

CONFIRMATION



"Blessed are the poor in Spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven" (Mt 5:3)

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus,

Greetings of peace to you from Fr. Alphonse. I believe the chilly weather is giving us a warning of the upcoming winter, but I believe still we have some good days of weather left. Let us enjoy them. Last week we reflected about what it means to be a person of character and to be a person poor in spirit. Christ became poor so that through Him we might become rich: in spirit, character, virtues and the right use of our own possessions. Let us ask His grace so that we may be connected to Him always.

I use this opportunity to congratulate all our confirmandis and their parents. May the good Lord continue to shower forth His blessings and keep you safe. A big thanks to all the instructors. I believe and hope the newly confirmed adults in the Church will help us in some ministries and leadership roles. Wishing all of you a fantastic weekend, I wind up this greeting with prayerful wishes. God bless.

Fraternally yours in Christ, Fr. Alphonse MSFS.

St Therese Parish and School 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Sunday, October 21 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish 10:30 a.m. Personal Intention Rosary

11:00 a.m. †Joe Gysin (Int. of Sandy & Erin Velicky)

Monday, October 22 St. John Paul II

8:30 a.m. †Phyllis Stein (Int. of Ann LaRoche)

Tuesday, October 23 St. John of Capistrano

6:30 p.m. †Dianne Perin (Int. of Barb Chachulski)

Wednesday, October 24 St. Anthony Mary Claret

9:30 a.m. †Joan Weick (Int. of Bill)

12:00 noon Adoration (SSCM)

Thursday, October 25

6 a.m./6 p.m. Angelus and Rosary

No Mass

Friday, October 26

No Mass

Saturday, October 27

12:00 p.m. Sacrament of Confession5:00 p.m. Personal Intention Rosary

5:30 p.m. Maxine Schwartz (90th Birthday)

Sunday, October 28 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. †Karen Lameyer (Int. of Scott & Linda Hall)

10:30 a.m. Personal Intention Rosary11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

**Confession is also available at Ss. Cyril & Methodius at 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays or by appointment.

From the Diocese of Kalamazoo

On October 5, 2018, the Diocese of Lansing announced that they had officially removed priestly faculties for Rev. Robert Gerl, an incardinated priest for the Diocese of Lansing, due to a credible allegation of sexual assault of an adult male which occurred decades ago. Fr. Gerl served in pastoral ministry in the Diocese of Kalamazoo at Nazareth College (1986-1991), St. Thomas More Parish, Kalamazoo (1997-2000) and St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Portage, (2000-2009). Additionally he regularly celebrated Masses at a number of other parishes during this time on a temporary weekend basis. Fr. Gerl does not have faculties for pastoral ministry in the Diocese of Kalamazoo.

If you, or anyone you know, has been harmed by Fr. Gerl or anyone representing the Church, contact appropriate law enforcement. You may also contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator Deacon Pat Hall, 877-802-0115.

The Scripture Readings for next Sunday:

Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 5:1-6

Mark 10:46-52



Coffee and Donuts for October 28 will be provided by the Choir.

Thank You!!

Parish Support

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Wayland Area Christian Neighbors Food Pantry

Egg cartons are needed! Please leave in the back of church.

This is our month to stock the food pantry! Please leave your donation in the entrance of church. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Musician Needed

Ss. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Wayland is looking for a Musician and Choir Director for the Spanish Mass of the small north-central region of Kalamazoo Diocese. While Spanish fluency is not absolutely necessary, it is immensely helpful. Bilingual capability in English/Spanish is a plus, but facility in one or the other is acceptable. Requirements include playing at all regular Spanish Masses (Sunday 5:00), leading choir of adults and youths, leading practices, and planning music. If interested, please contact Fr. Andrew Raczkowski rectly, frandrew.stjoekal@gmail.com, for more information.

Ushers Needed

We are in need of Ushers to add to the teams. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact any usher in the back of church after Mass or call Jim Hackett 792-2185.



Family Perspective



"Advice" books abound on marriage and parenting. Jesus tells us in today's gospel the real secret: satisfying relationships depend on how well we sacrifice our needs to serve

others. It is not about "getting," it's about "giving" ourselves. If you feel like you are a servant to your children and spouse, then you are doing it right.

Christian Service Meeting

Wednesday, October 24th at 7:00pm We will be working on visits to the sick and nursing homes.

We will also discuss how many flowers to order for the holiday. Please be there!

Culture of Life

The 40 Days for Life campaign is firmly rooted on a foundation of prayer and fasting. We fervently believe that prayer and fast-



ing will end abortion, and your prayers are very much needed and appreciated.

"Father, we praise you for this one sister who gave herself, heart and soul, to rescue this one mother and baby. O may you empower the hundreds more today who are serving in our pregnancy help centers. Grant those answering calls, providing ultrasound and following up with a bold spirit of truth, love and perseverance." www.40days for life.com

Our culture of Life meetings are open to all on the 2nd Monday of each month, at 6:00 pm in the conference room. Any questions, please contact Karen at (616) 681-9387

Friends of the Poor Walk

St Martha conference Friends of the poor walk is November 3rd starting at Harding's parking lot ending at St Therese lot. The walk begins at 10 a.m. please support us either in walk or in pledges

Reporting Sexual Misconduct in Kalamazoo Diocese

Confidential calls to 877-802-0115 will be returned within one hour.

St. Therese School Auction! November 3

This year's theme is Masquerade Ball and tickets are available now! Tickets are \$25 each, include an amazing meal prepared by the Knights of Columbus and a bidder number. Tickets may be purchased after Mass, through the school office, or online at https:// stthereseauction.myevent.com/. Doors open at 5:30pm with dinner served at 6:00pm.



Raffle tickets are also on sale. We are offering two raffles this year. Black Friday Shoppers Helper, which offers a grand prize of \$250 in gift cards and \$150 in cash to help you get a head start on Black Friday! Tickets are \$5 each or 5/\$20. Our second raffle is a gun raffle. The winner will receive a Ruger American Rifle Ranch 450 Bushmaster Rifle. Tickets are \$10 each or 3/\$25. Tickets are available after Mass, through the school office, or a school family.

As always, Thank You for your support!

Save The Date—The Mettes are Back Again!

2018 THEME: IDENTITY

The Mette Family Band, MJM7 is joining us in Otsego at St. Margaret's Parish, November 3rd. The rally will include a concert that creates a bridge from the ordinary to the extraordinary, building on the richness of the catholic faith The concert empowers all ages to pray more fully and worship more freely. The events fall somewhere between a rock concert and a parish mission, with vibrant lights, powerful music, faith sharing, and an invitation to prayer. Last year was an amazing experience! Do not miss out this year! For further information contact Andrea Perry apery@bcaca.org or Joy Livingston joylivingston@gmail.com Https://www.diokzoo.org/diocesan-youth-rally

Fatima Public Rosary

October 13th 12 Noon

We were blessed with a cold but sunny day. There were 9 earnest prayer warriors. It started with the Angelus, prayed the rosary and concluded with the Divine Praises. The cookies and cider were a hit. Next year date 10/12/19 (Sat.) Put it in your calendar. Mary wants our prayers! Thank you to all who participated. Liz Ryan

The Knights of Columbus in Hilliards

You and your family are invited to our all you can eat Sunday breakfast buffet and omelet bar, on Sunday, October 28th. Serving from 8:30am until 1:00pm.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process where adults who

are not Catholic learn the "What we believe" and "why" of our Catholic

faith, as they join the Church. Classes will start at Ss. Cyril and Methodius

Adult \$10, Children 10 years and younger \$5, 5 years and younger free and family \$35. All proceeds will go to support the area needy. Our hall is located at 1896 135th in Hilliards.

on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 7:00pm.



If you are not a member of our Catholic faith and have been thinking about joining the Church or if you just have questions, this is your time. There is no obligation to join the Church but it does lead toward it. While these classes are geared towards those who are "new" to our faith, if you are

Catholic and have questions or would like to learn more about our faith, you are also more than welcome to attend.

If you have any questions please contact Deacon Mark.

St. Cyril & Methodius and St. Therese Youth Ministry News

Youth Ministry is open to students in the 4th grade and higher; we welcome everyone! **PUMPKIN CARVING, games..fellowship**Have you ever rolled a pumpkin? Have you ever blessed a pumpkin? Come see what it's all about! We invite you to join us for prayer, snack, fellowship, and joy on Sunday, October 21 after the 11am Mass.



Missionary Discipleship for ages 14-18

"We are not lost, but we are found in Christ Jesus our Savior." Have you wanted to continue your fellowship and study of the Catholic Church? Do you feel like there is something more you want to do after Confirmation? Then I think you might just want to come see what it's all about.

Gather with us on Sunday, October 21 @ 7 -8pm in the Church. Come with a gift to share.

Our Youth Ministry team: Mrs. Holly Sieffert, Ms. Becky Hohnke, and Mrs. Liz Ryan. Support team: Greyson, Madison, Claire, and Mark.

Serenity of Daisies Society Girls grades 5th-12th

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 7. We will have a Thanksgiving Feast and play Saint bingo! All girls in grades 5th-12th are invited to attend. We will meet at St. Therese School cafeteria from 6:30—7:45 p.m.

If there are any shut-ins that would like to receive communion please call Dorothy Hackett at 269-792-2185.

RE Corner

St. Therese of Lisieux Religious Education Welcomes everyone! "Jesus does not look so much at the greatness of our actions or even at their difficulty, as at the LOVE with which we do them."

"Be sealed with the Holy Spirit" Samantha Banas, Olivia Barry, Shane Coykendall, Luis Antonio DeSantiago Salazar, Ronald Angelo House, Blake Monroe, Matt Reynolds, Alexander Rodriguez, Yahir Sanchez, Olivia Sebright, Hayden Spore, & John Watson... (with our collaborative Parishes; SSCM & St. T.) received the Sacrament of Confirmation by Bishop Paul J. Bradley last weekend. We give thanks for the gifts of the Holy Spirit in "Wisdom, Knowledge, Counsel, Courage, Understanding, Piety, and Fear of the Lord.

O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore You. Enlighten me, guide me,

strengthen me, and console me.
Tell me what I should do,
give me Your orders.
I promise to submit myself to all
that You desire of me.
and to accept all that You permit
to happen to me.
Let me only know Your will.

Amen.

We send this prayer to all our Confirmandi. Continue to grow and flourish with the Holy Spirit. May God grant you peace thru Faith, Hope and Love.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS-

Sunday, October 21

@ 12:15-1:30pm Youth Ministry "Pumpkin roll, blessings, snack..."

@ 7:00-8:00pm Missionary Discipleship (for ages 14-18)

Monday, Oct. 29 @ 7:15 Religious Education Halloween Parade

Students may wear their costumes. Parents are welcome to see the parade.

Thursday, November 1 ALL SAINTS DAY Holy Day of Obligation

9:30 AM Mass at St. Therese

6:00 PM Mass at SSCM

Sunday, November 11 Sponsor/Parent attend Confirmation Prep Class 9th grade

Serving with Joy, Liz Ryan

Please Pray for the Sick and Recovering

Pam Allison Wayne Belka Lora Boogaard Karmen Born Tim Butler **Bob Coppens** Dave Damveld Michael Damveld **Edward Davis Louise Davis** Gerri Fleser Mic Francis Leroy Genther Marty Henning Tom Higbee Lois Hooker Terri Hudson

Andrew Iciek Bob Kaczanowski Jim Kaczanowski David Kamyszek Jennene Kelly Sarah Kelly **Sharon Kingsbury** Flora Kles Reese Kolar Darci Kositzky Joe Kramer Liz Laur Roger Lenard Julie Lenhart Bill Mauchmar Ken Merren Janice Misak

Kaitlyn Modreske Daren Mulder **Louis Peets** Irene Pelka Erin Rabidoux Weston Rickert Steven Riemersma Butch "Snuffy" Schmidt Robert Schwartz Jr. Robert Schwartz Sr. Viola Shoemaker **Patrick Sleles** Mary Smit Ann Nausieda Snyder Tom & Ruth Spross Justine Stora William White

Liturgical Roles

Ushers

Saturday, October 27

5:30 p.m. Team 6 Sunday, October 28 8:00 a.m. Team 5 11:00 a.m. Team 4

Altar Servers

Saturday, October 27

5:30 p.m. Jan Goodwin

Sunday, October 28

8:00 a.m. Roseanne Hall

11:00 a.m. Lawrence Watson IV

Holly Seiffert Cameron Seiffert

Lectors

Saturday, October 27

5:30 p.m. Phil Iciek **Sunday, October 28**

8:00 a.m. Theresa Kelly 11:00 a.m. Roni Hohnke

Eucharistic Ministers Saturday, October 27

5:30 p.m. Rod & Cheryl Belka

Gianni Marchesotti

Sunday, October 28

8:00 a.m. Mary Jo Damveld

Sarah Damveld

Scott Hall

11:00 a.m. Susan Garbarino

Roger Homrich Nancy Hyde Theresa Wooten Harold Lee

Money Counters

Monday, October 29: Team B Monday, November 5: Team C

Cleaning Crews

Week of October 22: Team C

Scott Dennis Roger Homrich Mary Homrich Matt Henning

Week of October 29: Team D

Nancy Hyde Melissa Driscoll Sandy Steffen Olivia Barry St. Therese Parish

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St. Therese School

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St. Therese School strives to provide a quality education for every child, everyday in a safe Christian environment, rich in Catholic teachings and traditions. We service preschool - 6 grade in a state certified school with a full curriculum.

School Staff

Hank LeverettePrincipal269-792-2016Dorothy VanWagnerSecretary269-792-2016TRIP certificates269-792-2016Order Onlinewww.shopwithscript.com

Sacrament of Baptism

If you intend to raise your family in the Catholic Faith, you are kindly asked to contact the Pastor for baptismal registration and a baptismal preparation session.

Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession.

The Sacrament is available every Saturday beginning at 12 Noon until 12:30 p.m., Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. prior to the 6:30 Mass and anytime upon request.

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

If you are committed to God and His Church and desire to enter into marriage, you are asked to contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the desired date of the ceremony.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone in the parish is facing serious illness or surgery, please contact the Pastor in order to receive the Sacrament. If you are unable to attend Sunday Mass, contact the office to have Holy Communion brought to you. Please notify the office if a loved one is in the hospital.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA

The RCIA is the process by which an adult enters into the life of the Catholic Church. The process begins in early September of each year. Adults receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Solemn Easter Vigil.

Religious Education Program

Classes for our public school students and for our St. Therese students who are continuing their growth in the faith are: Monday, 6:15-7:30p.m. grades K-5th. Grades 6th-9th will be meeting on Sunday, 9:15-10:30 a.m. September through May. Please contact Director of Religious Education (DRE) for more details. Email: LizRyan-DRE@gmail.com