



October 1, 2017

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Parish Information

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Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
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Mass Schedule

Sunday
8 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
5 p.m.
Tuesday - Friday
5 p.m.
Saturday
9:30 a.m.

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My dear friends in Christ,

This Respect Life Sunday we hear in St. Paul's letter to the Philippians a call to "humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others." How appropriate for us to receive this exhortation as we begin a month of focusing upon the respect and dignity to be afforded to every human life from conception until natural death.

In a world which diminishes the value of so many lives, we as the Body of Christ, His Church, recommit ourselves to the work of promoting this God-given dignity and the protection of the most vulnerable in our society.

As Catholics, we are called to value and protect this special dignity in our brothers and sisters. Whether it is an unborn baby whose mother is considering abortion, a teenager contemplating suicide because he is being bullied at school, our immigrant brothers and sisters searching for a better life, or an elderly neighbor in her final days of life. In each instance and at every stage we are called to defend life, each one is an important gift!

Please join me during Respect Life Month in praying for all human life from conception to natural death. Let us witness to our commitment as Catholics to being people of life.

I am grateful to the parishes and schools throughout our diocese who participate in the Respect Life Program and who make the work of protecting and defending human life a priority throughout the year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ David J. Walkowiak

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

Upcoming Parish Events

October

- 1 & 8- St. Luke's Time & Talent Fair
- 15 - Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
- 18 - Feast of St. Luke Mass 7 p.m.

This Week's Scripture Readings

Available online at uscgb.org/bible

Ministries for Oct. 8

Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to Mass.

Lectors

- 8:00 a.m. Sue Schipper (1st), Jaymie Perry (2nd)
- 10:30 Karon Flagg (1st), Rick Meyer (2nd)
- 5:00 p.m. Bob Messing (1st), Lisa Flessner (2nd)

Altar Servers

- 8:00 a.m. Isaac Perry, Alaina Barksdale
- 10:30 Destiny Gaiser, Gabbi Gaiser
- 5:00 p.m. **Servers Needed**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 8:00 a.m. Deb Buursta, Sheryl Horton, Karyn Sagorski
- 10:30 Ramona Baldrige, Amy Wolf, Elaine Briar, Linda Mitchell, Larry Van Wyk
- 5:00 p.m. Cathy Talbert, Donna Roehr, **Ministers Needed**

Ushers Please arrive at least 20 minutes prior to Mass.

- 8:00 a.m. Jason Horton (lead), Jerry Casha, William Norton, Max Ainslie
- 10:30 Jeff Staub, Jason Staub, Larry Flagg, **Usher Needed**
- 5:00 p.m. **Ushers Needed**

Food Pantry Needs

St. Luke's Food Pantry appreciates your help!

Our current food pantry needs:

Canned Fruit & Vegetables

To donate, please drop items off in the shopping cart outside the pantry/McConnon Room at the church.

Next pantry date: Oct. 5

Happening this Week in Our Parish

Sunday (10/1) 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Mass For Our People Church
- 9:00 Time & Talent Fair Church
- 9:15 Faith Formation (K-2) Church
- 10:30 Mass Protection of the Unborn Church
- 11:30 Time & Talent Fair Church
- 3:00 p.m. CSM Team Leader Meeting Cook-DeWitt
- 3:15 Young Disciples (3-5) Church
- 3:30 Choir Rehearsal Church
- 4:00 RCIA/Catechumenate Church
- 5:00 Mass Victims of Recent Disasters Church
- 6:00 RCIA Inquiry Church

Monday (10/2) Holy Guardian Angels

- 5:00 p.m. Adult Faith Formation Church

Tuesday (10/3)

- 5:00 p.m. Mass Those who Protect Others Church
- 5:30 Reconciliation Church
- 7:00 Eucharistic Adoration Church
- 8:00 RCIA/Catechumenate Church

Wednesday (10/4) St. Francis of Assisi

- 5:00 p.m. Mass Those who are Injured Church
- 5:30 Reconciliation Church
- 7:00 Choir Rehearsal Church
- 8:00 RCIA Inquiry Church

Thursday (10/5) Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

- 3:30 p.m. Food Pantry Church
- 5:00 Mass Vocations Church
- 5:30 Reconciliation Church

Friday (10/6) St. Bruno & Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

- 5:00 p.m. Mass All Teachers Church
- 5:30 Reconciliation Church

Saturday (10/7) Our Lady of the Rosary

- 9:00 a.m. Reconciliation Church
- 9:30 Mass Those who are Sick Church
- 12:00 p.m. Rosary Church
- 5:00 Mass Expectant Mothers Church

Sunday (10/8) 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Mass Church
- 9:00 Time & Talent Fair Church
- 9:15 Faith Formation (K-2) Church
- 10:30 Mass Church
- 11:30 Time & Talent Fair Church
- 2:00 p.m. Baptism Preparation Church
- 3:15 Young Disciples (3-5) Church
- 3:30 Choir Rehearsal Church
- 4:00 RCIA/Catechumenate Church
- 5:00 Mass Church
- 6:00 RCIA Inquiry Church
- 6:30 YM Leadership Meeting Church

CSA Update

Great news! We have reached and exceeded our CSA diocesan assessment of \$32,685 by 1.025% to date. That means our total pledges have reached \$33,505. Anything over and above our assessment automatically returns to St. Luke's. Thank you to all of you who have made pledges, and special thanks to Pete Emmerson and Bruce Grzegorzcyk for making follow-up phone calls.

Finances for September	Envelope	Online	Combined	Budgeted	Over/Behind
Total for August	\$ 17,330	\$6,615	\$ 23,945	\$ 24,000	\$ (55)
Sept. Month to Date	\$ 16,873	\$7,190	\$ 24,063	\$ 24,000	\$ 63

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Time & Talent Fair

Today and next Sunday, we will celebrate stewardship at St. Luke's. Tables and sign-up sheets for many of our ministries will be in the vestibule after all liturgies. There are many talented parishioners in our parish, and we encourage you to participate in the life of the parish. A representative from each ministry will be available to answer your questions.

Fundraiser for Parish Needs

Do you hate taking back your pop & beer cans? Problem solved! Just drop them off at Diane Emelander's home at 10301 68th Ave. Allendale.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

Together with your families, the Church in the Diocese of Grand Rapids honors the faithful witness to your vocation of marriage and wishes to celebrate with you. Bishop Walkowiak is inviting all couples celebrating milestone anniversaries to join him on Sunday, Oct. 22 at the 10 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew. A simple reception will immediately follow. Please RSVP by calling the parish office with your names, number attending and number of years married.

Council of Catholic Women's 78th Annual Fall Seminar

This year's seminar "Women Healing the Wounds" will be held on Oct. 17, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Lowell. The deadline for registration is Oct. 10. Cost is \$20. For more information email Janet at grdccw@dioceseofgrandrapids.org or sign up at www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084FAEA728A4F94-fall.

St. Stanislaus Church Celebrates 125 Years

\$10 per person or \$30 for a family of 3 or more. Mass with traditional Polish music and dinner on both days; 4:30 p.m. Oct. 7, and 10:30 a.m. Oct. 8. There will be a Beer tent with cash bar. Call St. Stanislaus office at 269-793-7268 ext. 250 for more information or to reserve tickets for Sunday dinner.

Knights Of Columbus News



A Special Thanks – We would like to thank Rick Sujkowski and Rick Freehafer the "Sound Guys". They are both Knights and without their dedication week to week we would not be able to hear Fr Bill's GREAT homilies. Please help and offer your appreciation to them as we are blessed

to have them.

Interesting fact(s) about the Knights: Did you notice the Building the Domestic Church kiosk near the main entrance? Our Council understands the importance building the Domestic Church and that the key is building it from within starting with our families. This Kiosk offers a lot of great ways to enrich your family life. Please help yourself to the booklets, take them home and share with your family.

Upcoming activities: 1) MI Drive at Family Fare and Parish – 10/13-10/15. 2) Pancake breakfast – 10/15. 3) Baby bottle drive – November. 4) GVSU Tailgate and Football Game – 11/11 Tailgate starts at 11 a.m., Game starts at 1 p.m.

Council 14586 meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the parish. If questions call Jason Horton at 616-328-7444 or gk14586@mikofc.org.

Did you know there are 86 days until Christmas? Retailers know it, and they have begun their Holiday advertising campaigns. This includes retailers on the Scrip program. Starting today, Cabela's is offering 14% rebate and L.L. Bean a 17% rebate through Oct. 13. You do not need to use the card during this time; just purchase it. Watch the bulletin for more great deals over the next few weeks. Remember, it is a win-win. You get Christmas shopping done early, and the parish earns great rebates. You can order online at www.shopwithscrip.com or stop by the Scrip desk.

Save the date-Garage Sale!

Our annual garage sale next year June 8 and 9. We will start collecting furniture and hard goods now. We ask that you, please wait to donate clothing until next spring. Please call Diane, 402-3148, or Sheryl, 723-6753, to arrange drop-off. If you need furniture picked up, we will pick-up every third Saturday of every month until November between 10 a.m. and noon. If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know.

Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, 7 p.m. Christopher West and Mike Mangione offer a vision of the Gospel like you've never heard through the lens of Saint John Paul II's Theology of the Body. For ages 15 and up. Tickets are \$17, available at www.corproject.com or at the Holy Spirit parish office during regular business hours. For more information visit www.hsparish.org or call 453-6369.

Sessions for Non-Catholics who Want to Learn More About Catholicism

If you are not Catholic but would like to learn more about Catholic beliefs and practices, St. Luke's is hosting two Inquiry Series this fall. The first will be on Wednesday evenings at 8 p.m. This series will continue weekly until Nov. 15. The second series will be on Sunday evenings at 6 p.m., immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass beginning on Sept. 24. This series will continue weekly until Nov. 26. Pick either series as your schedule allows. Please contact John Graveline, j.graveline@lukespot.com, for more information.

Child Protection Training

At St. Luke's, we are committed to providing a safe space for our young people to grow in wisdom and grace. One way we do this is through hosting safe environment training. We have a Protecting God's Children training scheduled on Saturday, Nov. 18, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. If you have contact with young people under 18 in our parish ministries, you must take this training to volunteer. We encourage all adults to take this training. You must pre-register for the training. You may do that by visiting www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org. Click the link at the lower right-hand corner of the home page labeled, "Protecting God's Children." Under Safe Environment Training, click the link, "Upcoming Sessions." Select "Grand Rapids, MI (Diocese)" as the organization on the drop down menu. You may then register for our session or any other time and location that work best for you. Please contact John Graveline with any questions or if help is needed registering.

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