

Pastoral Director: Nancy Woodcock
Sacramental Minister: Jan. 31 & Feb. 1: Fr. Lou Anderson
Sacramental Minister: Feb. 7 & 8: Fr. Lou Anderson

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

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 – Jan. 31, 2026 – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Terry Beck; Ella Beck by Family; Gail Kennedy by Allen & Janet Kelly

SUNDAY – Feb. 1, 2026 – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Eugene Schafer by Tim & Donna Schafer; Barry Christensen, Senior by Kelly Peiffer; John & Louise Riley & Family by Family; Fr. Jim Bozung; Ashton Sanborn by Karol & Gene Sanborn & Sons; Rita Frayer by Philip & Linda Fletcher

SUNDAY – Feb. 2, 2026 – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Deceased Members of St. Mary & St. John the Baptist Parishes

TUESDAY– Feb. 3, 2026 – SJB Noon Prayer & Rosary

FRIDAY- Feb. 6, 2026 – NO SM Noon Prayer

SATURDAY- Feb. 7, 2026 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Gary Coon by Deloris Keiffer

SUNDAY – Feb. 8, 2026 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB– 9:00 a.m. – Ken Cusack by Ed & Joan Heckman; Russell Fletcher by the O'Grady Family; Bob Cashen by Nancy Curtis; Sue Couzzins by Sam & Julia Griffin; Terry Fletcher (10th Anniv.) by The Family

SUNDAY Feb. 8, 2026 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Alice McCrackin by The Family

Money Counters for Feb.: Cheryl Miller & Dave Miller

Feb. 7, 2026 – Sat. 4:00 p.m.SM

Lector: Annette Jones

Ushers: 21

Greeters: Laura & Mike Fitzgerald

OMHC: Gary & Kathleen Copp; Frank Ladiski

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Musician: Connie

Feb. 8, 2026– Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB

Lector: Perry McCrackin

Ushers: Team 14

Greeters: Susanne Gallagher

OMHC: Susanne Gallagher; Bob Fahey; Volunteer

Altar Servers: Volunteer

Musician: Mike & Choir

Feb. 8, 2026– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM

Lector: Gail Akin

Ushers: Team 24

Greeters: Dave & Michelle Patin

OMHC: Eddie Trevino; Angie Kwiatkowski; Michelle Patin

Altar Servers: Claire Bahm; Ryne Bahm

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.

Blessing of throats will take place after the Masses the weekend of Jan. 31/Feb.1.

LIVE-STREAMING FROM ST. MARY can be found

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.

Needed: Volunteers to learn how to do the Live-Stream at 11:00 a.m.

Mass at SM. **Interested?** Please see Brian, the guitarist, or call the office.

Please call the Parish Office if you are interested in having your baby or child baptized. Baptisms can be held during Mass.

First Reading: Zephaniah 2:3; 3: 12-13

In the First Reading, Zephaniah encourages the people to seek justice; seek humility if they wish to take refuge in the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 26-31

In the Second Reading, Paul urges the Christian Community at Corinth to remember that God chose the weak – they grow strong boasting to others about the Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Gordon Gladden, Deb O'Neil, John Myers, Fr. Tony Vainavicz, Marley Ward, Jack Fahey, Tony Shepard, Bonnie Cross, Bill Gage, Phyllis Gage, Donna Schumacher, Linda Tasker (Bruce's wife), Jill Hodges, Daniel O'Connell, Sue Faver, Erin Cavanaugh, Tanner Schrauben, LaVern Wyer, Bob Pouget, Tom Gallagher, 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, Dean Schafer, Mason Burns, Carmen Richardson, John Shively, Rosemary (O'Connell) Davarn, Jim Schultz, Agnes McKenna, Jen Schafer, Fred Peiffer, Phil Fletcher, Sue Findlay, Gary DeVito, Aiden Thurston, Judy Sheaffer, Deb Rockey, Shane Clark, Carol Silakes, Sherry Hopkins, Douglas Werner, Larry Elliott, Ted Kingsley, Camilla Hogan, Troy Genson, Mary Lou Tucker Andrews, Peg Clark, Gail Kennedy, Petra Medrano, Helen Tait, Alberta Gage, Deb Coon, Jim Barker, Fr. Doug Osborn, Russell Waite, Sam Riley, Hazel Gallagher, Edie Rudd, Fr. Jim Wyse, Brenda Demenov, Paul McKinley, Libby & Jordan Lehnen, Connie Sacks, Judy Schlegel, Bonnie Harter, Alicia Smith, Nancy Fenn, Peg Clark, Darrel Ferris, Jeff Smith, John Ford, & Jack Jolls; Lavern Jacobs

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

PRAY FOR PEACE

St. John the Baptist Chairpersons for Feb./Nan Miller: (989-981-6801); Bernadette Fletcher: (989-855-2371); Martha Schmitz: (989-640-1898)

Cindy Howard (989) 763-9558; **Susanne Gallagher** (989) 292-5264; **Penny Peiffer** (517) 975-4209; **Mary Huhn** (517) 526-3809

St. Mary Chairpersons for Feb:

Cheryl Miller (989-584-3778); **Margaret Lauer** (989-330-4097)

		COMING EVENTS	
SM	Jan. 31	Mass	4:00
SJB	Feb. 1	Mass	9:00
SM	Feb. 1	Mass – Live Streamed	11:00
SM	Feb. 2	Knights of Columbus Mtg.	6:00
SM	Feb. 7	Mass	4:00
SJB	Feb. 8	Mass	9:00
SM	Feb. 8	Mass Live-Streamed	11:00
SM	Feb. 8	K-12 Religious Educ.	Noon-3:00
SM	Feb. 9	Veteran's Memorial Mtg.	11:00
SM	Feb. 18	Distribution of Ashes/Prayer Service	Noon
SJB	Feb. 18	Mass w/ Ashes	6:00
SM	Feb. 22	K-12 Religious Educ.	Noon – 3:00
SJB	Feb. 24	Over 50's Group	12:30
SM	Mar. 9	Joint Pastoral Council	6:00
SJB	Mar. 10	SJB Finance Council	10:00
SM	Mar. 10	SM Finance Council	4:00
SM	Mar. 19	"The Light is On for YOU"	5:00-7:00

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.

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

The K. of C. will meet on Monday, February 2nd at 6:00 p.m. All Knights are welcome!

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.**

NOTES FROM NANCY:

Today we celebrate the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time. As we “hear” the Beatitudes today we can reflect on the Responsorial Psalm and the Gospel. Who are the “poor in “spirit”? We might think money poor but that is not what Jesus was sharing. To be “poor in spirit” means to be humble and clean of heart. It is difficult to be humble. We must reach deep within ourselves and share our actions and words with Jesus – we must reconcile ourselves and draw near to Jesus offering our words and actions in prayer. Is it easy to be humble? We can not recognize it in our hearts- others can recognize it in us. Take time to reflect...



Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



Prayers

- List of Traditional Prayers
- Set Prayer Reminders
- Submit Prayer Requests to the parish

Learn more or download our parish app at myparishapp.com

*Available on Apple and Android Phones.

Religious Education will be held on February 8 and February 22nd for students in Grades K-12. Please plan to come and eat lunch with your student before classes begin at 12:30.

There will be several Lenten Experiences for High School students & Adults – watch the bulletin for more info...

St. John the Baptist Parish

January 25, 2026

Adult Envelopes: (31)	\$1,409.76
Sunday Loose:	108.90
Tithe:	15.34
Total:	\$1,534.00

**St. Mary Parish
Jan. 24 & 25, 2026**

Adult Envelopes: (37)	\$ 2,049.00
Sunday Loose:	190.00
Solemnity of Mary:(1)	50.00
Candles:	10.00
Total:	\$ 2,299.00

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.

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.**

SM/SJB Parish Office Winter Hours:

Monday – 9:00 - 4:00 pm.

Tuesday and Thursday –9:00–1:00

Wednesday – Closed

Friday – 9:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Appointments? Call 989-584-6044

The Maryknoll Cemetery Veteran's Committee is working on a monument to veterans of all branches of the Military Service. **The monument will cost \$5,500.00.** There will be other costs involved – cement and a base for the monument. **Please consider** donating for the memorial. **We are hoping to have it completed by Memorial Day.** Checks can be made to St. Mary Parish.

HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY TO:

Larry McCrackin	Feb. 9 th
Bonnie Cross	Feb. 20 th
Sharon Schafer	Feb. 20 th
John Miller	Feb. 23 rd
Vicki Dailey	Feb. 26 th

May your special day be filled with God's JOY and peace!

"The Light is On for You" will be held on Thursday, March 19th from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at St. Mary Parish. What is it, you may wonder? It is an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent. Take time to mark your calendar and plan to attend!

Needed: If you are free on **Tuesday mornings from 10:00-Noon** perhaps you might like to assist the Carson Area Food Pantry. **People who are strong** (able to carry boxes up the basement stairs) **are needed. If interested,** please come at 9:30 (the first day). You will need to take the Virtus Training (on a computer). All are welcome!

Remember: If the area schools are closed then all activities will be cancelled at both parishes. The parish office may also be closed. Any closings will be put on the Parish App. **Please call ahead before leaving your home. The closures are for YOUR safety!**

OUR DIOCESE & 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. Seminarian of the week: Daniel T. Willison

If you are considering the priesthood, the Diocese of Grand Rapids invites you to meet other young men (16+) to gather and discern God's will for your life.

Meetings take place from 12:30-1:30 at St. Luke University Parish on Feb. 15, March 22, Apr. 19 & May 17.

RSVP to: preynolds@grdiocese.org

COMING SOON – The 19th Annual Building a Legacy" Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, March 14th at St. Robert Parish in Ada. Interested? Call the parish.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a time set aside for you and your spouse to connect more deeply and fan the sparks of your love. Apply today at wwme.org or contact Amy & Joe Kopacz at 517-667-0433.