



## September 5, 2021 † Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”*

Dear Friends in Christ,

We began a new month! I always tell you that every day is an opportunity to know more about our God and serve Him in His perfect ways. Last month, I talked about the word dogma in my last two homilies, I hope that the words I gave you help you to understand a little more about our wonderful church and especially the role of our Mother the Virgin Mary in God’s plan of salvation for all of us. For me, the keywords that give peace were, choose and accept! I think that we will not understand everything here on earth. But when we choose to accept things in difficult situations God provides for us the lovely gift of peace in our lives.

In this month, we are going to have another opportunity to learn a little more about God’s plan of salvation for all of us. I would like to give you the main words that I found in the Gospels of this month. This Sunday the main word will be proclaimed, the next 24th Sunday the verb Know, for 25th Sunday another verb to teach, and for the last Sunday of this month the word will be prevent. I feel that this is a wonderful way that we can remember this Gospel and especially apply it to our daily lives.

I chose three words for this Sunday, removed, be opened or Ephphatha, and proclaim. I think this is the right order of these words. In order to proclaim the Good News, God needs to open our ears and mouth and remove from us all the obstacles that prevent us to see his glory and power in any kind of situation.

Today’s readings help us to understand, that our main job here on earth, is to proclaim the Good News to all people. I told you that we can do it in many different ways, but the more difficult way is through our deeds! I think that is easy for some people to proclaim the Good News in words. But it is more powerful to do it with our actions.

In our first reading, we heard, “Thus says the LORD: Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God...” Did you feel the Good News in this reading? God is with us and He can take away everything that makes us be afraid. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, in a 2012 Angelus talked about this Gospel in a beautiful way. He said that healing is a very private act. He believes that there is more to the story of the healing of the deaf man in Mark 7 than the mere desire for some privacy. In opening the man’s ears and mouth, Christ is foreshadowing His call for all mankind to hear the Word and respond in faith, according to Benedict.

I would like to invite you that during this week have a moment of reflection and ask God to remove all that you have in your heart that makes an impediment to proclaim his Good News to his people.

— Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez

---

### Mission Statement

*“We are a welcoming spiritual home that provides community and personal growth through liturgy, evangelization, the Word of God and a call to His service.”*

---

**St. Joseph Catholic Church**  
8380 Fifth St · Onekama, MI 49675  
stjosephonekama.com

**St. Raphael Catholic Church**  
18440 Cadillac Hwy · Copemish, MI 49625  
straphaelcopemish.com

---

Mailing address: PO Box 150, Onekama, MI 49675 † Email: stjosephonekama@gmail.com  
Phone: 231.889.4254 · Fax: 231.889.3706

**23**  
**ORDINARY**  
**TIME**

## Pastoral Staff

Pastor ..... Rev. Rubén D. Muñoz  
 Deacon ..... Kim Eaton  
 Secretary/Bookkeeper ..... Jaimey Ferguson  
 Organist/Music Director ..... Chris Sattler  
 Maintenance ..... Michael Nelson  
 Faith Formation ..... Tracy Daberkoe

## Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
 8:00 am - 3:30 pm ..... St. Joseph

## Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Wednesday ..... 11:00 am ..... St. Raphael  
 Thursday, Friday ..... 11:00 am ..... St. Joseph  
 Saturday ..... 4:00 pm ..... St. Joseph  
 Saturday ..... 6:30 pm ..... St. Raphael  
 Sunday ..... 9:00 am ..... St. Raphael  
 Sunday ..... 11:00 am ..... St. Joseph

## Sacrament of Penance

By appointment

## Sacrament of Baptism

Parents interested in having their children baptized need to contact the pastor for further information.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Those seeking this sacrament are required to contact the pastor at least six months in advance. Pre-marriage instructions are required.

## Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday at Noon - 10 days prior to publication  
 Send info to stjosephonekama@gmail.com,  
 or drop off hard copy to the Parish Office.



## Ministry Schedule

### St. Joseph

#### Saturday, September 11, 4:00 pm

Lector Meg Barlan  
 Body of Christ Wanda Lyman  
 Altar Servers Arden Bradford  
 Usher/Greeter Ed Barlan & Cindy Kadzban

#### Sunday, September 12, 11:00 am

Lector Tom Fleming  
 Body of Christ Herb Dyer  
 Altar Servers Cheryl Showalter  
 Usher/Greeter Mike Kamaloski & Tom Greve

### St. Raphael

#### Saturday, September 11, 6:30 pm

Lector Peaches Sanovic  
 Body of Christ Gerry Kastl  
 Altar Servers Emily Fouchey  
 Usher/Greeter **4 Volunteers Needed**

#### Sunday, September 12, 9:00 am

Lector David Clous  
 Body of Christ Carlina Breitner  
 Altar Servers Cathy Noggle  
 User/Greeter **4 Volunteers Needed**

## Mass Intentions

### Tuesday, September 7th

10:00 am Adoration followed by 11:00 am Mass ..... St. Raphael

### Wednesday, September 8th

11:00 am Mass ..... St. Raphael

### Thursday, September 9th

10:00 am Adoration followed by 11:00 am Mass ..... St. Joseph

### Friday, September 10th

11:00 am Mass ..... St. Joseph

### Saturday, September 11th

4:00 pm †Bonna Jean Pettis (Rose Marie Showalter) ..... St. Joseph  
 6:30 pm Living and Deceased Parishioners ..... St. Raphael

### Sunday, September 12th

8:00 am TV Mass for the Homebound ..... Fox 32 (Cable Channel 3)  
 9:00 am †Ron Mason (Paul & Gaby Crandall) ..... St. Raphael  
 11:00 am †Phyllis Russell (St. Joseph Ladies Guild) ..... St. Joseph

## Prayer Requests

Please pray for all service men and women who are serving our country.

Sgt. Gabe Caldwell, Army  
 SSgt Hannah Janicki Davis, USAF  
 SSgt Kyle R. Davis, USAF  
 Mark J. Debano, Jr., OD LT, MSC,  
 USN  
 2 Lt. Daniel J. Debano, Engineer,  
 MIARNG  
 Sgt. Chris DeVoll, Army  
 Spc. Renada DeVoll, Army  
 2nd Lt. Connor Fitzpatrick, Army  
 Olivia Fouchey, USAF  
 Charles Fouchey V, Army, NG  
 Jay Long, Air Force  
 Mike Meyers, Air Force

Adam O'Neill, Army  
 Capt. Courtney Pierce, RN, Army  
 Capt. Karina Pierce, Army  
 Sgt. Benjamin Pingel, Navy  
 Adam Schuessler, Army, USAF  
 Hunter Scoggins, Army  
 Austin Soller, Navy  
 Sgt. Dylan Somsel, Army  
 Trevor Tomkinson, Marine  
 Capt. Kent Turner, Army  
 Yeoman John Tucker, CG  
 Yeoman Sarah Tucker, CG  
 Daniel Tanner, Navy

Please remember in your prayers all the homebound, those who are in the Medical Care, adult foster care homes, and those who are ill including:

Florence Anderson  
 June Bartlett  
 Janice Berben  
 Ann Bialik  
 Dianna Bialik  
 Ed Bielat  
 Kyleigh Borah  
 Ned Brown  
 Anna Charlich  
 Jayme LaFleur Daley  
 Mark Dagnall  
 Dennis Daldine  
 Karen Daldine  
 Martha Dirksen  
 Blake Elmer  
 Frank English  
 Mary Evans  
 Norma & Arnold Fraley  
 Ken Franklin  
 Michele Gillaspie

Don Gurn  
 Pat Gurn  
 William Hogarth  
 Addy Hollifield  
 Tammy Holmes  
 Bruce Howell  
 Dennis Humphrey  
 Marlene Krause  
 Stephen Kuczynski  
 Joyce LaFleur  
 Ryan LaHaie  
 Joseph Lizon  
 Marilyn & William Lotz  
 George Macko  
 John David Martuch  
 Tammy May  
 Julie Miller  
 Kelly Miller  
 Olivia Miller  
 Lisa Milliron

Dale Moody  
 Gino Nacco  
 Nielsen Family  
 James Oliver  
 Becky Petersen  
 Judy Pendency  
 Reed Family  
 Rich Russell  
 Nancy Satal  
 Kelli Sattler  
 Bob Saul  
 Chad Schualer  
 Paul Sedlar  
 Richard Smith  
 Mary Steen  
 Jack Sysko  
 Kay Thompson  
 Donna Wallace  
 Tom Wasco

## Spiritual Guidance Resources

We would like to offer you some resources for daily prayer, live streaming of adoration, Mass, reflections, and more.

Please check our parish websites frequently as new information will be posted as it becomes available.

Ascension Press - <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/spiritual-guidance>

EWTN - <https://www.ewtn.com/> (Available for TV viewing in most areas)

Diocese of Gaylord - [Remote Viewing | Listening of Mass](#)

Online Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration - <https://virtualadoration.home.blog/>

Download **myParish App** on your mobile devices (Apple and Android) for additional resources. Both St. Joseph and St. Raphael Parishes are combined under St. Joseph Catholic Church in Onekama.

## Office Manager/Bookkeeper Job Opening

We are looking for a new Office Manager that serves both of our parishes. Applicant must be able to multi-task, stay organized, be efficient using Microsoft Office programs, Peachtree accounting software. Will train the right person. Benefits are included. A cheerful team player to support priest, staff and parishioners is required. All interested applicants must apply online at [Diocese of Gaylord | Job Opportunities](#).

## St. Joseph & St. Raphael Bible Study

Both churches will be starting back up with Bible Study! St. Joseph will start on Friday, September 10th at 9:30 am in the parish hall and St. Raphael will start Wednesday, September 22nd at 9:00 am. The study is called, "First Corinthians, the Church and the Christian Community," from Ascension Press. This is the description from Ascension: "First Corinthians, the Church and the Christian Community," explores the key elements of the gospel message that Paul introduced to a new and growing Church. Presenter Tim Gray examines Paul's advice for living an authentic Christian life in a pagan culture as well as his teachings about the nature of grace, the Church as the body of Christ, and the most powerful gift of all-the Eucharist. All are welcome to join! Suggested donation for the book will be \$30.00 but please don't let that deter you from joining the study. For any questions at St. Joseph please contact Maureen Barry at 231.510.2243 or Cindy Zatarga at 231.499.7325. For St. Raphael please contact Carlina Breitner at 231.233.3759.

## St. Raphael Flea Market

The Flea Market has a date! It will be held September 23rd, 24th, and 25th running from 9am to 4pm each day. You can start bringing in your treasures to Church from September 11th. There will be someone at Church on Tuesdays and Thursdays after the 11th to assist you in dropping things off. On Sunday, September 19th set up for the market will begin at 6pm and we could use all the help that we can get! For any questions please contact Rose Clous at 231.885.1619. Thank you!

## Updates to Covid-19 Protocols for Liturgical Celebrations

- It is **recommended, by the CDC**, that all individuals, **regardless of vaccination status**, wear a mask in public indoor settings when the "Substantial" or "High" risk level is reached in the county in which they live or work.
- When using **hymnals in church** we invite you to sanitize your hands with provided sanitizer in each pew. Please make sure lids are closed after use.

## Upcoming Community Events

### Wednesday, September 8th

12:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting... St. Raphael  
3:30 pm Ladies Guild Meeting..... St. Joseph  
5:30 pm Finance Council Meeting ..... St. Joseph

### Friday, September 10th

9:30 am Bible Study ..... St. Joseph

## Celebrating Birthdays

09/07 Michael Schaub, Colette Kamalowski  
09/10 Dan Long, Adam Porter  
09/12 Charles Fouchey III, Christine Goodrich

## Celebrating Anniversaries

09/11 M/M Dale Hyder  
09/12 M/M John Martuch

## Win Some Women Announcement

Come, enjoy award winning musician Sandi Patty and best-selling authoe Ruth Graham along with speakers Michael Card and Sarah Schieber. Learn of God's faithfulness and be encouraged in your walk with the Lord. Be sure to come with your friends and experience enriching speakers and uplifting worship at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor, Michigan. Mark your Calanders for the fall retreats October 19 & 20, 20 & 21 and 21 & 22. Register at [www.retreats.org](http://www.retreats.org).

## Marylyn Nabozny Funeral Mass

On Saturday, September 18th we will be celebrating the life of Marylyn Nabozny. Mass will take place at St. Raphael at 11:00am with a luncheon to follow. Anybody wishing to attend is welcome!

## Knights of Columbus Fall Dinner

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their fall dinner on September 30th from 5pm -7pm at St. Raphael Church. Adults will be \$15.00, Children 5-12 \$8.00 and 5 and under are free! Tickets will be going on sale soon. Hope to see you there!

## St. Raphael C.C.W

We would like to thank you for supporting our August 8th Pancake Breakfast. You have always been there for us. The winner of the 50/50 was Viva Kast!!

## Stewardship of Treasure

**May Our Lord bless us through our generosity.**

Thank you so very much to those who have been able to continue with their financial support of our parishes during this very difficult time. It is greatly appreciated.

Tithing titles not available at this time.