

**Pastoral Director:** Nancy Woodcock  
**Sacramental Minister:** May 2 Fr. Dick Host, May 3 Fr. Lou Anderson

**May 9 & 10 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 – May 2, 2026 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**SM – 4:00 p.m. – Janet Burns (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv. ) by Pat Burns;**

**Connie (McCrackin) Sacks by Allen & Janet Kelly; Norma**

**Fitzpatrick by Agnes Schneider & Family**

**SUNDAY – May 3, 2026 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Gene Schafer by Mary Satterlee & Diane**

**Peiffer; Barry Christiansen, Sr. by: Kelly Peiffer; Matt & Ann**

**Couzzins, Pat Couzzins, & Sue Couzzins by Family**

**SUNDAY – May 3, 2026 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**SM – 11:00 a.m. - John Simmon by Joan McKenna; Norma**

**& Tommy Fitzpatrick by Jerry & Connie Blount**

**TUESDAY– May 5, 2026 – SJB Rosary & Noon Prayer**

**FRIDAY- May 8, 2026 – SM Noon Prayer**

**SATURDAY- May 9, 2026 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**SM – 4:00 p.m. – Gail Kennedy by Sharon Schafer & Family;**

**Bob Richardson, Jr. by Family; Tom Gallagher by Agnes**

**Cusack & Sharon Schafer**

**SUNDAY – May 10, 2026 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**SJB– 9:00 a.m. – Sue Couzzins (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) by Sam & Julia**

**Griffin; Stella E. Harden by Family; Clayton, Phyllis & Jr.**

**Campbell by Pat Campbell & Family**

**SUNDAY May 10, 2026 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**SM – 11:00 a.m. – Jack Jolls by Jerry & Connie Blount**

**Money Counters for May: Pat Campbell, Linda Tasker**

**May 9, 2026 – Sat. 4:00 p.m. SM**

Lector: Frank Ladiski

Ushers: 21

Greeters: Laura & Mike Fitzgerald

OMHC: Janet Kelly, Annette Jones, Lori Richardson

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Musicians: Connie

**May 10, 2026– Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB**

Lector: Nancy Cusack

Ushers: Team 15

Greeters: Martha Schmitz

OMHC: Darrel & Shannon Heckman, Nancy Curtis

Altar Servers: Volunteer

Musicians: Mike & Choir

**May 10, 2026– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM**

Lector: Tabitha Keiffer

Ushers: Team 24

Greeters: Dave & Michelle Patin

OMHC: Eddie Trevino, Angie Kwiatkowski, Michelle Patin

Altar Servers: Claire & 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.**

**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!**

**PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE!**

**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: Acts 6: 1-7**

In the First Reading, the Twelve choose from among the community the first deacons.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter**

In Peter's Letter, he reminds the earliest Christians that they are part of a spiritual house, built on Christ, the great cornerstone-a royal Priesthood and holy nation.

**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, Sue Faver, 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, Rosemary (O'Connell) Davarn, Jim Schultz, Agnes McKenna, Jen Schafer, Fred Peiffer, 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, 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, Libby & Jordan Lehnem, Judy Schlegel, Bonnie Harter, Alicia Smith, Nancy Fenn, Peg Clark, Darrel Ferris, John Ford, Alayne Howard, Sharon Schafer, Lavern Jacobs, Phil Fletcher, Anita Heppard, Catherine Cashen, Lucas Wandell, & 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 Chairpersons for May/June**

**Kathy McMillan (517- 290-8854); Barb Jackson (989-981-6610); Kelly Peiffer (989-763-8470)**

**St. Mary Chairpersons for May/June**

**Linda Tasker (989-235-3885); Elaine Earls (517-303-9503)**

**Changed YOUR e-mail address? PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE and give us YOUR NEW e-mail address!!!**

COMING EVENTS			
SM	May 2	Mass	4:00
SJB	May 3	Mass	9:00
SM	May 3	First Holy Communion/Live-Streamed	11:00 a.m.
SM	May 4	K. of C. Meeting	6:00
SM	May 9	Mass	4:00
SJB	May 10	Mass	9:00
SM	May 10	Mass – Live-Streamed	11:00
SM	May 11	Veterans' Cemetery Mtg.	11:00
SM	May 16	Mass	4:00
SJB	May 17	Mass	9:00
SM	May 17	Mass – Live Streamed GRADUATION	11:00

**ST. MARY PARISH is hoping to 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.

**The Knights of Columbus will have a meeting on Monday, May 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary Parish in the Classroom Area. 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 Fifth Sunday of Easter. John's Gospel has the disciples asking how are they to go on. Jesus' response is: I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life! Wow, what a way to believe & be faithful! Following Jesus brings us many struggles, trials & tribulations yet, it also brings love, peace, and JOY!**



**Thanks:**

- **To the SM/SJB Catechists who volunteer to share the Catholic Faith with our children – your time and effort is greatly appreciated!**
- **All the “Elves” who plan, cook, provide cakes, etc. and clean up for funeral dinners – your willingness to assist the grieving families is appreciated.**
- **The “Elves” who count the collections, fold the bulletins, clean the pews, and volunteer in many ways in both parishes – your time means something to all of us!**
- **The musicians, Choir, Cantors & people in the pews that sing -THANK YOU – remember – all who sing pray twice!**

**Welcome Leon David Brown, son of Riley and Molly Brown who was baptized on Saturday, April 11, 2026 at St. Mary Parish. May Leon be nourished by his family & our Faith Communities. May the JOY of God's love be with him!!!**

<b>St. John the Baptist Parish</b>	
<b>April 26, 2026</b>	
Adult Envelopes: (37)	\$1,836.45
Sunday Loose:	102.96
Tithe:	<u>19.59</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,488.00</b>

<b>St. Mary Parish</b>	
<b>April 25 &amp; 26, 2026</b>	
Adult Envelopes: (42)	\$ 1,399.00
Sunday Loose:	<u>170.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,569.00</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.**

**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.**

**COLLEGE STUDENTS: the DEADLINE for returning applications is: May 15<sup>th</sup> PLEASE meet the DEADLINES!!!**

**Please keep the family & friends of Gale Beardslee, (Ginny Beardslee's husband) and Dan Malek, (Chuck Malek's brother) in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen**

**CSA 2026 ASSESSMENTS**

St. Mary Parish	\$36,771.00
Week One: (9)	3,750.00
Week Two: (7)	2,000.00
Week Three: (1)	3,500.00
Week Four: (2)	250.00
Week Five: (3)	1,150.00
Week Six: (14)	3,900.00
Week Seven: (4)	<u>1,800.00</u>
Balance:	\$20,421.00

St. John the Baptist	\$23,932.00
Week One: (6)	2,600.00
Week Two: (4)	1,630.00
Week Three: (5)	1,900.00
Week Four: (4)	2,150.00
Week Five: (2)	400.00
Week Six: (3)	800.00
Week Seven: (9)	<u>3,915.00</u>
Balance:	\$10,537.00

Your generosity towards CSA '26 will allow us to demonstrate OUR viability for EACH parish. PLEASE give!

Our CSA donations are running behind – PLEASE take time to reflect on what YOU can give to help us meet the goals!

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.

Last Call for donations for the Rice Bowl and Catholic Relief Donations- please have all donations in by May 10<sup>th</sup>. We have deadlines to meet – please help us! Thanks!

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 was part of the plan. That is why the count is taking place. Plan to come to Church!

**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. Seminarian of the week: **Seminarian of the week: Andrew R. Whipple**

Save the date for St. Joseph Pewamo Parish Picnic on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>! There will be a Parade at 11:30 a.m. to kick off the event followed by games, great food, & more events!

The May 24<sup>th</sup> TV Mass from the Cathedral of St. Andrew will be held on Antenna TV instead of Channel 17 due to the Indy 500 airing on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. You can find your local Antenna TV channel at: [antennatv.tv/channel-finder/](http://antennatv.tv/channel-finder/) Remember: the TV Mass is YOUR CSA donation in action!

**FIRE UP YOUR MARRIAGE & YOUR FAITH!**

Apply to attend a Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience in Michigan.

They will be held June 15-17 at the Center for Ministry in Saginaw and July 24-26 at the Augustine Center in Petoskey. Apply today at: [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or contact Amy & Joe at 517-667-0433

**PRAY FOR ALL WHO DO NOT HAVE HOMES, CARS, OR JOBS DUE TO TORNADOES & STORMS!**