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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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time B  
 September 30, 2018**

**"At that time, John said to Jesus,"**

Dear Friends in Christ, we are finishing another month, and this time I have been asking you to answer this vital question, "who is Jesus?" this is very crucial because, I told you that from our answer, we can see how we worship Jesus and how we participate in the life of our Church and not only these, but this question ends up asking, "Who are you?" "Are you willing to give everything for Christ?"

I think today's Gospel is a perfect illustration of how we answer this critical question, "If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink, he will most certainly not lose his reward." Jesus is telling us in this gospel that every good deed, even the least, will bring good things to us. But, at the same time, Jesus reminds us also that every evil act will bring us harm, and that's why he warns us to get rid of evil in our lives now.

I chose this phrase, "At that time, John said to Jesus..." what you like to say to Jesus today? It will be fascinating to know what in this moment of your life, you want to ask or talk with Jesus. I think this an excellent way to finish this month in this year of 2108, talking with our God and asking Him in what ways we can be better now.

When I am praying, I always ask myself how Jesus can help me in so many different areas of my life that need to be fixed! There is still silent, no words, no thoughts to answer my question. I would like to hear very clear what Jesus wants to say to me but I only hear the silence of a God that believes in me. I know that for you and for me would like to hear very clear the guidelines of God in our ears every time that we do not know what to do.

This series of reflections is an excellent help for me, in this way, I am sharing the Gospel and how God is there for me but in some ways that I do not understand at the moment. I am a consecrated priest who performs specific tasks that require a certain kind of grace and commitment, but we all share in that ministry to give testimony to the Lord in any number of ways. It will be so nice if all the people of the Lord were prophets! All we need do is open our hearts to Christ to fulfill his will, no matter where we are or in what station of life we find ourselves.

**Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez**

**Schedule for  
Oct. 1 - Oct. 7**

**MONDAY- 10/1**  
Jb 1: 6-22, Lk 9: 46-50

**TUESDAY - 10/2**  
Jb 3: 1-3, 11-17, 20-23, Mt 18: 1-5, 10

**9:00am (St. R)** - Linda Battani (Clyde & Viva Kastl) followed by Adoration until 11:30am  
**9:30am** - St. Raphael CCW Meeting  
**2:00pm** - Mass at Medical Care  
**7:00pm** - Tri-Saints K of C Meeting at St. Raphael

**WEDNESDAY - 10/3**  
Jb 9: 1-12, 14-16, Lk 9: 57-62

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

**THURSDAY- 10/4**  
Jb 19: 21-27, Lk 10: 1-12

**9:00am (St. J)** - For the Sick

**FRIDAY- 10/5**  
Jb 38: 1, 12-21, 40: 3-5, Lk 10: 13-16

**9:00am (St. J)** - Health of Dennis Knoche (J) Bible Study after Mass

**SATURDAY - 10/6**  
Jb 42: 1-3, 5-6, 12-17, Lk 10: 17-23

**4:30pm (St. J)** - Health & Blessing for Fr. Ruben

**7:00pm (St. R)** - David Ide (Dick & Rose Ide)

**SUNDAY- 10/7**  
Gn 2: 18-24, Heb 2: 9-11, Mk 10: 2-16

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

**8:30am (St. R)** - Helen Coughlin (Viva & Clyde Kastl)

**9:30-10:45am** - Faith Formation Class

**10:25am (St. J)** - Living Rosary

**11:00am (St. J)** - Minnie Zatarga (Ralph & Ceil Krusniak)

"Sweet & Salty Bingo" after Mass at St. Joseph

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

**FAITH FORMATION**

Faith Formation classes will begin on **Sunday, September 30th, 9:30-10:45am** this will include classes for RCIA. 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. The parents will need to stay for a bit during this first class.

**UP COMING EVENTS**

- **Mass at Medical Care**, Tuesday, October 2nd, 2:00pm
- **Tri-Saints K of C Meeting**, Tuesday, October 2nd, 7:00pm at St. Raphael
- **St. Joseph Living Rosary**, Sunday, October 7th at 10:25am
- **"Sweet and Salty"** Bingo, Sunday, October 7th, after the 11am Mass
- **CRASE Training**, Wednesday, October 10th, 6:00pm at St. Joseph in the parish hall.
- **St. Joseph Adoration**, Thursday, October 11th, 9:00am-8:00pm

**BIBLE STUDY**

Our Bible Study of the Book of Matthew continues on Fridays after the morning Mass in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage anyone to join us. Feel free to call Cindy at 231-499-7325 with any questions that you may have.

**C.R.A.S.E. TRAINING  
CIVILIAN RESPONSE TO ACTIVE SHOOTER EVENT**

**CRASE TRAINING - Active Shooter Class** will be held by Lt. Brian Gutowski, Manistee County Sheriff's Department on Wednesday, October 10th, 6:00pm in the St. Joseph Parish Hall. This is a Civilian Response to Active Shooter Event. Based on the principles of Avoid, Deny, and Defend. The class will provide attendees with basic knowledge on how to help themselves and others during active shooter incidents.

**BENZIE AREA LIFE CHAIN 2018**

The life chain will be held on Sunday, October 7th, 2:00 - 3:30pm. As usual, signs with prayers opposite side will be available on October 7th on either side of US 31 in Benzonia (Stop light S. to Love Rd.), at the usual parking places. Do Not park in the Shop 'N Save grocery or McDonald's restaurant lots.

**Thou Shalt not murder! Christ and The Church teach that. We know that. It is basic in our system of law. Even most secularists and atheists agree that the taking of innocent human Life is murder and should not be done.**

**ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 6 & 7**

Saturday, 4:30pm	Sunday, 11:00am
Lector - Beth Klajda Body of Christ - Pam Stokes Precious Blood - Meg Barlan & Sandra Bologna Altar Servers - Catherine & Kyle Noggle Hospitality - Ed Barlan	Lector - Linda Showalter Body of Christ - Maria Somsel Precious Blood - Nancy Watt & Tom Berard Altar Servers - Hope & Cheryl Showalter Hospitality - Tom Greve

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

May Our Lord bless us through our generosity

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$ 1,749.00
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$ 696.50
CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY	\$ 1.00
STIPEND	\$ -----
DONATION	\$ -----
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,446.75</b>
<b>BUILDING ENV.</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>
<b>D &amp; L FUND-BLG.</b>	<b>\$10,116.25</b>
<b>FOOD PANTRY</b>	<b>\$ 1,445.00</b>

**Prayer Requests**

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

- 9/30 - Darlene Falk, Kathy Miller
- 10/1 - Phyllis Armstrong
- 10/4 - Michael Kamalowski
- 10/5 - Tom LaVeque
- 10/7 - Christine Smith

**Happy Anniversary!!**

- 10/7 - D/M Thomas Berard, M/M Arden Bradford, M/M Raney Sanovic

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY  
October 21, 2018**

**How might we participate in World Mission Sunday besides our interest and prayers:**

Biblical tithing asks us to share the first 10% of our income for the works of charity and justice. Many interpret that by giving one half of their tithe (5% of income) to one's parish and the other 5% for needs e.g., our Diocesan Catholic Services Appeal, the Religious Retirement Collection, the seminarian Education Fund. How about praying about and considering giving 1% of the remaining 5% (1% of yearly income) to the World Mission Sunday Collection?

**ST. RAPHAEL CHURCH**  
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**ST. RAPHAEL'S  
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**FALL FESTIVAL**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!**

St. Raphael Feast FOOD and FUN,  
**September 30, 2018, 2:00 to 5:00pm.**  
 Please bring a friend with you, the more the merrier. Let us know if you need an invite mailed to a friend or family member. If you have questions, please contact Jeanne Mokrzycki at 334-467-5852

Bingo items needed for festival - Needed man & woman gifts, toys, coloring books for kids and adults, crayons, colored pencils, school supplies & games. Thank you for your donations to make our bingo and festival a great success. Drop off items to be stored in the office until the festival. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Mokrzycki 334-467-5852.

Please join us to make our festival great. **The meeting date - 10/9 at 7:00pm.**

**Happy Birthday!!**

- 9/30 - Maria Saul
- 10/1 - Janet Hobart
- 10/8 - John Pope

**UP COMING EVENTS**

- **Adoration**, Tuesday, October 2nd, Mass 9:00am, followed by adoration until 11:30am.
- **St. Raphael CCW Meeting**, Tuesday, October 2nd, 9:30am
- **Mass at Medical Care**, Tuesday, October 2nd, 2:00pm
- **Tri-Saints K of C Meeting**, Tuesday, October 2nd, 7:00pm at St. Raphael
- **St. Raphael Pastoral Council Meeting**, Tuesday, October 9th, 9:45am
- **St. Raphael Festival Committee Meeting**, Tuesday, October 9th, 7:00pm
- **CRASE Training**, Wednesday, October 10th, 6:00pm at St. Joseph in the parish hall. All are encouraged to attend.

**ST. RAPHAEL CCW**

**St. Raphael CCW Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, October 2nd.**

- Mass - 9:00 - 9:30am
- Meeting - 9:30 - 11:00am
- Adoration - 11:00 - 11:30am

This months hostess is Marylyn Nabozny.

**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.

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**

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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.

## ST. JOSEPH LADIES GUILD NEWS

\*\*The Ladies Guild will have next meeting on **Wednesday, October 10th, 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** - St. James warns in today's second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

**Stewardship Reflections** - *"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward."* (MARK 9:41)

Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them?

**Family Perspective** - The words in today's gospel, "Whoever gives a cup of water in the name of Christ will not lose their reward" hits us at home. As parents, we gain our "reward" when we bring water to a frightened child in the middle of the night, or Kool Aid to parched five-year olds, or hold ice chips to the fevered lips of a spouse. It is that simple and that sacred. In our homes, we give until it hurts "in the name of Christ."

**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.

**Charismatic Retreat** - The Gaylord Diocese Service Committee would like to invite all who are interested to a "Charismatic Retreat." The retreat will take place October 12th to the 14th at the Augustine retreat center in Conway, MI (just north of Petoskey). The retreat presenter is Debbie Hawley with praise team leader Tom Clark. The theme this year is "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied." Cost for this event is \$150. Please reserve your place for this wonderful weekend by September 29th, 2018. If you are interested please contact Helen Clark at clarkhln@gmail.com or 231.846.1438.

**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 Weekends** Fall Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends "Fall" in love all over again! Apply today to experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter enrichment weekend. Fall weekends are being held at Augustine Center near Petoskey Oct. 5-7 and 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.wmme.org](http://www.wmme.org) or contact Andrew & Alaina at 734-531-9191 for more info.

### Altar Servers Appreciation

The Diocese Altar Server Appreciation event will be held this year in Gaylord on Saturday, October 6th. Bishop Raica and Fr. Matthew want to personally thank altar servers for their ministry to their parish. All altar servers, and their families, are welcomed to attend. This event is open to ALL servers. The day will begin with lunch at 11:45am at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord, served by the local Knights of Columbus Council #2781. After lunch, we will proceed to the Otsego County Sportsplex grounds for an afternoon of swimming, skating, bowling, painting, and other activities available there (some are weather permitting). Activities will take place from 12:30-4:30pm a schedule of events is available at the [Dioceseofgaylord.org](http://Dioceseofgaylord.org) website. Then, at 4:30pm, we invite everyone back to St. Mary Cathedral for Mass at 5:00pm where Bishop Raica will be the main celebrant. There is no cost for altar servers, their families or chaperones to attend. Costs for the event are covered through generous support from many Knights of Columbus Councils across the diocese, as well as from gifts to the annual CSA. If you are interested in attending please contact your parish office so they may RSVP by Monday, October 1st.

### Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center Annual Banquet

Please join us as we hear Father Frank Pavone speak to us about the ministry of Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center.

Friday, October 12, 2018 from 6-8pm  
Divine Mercy Parish Hall, 254 Sixth St., Manistee

Tickets - \$25. Reservations by Oct. 5. Call 398-7984. Gluten free and vegetarian options available.