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**Pastoral Staff**

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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."**

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time B  
 October 14, 2018**

**"Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"**

My Dear Friends in Jesus Christ, in these days in our society, especially the young people are confused with so many different ways to find happiness. Now, new churches are preaching about the Gospel of prosperity and given the Old Testament mentality about wealth and God's blessing. In the ancient world as in Jewish literature taught that those who obey God's commandments would be rewarded with prosperity.

In this month, we have this crucial question, what must I do to inherit eternal life? I told you last week that at this time God is going to help us to understand the fundamental aspects of our lives. Today we have this attitude toward wealth! I am very sure that like the disciples, you are shocked to hear Jesus say, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God."

Today, we heard how this man ran up to Jesus and asked this vital question. I am very sure that this man was very sincere looking for an answer that helps him to continue his life and inherit eternal life. He did not predict Jesus' response! "Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." At that statement, his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions." For me this is very interesting that our Gospel said, "Jesus loved him..." from his love our Creator answered this man and asked to do something that for our world is crazy but for eternity has meaning.

In the scripture, we remembered that Jesus expresses a contrary view, or at least a cautious look, of wealth. Jesus said: "Where your treasure is there will your heart be." If we lose our focus on God's kingdom is a tragedy for us. I think this man came with a right question for him and now for us. He was looking in what way he can be happier in this life and be happy for eternity, but this man did not want to change his earthly happiness for happiness that he was not sure to get.

Now, for us, this gospel is challenging us to look our lives and see what is absorbing our attention, in what ways we are looking happiness and in what way are we ready to give up what is taking our focus in the kingdom of God.

I invite you in this week to look at your daily activities and be more aware of what is distracting in you in your relationship with Jesus. TV and cell phones and magazines and music and sports and computers, do you make time to pray or come to Church or live as Christ has taught us? I think, Jesus, looking us, loving us and telling us, "You are lacking in one thing." What is that for you?

**Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez**

<b>Schedule for Oct. 15 - Oct. 21</b>
<b>MONDAY- 10/15</b> Gal 4: 22-24, 26-27, 31--5:1, Lk 11: 29-32
<b>TUESDAY - 10/16</b> Gal 5: 1-6, Lk 11: 37-41 <b>9:00am (St. R)</b> - For the Poor <b>9:45am</b> - St. Raphael Finance Council Meeting <b>7:00pm</b> - St. Raphael Festival Committee Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY - 10/17</b> Gal 5: 18-25, Lk 11: 42-46 <b>9:00am (St. R)</b> - For the Poor <b>(R) Bible Study after Mass</b>
<b>THURSDAY- 10/18</b> 2 Tm 4: 10-17b, Lk 10: 1-9 <b>9:00am (St. J)</b> - For the Sick
<b>FRIDAY- 10/19</b> Eph 1: 11-14, Lk 12: 1-7 <b>9:00am (St. J)</b> - Health of Dennis Knoche <b>(J) Bible Study after Mass</b>
<b>SATURDAY - 10/20</b> Eph 1: 15-23, Lk 12: 8-12 <b>4:30pm (St. J)</b> - Rose Ann Maue (Frank & Sally Majszak) <b>7:00pm (St. R)</b> - For the Living and Deceased parishioners of St. Raphael
<b>SUNDAY- 10/21</b> Is 53: 10-11, Heb 4: 14-16, Mk 10: 35-45  <b>Mission Sunday</b> <b>8:00am</b> - TV Mass for the Homebound from Gaylord - Fox 32 (Cable Channel 3) <b>8:30am (St. R)</b> - For the Living and Deceased parishioners of St. Raphael <b>9:30-10:45am</b> - Faith Formation Class <b>11:00am (St. J)</b> - Minnie Zatarga (Jerome Novak)

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

**FAITH FORMATION**

Faith Formation classes and classes for RCIA. The next classes are on October 21st and 28th. 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 Food Pantry**, Friday, October 26th, 10:00am
- **Tri-Saints K of C Meeting**, Thursday, November 1st, 7:00pm at St. Joseph
- **St. Joseph Living Rosary**, Sunday, November 4th at 10:25am
- **All Souls Day Mass**, Friday, November 2nd, 12 noon at St. Joseph Cemetery (weather permitting)
- **St. Joseph Pastoral Council Meeting**, Wednesday, November 7th, 6:00pm
- **St. Joseph Finance Council Meeting**, Wednesday, November 14th, 6:30pm

**HONORING OUR DECEASED**



Join us in celebrating **All Souls Day Mass**  
**Friday, November 2nd**  
in the St. Joseph Cemetery  
Mill St. (Erdman) & Joseph Rd.  
**12 noon**  
(weather permitting)  
Call the office after 10:30am, if in doubt  
Alternate site will be  
St. Joseph Church

**TIME - TALENT - TREASURE**

How much **TIME** do you set aside each week for prayer & involvement in volunteer activities in your parish?  
How are you using your **TALENT** to help make our parish family as a whole?  
What percentage of your **TREASURE** do you presently give to support your parish activities?  
Each one of us has something to offer no matter how big or small!!

**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.**

Darlene will be out of the office from Oct. 15th - October 19th. If you have an emergency please call Fr. Ruben at 231-313-1718. Thank you!

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

May Our Lord bless us through our generosity

<b>ENVELOPE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ 1,619.00
<b>LOOSE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ 653.00
<b>CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY</b>	\$ 1.75
<b>V. LTS</b>	\$ 119.67
<b>DONATION</b>	\$ -----
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 2,393.42
<b>BUILDING ENV.</b>	\$ 45.00
<b>D &amp; L FUND-BLG.</b>	\$10,116.25
<b>FOOD PANTRY</b>	\$ 215.00

**Prayer Requests**

**Richie Anderson, June Bartlett, Janice Berben, Kyleigh Borah, Mary Lynn Burchard, Anna Charlich, Martha Dirksen, Blake Elmer, Frank English, Ken Franken, 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, Eleanor Wall**

**Happy Birthday!!**

- 10/14** - Janet Berard, Norma Montgomery, Janice Walters
  - 10/18** - Janice Walters
  - 10/20** - Ryan Redman, Kailee Somsel
- Happy Anniversary!!**
- 10/16** - M/M Gary Miller
  - 10/17** - M/M Dennis McCarthy, M/M Ted Nielsen
  - 10/22** - M/M Robert Eipperle

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY  
October 21, 2018**

You may well received many letters asking your financial support of various missions throughout the world. These organizations can afford to do their soliciting.

The World Mission Sunday collection is very important to those mission communities which cannot afford to fund raise on their own. Please support them by your generous prayers, interest, and financial support through The Society for the Propagation of Faith's World Mission Sunday collection October 21.

<b>ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 20 &amp; 21</b>	
<b>Saturday, 4:30pm</b>	<b>Sunday, 11:00am</b>
Lector - Ted Falk Body of Christ - Dennis Knoche Precious Blood - Kathryn Nacco & Catherine Noggle Altar Servers - Sandra Bologan & Kyle Noggle Hospitality - George Goodrich	Lector - Carol DuVall Body of Christ - Nan Kamalowski Precious Blood - Tom & Kris Greve Altar Servers - Katie Sidor & Adam Porter Hospitality - Linda Showalter

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

**FALL FESTIVAL**

1st Place \$600.00 - Diane Rapp  
 2nd Place \$300.00 - Marlene Smith  
 3rd Place \$100.00 - Beverly Beverly

Thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets!!!

**ST. RAPHAEL CCW NEWS**

**OPERATION SHOE BOX** is a program to aid needy children in war-torn and impoverished countries. It's simple, all they ask is that you fill a shoe box with small essentials. A list of suggestions will be on the table in the vestibule along with pamphlets and labels. We are looking for volunteers who are willing to fill these boxes. Postage will be paid by St. Raphael CCW. Boxes must be returned by Saturday, October 27th.

**St. Raphael's CCW 19th Ecumenical Prayer Service** will be held on **Thursday, November 8, 2018**. Registration will begin at 10:00am and the service will begin at 11:00am followed by a luncheon in the parish hall. This year's guest speaker will be Maria Somsel from St. Joseph's Parish. We hope you can join us!!! Please RSVP by Monday, October 30th to Viva Kastl at 231-885-2295 or Jean Dvorski at 231-920-0323.

**Happy Birthday!!**

**10/16** - Hannah Parker  
**10/20** - Irene Oliver  
**10/21** - Kelli Sattler

**Happy Anniversary!!**

**10/18** - M/M John Dvoski  
**10/21** - M/M David Reneau

**UP COMING EVENTS**

- **St. Raphael Finance Council Meeting**, Tuesday, October 16th, 9:45am
- **St. Raphael Festival Committee Meeting**, Tuesday, October 16th, 7:00pm
- **All Saints Day Mass**, Thursday, November 1st, 9:00am
- **Tri-Saints K of C Meeting**, Thursday, November 1st, 7:00pm at St. Joseph
- **All Souls Day Mass**, Friday, November 2nd, 12 noon at St. Joseph Cemetery
- **Adoration**, Tuesday, November 6th, Mass 9:00am, followed by adoration until 11:30am.
- **Mass at Medical Care**, Tuesday, November 6th, 2:00pm
- **St. Raphael CCW Ecumenical Prayer Service**, Thursday, November 8th, 11:00am, registration starts at 10:00am followed by lunch
- **St. Raphael Pastoral Council Meeting**, Tuesday, November 13th, 9:45am

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

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

May Our Lord bless us through our generosity

<b>ENVELOPE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ 1,015.00
<b>LOOSE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ 579.86
<b>V. LTS</b>	\$ 22.16
<b>COFFEE</b>	\$ 19.00
<b>STIPEND</b>	\$ 10.00
<b>FUEL</b>	\$ -----
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 1,646.02
<b>BUILDING</b>	\$ -----

**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**

**BIBLE STUDY**

Our Bible Study of the Book of Matthew continues on Wednesdays, after the morning Mass in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage anyone to join us. Any questions, please call 231-275-6307.

**ST. RAPHAEL'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 20 & 21**

<b>Saturday, 7:00pm</b>	<b>Sunday, 8:30am</b>
Lector - Rex O'Connor Body of Christ - Bob Saul Precious Blood - Kim O'Connor & Debra Diehl Altar Servers - Michael Schaub	Lector - Pat Mullen Body of Christ - Flo Smith Precious Blood - Jeanne Mokrzycki & Gabielle Crandall Altar Servers -Bob & Maria 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.

\*\*The Ladies Guild will have next meeting on **Wednesday, November 14th, 3:30pm.** 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 **October 26, 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 Gospel, Jesus asks the rich young man to give away all that he has in order to have treasure in heaven. But he is unable to free himself from his possessions, and so he goes sadly away. Does what I own keep me from following Jesus?

**Stewardship Reflections** - *"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."* (MARK 10:25)

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, we are all called to be generous with all our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts: our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

**Family Perspective** - Having possessions is an illusion. In today's gospel Jesus told the young man to give up his need to control and put his trust in God. He couldn't let go! In families, our need to control destroys relationships. We can lead, teach and encourage, but we can't control anyone but ourselves.

**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 Larry LaCross at 989.705.9010

**Holy Land Pilgrimage** - Join Father Ken Stachnik and Father Duane Wachowiak on an eleven day pilgrimage to the holy land. The trip will be from March 24, 2019 to April 3, 2019 with a cost of \$3,992.00 per person based on double occupancy. The tour will include motor coach transportation from Traverse City to O'Hare airport and return, round trip air transportation from Chicago to Israel and return, nine nights hotel accommodations, Hotel taxes and service charges, deluxe motor coach transportation in Israel, knowledgeable and experienced coach drivers, three meals per day while touring, all sightseeing per the itinerary, bilingual Christian guide throughout, educational tours tour manager, all entrance fees where required, all gratuities for hotels and meals and tips for guides and drivers. The sites and experiences are too

numerous to mention here. Call 1.800. 654.4560 with questions.

**Marriage Encounter Weekend** - "Fall" in love all over again!

Apply today to experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter enrichment weekend. Fall weekends are being held at the Saginaw Center for Ministry Nov. 2-4. Marriage Encounter Weekends are a special time for a married couple away from all distractions: work, kids, bills, and other pressures and concerns. A series of presentations are made by the Presenting Team, consisting of 3 married couples and 1 priest. Each presentation builds on the last as we examine ourselves, our behaviors and attitudes, our relationship with our spouse and God. Communication tools are taught on the weekend helping couples connect in healthy, constructive ways on areas that can deepen their intimacy and connectedness. All sharing between spouses is PRIVATE, and this is NOT a weekend to solve problems! This Weekend will help couples in good marriages communicate even better. When was the last time you had a weekend like that? Apply online at [www.wvme.org](http://www.wvme.org) or contact Andrew & Alaina at 734-531-9191 for more info.

**2018 LARC Retreat** - The plans are in place for the 2018 LARC Retreat- LARC: Lutherans, Anglicans, and Roman Catholics-Memory & Hope: Ecumenical Dialogue Past to Future. In the three-year cycle of LARC Retreats, this is a Roman Catholic year. Father Alfred Baca, the Executive Director of the Secretariat on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops will be the retreat leader. This retreat seeks to engage the people of Jesus Christ in personal reflection on our understandings (and misunderstandings) of history, to learn from the perspectives of others, and grow in common witness. Please make plans to join in a time of reflection, prayer, informed dialogue, and honest sharing. This year's retreat will be Tuesday, October 23, (1:00pm) to Thursday, October 25 (1:00pm), at the Augustine Center, 2798 North US 31, Conway, Michigan 49722 (Petoskey area). Cost is \$200. Questions can be directed to 989-348-5850 or [elizabeth@chance.net](mailto:elizabeth@chance.net). Further information and flyers can be found at [dioceseofgaylord.org](http://dioceseofgaylord.org) under "Events."

**Celebrate Respect Life Month** - Celebrate Respect Life Month! You're invited to join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month this October with the message

"Every Life: Cherished, Chosen, Sent!" Learn more at [www.usccb.org/respectlife](http://www.usccb.org/respectlife). "Heavenly Father...give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Every Life is Worth Living" Prayer Card

### Another Look at Abortion

If someone takes an innocent person's life after he or she is born, it's against the law; before birth (even minutes before, in most states), it's legal because of the U.S. Supreme Court *Roe v. Wade* decision in 1973.

Abortion results in the death of a child. For many, abortion causes severe and long-lasting emotional, psychological, and spiritual trauma, and other detrimental effects have been documented. (For help, visit [www.HopeAfterAbortion.org](http://www.HopeAfterAbortion.org).)

So, what are we to do? the Church does not approach difficult pregnancy decisions with a false "either/or" mentality, pitting mother against child. We love them both! Learn more at [www.usccb.org/abortion](http://www.usccb.org/abortion).