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Mass Schedule

Weekdays 9:00 a.m.: Tues., Wed. at St. R
Thurs., Fri. at St. J
Saturday: 4:30 p.m. at St. J
7:00 p.m. at St. R
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. at St. R
11:00 a.m. at St. J

Office Hours

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri. at St. J
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 4:00 p.m. at St. J
Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. at St. R
or 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/classes are required.

Sacrament of the Sick

Those in need should contact the parish office as soon as possible. The sacrament can be celebrated before and after Mass, home, hospital or where it is convenient.

Christian Initiation of Adults

Anyone interested in becoming a Roman Catholic Christian or who would like to inquire about our faith should call the Pastor at the parish office.

Parish Membership

Welcome new Parishioners! Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment to register. Please notify us if you have a change of address or are moving outside the parish.

Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday 12:00 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH/ST. RAPHAEL PARISH 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."

Fifth Sunday of Easter A May 14, 2017

“Jesus said to him, I am the way and the truth and the life.”

My dear friends in Jesus, how are you doing in this fifth Sunday of Easter? Are you enjoying this important season? I hope, that this season of Easter helps you to be more aware of the empty tomb of Jesus. Our Church has been trying to show during this time that we can experience the risen Lord in our lives. The joy of Easter is the realization that Jesus has opened the way for me and for you to have a new life. Death has not final word for our tragedy.

In our first reading we heard that “the number of disciples continued to grow,” this is the reason that you and me believe this good news, because other people believed first and they experience that Jesus has raised. “Death, the greatest fear of human beings, has been overcome.” This is the Good News that we have heard for more than 2000 years and this is the Good News that we need to proclaim every day.

It is amazing to read about the early church, how many people enjoy them and how they started to have problems serving them. All of these people found an answer to their problems in this early church and they want to experience the joy and happiness that these people had. They heard and saw that there is a God who knows them and wants to help them. They heard and saw that there is life after death. They heard and saw that there is a God who cares about every human being. Is it not beautiful to hear and see this Good News announce in among us?

God is always working for our salvation. God is always talking to our ears in order to give us meaning and joy to our lives. God is always concern for you and for me.

Now, the answer is in our side. We need to look and see if we want to continue to live in the way that you and me have lived so far. The season of Easter is the time when we can hear and believe that God is close and God wants the best for you and for me. We need to believe and join with the whole Church as we celebrate this great event that God made for us.

Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez

**Schedule for
May 15 - May 21**

MONDAY - 5/15

Acts 14: 5-18, Jn 14: 21-26

TUESDAY - 5/16

Acts 14: 19-28, Jn 14: 27-31a

11:00am (St. R) - Memorial Mass for Clara Eastland

WEDNESDAY - 5/17

Acts 15: 1-6, Jn 15: 1-8

9:00am (St. R) - For the Sick
(St. R) - Bible study after Mass

THURSDAY - 5/18

Acts 15: 7-21, Jn 15: 9-11

9:00am (St. J) - For the Sick
6:30pm (St. J) - Festival Committee Meeting

FRIDAY - 5/19

Acts 15: 22-31, Jn 15: 12-17

9:00am (St. J) - For the Poor
(St. J) - Bible Study after Mass

SATURDAY - 5/20

Acts 16: 1-10, Jn 15: 18-21

4:30pm (St. J) - For the Living & Deceased Parishioners of Joseph

7:00pm (St. R) - Clara Eastland (John & Joann Pope)

SUNDAY - 5/21

Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17, 1 Pt 3: 15-18, Jn 14: 15-21

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

8:30am (St. R) - Peter & Marie Wasylyzyn (Gerry & Clair Kastl)

11:00am (St. J) - For the Living & Deceased parishioners of Joseph

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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



**FIRST COMMUNICANTS
AND
CONFIRMANDS**

LUKE BRADFORD
DELANEY McCARTHY
HENRY SIDOR
BLAKE SWISHER



SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Timeline study will be taking a break for the summer. We will be having a video series 'Catholicism' by Bishop Robert Barron, on Friday's at 9:30am after Mass starting June 2nd. Watch the video and a short discussion, finished by 11:00am. No homework or workbook, come when you can! Everyone is welcome!

We are asking for donations to purchased a **AED (Automated External Defibrillator)** to have in our church. If something were to happen, it would save a Life!! The cost is \$1,245.00. If you would like to donate, please put your donation in an envelope, mark it AED and either put it in the collection basket or mail to the office. So far, \$270.00 has been donated. Training will be provided. This is a **VERY MUCH NEEDED INVESTMENT!**

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 4, 2017

The Ladies Guild is asking you to bring a **red geranium** to be used as an altar flower, then to be planted outside. Please bring your geranium by Sunday, May 21st. If you have any questions, please call Beth at 889-4304. Thank you!!!!



MEETINGS

St. Joseph Festival Committee will meet on Thursday, May 18th at 6:30pm.

**ST. JOSEPH'S
STEWARDSHIP OF
TREASURE**

May Our Lord bless us through our generosity

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$ 1,577.00
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$ 367.82
CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY	\$ 1.00
STIPEND	\$ 10.00
AED DONATION	\$ 50.00
BOOKS/CD	\$ 29.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,034.82
BUILDING ENV.	\$ 35.00
	27.67

Prayer Requests

Richie Anderson, June Bartlett, Kyleigh Borah, Anna Charlich, Martha Dirksen, Louis Fortin, Addy Hollifield, Tammy Holmes, Dennis Knoche, Raymond Knoche, Joyce LaFleur, Linda LaPlant, Florence Levandowski, Bonnie Levandowski, William Lotz, Irene Lyman, George Macko, John David Martuch, John Dominic Martuch, Rose Ann Maue, Julie Miller, Nielsen Family, Nancy Satal, Mary Steen, Albert Valencia, Barbara Warner

Happy Birthday!!

- 5/13** - Sean Fitzgerald, Kimberly Riley-Lampinen
- 5/16** - Anne MacNeil
- 5/17** - Jacque Boyd, Sean Kane, Laura Kane, Linda Showalter
- 5/18** - Phillip Harless, Sylvia Neph, Joy Pomeroy, Michael Nelson
- 5/21** - Catherine Noggle

Happy Anniversary!!

- 5/14** - M/M Steven Allen
- 5/16** - M/M Phillip Harless

SAVE THE DATE

**ST. JOSEPH
FUN, FOOD FESTIVAL**

June 25, 2017

12:00pm - 3:00pm

ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY 20 & 21

Saturday, 4:30pm	Sunday, 11:00am
Lector - Catherine Noggle Body of Christ - Dennis Knoche Precious Blood - Beth Klajda & Meg Barlan Altar Servers - Lilly & Andre Brown	Lector - Bob Sidor Body of Christ - Linda Showalter Precious Blood - Maureen Phillips & Tom Berard Altar Servers - Gabe Sidor & John Neph

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

**ST. RAPHAEL'S
 STEWARDSHIP OF
 TREASURE**

May Our Lord bless us through
 our generosity

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$	624.00
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$	503.00
V. LTS	\$	18.75
COFFEE	\$	3.00
AED DONATION	\$	520.00
STIPEND	\$	-----
BIBLE STUDY	\$	39.50
FUEL	\$	-----
TOTAL	\$	1,708.25
BUILDING ENV.	\$	-----

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

St. Raphael's Annual Flea Market will be held on June 30th, July 1st, and July 2nd. Start saving your treasures/Spring cleaning items for this fundraising event. **NO** Christmas items!!! **NO** clothing!!! **NO** TV's!!! Appliances must work!!!

THANK YOU

Happy Birthday!!

5/15 - Michael Fouchey
5/16 - Gerry Kastl

ST. RAPHAEL CCW NEWS

This weekend we will be passing out envelopes for their "Bakeless Bake Sale". In the past you have always been so very generous and supported us, we hope we will have your continued support. Envelopes must be returned by the weekend of May 20th & 21st. Thank you!

May Crowning - ALL the ladies of the Parish are invited to join in the Procession for the Crowning of our Blessed Mother Mary on Sunday, May 14th at the 8:30am Mass.

Prayer Requests

Marty Bailey, Tom Chinavare, Dennis Daldine, DeVoll Family, Bill Dowd, Mary Evans, William Hogarth, Tammy May, Kelly Miller, Olivia Miller, Kenneth O. Milliron, Dale Moody, Mary Lou Moskalski, Kelli Sattler, Chad Schualer, Albert Valencia, Don Walston, Gary Willis

Memorial Mass

Clara's Eastland's Memorial Mass will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. Mass will begin at 11:00am followed by a brunch in the church hall given by the CCW.

Thank you, parishioners of St.. Raphael's Church, for your generous support of the National Catholic Youth Conference Pancake Breakfast. The breakfast was the most successful event we have had since raising funds for these trips six years ago. Special thanks to the St. Raphael CCW for their separate contribution to our fundraising effort. We were blessed well beyond our expectations.

Mother's Day Blessing

**We pray that you will greatly bless
 Our mothers on this day
 With treasures from your heavenly store
 that cannot pass away.**

We are looking for donations to purchase a **AED (Automated External Defibrillator)** to have in our church. If something were to happen, it could save a Life!! The cost is \$1,245.00. If you would like to make a donation, please put your donation in an envelope, mark it AED and either put it in the collection basket or mail to the office. So far, \$620.00 has been donated. Thank you!!!

ST. RAPHAEL'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY 20 & 21

Saturday, 7:00pm	Sunday, 8:30am
Lector - Rex O'Connor Body of Christ - Bob Saul Precious Blood - Kim O'Connor & Ann Kulas Altar Servers - Michael Schaub	Lector - Pat Mullen Body of Christ - Precious Blood - Flo Smith & Carline Breitner Altar Servers - Bob Saul & Maria Saul



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

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, SR Sarah Hilliard, Coast Guard, Navy, AIC Hannah R. Janicki, SFC Jeremy A. Kott, Army, Jay Long, Mike Meyers, Air Force, Trevor Meyers, Marines, USMC, Adam O'Neill, Army, 1st Lt. Courtney Pierce, RN, Army, 2nd Lt. Karina Pierce-Pingel, Army, CSM Benjamin Pingel, Army, Sgt. First Class Philip Sedlar, Jr., Andrew Saul, Navy, Adam Schuessler, Army, USAF, Austin Soller, Navy, Sgt. Dylan Somsel, 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 be meeting on Wednesday, **June 14, 2017 at 3:30p.m. 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, Campbell Soup UPC's and Spartan UPC's. When you are cutting out the box top for education we need the General Mills Box Top for Education not the save 25-75%. Also, on the Campbell Soup we need the UPC's.

ST. JOSEPH'S COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY: The next month's Food Pantry will **May 26, 2017** beginning at **10 a.m.** *Your financial support is appreciated and encouraged.* Every dollar you contribute goes toward purchase of food and household items.

Stewardship by the Book - "The one who has faith in me will do the works I do, and far greater than these," Jesus tells his disciples. That's quite an assignment for us as Christian stewards!

Family Perspective - Jesus tells us in the gospel: "I am in the Father and the Father is in me!" The point is: God is in each one of us, in our relationships and in our homes. The vocation of the Christian family is to live the divine gift which is already in and around us.

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.

Faith Magazine is now online! - FAITH Along Michigan's 45th Parallel, the official magazine of the Diocese of Gaylord, is now available online! Visit www.dioceseofgaylord.org and click on the 'Faith Magazine' tab to see past issues.

Just Works: A Social Justice Experience for Teens

The Just Works experience for youth grades 8-12 challenges young people to live out the Gospel call to peace and justice in their personal lives. It offers

justice education through presentations, sharing, experiential simulations, prayer, and community living. New for 2017, the program will be held at Bethel Youth Camp in Hawks, just south of Rogers City, on July 31-August 4. There will also be plenty of good food and recreational time - including a sports field, putt-putt, and an indoor pool! Cost is \$250 per participant and includes all meals, lodging, and materials. For more information, contact your youth minister or Wayne Winter at 989.732.5147.

ST. JOSEPH YOUTH that will be attending the **2017 NCYC Conference** are collecting bottles and cans to help fund their trip. Please put your can/bottles in the barrel at the front entrance. Please help our youth attend this conference. Thank you!!!

There are

ANGELS

God puts on this Earth

**Who care for us and guide us,
You can feel their love and gentleness
as they walk through life beside us.**

**They do great things for us every day
they whisper in our ears,
they even hold us in their hearts
when we are filled with all our fears.**

**They are always there to give a hug
and try to make us smile.
They treat us with respect and love,
they treat us like their child.**

**God blessed me with an Angel,
I'm proud to call my own.
She's been with me throughout my
life, been with me as I've grown.**

**She's guided me the best she can,
she's taught me like no other,
and I'm thankful I'm the lucky one
who gets to call her....**

MOTHER

- Kathleen J. Shields

If anyone is planning a fundraising event, or any events that are going on at church, please have the notice/article sent to the office a **month ahead of the scheduled event**. That way it can be in the bulletin for three to four weeks. Thank you. **The bulletin deadline is Wednesday by 12:00pm.**