

**Schedule for
Aug. 27 - Sept. 2**

MONDAY - 8/27

2 Thes 1: 1-5, 11-12, Mt 23: 13-22

TUESDAY - 8/28

2 Thes 2: 1-3a, 14-17, Mt 23: 23-26

9:00am (St. R) - For the Sick
7:00pm - St. Raphael Festival Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY - 8/29

2 Thes 3: 6-10, 16-18, Mk 6: 17-29

9:00am (St. R) - For the Poor

THURSDAY - 8/30

1 cor 1: 1-9, Mt 24: 42-51

9:00am (St. J) - Clarence & Florence Levandowski (Family)

FRIDAY - 8/31

1 Cor 1: 17-25, Mt 25: 1-13

9:00am (St. J) - For the Poor

SATURDAY - 9/1

Ez 43: 1-7ab, Mt 23: 1-12

4:30pm (St. J) - James Phillips (Maureen)

7:00pm (St. R) - For the Living and Deceased parishioners of St. Raphael

SUNDAY - 9/2

Dt 4: 1-2, 6-8, Jas 1: 17-18, 21b-22, 27, Mk 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

8:00am - TV Mass for the Homebound from Gaylord - Fox 32 (Cable Channel 3)

8:30am (St. R) - Esmeralda Miranda (Maria Saul & Fernanda Acosta)

10:25am (St. J) - Living Rosary

11:00am (St. J) - Minnie Zatarga (Bob & Bonnie Barker)

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Mass Times: Thursday & Friday, 9:00am, Saturday, 4:30pm, Sunday, 11:00am

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation classes will begin mid-September. Registration forms are available on the table in the front entrance of church. Please pickup a registration form, fill it out, and either drop it in the collection basket, or mail to the church office.

UP COMING EVENTS

- **St. Joseph Living Rosary**, Sunday, September 2nd at 10:25am
- **Mass at Medical Care**, Tuesday, September 4th at 2:00pm
- **St. Joseph Pastoral Council Meeting**, Wednesday, September 5th, 6:00pm
- **Tri Saints K of C Meeting**, Thursday, September 6th at St. Joseph, 7pm.
- **Day Retreat "Our Lady Undoer of Knots"**, Saturday, September 8th, 9:00am - 4:00pm. in the St. Joseph Parish Hall. This retreat is presented by Elizabeth Gengle.
- **Pilgrimage to St. Mary's Shrine in the Woods**, Wednesday, September 26th. Leaving from St. Raphael's at 8:30am. Car pooling available.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study of the Book of Matthew will resume on Friday, September 7th after the morning Mass in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage anyone to join us. Feel free to call Cindy at 231-499-7325 with any questions that you may have.

PILGRIMAGE

There will be a Pilgrimage to St. Mary's of the Woods in Mio, on Wednesday, September 26th. This will be for people of both St. Joseph's and St. Raphael's. We will be leaving from St. Raphael's at 8:30am and will be carpooling to this location. There is a sign-up sheet in the entrance of both churches if interested. Please join us for a wonderful experience.

LIGHTHOUSE PREGNANCY CARE

The Board of Directors for Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center is looking for a friendly, outgoing, Assistant Director to help oversee the general operations of the Center. The Center is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00am to 4:30pm. This is a year round, part-time position of approximately fifteen to twenty hours a week.

If you are a self-starter, team player, and the Lord places it on your heart to serve Him and the community in this capacity, please mail your resume to Bob Hathon, Board Chair C/O Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center, 215 Maple St., Manistee, MI 49660 for Board Consideration. Any further questions regarding the ministry and/or this position, feel free to contact the Center at lpccministry@outlook.com Thank you!

ST. JOSEPH'S STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

May Our Lord bless us through our generosity

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$ 2,344.00
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$ 878.01
CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY	\$ 1.00
STIPEND	\$ -----
DONATION	\$ -----
TOTAL	\$ 3,223.01
BUILDING ENV.	\$ 525.00
D & L FUND-BLG.	\$10,116.25
FOOD PANTRY	\$ 327.00

Prayer Requests

Richie Anderson, June Bartlett, Kyleigh Borah, Mary Lynn Burchard, Anna Charlich, Martha Dirksen, Blake Elmer, Frank English, Addy Hollifield, Tammy Holmes, Dennis Knoche, Joyce LaFleur, William Lotz, Marilyn Lotz, George Macko, John David Martuch, Julie Miller, Nielsen Family, Nancy Satal, Mary Steen, Kay Thompson, Albert Valencia

Happy Birthday!!

- 8/26 - John Fischer
- 9/2 - Donald Somsel
- 9/3 - Robert Eipperle

Happy Anniversary!!

- 8/27 - M/M Keith Teachout
- 8/29 - M/M Dan Daberkoe

If anyone would like to take the gifts up at Mass, please let the ushers know that you would like to do this. Also, if you are having the Mass said for a loved one, please let them know that you want to take the gifts up. All you have to do is tell them before Mass, you are more than welcome to do this.

**ST. JOSEPH LADIES' GUILD
HANDMADE QUILT RAFFLE**

Queen Size Quilt

Drawing: Sunday, September 2nd at 12:00pm

Tickets: \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00

Please return your tickets by 9/1!!!

ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 1 & 2

Saturday, 4:30pm	Sunday, 11:00am
Lector - Dennis Knoche Body of Christ - Beth Klajda Precious Blood - Kathren Nacco & Pam Stokes Altar Servers - Catherine & Kyle Noggle Hospitality - Joel Lyman	Lector - Carol DuVall Body of Christ - Tom Berard Precious Blood - Dan Long & Herb Dyer Altar Servers - Hope & Cheryl Showalter Hospitality - Tom Greve

ST. RAPHAEL CHURCH
Mass Times: Tuesday & Wednesday, 9:00am, Saturday, 7:00pm, Sunday, 8:30am

**ST. RAPHAEL'S
 STEWARDSHIP OF
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ST. RAPHAEL CCW NEWS

The first **CCW Meeting** of the Fall will be held on Tuesday, September the 11th.

Mass - 9:00am - 9:30am
 Meeting - 9:30am - 11:00am
 Adoration - 11:00am - 11:30am

All ladies of the parish are cordially invited, and new members are always needed. Please consider joining us. This month's hostess is Joan Willis.

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Our Bible Study of the Book of Matthew will resume on Wednesday, September 5th after the morning Mass in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage anyone to join us. Any questions, please call 231-275-6307.



We would like to thank those who sent cards, had Masses said and offered prayers during the illness and death of our sister Cindy.

Thank you,
 Carlina Breitner and Debbie Diehl

The family of Henry and Edna Chandler would like to thank Fr. Ruben, Carlina, Custodian Michael, Ladies of the CCW and the entire parish for their participation in the installation and blessing of the new Stations of the Cross, and the wonderful breakfast fellowship after Mass.

Happy Birthday!!

8/27 - Rose Ide, Kimberly Wojnarski
8/28 - Ellen King

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FALL FESTIVAL

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!! St. Raphael Feast **FOOD and FUN, September 30, 2018, 2:00 to 5:00pm**. Please bring a friend with you, the more the merrier. Let us know if you need an invite mailed to a friend or family member. If you have questions, please contact Jeanne Mokrzycki at 334-467-5852

Bingo items needed for festival - Needed man & woman gifts, toys, coloring books for kids and adults, crayons, colored pencils, school supplies & games. Thank you for your donations to make our bingo and festival a great success. Drop off items to be stored in the office until the festival. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Mokrzycki 334-467-5852.

Please join us to make our festival great.
The meeting dates - 8/28, 9/11, 9/25, 10/9 at 7:00pm.

May Our Lord bless us through
 our generosity

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$	993.00
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$	631.00
V. LTS	\$	39.31
COFFEE	\$	12.00
STIPEND	\$	10.00
DONATION	\$	-----
TOTAL	\$	1,685.31
BUILDING	\$	70.00

Prayer Requests

Marty Bailey, David Bassey, Dennis Daldine, DeVoll Family, Shelley Doke, Bill Dowd, Mary Evans, Don Gurn, William Hogarth, Karen Ling, Tammy May, Kelly Miller, Olivia Miller, Kenneth O. Milliron, Dale Moody, Kelli Sattler, Chad Schualer, Linda & Randy Stark, Albert Valencia, Don Walston

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Saturday, 7:00pm	Sunday, 8:30am
Lector - Carlina Breitner Body of Christ - Debra Diehl Precious Blood - Cindy Saarm & Viva Kastl Altar Servers - Bob Saul	Lector - Leslie Casselman Body of Christ - Gabelle Crandall Precious Blood - Flo Smith & Pat Mullen Altar Servers - Bob Saul



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

SrA 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, Charles Draeger, USAF Special Unit, MIARNG, , Coast Guard, Navy, Olivia Fouchey, USAF, SFC Jeremy A. Kott, Army, Jay Long, Mike Meyers, Air Force, Adam O'Neill, Army, Capt. Courtney Pierce, RN, Army, 2nd Lt. Karina Pierce-Pingel, Army, Sgt. Benjamin Pingel, Army, Sgt. First Class Philip Sedlar, Jr., Andrew Saul, Navy, Adam Schuessler, Army, USAF, Austin Soller, Navy, Sgt. Dylan Somsel, Capt. Kent Turner, Army, Yeoman John Tucker, CG, Yeoman Sarah Tucker, CG, Daniel Tanner, Navy

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior Amen.

If you know of someone serving our country and would like a his/her name printed in our military corner please call the parish office or put their name in the collection basket and mark it military corner. Thank you.

ST. JOSEPH LADIES GUILD NEWS

The Ladies Guild will have next meeting on **Wednesday, September 12th, 2018 with lunch at Arcadia Bluffs at NOON, RSVP to 889-4304. ALL women of the parish are invited to join us when we meet again!! Come and meet your fellow parishioners. Our church needs your helping hands, and the good ideas in your heads. Need a ride? Call the church secretary and she will contact us to help. **SEE YOU THERE!!!** The St. Joseph Ladies' Guild new project will be **saving Family Fare receipts** that may be put in the same box in the entry. When you go to Family Fare all you have to do is sign-up for their reward card. We are collecting General Mills box tops for education. When you are cutting out the box top for education we need the **General Mills Box Top for Education** not the save 25-75%.

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ST. JOSEPH'S COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY: The next month's Food Pantry will **September 28, 2018** beginning at **10 a.m.** **Your financial support is appreciated and encouraged.** Every dollar you contribute goes toward purchase of food and household items.

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Stewardship by the Book - In today's first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

Stewardship Reflections -

"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." (JOSHUA 24:15)

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a partner in the work of the Lord. A partner is a person who invests time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports the parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!

Family Perspective - Even though many found the teachings of Jesus "difficult", He did not back down. In our families, it is important to say what is difficult to hear, to speak the truth with kindness, to correct with love and guide with understanding.

Promise to Protect; Pledge to Heal - In an effort to protect all children and to promote healing, the Diocese of Gaylord encourages victims of child abuse or neglect to report the matter. In fact, many professionals are required by Michigan State law to report suspected abuse or neglect of a child or minor. Individuals should contact their local office of the Department of Human Services. If an allegation involves sexual misconduct of a minor by clergy or any employee of the Diocese of Gaylord, even if it is in the past, individuals may also contact the Diocesan Victim Assistant Coordinator, Larry LaCross at 989-705-9010.

2018 Diocesan Conference - Save the date for the 2018 Diocesan Conference taking place September 21 & 22 at Treetops Resort in Gaylord. Entitled "This Little Light of Mine: Shining Christ's Light, Sunrise to Sunset," the conference will focus on ways to 'shine your light' in all facets of life and will even feature special breakout sessions for teens. Our Friday-night keynote speaker and emcee/musician for the weekend is internationally-renowned singer-songwriter Jesse Manibusan, author of "Open My Eyes," a hymn that has been published in many languages for both Catholic and Protestant Churches around the world. Dr. Timothy O'Malley, Ph.D., director of the Center for

Liturgy at the University of Notre Dame will present on Saturday. Bring your family for a weekend of faith and fun and take advantage of the special lodging and golf rates offered by Treetops. More information is available at www.dioceseofgaylord.org. Stay tuned as more presenters and a full schedule will be announced!

Find Your Greatness-Four habits that will transform your life

What are your habits? Are they helping you become the best-version-of-yourself or some second-rate-version of yourself? Our lives change when our habits change. Based on Matthew Kelly's book *The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic*, this half day event will introduce you to four simple habits that will help you reach your full potential. On Saturday, September 15th, St. Ann Parish in Cadillac will bring speaker Dominick Albano from Dynamic Catholic to present this intriguing workshop. The event will run from 9:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at St. Ann Catholic Church in Cadillac. Questions regarding the event can be addressed to Pat Crane of the sponsoring organization, Faith A Fire, at 231.826.3326. Tickets are \$25.00 and can be purchased at DynamicCatholic.com or by calling 859.980.7900.

Triumph of the Cross Celebration at St. Mary in Mio

On September 8th, join fellow Christians for a day of praise and prayer in thanksgiving for blessings received and for our personal needs and those of our state and nation. Registration will be from 9:30-10 am at St. Mary in Mio, and a free will offering will be accepted. Tom Clark will lead Praise with a message by Tom Hamer. There will be Stations of the Cross, prayer ministry, and a parish Mass at 4:00 p.m.. Ladies of the parish will make lunch to have available for a \$6.00 donation. Please contact Helen Clark at clarkhln@gmail.com or 231.846.1438 with any questions.

Charismatic Retreat - The Gaylord Diocese Service Committee would like to invite all who are interested to a "Charismatic Retreat." The retreat will take place October 12th to the 14th at the Augustine retreat center in Conway, MI (just north of Petoskey). The retreat presenter is Debbie Hawley with praise team leader Tom Clark. The theme this year is "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied." Cost for this event is \$150. Please reserve your place for this wonderful weekend by September 29th, 2018. See attached registration flyer. If you are interested please contact Helen Clark at clarkhln@gmail.com or 231.846.1438.

Altar Servers - Save Date

Altar Servers - Save the Date for the Diocese of Gaylord 13th Annual **ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION DAY**, Saturday, October 6th at the Otsego County Sportsplex and the Gaylord Bowling Center. Cost - FREE, RSVP to the office no later than Friday, September 28th. Info is on the table in the front entrance to church.

WinSome Women Retreat

Do you want to learn of God's faithfulness and abundant love? WinSome Women retreat is presenting Alan and Lisa Robertson, Michele Pillar and award-winning musicians Point of Grace to inspire and encourage you in your walk with the Lord. Don't miss out. Be sure to come with your family and friends to experience enriching speakers, uplifting worship, and the ambiance of Grand Hotel on beautiful Mackinac Island. Mark your calendar for the fall retreats October 16 & 17, 17 & 18, 18 & 19. Register now at wswretreats.org.