

Pastoral Director: Nancy Woodcock  
 Sacramental Minister: Aug. 1 & 2 Fr. Len Sudlik  
 Aug. 8 & 9 Fr. Larry King  
 Confession: SM: Saturday – 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.  
 SJB: Sunday – 8:00 - 8:45 a.m.

Please keep those who are serving our country in your prayers! Tech. Army Special Forces Blaine Woodman, Spencer Harwood, David Black, Sgt. Hunter Williams, & SSG Curtis Jason; SGT Spencer Malek; Isaac Fahey (Navy); Isaac Eves (Army); PFC Josh Billings

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday— 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday – closed

Friday: 9:00-3:00 p.m. or any day by appointment

If you have any questions, need to plan a funeral, prepare for Baptism or Marriage, or an Annulment, etc., please contact Nancy at:

Parish office: 989-584-6044 (with answering machine)

Nancy's home: (989-762-5320); Cell: (989-287-0089)

Church e-mail: secretary@smsjbparish.com

Nancy's email: nwoodcock@smsjbparish.com

Website: <http://stmarystjohn.net/>

Appointments are available evenings & weekends.

The parish office address is: 404 N. Division St., Carson City, MI 48811. Feel free to contact us.

FACEBOOK: St. Mary/St. John the Baptist Parishes

The deadline for bulletin information is noon on Monday.

T-Coil is available in both churches.

AED Units are in both Parish Halls & Churches.

SATURDAY – Aug. 1, 2026 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Gail Kennedy by Mark & Nora Ryan; Rick Kelley by Mary Jo Cusack

SUNDAY – Aug. 2, 2026 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Gene Schafer by Jack & Janet Dailey; Jack Jolls by Lezlie Hauck; Phil Stoddard by Helen Tait & Family; Norma & Tom Fitzpatrick by Bud & Sharon Datema; Drake Shinabarger by Barb Jackson; Shirley Fabor & Al & Dorothy Cashen by Mike & Mary Cashen

SUNDAY – Aug. 2, 2026 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Jim Beck by Lily Beck

TUESDAY– Aug. 4, 2026 – SJB Rosary for Peace & Noon Prayer

FRIDAY- Aug. 7, 2026 – SM Noon Prayer

SATURDAY- Aug. 8, 2026 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Ken Cusack (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) by Mary Jo & Family; John Kelly by Allen & Janet Kelly; Deb Rockey by Pat Burns

SUNDAY – Aug. 9, 2026 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB– 9:00 a.m. – Sue Couzzins by Constance Garlitz; Tom Gallagher by Mike & Mary Cashen; Vicki Dailey by Chuck & Connie Malek; Rick Kelley by Sharon Schafer; Gale Beardslee by Dave & Nancy Speckin; Patrick Kilchermann by Mike & Mary Cashen

SUNDAY Aug. 9, 2026 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Agnes Schneider by Alice Curchill

Money Counters for August: Cheryl Miller, Penny Huhn

Aug. 8, 2026 – Sat. 4:00 p.m. SM

Lector: Frank Ladiski

Ushers: 22

Greeters: Holly & Craig Keiffer

OMHC: Cheryl Miller, Deb McCrackin, Margaret Lauer

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Musicians: Connie

Aug. 9, 2026– Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB

Lector: Perry McCrackin

Ushers: 14

Greeters: Susanne Gallagher

OMHC: Susanne Gallagher, Bob Fahey

Altar Servers: Volunteer

Musicians: Mike & Choir

Aug. 9, 2026– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM

Lector: Gail Akin

Ushers: 24

Greeters: Jerry & Linda Tasker

OMHC: Eddie Trevino, Angie Kwiatkowski, Michelle Patin

Altar Servers: Ellie Patin, Volunteer

Musicians: Brian & Group

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS!!!**

They can be mailed to:

404 N. Division St.

Carson City, MI 48811

For either parish or use the Online information to give electronically.

**Live – Streaming can be found at [www.YouTube.com](http://www.YouTube.com), click on the search icon and look for St Mary-St John the Baptist (do not use any punctuation); the video should be running just before 11:00 a.m. Mass will be available on the St. Mary/St. John the Baptist Facebook page within 30 minutes after the Mass. Volunteers NEEDED!**

**Please call the Parish Office (989) 584-6044) if you are interested in having your baby or child baptized. Baptisms can be held during Mass.**

**First Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-3**

**In today's reading the prophet Isaiah invites us to partake of God's riches, promising an everlasting covenant.**

**Second Reading: Romans 8:35; 37-39**

In the second reading, Paul declares the certainty of Christ's love and says nothing can separate us from the love of God.

**PRAY FOR PEACE!**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Gordon Gladden, Deb O'Neil, John Myers, Fr. Tony Vainavicz, Marley Ward, Jack Fahey, Tony Shepard, Bill Gage, Phyllis Gage, Donna Schumacher, Linda Tasker (Bruce's wife), Daniel O'Connell, Erin Cavanaugh, Tanner Schrauben, LaVern Wyer, Bob Pouget, Genevieve McGuire, Kyran Breimayer, Neil Speckin, Janice McKenna-Reynolds, Dennis Trudell, Sr., Sierra Rose Cordova, Leigh Ann Harwood, Jack Kapral, Sam Burns, Flora Horwath, Mike Riley, Judy Miller, Harry Sanborn, Michelle Van Arman, Mary Pouget, Denny Vander, Debbie Osborne, Ann Darland, Mason Burns, Carmen Richardson, John Shively, Jim Schultz, Agnes McKenna, Jen Schafer, Fred Peiffer, Sue Findlay, Gary DeVito, Aiden Thurston, Judy Sheaffer, Carol Silakes, Sherry Hopkins, Douglas Werner, Larry Elliott, Ted Kingsley, Camilla Hogan, Mary Lou Tucker Andrews, Peg Clark, Petra Medrano, Helen Tait, Alberta Gage, Deb Coon, Jim Barker, Fr. Doug Osborn, Sam Riley, Hazel Gallagher, Edie Rudd, Fr. Jim Wyse, Brenda Demenov, Libby & Jordan Lehn, Judy Schlegel, Bonnie Harter, Alicia Smith, Nancy Fenn, Darrel Ferris, John Ford, Alayne Howard, Lavern Jacobs, Phil Fletcher, Anita Heppard, Judy Schaeffer, Peg Clark, Zack Burns, Jack Warner, Delores Schmitt, and Stephanie Beedy Keiffer.

If you are better – please call the Office and ask to have your name taken OFF the Prayer List. (989- 584-6044)

**St. John the Baptist Parish Chairpersons for July/Aug.**

Lezlie Hauck (989-640-8494); Penny Peiffer (517-975-4209); Jamie Ward (989-763-1959)

**St. Mary Chairpersons for July & Aug.**

Jill Postema (989-763-7116); Deb McCrackin (989-289-3182); Annette Jones (989) 289-1347); Sam Jensen (517-740-2937)

Interested in playing Euchre? Please call the Parish Office to register – 989-584-6044.

|            |      | COMING EVENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                          |
|------------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SM         | 8-1  | Mass                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 4:00                                                                     |
| SJB        | 8-2  | Mass                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 9:00                                                                     |
| SM         | 8-2  | Mass – Live-Streamed                                                                                                                                                                                              | 11:00                                                                    |
| SM         | 8-3  | Knights of Columbus Mtg.                                                                                                                                                                                          | 6:00                                                                     |
| SM/<br>SJB | 8-3  | SHOES, SOCKS,<br>BACKPACKS DUE                                                                                                                                                                                    | BY<br>4:00                                                               |
| SM/<br>SJB | 8-3  | CHRISTMAS FOR THE<br>DOMINICANS items has<br>been extended until August<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> .                                                                                                                      | Due by 4:00<br>on August 3                                               |
| SM         | 8-8  | Mass                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 4:00                                                                     |
| SJB        | 8-9  | Mass                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 9:00                                                                     |
| SM         | 8-9  | Mass – Live-Streamed                                                                                                                                                                                              | 11:00                                                                    |
| SM         | 8-9  | Blessing of Musicians                                                                                                                                                                                             | 11:00 Mass<br>w/Reception<br>afterwards in<br>Classroom<br>Area          |
| SM         | 8-10 | Maryknoll Veterans'<br>Memorial Cemetery Mtg.                                                                                                                                                                     | 11:00                                                                    |
| SM         | 8-11 | Summer Fun w/the Saints;<br>Pre-school-5 grade<br>students; Middle School &<br>High School Students are<br>invited to help!<br>Supper with students and<br>parents; Saint info with<br>parents and students; Mass | 5:00-5:30 –<br>Supper<br>5:30-7:00 -<br>Activities<br>Mass: 7:00<br>p.m. |
| SM         | 8-11 | Mass w/ Summer Saints<br>Presentation – Everyone<br>welcome!                                                                                                                                                      | 7:00 p.m.                                                                |
| SM         | 8-17 | Craft Show Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                | 4:30                                                                     |
| SM         | 8-23 | ST. MARY RAFFLE<br>DRAWING in the Parish Hall                                                                                                                                                                     | NOON                                                                     |

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Interested in being a Knight or needing a ramp for your home? Contact Grand Knight Perry McCrackin at 989-506-8044. Want clear concise news from a Catholic perspective? Watch EWTN – 370 Direct TV; -Dish or Family Life Radio 99.7FM.

**Knights of Columbus Meeting is August 3, 2026 – ALL Knights are welcome!**

**Adoption-Loving Option -1-616-667-0677  
Pregnant? 1-800-712-HELP**

**Nationally, the Knights of Columbus have contributed over \$100 million to more than 125,000 men & women pursuing their vocations to the priesthood or religious life.**

**PRAY FOR PEOPLE WHOSE LIVES  
ARE CHANGED BY FLOODS!**

**NOTES FROM NANCY:**

Today we celebrate the 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Daily life brings with it both blessings and trials. It is easy to think that we walk alone when we are in the midst of especially difficult times. This is when it is most important to remember that Jesus is with us always: **nothing will be able to separate us from His love.** Our challenge is to remain rooted in our faith and trust this promise. Take time to reflect...



If you have noticed counting done at each Mass – I have been asked by my Canonical Supervisor to count participants. If you remember, we had diocesan wide meetings. The results are online. Ending Masses that do not have at least 100 participants were part of the plan. That is why the count is taking place. **PLEASE plan to come to Church & be counted each week!**

**COMING SOON: O WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN, O WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN, I WANT TO BE IN THEIR NUMBER, WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN.**

**WHEN: Tuesday, August 11, 2026**

**5:00-7:00 – Supper: 5:30-6:00**

**6:00-7:00 – Parent & Child**

**Activities.**

**PLEASE bring your children –you are guaranteed a great time!**

**ALSO: Mass at 7:00 p.m. on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Parents, students, & parishioners are welcome!**

**WHERE: St. Mary Parish**

**Why? To learn about Catholic Saints...**

| <b>St. John the Baptist Parish<br/>July 19, 2026</b> |                   |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Adult Envelopes: (34)                                | \$1,564.20        |
| Sunday Loose:                                        | 176.22            |
| Tithe:                                               | <u>17.58</u>      |
| <b>Total:</b>                                        | <b>\$1,758.00</b> |
| <b>Online Giving: (11)</b>                           | <b>\$ 532.00</b>  |
| <b>Fees:</b>                                         | <b>--50.07</b>    |

| <b>St. Mary Parish<br/>July 18 &amp; 19, 2026</b> |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Adult Envelopes: (41)                             | \$ 4,225.00        |
| Sunday Loose:                                     | <u>512.50</u>      |
| <b>Total:</b>                                     | <b>\$ 4,737.50</b> |
| <b>Online Giving: (17)</b>                        | <b>\$ 1,836.00</b> |
| <b>Fees:</b>                                      | <b>\$ -- 71.67</b> |

**Mass Intentions, parish envelope donations, donations to collections for Missions, etc. need separate checks** as they are deposited into different accounts.

**Thank you for your willingness and cooperation.**

**Congratulations to:**

**Jack & Doreen Warder** who celebrated 62 years of Marriage on July 25<sup>th</sup> and **Kathleen & Gary Copp** who celebrated 56 years on July 25<sup>th</sup>!

**Angie & Stan Kwiatkowski** who will celebrate 40 years of marriage on Aug. 2. **May you be blessed as you continue to love each other each day!**

**Anyone else celebrating years of Matrimony and would like a blessing? Call the Office & let us know.**

**The Parish musicians & Cantors** will be honored at the 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Parish on August 9<sup>th</sup>. A special blessing will be given and a Reception will follow in the Classroom Area – **Come One, Come All!!!**

**ONLINE GIVING FROM THE WEB  
PAGE**

Select: The Parish you wish to donate to. Each parish has its own Online Giving Page. Click on Sign in, Enter your e-mail (your e-mail will be your User ID). Click below on "Don't have an account? Create One"

Enter your Login Information and remember your password. Now you will be able to login & submit your information.

You can set up recurring donations - weekly or monthly. You can also give one-time gifts as well.

PLEASE NOTE: The credit card fees for Online Giving have doubled to \$30.00/month/parish plus transaction fees

**Suggestions for Credit Card USERS**

1. Give an extra \$1.00 to help with increase.
2. Give monthly instead of weekly to save on transaction fees.

**HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS TO:**

**Steve Schrauben – Aug. 3**

**Doug Cusack – Aug. 14**

**Calvin Cusack – Aug. 22**

**Jim Barker – Aug. 23**

**Dan Heckman – Aug. 27**

**May your Birthdays be filled with Joy  
and God's love!**

***CHRISTMAS IN JULY***

**The parishes are collecting  
items for the Grand Rapids  
Dominicans – Christmas in July!**

**We need** puzzle books, socks, slippers, body lotions, lap quilts, decks of cards, games, puzzles, candy, chocolates of any kind; hair curlers, whatever you can think of that would be useful. **The deadline has been extended until August 3, 2026. Tubs will be at the entrances of both churches to collect items.**

**You may have noticed that St. Mary Church is having new 6" commercial eavestroughs & covers put on the week of July 27<sup>th</sup>. There was a need** as the rainwater was soaking into the brick which caused water in the basement. **It was necessary** and the funds were taken from the parish savings.

**OUR DIOCESE AND BEYOND:**

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:**

**O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come unto You. Bless the Diocese of Grand Rapids with many vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. Give your sons and daughters the confidence to accept Your call, and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your beloved Son with courage and dedication to your will.**

**The purpose of the St. Mary RAFFLE is to sell enough tickets to cover the cost of the air conditioners that were recently put in the church. Tickets will be sold at the doors for \$25.00 each. Your generosity is appreciated! The Drawing will be held on August 23<sup>rd</sup> after the 11:00 Mass. Now is the time to sell or purchase them!!!**

***Socks, Shoes, & Backpacks  
Drive***

**Please put the shoes & socks in a bag WITH THE TAG and return them to the parishes by Aug. 3, 2026, so they can start school with dignity and pride. Thanks!**

**REMEMBER: Vote on August 4!**