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**Pastoral Director:** Nancy Woodcock  
**Sacramental Minister:** Jan. 17 & 18: Fr. Len Sudlik  
**Sacramental Minister:** Jan. 24 & 25: 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

**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 Week-ends**

**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. 17, 2026 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SM – 4:00 p.m. – Fr. William Reitz by Pat Burns; Ken Cusack by Dick & Jackie Van Dyne**

**SUNDAY – Jan. 18, 2026 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Russell Fletcher by Brett & Katrina Moe & Family; Sue Couzzins by Jill Spaniolo; Eugene Schafer by Rita Geselman; Wendell & Vera Peiffer & Deceased Family Members by Kelly Peiffer**

**SUNDAY – Jan. 18, 2026 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SM – 11:00 a.m. – Alice Keilhotz by Kristy Westbrook**

**TUESDAY– Jan. 20, 2026 – SJB Noon Prayer & Rosary**

**FRIDAY- Jan. 23, 2026 -SM Noon Prayer**

**SATURDAY- Jan. 24, 2026 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SM – 4:00 p.m. – Firmin & Josephine Burns by Pat Burns; Terry Beck & Ella Beck by Lilly Beck**

**SUNDAY – Jan. 25, 2026 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SJB– 9:00 a.m. – Donna Patton by Jim & Laurel Michalek; Mike Jegla by Sharon Jegla; Eugene Schafer by Jack & Janet Dailey; Barry Christensen, Sr. by Kelly Peiffer; Rosie McMillan by Family**

**SUNDAY January 25, 2026 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SM – 11:00 a.m. – Peace throughout the World by SM & SJB Parish**

**Money Counters for Jan.: Donna Schafer/Cindy Howard**

**Jan. 24, 2026 – Sat. 4:00 p.m.SM**

**Lector:** Gary Copp

**Ushers:** 22

**Greeters:** Laura & Mike Fitzgerald

**OMHC:** Cheryl Miller, Deb McCrackin, Margaret Lauer

**Altar Servers:** Volunteers

**Musician:** Connie

**Jan. 25, 2026– Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB**

**Lector:** Shannon Heckman

**Ushers:** Team 12

**Greeters:** Tom & Stephanie Dailey

**OMHC:** Beth O'Grady, Ed Heckman, Volunteer

**Altar Servers:** Volunteer

**Musician:** Mike & Choir

**Jan. 25, 2026– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM**

**Lector:** Tabitha Keiffer

**Ushers:** Team 23

**Greeters:** Bill Tomlin & Ginny Bohen

**OMHC:** Marty Riker, Roberta Jensen, Dan Schneider

**Altar Servers:** Nieve Jensen, Kindyl Keiffer

**Musicians:** Connie

**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 FROM ST. MARY can be found**

**[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.**

**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: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6**

**In the First Reading,** Isaiah prophesies that Israel will be gathered to the Lord.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 1-3**

**In the Second Reading,** Paul reminds the Corinthians of their call to be holy.

**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 Lehen, Connie Sacks, Judy Schlegel, Bonnie Harter, Alicia Smith, Lynn Schneider, Nancy Fenn, Peg Clark, Darrel Ferris, Jeff Smith, & Jack Jolls.

**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 Jan./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 Jan./Feb:**

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

		COMING EVENTS	
SM	Jan. 10	Mass	4:00
SJB	Jan. 11	Mass	9:00
SJB	Jan. 11	Take Christmas Decorations Down after Mass	10:00
SM	Jan. 11	Mass – Live-Streamed	11:00
SM	Jan. 11	Take Christmas Decorations Down after Mass	Noon
SM	Jan. 11	K-12 Religious Educ.	Noon-3:00
SJB	Jan. 13	Over 50's Group	12:30
SM	Jan. 17	Mass	4:00
SJB	Jan. 18	Mass	9:00
SM	Jan. 18	Mass Live-Streamed	11:00
SM	Jan. 19	SJB Finance Council	3:00
SM	Jan. 19	SM Finance Council	4:00
SM	Jan. 19	Pastoral Council	6:00
SM	Jan. 24	Mass	4:00
SJB	Jan. 24	Benefit for Libby & Jordan	5:00
SJB	Jan. 25	Mass	9:00
SM	Jan. 25	Mass Live-Streamed	11:00
SM	Jan. 25	K-12 Religious Educ.	Noon-3:00

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**. The **Responsorial Psalm** “Here am I, Lord: I come to do your will – **should be our mantra as we read today’s readings and discover that Paul and John the Baptist realize that Jesus is the “Lamb of God” and they willingly follow his Way.** What can we do to live our baptismal promises and serve God each day? **We can start small** – read today’s readings; read next week’s readings and prepare for Mass; **take time to visit a friend and ask what you can do-babysit?** Get the mail? Read to them? Pray with them? Bake some cookies and make tea and visit with them over tea and cookies... **YOU can figure out what you can do.** 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](http://myparishapp.com)

\*Available on Apple and Android Phones.

**WANTED – WICKER OR PLASTIC BASKETS** to be used by the ladies to put items in that people may donate but do not have a basket. Please bring them to the parish office on or before **Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

**St. John the Baptist Parish  
January 11, 2026**

Adult Envelopes: (31)	\$1,311.75
Sunday Loose:	90.09
Candles:	40.00
Military Service Appeal: (9)	445.00
Military Services Appeal Loose:	112.00
Tithe:	<u>14.16</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,013.00</b>
Online Giving: Dec: (9)	776.00
Online Giving Fees Dec.	- 49.46

**St. Mary Parish  
Jan. 10 & 11, 2026**

Adult Envelopes: (37)	\$ 1,585.00
Sunday Loose:	261.00
Solemnity of Mary:(1)	75.00
Military Services Appeal:	575.00
Mission Services-Loose:	<u>161.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 2,657.00</b>
Online Giving Dec. (26)	2,276.12
Online Giving Dec. Fees	-76.94

**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.**

**If you cannot attend the Benefit but would like to donate...** please put your donation in an envelope and put it in the collection or bring it to the parish office. **Thanks for your generosity.**

**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**

**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.**

**ALL are welcome to attend the Benefit for Libby & Jordan on Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. There will be a delicious spaghetti dinner for a free will donation. **SILENT****

**& LARGE auction items ARE NEEDED. PLEASE bring them to the Parish Office during office hours. YOUR generosity is appreciated!**

**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.

## **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: Luke Norton**  
**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 Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 22, Apr. 19 & May 17. RSVP to:**

**[preynolds@grdiocese.org](mailto:preynolds@grdiocese.org)**

**COMING SOON – The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Building a Legacy” Catholic Men’s Conference will be held on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Robert Parish in Ada. Interested? Please call the parish office or find the registration on the flyer in the bulletin this week.**

**Young Catholic Professionals is launching in Grand Rapids! YCP** brings together young adults in their 20's and 30's to grow in faith, life, and work – building authentic friendships, finding a purpose, and striving for excellence.

**Launch Party Details: Thurs. Jan. 22** from 7-9 p.m. at the Goei Center Free Event & parking. **Complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Business casual attire.**

**Registration required:**

**<https://www.youngercatholicprofessionals.org/chapter/grand-rapids>**