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**Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Ruben D. Munoz, Pastor  
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Sophie Engstrom, Faith Formation

**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."**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent – Year A 2019**

**March 31, 2019**

**“Go wash in the Pool of Siloam”**

Dear Friends in Christ, how are you doing in this Lent season? I hope you are enjoying this beautiful time in our liturgical calendar. In these Sundays, we are celebrating the Scrutinies for the candidates that want to enter in full communion with our Church.

Today we are going to celebrate the second scrutiny for our Elects. I am going to ask you to pray in silence for these young people. We are going to ask God to give them a spirit of repentance, a sense of sin, and the true freedom of the children of God. I am going to ask them to kneel and do an exorcism that consists of two prayers, one addressed to God the Father, the other addressed to Jesus Christ. This should be done in silence. During this part of the rite, the whole Church prays silently but intensely that God will purify, protect, and strengthen these elects.

This is a great moment for our Church, and especially for our parish community, the Scrutinies are rites of self-searching and repentance. “They have above all, a spiritual purpose: “to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. For the Scrutinies are celebrated to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ.” (Rite of Christian Initiation of the Adults, 141)

Today’s reading is helping us to understand the meaning of these rites that our Church offers for the people that want to be part of his mission to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ. We heard that Jesus and his disciples are walking along when they encounter a man born blind. Jesus makes mud, spreads it on the man’s eyes, and tells him to go wash in the pool of Siloam (this word means Sent). This story helps us to understand the plan of God for our salvation, God is always looking for us, and He works in our ways. Jesus in this gospel reveals the importance of both sight and hearing when it comes to belief, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is the one.” During this time, I have spent in these parishes, you heard me all the time saying that we need to pay attention to God’s voice, He is not human, and he can talk to us in very different ways. We can see in this gospel that when we hear Jesus’ words and do his will, we can experience his healing power in our lives. It is very important the meaning of seeing and hearing and believing in this gospel. Jesus said that those who know him, his sheep, hear his voice and follow him, and “knowing” in the gospel of John articulates relationship. Sight and hearing are critical for both the story and the discourse to recognize Jesus and God at work in the healing of the blind man. May God helps us in this week to see and hear him.

**Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez**

<b>Schedule for Apr. 1 - Apr. 7</b>
<b>MONDAY - 4/1</b> Is 65: 17-21, Jn 4: 43-54
<b>TUESDAY - 4/2</b> <i>Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit</i> Ez 47: 1-9, 12, Jn 5:1-16 9:00am (St. R) - Mass followed by Adoration until 11:30am 2:00pm - Mass at Medical Care 5:00pm - Soup Supper followed by "The Mass" video
<b>WEDNESDAY - 4/3</b> Is 49: 8-15, Jn 5: 17-30 9:00am (St. R) - For the Poor 5:00pm (St. J) - Soup Supper followed by "The Mass" video
<b>THURSDAY - 4/4</b> <i>Saint Isidore, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</i> Ex 32: 7-14, Jn 5:31-47 9:00am (St. J) - For the Sick 6:00pm - St. Raphael/St. Joseph Communal Penance Service at St. Raphael
<b>FRIDAY - 4/5</b> <i>Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest</i> Wis 2: 1a, 12-22, Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30 9:00am (St. J) - For the Poor 6:00pm (St. J) - Stations of the Cross/Benediction
<b>SATURDAY - 4/6</b> Jer 11: 18-20, Jn 7: 40-53 4:30pm (St. J) - For the Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph 7:00pm (St. R) - + Joe Nabozny (Marylyn)
<b>SUNDAY - 4/7</b> Fifth Sunday of Lent Ez 37: 12-14, Rom 8: 8-11, Jn 11: 1-45 8:00am - TV Mass for the Homebound from Gaylord - Fox 32 (Cable Channel 3) 8:30am (St. R) - + Geroge Marcero (Marion) 9:30-10:45am - FAITH FORMATION CLASS 10:25am - St. Joseph Living Rosary 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

**FAITH FORMATION**

Faith Formation classes and classes for RCIA. The next classes will be on April 7th & 14th.

**UP COMING EVENTS**

- Mass at Manistee Medical Care, Tuesday, April 2nd, 2:00pm
- Ladies Guild Soup Supper, Wednesday, April 3rd, 5:00pm followed by Part 5 of "The Mass" video
- St. Joseph/St. Raphael Communal Penance Service, Thursday, April 4th, 6:00pm at St. Raphael
- Stations of the Cross/Benediction, Friday, April 5th, 6:00pm
- St. Joseph Living Rosary, Sunday, April 7th, 10:25am
- Ladies Guild Soup Supper, Wednesday, April 10th, 5:00pm followed by Part 6 of "The Mass" video
- St. Joseph Adoration, Thursday, April 11th, 9:00am-8:00pm
- Stations of the Cross/Benediction, Friday, April 12th, 6:00pm
- Chrism Mass, Tuesday, April 16th, 11:00am in Gaylord
- Holy Thursday. Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration until Midnight, April 18th, 6:00pm at St. Raphael
- Good Friday, Passion of the Lord, April 19th, 3:00pm at St. Raphael
- Blessing of Easter Food, Saturday, April 20th, 12:00pm at St. Joseph
- Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil, April 20th, 9:00pm at St. Joseph
- Easter Sunday, April 21st, 11:00am at St. Joseph

**SOUP SIGN-UP SHEET**

There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the entrance to church. Please sign-up if you would like to bring soup or bread to the soup suppers. It would be greatly appreciate!! Come and enjoy in fellowship.

**ST. JOSEPH/RAPHAEL COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE**

**Thursday, April 4, 2019**  
**6:00pm**  
**St. Raphael Church**

**"SPRING FLING IN ITALY" sponsored by St. Joseph Youth Group**  
**Sunday, April 28, 2019**  
**12:15pm - until we run out of food**  
**St. Joseph Fellowship Hall**  
**Donation**  
**Come and enjoy a dinner of Spaghetti or Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Toast and Dessert!!**

<b>ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 7 &amp; 8</b>	
<b>Saturday, 4:30pm</b>	<b>Sunday, 11:00am</b>
Lector - Beth Klajda Body of Christ - Pam Stokes Precious Blood - Kathryn Nacco & Sandra Bologna Altar Servers - Kyle & Cathy Noggle Hospitality - Pete Bologna	Lector - Linda Showalter Body of Christ - Maureen Phillips Precious Blood - Lisa Sidor & Nancy Watt Altar Servers - Adam Porter & Henry Sidor Hospitality - Tom Greve

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

**May Our Lord bless us through our generosity**

<b>ENVELOPE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ Not Available
<b>LOOSE OFFERTORY</b>	\$ Not Available
<b>CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY</b>	\$ -----
<b>STIPEND</b>	\$ -----
<b>DONATION</b>	\$ -----
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ Not Available
<b>BUILDING ENV.</b>	\$ -----
<b>D &amp; L FUND-BLG.</b>	\$11,504.72
<b>FOOD PANTRY</b>	\$ Not Available

**Prayer Requests**

**June Bartlett, Janice Berben, Kyleigh Borah, Mary Lynn Burchard, Anna Charlich, Mark Dagnall, Martha Dirksen, Blake Elmer, Frank English, Ken Franklen, Addy Hollifield, Tammy Holmes, Stephen Kuczynski, Joyce LaFleur, Ryan LaHaie, William Lotz, Marilyn Lotz, George Macko, John David Martuch, Julie Miller, Nielsen Family, David Ohelberg, Chris Prosser, Reed Family, Nancy Satal, Mary Steen, Kay Thompson, Albert Valencia**

**Happy Birthday!!**

- 4/1 - Luke Bradford
- 4/2 - Aubree Lyman
- 4/3 - Paul Miller
- 4/7 - Dale Dixon, Rudy Gross

**Happy Anniversary!!!**

- 4/1 - M/M Russell Pomeroy
- 4/2 - M/M Richard Deising

**\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\***

The back handicap parking lot **WILL NOT BE PLOWED** due to the danger of falling ice off the roof. It will re-open in the Spring. Please park in the main parking lot. This is for your safety.

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

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

**FUN AND FELLOWSHIP AT ST. RAPHAEL**

**Happy Birthday!!**

May Our Lord bless us through  
 our generosity

**April 25, 2019**  
**Potluck & Euchre**  
 (or other games, please bring)

4/3 - Tanya Carr  
 4/5 - Emily Fouchey, Walter Jankowski

ENVELOPE OFFERTORY	\$	Not Available
LOOSE OFFERTORY	\$	Not Available
V. LTS	\$	Not Available
COFFEE	\$	-----
STIPEND	\$	-----
FUEL	\$	-----
BIBLE STUDY	\$	-----
TOTAL	\$	Not Available
BUILDING	\$	-----

**UP COMING EVENTS**

**Potluck:** 5:00pm - please bring a dish to pass and your own beverage

**Cards (+ games):** 6:00 - 9:00pm

Any questions, please call Gaby at 734-578-2958.

Please mark your calendar for future date of 5/23.

- St. Raphael Mass followed by Adoration, Tuesday, April 2nd, 9:00am-11:30am
- Mass at Manistee Medical Care, Tuesday, April 2nd, 2:00pm
- St. Raphael Soup Supper, Tuesday, April 2nd, 5:00pm followed by Part 5 of "The Mass" video
- St. Raphael/St. Joseph Communal Penance Service, Thursday, April 4th at St. Raphael
- St. Raphael Pastoral Council Meeting, Tuesday, April 9th at 9:45am
- St. Raphael Soup Supper, Tuesday, April 9th, 5:00pm followed by Part 6 of "The Mass" video
- Chrism Mass, Tuesday, April 16th, 11:00am in Gaylord
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**ST. RAPHAEL CCW**

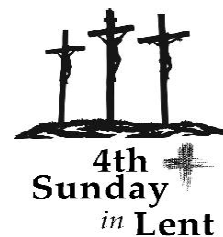
The Council of Catholic Womens first meeting of the year will be held on Tuesday, April 2nd. We will attend Mass at 9:00 - 9:30 followed by our meeting, 9:30-11:00, closing with Adoration from 11:00 - 11:30am. ALL women of the parish are invited and new members are needed. Please consider joining us!! This months hostess is Ruth Schaub.

**Prayer Requests**


**Marty Bailey, David Bassey, Dennis Daldine, Shelley Doke, Bill Dowd, Mary Evans, Don Gurn, William Hogarth, Karen Ling, Tammy May, Kelly Miller, Olivia Miller, Dale Moody, James Oliver, Kelli Sattler, Bob Saul, Chad Schualer, Linda Stark, Albert Valencia, Tom Wasco**

**St. Joseph/St. Raphael email address is [stjosephonekama@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephonekama@gmail.com). Please use this email address for all correspondence. Our deadline for bulletin articles is Wednesday by 12pm. If it is not received by then, it will not be included in that weeks bulletin. Thank you!!**

**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.**



ST. RAPHAEL'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 6 & 7	
Saturday, 7:00pm	Sunday, 8:30am
Lector - Carlina Breitner Body of Christ - Debra Diehl Precious Blood - Cindy Saarm & Viva Kastl Altar Servers -	Lector - Leslie Casselman Body of Christ - Gaby Crandall Precious Blood - Flo Smith & Pat Mullen Altar Servers -



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, 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, Andrew Saul, Navy, Adam Schuessler, Army, USAF, Austin Soller, Navy, Sgt. Dylan Somsel, Trevor Tomkinson, Marine, 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 on **Wednesday, April 10th at 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 **April 26, 2019** 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 stewardship message in the parable of the prodigal Son is that it is never too late to become a good steward all along, but blessed, too, is the prodigal who had to lose all he had in order to understand the value of what he'd been given.

**Vocation View** - Jesus came to forgive. We all stumble and fall. Are you able to forgive as Jesus did?

**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.

**Family Perspective-by Bud Ozar** - We may feel like the Prodigal Son but the gospel wants us to focus on the father who was forgiving and understanding. We all make mistakes and need forgiveness. Who in your family needs your forgiveness and acceptance this Lent?

**NCYC-National Catholic Youth Conference** - The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is a powerful, biennial, three-day experience of prayer, community, catechesis, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers and their adult chaperones. Students in grades 9-12 are invited to the NCYC that will be taking place Thursday November 21 to Saturday November 23, 2019 in Indianapolis, IN. Our group will leave Wednesday, November 20 and return Sunday, November 24, 2019. The conference cost is \$500 and scholarships are available. For more information, contact your Parish Youth Minister or Wayne Winter at 989.732.5147. Additional information can be found at [www.ncyc.info](http://www.ncyc.info).

**-WinSome Women Retreats** - Mark your calendar for the Spring retreats May 14 & 15, 15 & 16 and 16 & 17. Register now. Come, be encouraged and inspired. Enjoy best-selling author Liz Curtis Higgs and award-winning musician Tammy Trent along with speakers Peg Arnold and Emily Klotz. Learn of God's faithfulness and compassion. Don't miss out.

## HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Join Rev. Ruben D. Munoz for a 10 day pilgrimage to the Holy Land *"Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus"*. The trip will be from September 2, 2019 to September 11, 2019 with a cost of \$3,300 per person plus \$125 in tips based on double occupancy. Round Trip from Onkama, MI & Copemish, MI. A pilgrimage to the Holy Land will be an experience you will never forget. Christians have been going on pilgrimages from the very beginning of our faith. The Holy Land holds importance as the place of Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection. Pilgrimages include visits to Bethlehem where we stop at The Church of the Nativity that commemorates the birth of Christ. We visit sites like the village of Cana, the Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, and the River Jordan, Jerusalem and Dead Sea. On our pilgrimage to the Holy Land we offer a complete itinerary that includes round-trip airfare, accommodation in first class hotels, breakfast and dinner daily, all transportation, daily Mass and all under excellent organizing, leadership and teaching from Nativity pilgrimage expert staff and Guides. For more information please visit <http://nativitypilgrimage.com/revruben-michgan>. You will also find more information on the table in the front entrance of church.

## GRIEF RECOVERY SERIES

Divine Mercy Parish is offering a seven-week Grief Recovery Series. We strive to live in the images of Jesus Christ who wept with those who mourned. We believe that no one should grieve alone. To that end we pray for and with each family that loses a loved one and attempt to bring comfort and consolation to all the bereaved. The upcoming sessions will begin with a "Come & See" registration time on Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:00pm. The sessions will take place in the St. Joseph Parish Center Library. The series are open to all persons in the Manistee or surrounding area who have experienced the death of a loved one regardless of the length of time it has been since your loss. For more information, please call Kris Malone at 398-9368, Lynn Modrzynski at 723-6745, Shirley Skiera at 723-9680 or the parish office at 723-2619.

## Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



Parish Info

- Easily contact our parish
- Helpful list of parish staff
- Connect with staff at the touch-of-a-button

Learn more or download our parish app at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com)

\*Available on Apple and Android Phones.



# LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS



**BREADS AND HOMEMADE SOUPS - 4 - 5 KINDS**

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, ONEKAMA**

**DONATION**

**Mark the dates on your calendar! Don't miss out on hot, delicious soup to warm you up on a cold winter night. Bring your family or friends. The "Mass" video will be shown following the soup suppers.**

**A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the front entrance of church if you would like to bring soup or bread.**

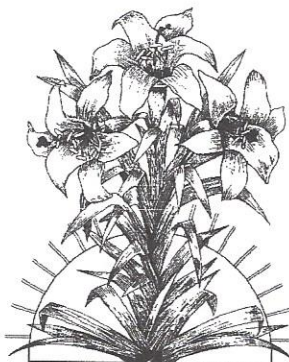




# EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS



Easter Flower Memorials in the memory of a loved one will again be received this year. Please clip out the memorial coupon below and write the name of your loved one you wish remembered through our Easter flower decorations. Place the coupon and your donation in an envelope and put it in the offertory collection basket or mail it to the rectory office.



**Easter**

## EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL OFFERING

GIFT \$10 \$15 \$20 Other \_\_\_\_\_

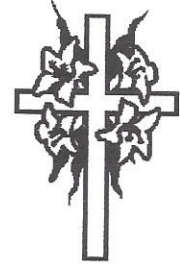
Loved one  
Remembered \_\_\_\_\_

From \_\_\_\_\_

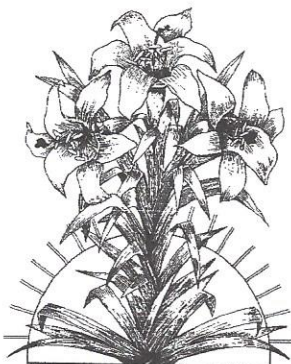
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From \_\_\_\_\_

St. Raphael's Parish

# **ST. JOSEPH'S YOUTH GROUP**

**"Spring Fling in Italy"**

**Sunday, April 28, 2019**

**St. Joseph Fellowship Hall  
Onekama**

**12:15 - Until we run out of Food**



## **Italian Dinner**

**Spaghetti or Lasagna, Garlic Toast, Salad, Dessert**

**Cost: Donation**