

Pastoral Director: Nancy Woodcock
 Sacramental Minister: Oct. 10 & 11: Fr. Larry King
 Oct. 17: Fr. Dick Host; Oct. 18: 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 – Oct. 10, 2026 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. – Rick Kelley by Pat Burns; Linda Antes by Chris Antes; Janet Burns by Pat Burns

SUNDAY – Oct. 11, 2026 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Barry Christiansen, Sr. by Kelly Peiffer; Vicki Dailey by Dave & Nancy Speckin; Gale Beardslee by Carol Smith; Pat O'Brien & Julie Booker by Mike & Mary Cashen; Max Pinkney by The Monica Howard Family

SUNDAY – Oct. 11, 2026 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Ken Kelly by Jack McCrackin; Bernadine Trudell by Dennis Trudell & Family

TUESDAY– Oct. 13, 2026 – SJB Rosary for Peace & Noon Prayer

FRIDAY- Oct. 16, 2026 – SM Noon Prayer

SATURDAY- Oct. 17, 2026 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 4:00 p.m. Kenny Cusack by Sherry & Jenny Cusack; Helen Tait by Pat Burns; Gail Kennedy by Allen & Janet Kelly; Suzanne Rosenberg by Family

SUNDAY – Oct. 18, 2026 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJB – 9:00 a.m. – Leo McMillan by Janice McCallister; Rick Kelley by Chuck & Connie Malek; Gale Beardslee by Janice McCallister; Debbie Rockey by Jack & Janet Dailey; George & Margaret McKenna by Joan McKenna; Max Pinkney by Mike & Mary Cashen

SUNDAY Oct. 18, 2026 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM – 11:00 a.m. – Edward Nauseida, Jr. by Connie & Frank Ladiski

Money Counters for September: Ginny Beardslee, Donna Schafer

Oct. 17, 2026 – Sat. 4:00 p.m. SM

Lector: Gary Copp

Ushers: Team 22

Greeters: Laura & Mike Fitzgerald

OMHC: Janet Kelly, Lori Richardson, Annette Jones

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Musicians: Connie

Oct. 18, 2026– Sun. 9:00 a.m. SJB

Lector: Shannon Heckman

Ushers: Team 15

Greeters: Marvin & Diane

OMHC: Susanne Gallagher, Bob Fahey, Volunteer

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Musicians: Mike & Choir

Oct. 18, 2026– Sun. 11:00 a.m. SM

Lector: Tabitha Keiffer

Ushers: Team 21

Greeters: Bill Tomlin & Ginny Bohlen

OMHC: Marty Riker, Roberta Jensen, Dan Schneider

Altar Servers: Volunteers

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 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 5: 1-7

In the first reading, Isaiah describes the mountain where the Lord will provide a feast for all peoples, wiping every tear and destroying death forever.

LET US PRAY FOR ALL IN NEED!

Second Reading:

In the second reading, Paul writes that he has learned to live in both humble circumstances and with abundance, and that he can do all things in Christ.

PRAY FOR PEACE!

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Gordon Gladden, Deb O'Neil, John Myers, Fr. Tony Vainavicz, Marley Ward, Jack Fahey, Tony Shepard, 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, Agnes McKenna, Jen Schafer, Fred Peiffer, Sue Findlay, Gary DeVito, Aiden Thurston, Judy Sheaffer, Sherry Hopkins, Douglas Werner, Larry Elliott, Ted Kingsley, Camilla Hogan, Mary Lou Tucker Andrews, Petra Medrano, Alberta Gage, Deb Coon, Fr. Doug Osborn, Sam Riley, Hazel Gallagher, Edie Rudd, Fr. Jim Wyse, Brenda Demenov, Libby & Jordan Lehnen, Judy Schlegel, Bonnie Harter, Alicia Smith, Darrel Ferris, John Ford, Alayne Howard, Lavern Jacobs, Phil Fletcher, Anita Heppard, Judy Schaeffer, Zack Burns, Jack Warner, Delores Schmitt, Lynn Schneider, Mary Freund, Jim Barker, and Robert Gamez.

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 Sept./Oct.

Donna Schafer (517-388-0960); Kathy Ward (989-292-0779); Jackie Heckman (517-388-0390)

St. Mary Chairpersons for Sept./Oct.

Angie Kwiatkowski (989-584-3397)

Interested in playing Euchre? Please call the Parish Office to register – 989-584-6044. We received a wonderful booklet of THANKS & GRATITUDE messages from the Grand Rapids Dominicans for all the lovely and useful items that we collected and were given to them. Please stop by the Office if you would like to read it.

COMING EVENTS			
SM	10-10	Mass	4:00
SJB	10-11	Mass	9:00
SM	10-11	Mass – Live Streamed	11:00
SM	10-11	K-12 Religious Education Food Walk @ Haradine Park Students in grades 5-12	Noon-3:00 2:00-3:00
SM	10-12	Bible Study	1:00
SM	10-12	Zumba begins	6:00 p.m.
SM	10-15	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour at St. Mary Parish	6:00 p.m.
SM	Oct. 17	St. Mary 50 th Craft Show	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
SM	Oct. 17	Mass	4:00
SJB	Oct. 18	Mass	9:00
SM	Oct. 18	Mass Live-Streamed	11:00
SM	Oct. 19	Bible Study	1:00
SM	Oct. 25	K-12 Religious Education	Noon-3:00
SM	Oct. 26	Bible Study	1:00
SM	Oct. 27	Over 50's Group	12:30

As of Friday, August 28th, the Parish Office will no longer be able to send or receive faxes. Please use the following emails:

For billing –

payables@smsjbparish.com;

for Masses, rentals, etc. –

secretary@smsjbparish.com;

for the Pastoral Director –

nwoodcock@smsjbparish.com

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.

NOTES FROM NANCY:

Today we celebrate the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Both the first reading and today's Gospel portray the heavenly kingdom as a banquet. Each time we participate in Mass, we receive a foretaste of this heavenly feast and are nourished by Christ's Body & Blood. We can prepare for the feast with repentance and by clothing ourselves with good deeds. Take time to reflect...

Perhaps it is time to return to church and bless (convalidate) your marriage. Interested in baptizing your infant or child? Please call me at 989-584-6044 or 989-287-0089



Do you like to sing? If you like to sing, please consider joining the Parish Choir. Practice will be held on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Parish. The Group serves every other weekend at 4:00 p.m. or 9:00 a.m. Mass. If stairs are difficult for you, we have a moving staircase to assist you! Come & give it a try – you might like it.!

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 we are counting.

Interested in bringing Holy Communion once a week to individuals of both parishes who are in their homes or a Nursing Home? Please call the Office. Training will be provided.

St. John the Baptist Parish	
Oct. 4, 2026	
Adult Envelopes: (39)	\$2,291.85
Sunday Loose:	80.19
Foodwalk:	75.00
Tithe:	23.96
Total:	\$2,471.00

St. Mary Parish	
Oct. 3 & 4, 2026	
Adult Envelopes: (39)	\$ 2,085.00
Sunday Loose:	818.00
Foodwalk:	159.00
Candles:	31.00
Total:	\$ 3,093.00

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.

Religious Education for students in Grades K-12 will be held on Sunday, Oct. 11th at St. Mary Parish. Students in grades 5-12 will walk to Haradine Park at 2:00 p.m. to participate in the Annual Foodwalk . Parents are welcome to walk with the group. Students in grades K-4 will remain at St. Mary. Students will return to St. Mary Hall for dismissal. Parents & students are welcome to have a pizza lunch from Noon – 12:30 p.m. before each class. All are welcome!
If you missed the donation baskets last week and would like to donate to the Carson City Area Food Pantry, please put your donation in an envelope & drop it in the collection. The deadline is Oct. 15th.

**Interested in returning to Mass?
Please leave your home, drive to either
parish, park your car, walk in the
church, select a pew and participate
– YOU are back – *WELCOME!!!***

**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.**

**Thanks to ALL who brought their
beloved animals to receive a Blessing
on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
last weekend. What a GREAT turn-
out! Thanks to Fr. Len for his
willingness to have his picture taken
with the animals and their owners.
The weather was warm & breezy &
everyone seemed to be having a
wonderful time!!!**

**The Annual World Mission Sunday
will be held the week-end of October
17-18. Envelopes are in this week’s
bulletin. YOUR generosity is
greatly appreciated!**

**Fr. Tony’s Vainavicz’s new address
is:**

**Cortland Riverside Gardens
2420 Coit Avenue NE Room 309
Grand Rapids, MI 49505**

CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP

**Will be held on Saturday,
November 14th at 9:00 a.m. at
Blessed Sacrament Parish (2275
Diamond Ave. NE GR Cost is
\$35.00/person – call 616-532-9344 to
register if you are wondering what
God’s plan is for your life or
desiring to grow in your faith.**

**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. Amen**

**Join the Diocese of Grand Rapids
Diocesan Council of Catholic Women
on Saturday, November 14th from
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at St. Jude’s
Parish. Featured Speaker is
Christine Alfaro, author of
“Shattered” will share her story of
“Surrendering to God in All Things.”
Bishop Walkowiak will celebrate
Mass. Enjoy a delicious meal.
Registrations are due by Nov. 9th.
Interested? Please call SM/SJB
Parish Office to register – 989-584-
6044.**



DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

Office of the Bishop

October 11, 2026

Dear Friends in Christ,

We celebrate **World Mission Sunday next weekend on October 18**. This important worldwide day of prayer and support allows us to participate directly in the Church's call to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations" (MT 28:19). Through your gift, you support the formation of future priests and religious, the education of children in the faith, care for the sick, and the life of parishes where the Gospel is being proclaimed for the first time.

This year's observance holds particular significance as we mark its 100th anniversary. In its infancy, the Diocese of Grand Rapids was blessed with missionaries such as Slovenian-born Bishop Frederic Baraga, the "snowshoe priest," and Father Andrew Viszoczky, a Hungarian missionary, who became the first pastor of what is now the Cathedral of Saint Andrew. Men and women like these two missionaries are still present in more than 1,100 mission territories around the world. Your gift supports their ministry.

It is additionally fitting that we celebrated the beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen a few weeks ago. During his tenure as National Director of the Pontifical Mission Societies from 1950-1966, he did more to raise missionary awareness among American Catholics and provided more support for the Church in missionary areas than any figure in Church history.

Inspired by his witness, let us affirm that we are "One in Christ, united in mission." I encourage you to respond with a generous heart, knowing that your support makes a real difference in the lives of those who might otherwise never hear the Gospel. Blessed Fulton Sheen, pray for us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

Carson City Area Historical Society
In collaboration
With
The Carson City Public Library
Present

"How It All Began" Part 8
By Tom Haradine

**The eighth in a mini-series about the
formation of Carson City.**

October 13, 2026 at 5:45 p.m.

Location: Carson City Public Library
**Please call 989-584-3680 to reserve a
seat.**

Mark your calendar! Everyone welcome!

University of Michigan Health-Sparrow

Mobile Health Clinic Event

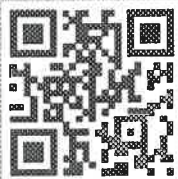
**UM Health-Sparrow Mobile Clinic and
St. Mary Craft Show are teaming up to bring FREE
health care to a neighborhood near you.**

**St. Mary Craft Show
St. Mary Church**

Saturday October 17, 2026 9am – 2pm

Service we offer:

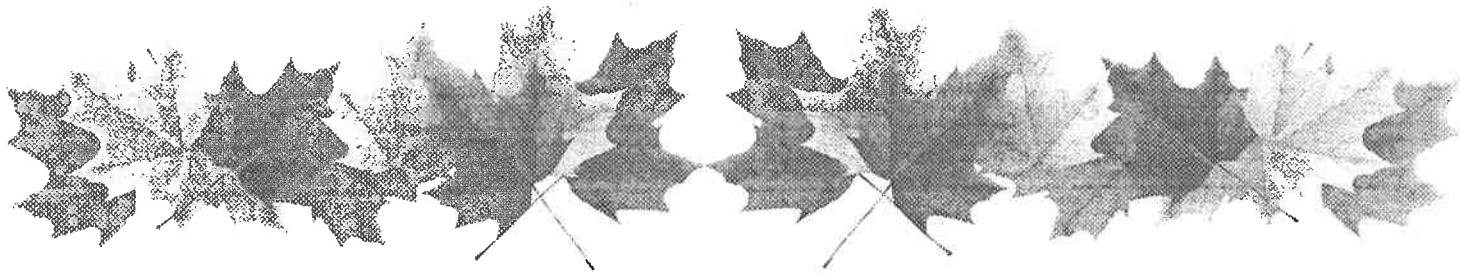
**Health and wellness exams, Sports physicals
Acute injury or illness, Health screenings
Influenza vaccinations, subject to availability
Patient education, Medical and financial resources**



Scan the QR code or visit us at
UofMHealthSparrow.org/MobileClinic

Contact us at
SparrowMobileHealthClinic@UofMHealth.org



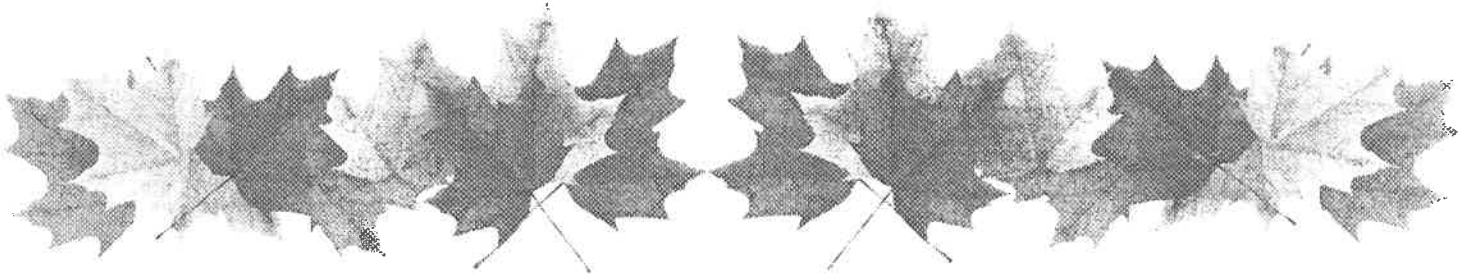


**St. Mary Church
404 N Division
Carson City**

**Saturday October 17
9 am - 3 pm**

CRAFT SHOW

**Vendors spaces available
989-584-6044**



50th Annual Craft Show Volunteer Schedule

October 17, 2026 (Revised)

South Hall Door Greeter	Prepare Vendor Lunches		West Hall Greeter	Food Servers	Cashiers	Table Helpers/ Runners for door prize tickets	Kitchen
9:00-11:00	11:00-1:00		9:00-11:00	9:00-11:00	9:00-11:00	9:00 – 11:00	9:00-11:00
Nancy Fenn/ Tammy Duell	Annette Jones Kim Brown	N/A	Janet Kelly/ Margie Hyde	Lezlie Hauck & Sally Range	Brian Pouget & Anne Wiggers	Jr. National Honor Society Students w/ Kasey Barger	Maggie Lauer/ Nora Ryan/ Kathy McMillan
11:00-1:00	Deliver Vendor Lunches 11:00-12:30	11:00-1:00	11:00-1:00	11:00-1:00	11:00-1:00	11:00-1:00	11:00-1:00
Linda Tasker & Gail Akin	Roberta Jensen Kacy Datema Jennifer Johnson	N/A	Jerry Tasker & Nancy W.	Staci Datema & Susie Riker	Cindy Schneider & Angie Kwiatkowski	Jr. National Society Students w/ Kasey Barger	Nora Ryan/ Kathy McMillan/ Maggie Lauer
1:00-3:00	Pie List Caller	1:00-3:00	1:00-3:00	1:00-3:00	1:00-3:00	1:00-3:00	1:00-3:00
Sandy W.	Margie Hyde	N/A	Tom & Sue George	Ann Kapustka & Eddie Trevino	Mike & Sue Kelley	Jr. National Honor Society Members w/Kasey Barger	Nora Ryan/ Maggie Lauer/Eileen McKenna Kathy McMillan

Set-up Kitchen	Outside Decorating	Floor Marking/Wed.	Table Set-up Thurs.	Food Prep. Thurs.	Friday – cooking 9:00 a.m.	Sat. Pie Cutting 8:30 – until done	Stage Announce
6:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.		5:00 p.m.	– 4:00 p.m.	9:00– Noon			
Marisa Bramer/ Nora Ryan/ Sue Lowe/ Kathy McMillan	Tom & Sue Goerge <u>Spray Paint on Thursday:</u> Kyle & Cheryl Miller	Jared Trevino/ Nora Ryan/ Jill Postema/Julie O'Meara/Deb McCrackin	Tom Goerge/ Cyril Donahue/ Ed Schneider/ Kacy Datema/ Mark Jensen/ Knights of Columbus Members	Nora Ryan/ Maggie Lauer/ Julie O'Meara/ Becky Proctor/ Kathy McMillan/ Yvonne Snyder	Nora Ryan/ Sue Lowe/ Maggie Lauer/ Brenda Demorov/ Kathy McMillan/ Mary Huhn	Ginny Bohlen Bill Tomlin <u>Floorwalker – Saturday</u> Jared Trevino	Marisa Bramer <u>P.A. Set-up</u> John Kohagen (Thursday & Friday (if needed))
<u>Outside Signs & stakes in ground for Outside Booths</u> Cyril Donahue	<u>Vendor Set-up</u> Margaret L. Jared Trevino Kathy McM. Yvonne Snyder	<u>Menus</u> Office Staff <u>Outside Vendors:</u> Maggie Lauer			<u>Friday PM Vendor Set-up</u> 4:00-6:00 Sue Lowe Nora Ryan/ Deb McCrackin		

Please arrive 15 minutes early for your shift. Please check the schedule at each entrance or on the stage if you are not sure where to report! Have time and want to help?? Call 989-584-6044

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help. YOU are truly appreciated THANKS!

CLEAN-UP AT 3:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY: ANYONE WHO WANTS TO HELP – ADULTS, TEENS, ETC.
Mark Jensen/Mike Kapuska/ Tom & Sue Goerge/Ed Schneider/K. of C. Members/Jr. National Honor Society
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN SEVERAL AREAS.