newberry, Christian Carpenter, Ben Monroe, Diane Hincka, Kaylie Terry, Brooke Fuller, Derek Monroe.



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.**

LIFE TEEN PRESENTS



# DINNER & BENEFIT

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10TH, 6PM-11PM

## location

St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish  
700 E Columbia Dr. Durand, MI 48429

## the details

+18 and older

Bourbon Street Raffle & Silent Auction,  
50/50 Raffle and King Cake Prize

\$20 per person in advance \$30 at the door

Sit down dinner served by Life Teen youth group

Social begins 6pm

Dinner 7pm

Dancing following until 11pm

Advance Tickets can be purchased at  
St. Mary Church office (855) 288-6704  
St. Joseph Church office (989) 271-8434

Or after the weekend Masses starting January 20th  
Make checks out to St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic  
Parish.

## food & drink

### \*Chicken Divine

(Grilled Chicken Breast, Mushrooms, Onions with  
Monterey Jack Cheese) served with Mashed Potatoes,  
Gravy, Steamed Vegetables, Salad, Rolls & Dessert

### \*Marinated Pork Loin

served with Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Steamed  
Vegetables, Salad, Rolls & Dessert

### Desserts

#### King Cake

Decorated with the traditional Mardi Gras colors.  
Purple representing justice, green representing faith &  
gold representing power.

#### Paczki

A jelly filled donut - the Ultimate Fat Tuesday dessert

Beer & Wine served by donation.

\*Select one entree per person attending when you  
purchase your advance ticket.

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO**

**LIFE TEEN YOUTH GROUP**

# Witness to

# HOPE

# Campaign Update

The Catholic Diocese of Lansing

We currently are at a little over  
**\$303,000** pledged to Witness to  
Hope from **161** households. This is  
**88%** of our **\$344,479** goal. Thank  
you! We will be wrapping things up in the  
next few weeks, so there is still time if you  
have been planning on making a pledge to  
do so.

Please visit [www.witnessstohope.net](http://www.witnessstohope.net)  
to make your contribution!

## St. Joseph Liturgical Assignments for January 21



*NOTE: All Liturgical Ministers should meet 5 minutes before mass every Sunday, in the gathering space near the Sacristy, to pray as requested by Father Jon.*

Eucharistic Ministers: Karrie Johnston, Marlene Cole

Sacristans: Karrie Johnston, Marlene Cole

Lectors: Paul Johnston, Jim Mathis

Servers: Canyon & Callie Butterfield

### Religious Education classes have resumed...

...for the winter session at St. Mary. Class times are 9:45am-11:15am. Parishioners, please be alert of our youth in the parking lot on their way to mass or going to their transportation before the 11:30am Mass.



### Gaines Council 12186...

Knight of the Month:

SK Charles (Chuck) Harris

Family of the Month:

SK Charles and Lady Alice Harris

### Mardi Gras Dinner & Benefit...



...Save the date for our wonderful dinner put on by Life Teen. Join us Saturday, February 10, 6:00pm at St. Mary in the lower level. Pre-event tickets can be purchased at the parish office for

\$20, \$30 at the door. Night includes dinner, Bourbon Street Raffle & Silent Auction, 50/50 Raffle, King Cake Prize, music and more! All proceeds benefit Life Teen youth group.

There will be a **Finance Council Meeting** on Tuesday, January 16 at 7:00pm at St Mary church.



### Parish Support for the weekend of January 7

January 7 offerings (general collection).....	\$5,354.00
Christmas.....	\$95.00
Energy.....	\$5.00
Outreach.....	\$63.66
Building Debt.....	\$666.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$25.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$65.00
Help Spread the Faith.....	\$25.00
Worldwide Evangelization.....	\$20.00
Candles.....	\$27.80



Jan. 21 cut off is Jan. 15 by 10:00am  
bulletinmj@gmail.com

**There will be a Parish Council Meeting...**  
...on Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 7:00pm at St Joseph church in the gathering space.

### St Mary's Altar Society...

...will be having a general meeting on Tuesday, January 16 at 6:00pm in the gathering space. All women of the parish are invited to attend.



### Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, January 24, 7:00pm-8:00pm at St. Mary church. Come spend an hour before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Join us for an hour of prayer, reflection by Fr. Jonathan, praise and music. Light reception to follow.



### Marriage Matters

Valentine's Date Night Saturday, January 27, 6:30pm-9:00pm St. Joseph Hall. St. Mary & St. Joseph parish is hosting MARRIAGE MATTERS a night just for you! Open to all married couples, engaged couples and seriously dating couples of all ages. RSVP in the gathering space this weekend to save your spot! Bring a dessert to share.

### St. Mary Outreach Food Pantry Volunteers Needed...

...The next food distribution is on **January 27**. There are sign-up sheets in the back of the church (on a clipboard). A **food truck delivery** is scheduled for Friday, January 26 at 8:30am. Initial food packaging (packers) and building setup takes place on Friday, January 26 at 6:00pm. For any questions concerning the St. Mary Outreach Food Pantry, please contact Diane Pelky at [989-288-4446](tel:989-288-4446) or Kathy Schmidt [989-288-4183](tel:989-288-4183) or [stmaryfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryfoodpantry@gmail.com). Thank you again for your continued support. God Bless

### The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Prayer...



...Almighty ever-living God, who govern 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.

### St. Francis Retreats Announcement...

You are invited to 2 new retreats directed by Tony Sperendi. Wednesday, January 17 from 9:00am-3:30pm **"A Contemplative Retreat on the Life of Jesus."** Focus or re-focus your life on Jesus this New Year. Along with presentations and discussions, let the silence and reflection be places of renewal for you. Cost is \$65 or \$55 for seniors 60 and over. Includes Mass, snacks, and lunch.  
Friday, January 19 from 5:00pm-9:00pm **"Fun, Food, & Learning about Marital Love."** Reserve a spot and renew your marriage with a fun and informative evening. The cost is \$75 per couple and includes dinner and materials.  
For more information go to <http://www.stfrancis.ws/> or 517-669-8321.

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