

Pastoral Director: Nancy Woodcock
 Sacramental Minister: July 25 & 26 Fr. Len Sudlik
 Aug. 1 & 2 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 25, 2026 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Ken Cusack by Mike & Linda Meyers; **Mary Catherine Bliss** by Sharon Schafer & Family; **Louis & Monica Thelen, Robert Hamilton** by Family

SUNDAY – July 26, 2026 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Vicki Dailey by Jack & Janet Dailey; **Brad Burns** by Agnes Cusack; **Rick Kelley** by Doug & Nancy Cusack; **Phil Stoddard** by Fred & Kathleen Hearld; **Roger Shively (5th Anniv.) & Patty Shively (10th Anniv.)** by Brett & Katrina Moe & Family; **Eugene Schafer (1st Anniv.)** by Family

SUNDAY – July 26, 2026 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Norma Fitzpatrick by Pat Campbell & Jeff Campbell; **Danny Fenn** by Nancy Fenn

TUESDAY– July 28, 2026 – SJB Rosary for Peace & Noon Prayer

FRIDAY- July 31, 2026 – SM Noon Prayer

SATURDAY- Aug. 1, 2026 – 18th 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 – 18th 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 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Money Counters for August: Cheryl Miller, Penny Huhn

Aug. 1, 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

Musicians: Mike & Choir

Aug. 2, 2026– Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB

Lector: Lisa Wandell

Ushers: 15

Greeters: Martha Schmitz

OMHC: Darrel & Shannon Heckman, Nancy Curtis

Altar Servers: Volunteer

Musicians: Connie

Aug. 2, 2026– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM

Lector: Kim Brown

Ushers: 23

Greeters: Eddie Trevino

OMHC: Sam Jensen, Linda Tasker, Kali Trevino

Altar Servers: Nieve Jensen, (Kindyl & Khloe Keiffer, Nicholas Reed Shadow Servers)

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, 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: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

In today's reading from First Kings, Solomon asks for an understanding heart *to distinguish right from wrong*, and the Lord grants his wish.

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

St. Paul, writing to the Church in Rome, reminds us that God has chosen us to be true images of His Son, Jesus.

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	7-25	Mass	4:00
SJB	7-26	Mass	9:00
SM	7-26	Mass – Live-Streamed	11:00
SJB	7-28	Over 50's Group	12:30
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/SJB	8-3	SHOES, SOCKS, BACKPACKS DUE	BY 4:00
SM/SJB	8-3	CHRISTMAS FOR THE DOMINICANS items has been extended until August 3 rd .	Due by August 3
SM	8-9	Blessing of Musicians	11:00 Mass w/Reception afterwards in Classroom Area
SM	8-10	Maryknoll Veterans' Memorial Cemetery Mtg.	11:00
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 p.m.
SM	8-11	Mass w/ Summer Saints Presentation – Everyone welcome!	7:00 p.m.
SM	8-17	Craft Show Meeting	4:30
SM	8-23	ST. MARY RAFFLE DRAWING	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.

NOTES FROM NANCY:

Today we celebrate the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. St. Paul reminds us in his letter to the Romans that we are called by God to be images of his Son. **To be truly like him** we need the gifts of wisdom and understanding, and an openness to allowing the Holy Spirit to guide us in working for the kingdom of heaven. **We find the kingdom in Jesus, WHO IS THE WAY.** 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 – guaranteed a great time!

ALSO: Mass at 7:00 p.m. on August 11th. Parents, students, & parishioners are welcome!
WHERE: St. Mary Parish
Why? To learn about Catholic Saints...

St. John the Baptist Parish	
July 19, 2026	
Adult Envelopes: (27)	\$1,113.75
Sunday Loose:	209.88
Tithe:	<u>13.37</u>
Total:	\$1,337.00

St. Mary Parish	
July 18 & 19, 2026	
Adult Envelopes: (41)	\$ 4,065.00
Sunday Loose:	<u>340.00</u>
Total:	\$ 4,405.00

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.

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.**

SHARE family pictures with your grandchildren. If there are not names on the back of the pictures then write them in – the pictures are only a generation away from knowing who they are.

The Parish musicians will be honored at the 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Parish. 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.**

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. **The deadline has been extended until August 3, 2026. 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.

Pewamo St. Joseph Parish is hosting a Rummage Sale with all proceeds helping fund their bi-weekly Good Samaritan Food Distribution Program. **The location is 126 East St. Pewamo** and will be held in the school gymnasium on Thursday, July 30 from 8-5:00 p.m. and on Friday, July 31st from 8:00-2:00 p.m. **The Sale includes nice clean, gently used items ranging from household to baby gear, toys/games, books, sporting gear and more!**

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 23rd after the 11:00 Mass. Now is the time to sell or purchase them!!!

**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.