

Pastoral Director: Nancy Woodcock

Sacramental Minister: July 11: Fr. Dick Host; July 12: Fr. Bob Keller. O.P.

July: 18 & 19 Fr. Len Sudlik

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 – July 11, 2026 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Louis & Monica Thelen & Robert

Hamilton by Family; Jim Beck; Terry Beck by Lilly Beck;

Kenny Kelly by Pat Burns

SUNDAY – July 12, 2026 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Gene Schafer by Kelly Peiffer & Family;

Phil Stoddard by Chuck & Connie Malek; Vicki Dailey by

Doug & Nancy Cusack; Rick Kelley by Dave & Nan Miller;

Gale Beardslee by Chuck & Connie Malek

SUNDAY – July 12, 2026 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Ken Kelly by Cyril Donahue; Madeline

Meinke by Dan & Lynn Schneider & Family

TUESDAY– July 14, 2026 – SJB Rosary for Peace & Noon Prayer

FRIDAY- July 17, 2026 – SM Noon Prayer

SATURDAY- July 18, 2026 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Philip Randall by Vince & Denise

Dragonetti; Connie (McCrackin) Sacks by Randy & Julie

Smith & Family

SUNDAY – July 19, 2026 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB– 9:00 a.m. – Barry Christiansen, Sr. by Kelly Peiffer;

John Simmon by Doug & Nancy Cusack; Tom Gallagher by

Helen Tait & Family; Randy Churchill & Joe Riley (20th

Anniv.) by Alice Churchill

SUNDAY July 19, 2026 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Norma & Tommy Fitzpatrick by Jerry &

Connie Blount

July 18, 2026 – Sat. 4:00 p.m. SM

Lector: Gary Copp

Ushers: 22

Greeters: Laura & Mike Fitzgerald

OMHC: Frank Ladiski, Kathleen Copp, Vol.

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Musicians: Mike & Choir

July 19, 2026– Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB

Lector: Perry McCrackin

Ushers: 14

Greeters: Susanne Gallagher

OMHC: Marvin & Diane Schafer, Darrel Heckman

Altar Servers: Volunteer

Musicians: Brian & Group

July 19, 2026– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM

Lector: Gail Akin

Ushers: Team 23

Greeters: Sue & Marty Riker

OMHC: Eddie Trevino, Angie Kwiatkowski, Michelle Patin

Altar Servers: Ryne Bahm, Ellie Patin

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.

Money Counters for July: Katrina Moe, Jackie VanDyne

Live – Streaming can be found at 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: 10-11

The Prophet Isaiah likens God's word to rain and snow, coming from God and achieving his purpose.

Second Reading: Romans 8: 18-23

In the Letter to the Romans, Paul encourages the Romans to endure present suffering, anticipating God's glory and our redemption.

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, Troy Genson, 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, 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)

Please keep the family and friends of Rosemary O'Connell Davarn (graduate of St. Mary Academy who was 100 recently) and Debbie Rockey in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

		COMING EVENTS	
SM	7-11	Mass	4:00
SJB	7-12	Mass	9:00
SM	7-12	Mass – Live-Streamed	11:00
SM	7-13	Cemetery Veteran's Memorial Meeting	11:00
SM	7-18	Mass	4:00
SJB	7-19	Mass	9:00
SM	7-19	Mass – Live-Streamed	11:00
SM/SJB	7-20	CHRISTMAS IN JULY ITEMS	DUE BY 4:00
SJB	7-28	Over 50's Group	12:30
SM/SJB	8-3	SHOES, SOCKS, BACKPACKS DUE	BY 4:00
SM	8-11	Summer Fun w/the Saints; Pre-school-5 grade students; Middle School & High School Students are invited to help! Supper with students and parents; Saint info with parents and students; Mass	5:00-5:30 – Supper 5:30-7:00 - Activities Mass: 7:00
SM	8-11	Mass w/ Summer Saints Presentation – Everyone welcome!	7:00
SM	8-23	ST. MARY RAFFLE DRAWING	NOON

ST. MARY PARISH will provide space for all who wish to play Euchre. We can change the day of the week, if necessary. **PLEASE** call the Parish Office (989-584-6044) if you and/or your friends are interested. We need at least 8 people to play each time. So, gather your friends and let us know.

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

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 VICTIMS OF WAR!

NOTES FROM NANCY:

Today we celebrate the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings speak to us of seeds, parables, and yielding a fruitful harvest. As we look around us and see the flowers growing, corn over knee high, and wheat waving in the breeze we can see nature in full bloom. Jesus' parables share our spiritual growth with the seeds that have been planted, thrown, or have fallen on hard earth. How are we to be compared? Spiritually we may be flourishing or perhaps we have hit a dry spell and cannot find our way to Jesus... Each one of us has a time and place that we take a few minutes or perhaps longer to allow God within us. It may be early morning or a few minutes when driving to work. We each need to take time to pray & listen... Last week I asked who was the only Catholic who signed the Declaration of Independence. It was Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Maryland. He lived to be 96.



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!

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.

ALSO: Mass at 7:00 p.m. Parents, students, & parishioners are welcome!

WHERE: St. Mary Parish

Why? To learn about Catholic Saints...

St. John the Baptist Parish July 5, 2026	
Adult Envelopes: (28)	\$1,653.30
Sunday Loose:	227.70
Candles:	60.00
Tithe:	19.00
Total:	\$1,960.00

St. Mary Parish July 4 & 5, 2026	
Adult Envelopes: (30)	\$ 1,950.00
Sunday Loose:	679.50
Candles	25.00
Total:	\$ 2,654.50

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.

The Weekend of July 25 & 26 has been designated Grandparents' Weekend! Jesus' Grandparents were the parents of Mary – St. Anne & St. Joachim. Please bring your grandchildren to Mass with you. A Blessing for Grandparents & Grandchildren will be prayed at the end of Mass.

**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.**

St. Mary Summer Raffle Tickets can be picked up this week-end at Mass. Tickets will be mailed if not picked up. Each household has been given 4 tickets (\$25.00 each) to purchase, sell, or return. The purpose of the 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 23rd after the 11:00 Mass. Now is the time to sell or purchase them!!!

SHARE A STORY OF WHEN YOU WERE YOUNG WITH YOUR CHILD OR GRANDCHILD...

**Socks, Shoes, & Backpacks
Drive**

You can bring any backpacks – filled with school supplies or empty and put them in the tubs. The Shoes & Socks Tree has paper shoes with the size of the shoe & sock on it. Please take a tag or two and purchase the items according to how it is labeled. Please put them 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!

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. Please TRY to make the July 20th deadline. Tubs will be at the entrances of both churches to collect items.

**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.

**PRAY FOR ADEQUATE RAIN TO GROW
THE CROPS!**



Catechetical Day

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me... to bring good news to the poor" Luke 4:18

AUGUST 15, 2026 | 8 AM - 3 PM

Join us for the Catechetical Day on Saturday, August 15. The day will begin with Mass at 8:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Andrew, followed by presentations until 3 p.m. We will explore the topics of Evangelization, OCIA, and Catechesis through our guest speakers Matthew Zinser and Sean Martin.

Participants will be eligible to receive Catechetical Certification Level 1 upon submission of an application and lesson plan. These formation hours may also be applied toward higher certification levels.

Cost to attend is **\$30 Per Person**, which includes morning hospitality, lunch, and materials.



Matthew Zinser

is a Catholic missionary living and ministering on the East Side of Detroit, MI, alongside his wife, Stephanie, and their eight (soon to be nine) children. With over 15 years of experience in Religious Education, Evangelization & Catechesis, he serves as a Religion Consultant with Sadlier and is a bilingual presenter in English and Spanish.



Sean Martin

serves in ministry with the Diocese of Gary, Indiana, bringing extensive experience in public speaking and grassroots efforts supporting the New Evangelization. He has been featured on EWTN and co-hosted New Evangelization Today. Sean and his wife, Stacy, have been married for 25 years and are blessed with six children. Sean Martin will share with us his experience as an evangelizer and the need of constant conversion in our life.

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TO REGISTER BY
JULY 31



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