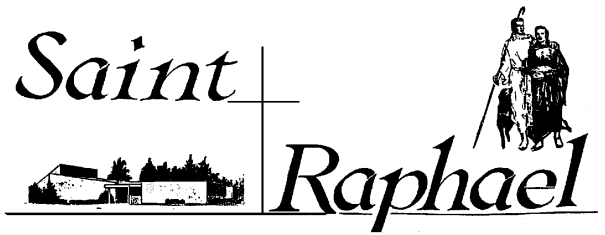




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**Pastoral Staff**

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 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."**

**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe A  
 November 26, 2017**

**"When the Son of Man comes in his glory..."**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, this is the last Sunday in this liturgical year. Many good messages, God has been giving us, during this year and opportunities to live and praise our God. During this time, I have learned a lot about the word of God in the bible study and especially in Sundays. This is amazing how God is talking to me when I prepared my homilies and shared with you in the services. I hope you have learned a lot like me and listen to our God in this period of your life.

I am very sure that people who attended bible study, understand with joy our first reading, "I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal..." This promise made by God to his people; help us to understand the love of God for his people and the opportunities that we have to experience his tender care. God is taking care of his people now and providing for them what they need to produce fruit and know their God.

Today we celebrate the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, although the Church has always proclaimed Jesus as Lord and King it was not until 1925 that this feast of Christ the King was established. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast with his encyclical Quas Primas ("In the first") to respond to growing nationalism and secularism. He recognized that these related society became more and more against the Church. Today this solemnity reminds us that while governments and philosophies come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

I would like to finish with a very powerful quote from the encyclical Quas Primas, I think this will help us to understand the meaning of this solemnity, "He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls..."

**Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez**

<b>Schedule for Nov. 27 - Dec. 3</b>
<b>MONDAY- 11/27</b> Dn 1: 1-6, 8-20, Lk 21: 1-4
<b>TUESDAY - 11/28</b> Dn 2: 31-45, Lk 21: 5-11  9:00am (St. R) - For the Sick
<b>WEDNESDAY- 11/29</b> Dn 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28, Lk 21: 12-19  9:00am (St. R) - For the Poor
<b>THURSDAY- 11/30</b> Rom 10: 9-18, Mt 4: 18-22  9:00am (St. J) - For the Sick
<b>FRIDAY- 12/1</b> Dn 7: 2-14, Lk 21: 29-33  9:00am (St. J) - For the Poor
<b>SATURDAY - 12/2</b> Dn 7: 15-27, Lk 21: 34-36  4:30pm (St. J) - Francis & Gertrude Kadzban (Phil & Cindy Kadzban)  7:00pm (St. R) - For the Living and Deceased parishioners of St. Raphael's
<b>SUNDAY- 12/3</b> Is 63: 16b-17, 19b, 64: 2-7, 1 Cor 1: 3-9, Mk 13: 33-37  <b>First Sunday of Advent</b>  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 Living and Deceased parishioners of St. Joseph

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

**ST. JOSEPH EMAIL ADDRESS**

**PLEASE NOTE** that the email address for St. Joseph and St. Raphael Churches is [stjosephonekama@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephonekama@gmail.com). Please use this email address. Thank you!

**FAITH FORMATION**

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

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS**

**St. Joseph Church**  
**Friday, December 8th, 9:00am**

**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**

- **Medical Care Mass**, Tuesday, December 5th, 2:00pm
- **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 at St. Joseph
- **Immaculate Conception Mass**, Friday, December 8th, 9:00am at St. Joseph
- **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	\$ 1,319.00
OFFERTORY	
LOOSE	\$ 567.00
OFFERTORY	
CHILDREN'S	\$ 4.00
OFFERTORY	
STIPEND	\$ -----
DONATION	\$ -----
CD/BOOKS	\$ -----
TOTAL	\$ 1,890.00
BUILDING ENV.	\$ 130.00
D & L FUND-BLG.	\$29,767.67
FOOD PANTRY	\$ -----

**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!!**

- 11/25** Rose Ann Maue
- 11/26**- Darryl Kott
- 12/1** - Daniel Daberkoe, Maegan Hrachovina
- 12/2** - Brittany Howes, Robert Wojczynski
- 12/5** - Jack Daberkoe, Mairin McCarthy

**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.

<b>ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 2 &amp; 3</b>	
<b>Saturday, 4:30pm</b>	<b>Sunday, 11:00am</b>
Lector - Beverly Knoche Body of Christ - Beth Klajda Precious Blood - Sandra Bologna & Kathryn Nacco Hospitality - Peter Bologna Altar Servers - Catherine & Kyle Noggle	Lector - Bob Sidor Body of Christ - Mary Jerore Precious Blood - Tom & Kris Greve Hospitality - Mary Ann & Rudy Gross Altar Servers - George Phillips & Gabe Sidor

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

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

**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.

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**.

**HOMEBOUND/SHUT-INS**

If you know of anyone needing a home visit from Kim Wojnarski, please call her at 231-885-1258. Kim will be gone from December 13th until January 10th. During that time Ruth Schuab will be covering for Kim. Her number is 231-645-3979.

**Happy Birthday!!**

- 11/27 - Caroline King
- 12/6 - John Schaub

**UP COMING EVENTS**

- **Mass with Adoration**, 9:00am-11:am at St. Raphael
- **Stewardship Committee, Pastoral/Finance Council meeting**, Wednesday, December 6th, 6:00pm at St. Joseph
- **K of C Tri-Saints meeting**, Tuesday, December 5th, 7:00pm at St. Raphael's
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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

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$	597.00
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$	255.50
V. LTS	\$	24.60
COFFEE	\$	8.00
STIPEND	\$	10.00
DONATION	\$	580.00
FLOWERS	\$	20.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>1,495.10</b>
BUILDING ENV.	\$	30.00

**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**

**IMMACULATE  
 CONCEPTION MASS**

**St. Raphael Church**  
**Friday, December 8th, 5:00pm**

**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 DECEMBER 2 & 3**

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 - Gabielle Crandall Precious Blood - Flo Smith & Pat Mullen 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** - When the Son of Man comes

in glory, may we be among those who have fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, and clothed the naked. For Jesus tells us clearly that it is those who have demonstrated

good stewardship by sharing their gifts with the less fortunate who will receive God's blessing and inherit the kingdom.

**Family Perspective** - Families feed the hungry, give drinks to thirsty toddlers and welcome strangers and even estranged relatives into our homes. We clothe children and visit family members who are sick and imprisoned. The routine actions of family life are religious and priestly for we make Christ present in what we do. Family life is Beatitude life.

**Vocation View** - The Church year ends today. We can proclaim Christ as King because we sense our vocation as being members of His Royal Family, called to serve God and one another.

**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

**4:30 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, December 12th, Noon at Bethany Lutheran Church, Kaleva.

Bring your own lunch and beverage if you choose.

Following our gathering we will visit (6) residents at Country Acres (adult foster care) on Jouppi Rd. in Kaleva and (11) residents at Cedar Ridge (adult foster care) on Keith Rd. in Brethren. If you would like to share a gift with the residents, please have them wrapped to put under their trees. Suggested gifts are simple soft items (warm neck scarves, stuffed animals...)

- 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!!!