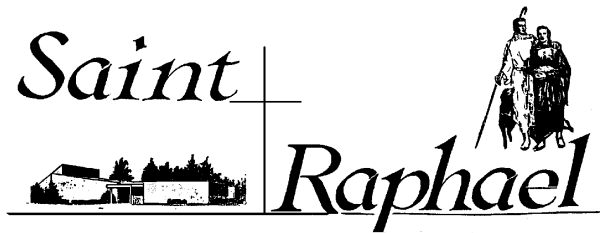




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#### **Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Ruben D. Munoz, Pastor  
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Chris Sattler, Organist/Music Director  
Michael Nelson, Maintenance  
Sophie Engstrom, DRE

#### **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."**

#### **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time A November 19, 2017**

**"Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities."**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord, in this week we are going to celebrate another Thanksgiving Day and this is great. Every year, I am more aware of the meaning of this day. I told you that in Colombia we do not have a day like this and learning and living all these year this celebration made me to be more grateful with my blessings that God has provided for me.

Last week, I told you that God demands that we love Him with a perfect love, with a love that is as wide as all of our capabilities and capacities. I think this week; I can continue talking about our capabilities and capacities that God has given us. I used this phrase from the Gospel very often, "since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." We heard, "Yes if you are a Christian you will love God. Yes you will love God with everything you are. Yes you could love God even more. You could love Him even more... Jesus in this Gospel gave us a wonderful example that people who did not love his Master and follow his instructions. The last servant who receive only one talent answered, "Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back." This guy did not asked for forgiveness, he did not demonstrate love to his Master, he has a wrong imagine of this Master, he did not realize that his Master is coming back, and he was not grateful with what he received from his Master.

How many of us we are like this servant? Have you thought about what God has given to you during your life? When I was reflecting in this Gospel, I feel like this servant that is full of fear, I buried my talents and losing the opportunity to gain more in order to show to my Master how grateful I am with Him. I saw a video on Facebook about a study done in a hospital on 100 elderly people facing death close to their last breath. They were asked to reflect about in their lives the biggest regret. Nearly all of them said, they regretting not the things that they did, but the things they did not do, the risk they never took, the dreams they did not pursue. I ask you what will be your last words? Every person in this earth has a gift! People in this earth have a talent that God has given to them to change this world. Talent to show the world that God is good. What is your dream? What is your talent? God has given you this gift for some reason and God counts in you.

**Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez**

<b>Schedule for Nov. 20 - Nov. 26</b>
<b>MONDAY- 11/20</b> 1 Mc 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63, Lk 18: 35-43
<b>TUESDAY - 11/21</b> 2 Mc 6: 18-31, Lk 19: 1-10  9:00am (St. R) - For the Sick 9:45am - St. Raphael Pastoral Council Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY- 11/22</b> 2 Mc 7: 1, 20-31, Lk 19: 11-28 9:00am (St. R) - For the Poor
<b>THURSDAY- 11/23</b> 1 Mc 2: 15-29, Lk 19: 41-44 (St. J) - NO MASS
<b>FRIDAY- 11/24</b> 1 Mc 4: 36-37, 52-59, Lk 19: 45-48 (St. J) - NO MASS
<b>SATURDAY - 11/25</b> 1 Mc 6: 1-13, Lk 20: 27-40  4:30pm (St. J) - For the Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph  7:00pm (St. R) - Don & Helen Coughlin (Viva & Clyde Kastl)
<b>SUNDAY- 11/26</b> Ez 34: 11-12, 15-17, 1 Cor 15: 20-26, 28, Mt 25: 31-46  8:00am - TV Mass for the Homebound from Gaylord - Fox 32 (Cable Channel 3)  8:30am (St. R) - For Living and Deceased parishioners of St. Raphael  9:30am (St. J) - Faith Formation Class  11:00am (St. J) - For the Lilving and Deceased parishioners of St. Joseph

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**  
Mass Times: Thursday & Friday, 9:00am, Saturday, 4:30pm, Sunday, 11:00am

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**FAITH FORMATION**

Faith Formation and RCIA classes starts promptly at 9:30am PLEASE!!!

**A NORTHERN CHRISTMAS  
1903**

**WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS TEA**  
(Free Program & refreshments)

December 7, 2017  
7:00pm

Onekama Church of the Brethren  
8266 Mill St., Onekama, MI  
(Across from post office)

For reservations call, 231-889-4311

**2018 BIBLE STUDY**

Please plan to join your friends for **Matthew: The King and His Kingdom** is an exciting study that explores the life and mission of Jesus as recorded in the Gospel. Matthew demonstrates how the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament are fulfilled in Christ, who establishes a New Law and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. Participants will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who relives the life and struggles of Israel to become the faithful and victorious King. Set in the rich context of Jesus' Jewish culture, this study will help participants understand who Jesus is and what his life and teachings mean for us today.

This study will begin the first week of the new year on Wednesdays at St. Raphael and Fridays at St. Joseph following morning Mass. The 24 lessons will be divided into Spring and Fall sessions. To sign up call the office at 231-889-4254.

**UP COMING EVENTS**

- **K of C Tri-Saints meeting**, Tuesday, December 5th, 7:00pm at St. Raphael's
- **Stewardship Committee, Pastoral/Finance Council meeting**, Wednesday, December 6th, 6:00pm
- **Christmas Caroling**, Sunday December 10th, potluck after Mass followed by caroling at the Manistee Medical Care
- **St. Joseph Adoration**, December 14th, 9am-8pm
- **St. Joseph/St. Raphael Communal Penance Service**, December 21st, 6:00pm at St. Joseph Church

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

May Our Lord bless us  
through our generosity

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$ 1,915.00
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$ 529.26
CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY	\$ -----
STIPEND	\$ 10.00
DONATION	\$ -----
CD/BOOKS	\$ 39.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,493.26</b>
BUILDING ENV.	\$ 190.00
D & L FUND-BLG.	\$29,767.67
FOOD PANTRY	\$ 590.00

**Prayer Requests**

**Richie Anderson, June Bartlett, Kyleigh Borah, Mary Lynn Burchard, Anna Charlich, Martha Dirksen, Louis Fortin, Addy Hollifield, Tammy Holmes, Dennis Knoche, Joyce LaFleur, 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, Kay Thompson, Albert Valencia, Barbara Warner**

**Happy Birthday!!**

- 11/18** - Shari Smith
- 11/23** - Jon Hall
- 11/25** Rose Ann Maue
- 11/26**- Darryl Kott

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

The choirs of St. Joseph/St. Raphael and children of the Faith Formation Class will be going to the Manistee County Medical Care to sing Christmas Carols on Sunday, December 10th. We will start with a potluck in the St. Joseph's Hall and then go to the Medical Care. Anyone wishing to join in may do so!!! Please bring a dish to pass.

**Office will be closed on Thursday,  
November 23rd and Friday, November  
24th. Happy Thanksgiving!**

<b>ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 25 &amp; 26</b>	
<b>Saturday, 4:30pm</b>	<b>Sunday, 11:00am</b>
Lector - John Baribeau Body of Christ - Chris Goodrich Precious Blood - Beth Klajda & Dale Mrosko Hospitality - Cathy Noggle & George Goodrich Altar Servers - Dennis & Beverly Knoche	Lector - Linda Showalter Body of Christ - Peaches Sanovic Precious Blood - Dan Long & Lisa Sidor Hospitalilty - Mary Ann & Rudy Gross Altar Servers - Henry & Elizabeth Sidor

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**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**

If you would like to remember your loved one with a plaque on the Memory Board, call the office at 231-889-4254. APPROXIMATE cost is \$20.00

St. Raphael's CCW Christmas Luncheon is being held on **Monday, December 4th** at the Platte River Inn in Honor. The luncheon is at 11:30am and there will be a \$10.00 gift exchange. To make your reservation, please call either Kim Wojnarski at 231-885-1258 or viva Kastl at 231-885-2295. **LAST DAY** to make reservations is Monday, November 27th.

**THANK YOU** to all who participated in Operation Shoe Box. Twenty (20) Boxes were returned full of very needed items. You made some children very happy!!!

Our **GIVING TREE** will be set up once again this year, and there are families once again who are in need of our generosity. Please take the tag you wish from the tree, purchase the item listed, wrap the gift and return with the **TAG RE-ATTACHED**. All gifts must be returned by **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH**. Thanking you in advance for making some families Christmas a little brighter

There will be **no CCW Meetings** until **March 2018**.

**Happy Birthday!!**

11/27 - Caroline King

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**FAITH FORMATION/RCIA**

Looking for volunteers for assistance with Faith Formation and/or RCIA. I will provide all the materials needed for the sessions. Just in need of teachers! I can be contacted by email: sophieengstrom@sbcglobal.net or cell phone 231-590-3156

May Our Lord bless us through  
 our generosity

<b>ENVELOPE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ 1,423.00
<b>LOOSE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ 422.00
<b>V. LTS</b>	\$ 21.80
<b>COFFEE</b>	\$ 7.00
<b>FUEL</b>	\$ 160.00
<b>FLOWERS</b>	\$ 25.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 2,058.80
<b>BUILDING ENV.</b>	\$ 10.00

**Prayer Requests**

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

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**PLEASE remember to turn off all cell phones in church.**  
**This is a time of quiet and prayer. Thank you!!**

**ST. RAPHAEL'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 25 & 26**

Saturday, 7:00pm	Sunday, 8:30am
Lector - Betsy Schaub Body of Christ - Bob Saul Precious Blood - Viva Kastl & Joseph Rebman Altar Servers - Michael Schaub & Emily Fouchey	Lector - Maria Saul Body of Christ - Ruth Schaub Precious Blood - Flo Smith & Carlina Breitner Altar Servers - Bob 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, , Coast Guard, Navy, AIC Hannah R. Janicki, 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 be meeting/Christmas Party on Wednesday, **December 13th, 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. 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 **December 15, 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.

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**Stewardship by the Book** - The "worthy wife" described in today's first reading is a perfect example of active stewardship, reaching out her hands to the poor and extending her arms to the needy.

**Family Perspective** - As the man in today's gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has "entrusted" our family to us. Like the good servants we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.

**Vocation View** - Don't just bury your talents. Dream your best dream about your life, then live it to the full. God calls you to the happiest of all possible lives.

**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.

**See You in Dublin!** - Join the Diocese of Gaylord for a pilgrimage to Ireland for the 2018 World Meeting of Families! This family-friendly pilgrimage will depart from Detroit on Sunday, August 19, 2018, and travel to religious and historical sites in Ireland before reaching Dublin for the World Meeting of Families. We will depart for Detroit on Tuesday, August 28. Cost for the trip is \$4,599 and includes round-trip airfare, registration and entrance to World Meeting of Families events, daily Mass, tips and gratuities for tour guides, land transportation via private deluxe motor coach, all listed entrance fees, lodging in 3 and 4 star hotels, breakfast daily, and 4 dinners. For more information, visit [www.dioceseofgaylord.org](http://www.dioceseofgaylord.org) or contact Wayne Winter at 989.732.5147.

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## ST. JOSEPH'S RAPHAEL'S CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
**7:00 pm @ St. Joseph Church**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
**8:30 am @ St. Raphael  
Church**

**11:00am @ St. Joseph Church**

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## CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

St. Joseph/St. Raphael invites you to remember loved ones with our Christmas Flower Memorials. A flyer has been inserted in the bulletin and you will also find them on the table in the vestibule. Please **PRINT** the names to be remembered on this form or on your Christmas Flower Envelopes that are in your envelope packet. Donations will support the purchase of flowers for our churches.

## GOOD GRIEF GATHERING

Good Grief Gathering, Tuesday, November 14th,  
Noon at Bethany Lutheran Church, Kaleva.

Bring your own lunch and beverage if you choose.

It's "SHOW and TELL" day. Bring a momento,  
picture...to share with the group.

- Sandra Mrosko

## Snowbirds, are you getting ready to fly south for the winter?

Consider adding these to your to-do list before you go:

- Stay on top of parish news - share your email address so you can receive the bulletin.
- Help us keep the lights and heat on - make your tithing easier and ask your bank to set up a regular electronic fund transfer to St. Joseph.
- Inform the parish office when you will be leaving if you are a Eucharistic minister, lector, usher, greeter, etc. so you will not be scheduled. Thank you and safe travels!!!