

Pastoral Director: Nancy Woodcock
 Sacramental Minister: Nov. 8 & 9: Fr. Darrel Kempf
 Sacramental Minister: Nov. 15 & 16 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—Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 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 – Nov. 8, 2025- The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Helen Osbon by Carl Jacobs & Family; **Ken Cusack** by Pat Burns; **Clare Harden** by Family; **Ken & Mary Coe** by Tom & Deb McCrackin & Family

SUNDAY – Nov. 9, 2025 – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Doug Campbell by Dan & Sue Findlay; **Bob Cashen** by Doug & Nancy Cusack; **Sandy Meyers** by Pat Campbell & Family; **John & Martha McGrath** by Joan McKenna; **Gene Schafer** by Brett & Katrina Moe & Family; **Helen Stoddard** by Pat Campbell

SUNDAY – Nov. 9, 2025 – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Ruth Kelly Woodcock (21st Aniv.) by Family; **Kathryn Tucker** by Nancy Fenn & Family

TUESDAY– Nov. 11 2025 - SJB Noon Prayer & Rosary

FRIDAY- Nov. 14, 2025 -SM NOON PRAYER

SATURDAY- Nov. 15, 2025 – 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. Ken Cusack by Dick & Jackie VanDyne; **Bob Richardson, Jr.** by Family; **Alice Keilholtz** by Kristy Dombkowski

SUNDAY – Nov. 16, 2025 – 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

SJB– 9:00 a.m. – Stanley Cusack by Lezlie Hauck; **Louie & Jean Schafer** by Ed Heckman; **Sue Couzzins** by Barb Jackson; **Kevin Lipe** by Doug & Nancy Cusack; **Sandy Meyers** by Chuck & Connie Malek; **Robert Fletcher & Steven Fletcher** by Delores Schmitt & Family

SUNDAY Nov. 16, 2025 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Robert & Marie Ingraham by Family; **Dale & Kathryn Tucker** by Nancy Fenn; **Mark McCrackin & Ed McCrackin** by Family; **Dan Kapustka** by Staci Kapustka-Datema

Nov. 15, 2025 – Sat. 4:00 p.m.SM

Lector: Nancy Woodcock

Ushers: 22

Greeters: Vol.

OMHC: Janet Kelly, Annette Jones, Vol.

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Musician: Connie

Nov. 16, 2025 – Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB

Lector: Shannon Heckman

Ushers: Team 14

Greeters: Vol.

OMHC: Susanne Gallagher, Bob Fahey, Vol.

Altar Servers: Volunteer

Musician: Mike & Choir

Nov. 16, 2025– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM

Lector: Kim Brown

Ushers: Team 21

Greeters: Jerry & Linda Tasker

OMHC: Sam Jensen, Linda Tasker, Kali Trevino

Altar Servers: Clare & 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.

Money Counters for Nov. Penny Huhn/Hank or Kathy Marshall

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: Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12

The first reading describes Ezekiel's vision of life-giving water flowing from the threshold of the temple. The water flows into the sea, where it makes the salt waters fresh.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17

In the second reading, Paul tells the Corinthians that they are God's temple and the Spirit of God dwells in them.

2025 is the Jubilee Year of HOPE!

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, & Darrel Ferris.

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 Nov./Dec. 2025:

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

St. Mary Chairpersons for Nov./Dec. 2025:

Nora Ryan (989) 763-2232; Ronda Schneider (989) 763-1432

Please remember to purchase an item at the Bake Sale today. You can always freeze the items and serve them when company drops by or your grandchildren come to visit. Your generosity will help Libby & Jordan.

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE HUNGRY!!!

		COMING EVENTS	
SM	Nov. 8	Bake Sale – after Mass	4:00
SJB	Nov. 9	Mass – Bake Sale	9:00
SM	Nov. 9	Mass-Live-streamed – Bake Sale	11:00
SM	Nov. 9	K-12 Religious Educ.	Noon-3:00
SM	Nov. 10	Benefit Comm. Mtg.	1:00
SM	Nov. 15	Mass	4:00
SJB	Nov. 16	Mass	9:00
SM	Nov. 16	Mass	11:00
SJB	Nov. 18	Over 50's Group	12:30
SJB	Nov. 27	Annual Thanksgiving Mass	9:00
	Nov. 28	Parish Office Closed	-----
SJB	Dec. 30	Over 50's Group	12:30
SJB	Jan. 24	Benefit for Libby & Jordan	TBD

The Over 50's Group will meet on November 18th and December 30th at St. John The Baptist Parish Hall at 12:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome! Come and enjoy lunch and bingo. Please bring something to share for lunch!

Everyone is welcome to participant in Euchre at St. Mary starting April 7, 2026. Bring a snack & come to play.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER:

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.

NOTES FROM NANCY

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, which was named for both John the Baptist & John the Evangelist.

In the Gospel reading, Jesus goes to the earthly temple in Jerusalem and drives out the money changers, accusing them of turning his Father's house (a House of Prayer for all Nations) into a Marketplace. Jesus claims that He can rebuild the temple in three days after it is destroyed. Jesus is talking about "the Temple of His Body." Jesus IS the Temple because HE is the place where God dwells. Therefore WE, through OUR Baptism are the place of God's holiness and life-giving power. Take time...



Parish App Feature-of-the-Week

- 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.

Prayers

During the month of November and through December 8th both parishes will be collecting items for the Grand Rapids Dominicans. Warm socks, slippers, afghans, soft lap blankets, word finds, crossword puzzles, sudoku puzzles, greeting cards, stationary, pens or pencils, body lotion, soap, chocolate candy, hard candy, etc. Your generosity is appreciated.

St. John the Baptist Parish November 2, 2025	
Adult Envelopes: (37)	\$1,905.75
Sunday Loose:	164.34
Tithe:	20.91
All Saints:	\$ 127.00
Bake Sale:	100.00
Candles:	<u>45.00</u>
Total:	\$2,363.00

St. Mary Parish Nov. 1 & 2, 2025	
Adult Envelopes: (43)	\$ 1,709.00
Sunday Loose:	\$ 190.00
All Saints: (18)	\$ 648.00
Candles:	<u>51.00</u>
Total:	\$ 2,598.00

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.

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.**

Pray for new parents as they experience the JOY (and work) a baby brings!

On Thursday, November 27th we will celebrate **THANKSGIVING DAY** with a Mass at 9:00 a.m. at St. John The Baptist Parish. Come and give thanks for all we have been given.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED TRAINING.

A mother in need may be closer than you realize – perhaps in your community or parish. Every parish should know where to turn when a mom is in need. **Walking with Moms in Need** works to increase our outreach to pregnant and parenting women facing difficulties. **Join us to learn how you can start a Walking with Moms in Need initiative in OUR parishes.** On Thursday, November 20, Catholic Charities West MI will be hosting a training for this initiative at Immaculate of Heart of Mary in Grand Rapids from 1:00-4:00 p.m. **The training covers the five phases of developing the Walking with Moms in Need resource to serve moms through our parishes, including how to build a core outreach team. Interested??? PLEASE CALL OUR PARISH OFFICE TO REGISTER FOR THE TRAINING – 989-584-6044.**

Parents: There is 1 Sunday class left in November (the 9th) as we did not **want to schedule classes during deer hunting season or Thanksgiving weekend.**

Happy November Birthdays to:

Don Baese	Nov. 5
Judy Miller	Nov. 6
Cellia Alcoser	Nov. 9
Jeanette Sanborn	Nov. 9
Fred Brown	Nov. 15
Pat Reeder	Nov. 16

May YOUR Birthday be filled with God's Love & JOY!

If you are interested in donating funds to the Hurricane Melissa Disaster, please work through Catholic Relief Services. **Please check the diocesan website for details.**

Thanks to:

- the “elf” who has done an amazing job mowing the grounds & cemeteries – we receive many compliments – **THANKS!**
- The “elves” who care for the outside flowers of both parishes- **THANKS!**
- The “elves” who care for the flowers inside both parishes – the décor always fits the Liturgical themes – **THANKS!**
- The “elves” who donated the use of the lift so that SJB’s siding could be soft washed to the top – your generosity is **GREATLY appreciated!**
- The “elf” who knew who had a lift to lend – **THANKS!**

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: Aiden McGavin
St. Joseph Parish in Pewamo will have their Feather Bingo – hosted by St. Joseph Altar Society on Sunday, November 9th in the Parish Center. Turkeys and cash prizes for bingos. Refreshments will be available. Doors open at 5:30 and Bingo begins at 6:30.



DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

Office of the Bishop

November 8/9, 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Pope Leo XIV issued his first apostolic exhortation, *Dilexi te* (On Love for the Poor), in early October. He writes in the exhortation, "We need to be increasingly committed to resolving the structural causes of poverty" (94).

One way in which you can help break down the structural causes of poverty is through the national collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) during the **weekend of Nov. 15/16**. Your support for this collection enables organizations to reach and empower people in ways best suited to the communities where they live and work. The CCHD has been successful at reaching people on the margins for more than 50 years because of its support for community-based solutions rather than top-down programs that do not account for local needs.

In addition to making a national impact, 25 percent of the collection remains in our diocese to support local anti-poverty initiatives. Projects that receive funding must adhere to the teachings of the Catholic Church and are approved by me. Your generosity during last year's collection allowed \$50,000 to stay in West Michigan to assist people living in poverty.

"Almsgiving at least offers us a chance to halt before the poor, to look into their eyes, to touch them and to share something of ourselves with them. In any event, almsgiving, however modest, brings a touch of *pietas* into a society otherwise marked by the frenetic pursuit of personal gain (*Dilexi te*, 116).

Please prayerfully consider how you can give this year. If you would like more information about the collection, visit usccb.org/cchd. Thank you for joining us to work on the margins and break the cycle of poverty.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

The Catholic Church has always taught us, through the words of Sacred Scripture and the witness of saints like Francis of Assisi, that the natural world is created by God, that it is good, and that humans have a special duty to care for creation so that it benefits not only themselves but also future generations. Today we live in a time where pollution, climate change, and poor agricultural practices harm creation and place us all in danger.

In 2015, Pope Francis responded to this environmental crisis by issuing the encyclical *Laudato Si'* (*On Care for Our Common Home*), in which he emphasizes the connection between humanity and nature and calls for "the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development" (no. 13).

This spirit of cooperation, sustainability, and human dignity animates the work of organizations like La Cosecha Community Supported Agriculture, a cooperative farm network in Albuquerque, New Mexico, which makes

locally grown, sustainable, and nutritious foods available to low-income people. With support from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), La Cosecha has expanded its outreach beyond Albuquerque to 11 rural New Mexico counties, increased year-round accessibility to healthy produce and other food products, and obtained a US Department of Agriculture Good Agricultural Practices food-safety certification for its cooperative farm partners.

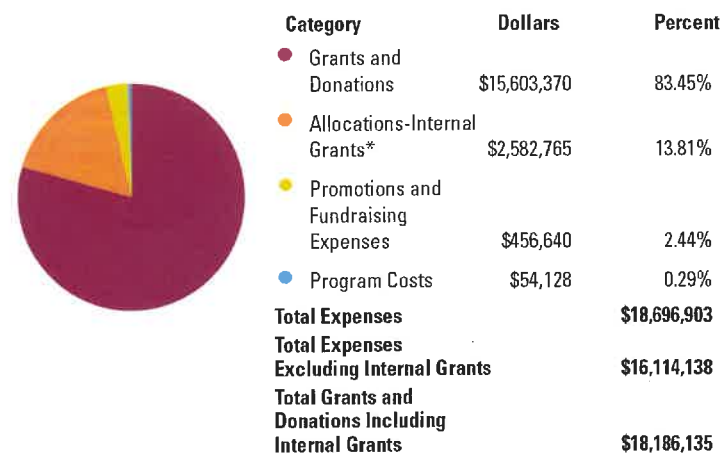
CCHD-funded organizations show how we can care for the environment, address the needs of the poor, and support responsible and sustainable local businesses at the same time. When you participate in the CCHD collection, you help not only other communities but also your own, because 25% of your contribution remains in your diocese to create local solutions to poverty.

To learn more about the collection for the CCHD and the way CCHD upholds the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church, visit www.usccb.org/cchd.

2023 GRANTS



2023 EXPENSES



*Internal grants include a distribution from the CCHD collection for CCHD operations and for the education and outreach program of the Office of Justice, Peace, and Human Development of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, which engages Catholics in our faith-filled call to address the root causes of poverty.

LEARN about those living in poverty who are working to improve their communities. • **ACT** and spread the word about poverty by sharing this flier. • **CONNECT** with the work of CCHD by supporting the collection. • **PRAY** for those who benefit from this collection.



Office of National Collections

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NOVEMBER 26, 2025
7:00 PM

*Light refreshments and fellowship to
follow in the Multipurpose Room.*

For more information,
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Fr. Nick Baker at:
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616.453.6369

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