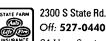




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November 16, 2025 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.; 12 noon in Spanish

Weekday Mass Schedule

Wednesday: 12:10 p.m.; 7 p.m. in Spanish

Thursday: 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation Schedule

Wednesday 11 a.m.-12 noon Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.

For questions regarding Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, or any other sacrament, please call the parish office: 616-527-3610.

Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request for immediate need, please call 616-522-0279, or 616-527-0438.

The Joy of Giving

God blesses each joyful giver, for He Himself is a cheerful giver who generously offered His body, blood, soul, and divinity for our sake.

As recipients of such boundless generosity, let us trust in His loving provision, knowing that He will supply all our needs. The child with the loaves of bread and fishes graciously shared what he had, and Christ, our Lord, multiplied what was offered to feed thousands. Remember also the woman who gave her last coins—her act of love was blessed doubly, far beyond those who gave from their abundance.

share this message with a heartfelt invitation for us to reflect on our shared responsibility to support our mission through the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). Your generous support can truly transform lives, as it funds essential work in our parishes and diocese. We are \$25,153 away from reaching last year's CSA goal, and I remain hopeful that, together, we can fulfill this obligation before the next campaign begins.

Thank you dearly for your kindness and generosity. May God bless you abundantly for your compassion and support.

La Alegría de Dando

Nuestro Dios nos bendice a todo aquel que da con alegría, pues Él mismo es un dador gozoso que ofreció generosamente su cuerpo, sangre, alma y divinidad por nosotros.

Como receptores de tan inmensa generosidad, confiemos en su amorosa provisión, sabiendo que Él suplirá todas nuestras necesidades. El niño con los panes y los peces compartió con gracia lo que tenía, y Cristo, nuestro Señor, multiplicó lo ofrecido para alimentar a miles. Recordemos también a la muier que dio sus últimas monedas: su acto de amor fue doblemente bendecido, mucho más que aquellos que dieron de su abundancia.

Comparto este mensaje con una sincera invitación a reflexionar sobre nuestra responsabilidad compartida de apovar nuestra misión a través de la Campaña de Servicios Católicos (CSA). Su generoso apoyo puede transformar vidas, ya que financia la labor esencial en nuestras parroquias y diócesis. Nos faltan \$25,153 para alcanzar la meta de la CSA del año pasado, y mantengo la esperanza de que, juntos, podamos cumplir con esta obligación antes de que comience la próxima campaña. Muchísimas gracias por su amabilidad y generosidad. Que Dios les bendiga abundantemente por su compasión y apoyo.

Fr. Eugene Batungbacal

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See how they love

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 3:19-20/Ps 98:5-9/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Saturday, November 15

4:00 p.m. Vernon Brown

Sunday, November 16

10:00 a.m. Catherine Verdun

12:00 p.m. Misa en español (for the people of the parish)

Monday, November 17—St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53,61,134,150,155,158/

Lk 18:35-43

No Mass

Tuesday, November 18—Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin

2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-7/Lk 19:1-10 No Mass

Wednesday, November 19—Weekday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15/Lk 19:11-28

11:00 a.m. Confessions

12:10 p.m. Beverly Hodgkins (Hemenway family)

6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Holy Hour

7:00 p.m. Misa en español

Thursday, November 20—Weekday

1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44

8:00 a.m. Jim & Ce Luke

Friday, November 21—Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/(Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-12/Lk 19:45-48

No Mass

Saturday, November 22—St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19/Lk 20:27-40

8:30 a.m. Scriptural Rosary

3:00 p.m. Confessions

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Saturday, November 22

4:00 p.m. Ed Bredice (Denny & Sharon Bledsoe)

Sunday, November 23

10:00 a.m. Living & deceased of Patrick & Carol Lewis families

12:00 p.m. Misa en español (for the people of the parish)

GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS-WEEK OF NOV. 16

General Cleaning

Julie Bennett, Bridgett Flanigan

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NOVEMBER 16, 2025



AH = Apostles Hall \overline{CR} = Cornerstone Room \overline{SC} = School **BC** = Basement Chapel

CH = Church \overline{PO} = Parish Office VR = Veritas Room

Sunday, November 16—33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCIA (PO) 8:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Faith Formation classes Discovering Christ Retreat (AH) 1-7 p.m.

Monday, November 17

Monday Night Bible Study (VR) 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 18

Wednesday, November 19

Choir Rehearsal (VR) 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 20

Daytime Faith Sharing (PO) 9:00 a.m.

3:45 p.m. Life Fit (VR)

5:45 p.m. Ionia Community Awareness (AH)

Friday, November 21

Saturday, November 22

Sunday, November 23—Christ the King

OCIA (PO) 8:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Faith Formation classes 5-7 p.m. Discovering Christ (AH)

I CHOOSE GOD, I CHOOSE JOY. THE Presence of the Lord IN MY HEART IS MY STRENGTH. GOD IS GOOD 24/7/365

OUR PARISH OFFERING: November 8 & 9, 2025

Regular Offertory Collection \$5,704.00 Electronic Giving 1,765.00 Total \$7,469.00 -5% Tithe -373.45 Net Total \$7,095.55

Budgeted Weekly: \$10,096.15 Deficit for the Week: \$2,627.15

Budgeted YTD: \$201,923.00 Surplus YTD: \$1,226.99

School Support Fund: \$245.00 Christmas Baskets \$280.00 \$40.00 Mission Sunday Campaign for Human Development \$115.00

Please note that the offertory collection is only part of the income needed to operate the parish. Other funds come from school tuition, fundraising, Mass stipends, educational trust fund interest, sale of votive candles, etc.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Special Mass Schedules at SS. Peter & Paul through January 1, 2026

Thanksqiving

Wed. Nov. 26 7 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Thurs, Nov. 27 9 a.m. Mass

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

Mon, Dec. 8 12:10 p.m. Mass 7 p.m. Mass (bilingual)

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Fri, Dec. 12 6 a.m. Mañanitas (Spanish) 7 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Christmas Holy Day

Wed, Dec. 24 4 p.m. Mass

10 p.m. Mass (bilingual)

Thurs, Dec. 25 10 a.m. Mass

Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Wed, Dec. 31 5 p.m. Mass

Thurs, Jan. 1 10 a.m. Mass

Special Mass Schedules at St. Edward through January 1, 2026

Thanksgiving

Thurs, Nov. 27 9 a.m. Mass

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

Mon, Dec. 8 9 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Mass

Christmas Holy Day

Wed, Dec. 24 7:30 p.m. Mass

Thurs, Dec. 2510 a.m. Mass

Mary, Mother of God Holy Day

Wed. Dec. 31 7 p.m. Mass Thurs, Jan. 1 10 a.m. Mass

November 15 & 16, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 22 & 23, Christ the King

4:00 p.m. Lector: Mary Lou Mulick

Altar Servers: Adah Drown, Jaclyn Rewa EMs: Julie Bennett, Monica Mabe, Mary Perrien

Greeters: Chris & Pilya Christensen

Lector: Madeline Desrochers 10:00 a.m.

> Altar Servers: Evan & Jacquelynn Bailey EMs: Shannon Andrews, Kevin Heinlein,

Theresa Scholtens Greeters: Deb Porter

4:00 p.m. Lector: Pat Rinker

Altar Servers: Levi & Logan Haskin EMs: Julie Bennett, Phill & Sue Wizorek Greeters: Mary Lou Mulick

10:00 a.m. Lector: Pete Fox

Altar Servers: Alexis/Hans/Kendra Heinlein

EMs: Cheryl & John Hildebrandt,

Laurie Tjalsma Greeters: Dave O'Mara

Please pray for:

Dorr Bissell

Bob Parker	Jim Zook	Jo Wirtz
Terri Butler	Martha Brooks	Martha Misak
Chad Wickerink	Denise Ward	Mary O'Connor
Mona Martinez	Shirley Weber	Terri Nurenberg
Tom Lower	Judy Ďick	Jessica Fritz
Sue Speckin	Cindy Hardy	Travis Eveleth
Linda Melcher	Diana Kujala	Larry Lafler
Traccie Lower	Mark Dawson	Arlene Stanton
Jack & Sue LaPeer	Tony Burns	Pat MacLachlan
Sharon Baer	Ed Blyth	Jim & Barb Mulnix
Jackie Franz	Doug Zeeck	Ken and Sherry North
Yolanda(Lewis)Hardison	Randy Tripp	Nathan Lower
Kirsten Mork	Mike Peckins	Finnly Hunt
Sue & Joe Kleiss	Glen Alvord	Jerry & Maribeth Fritz
Kathy Kranz	Heather Rensi	Tom White
Theresa Hess	Cherie Flinn	Pamela Coggan
Mike Gallagher	Anita Hozeski Scott	Joe Drysdale
Mike Priest	Karen Miller	Nichole Munsell
Lisa Pringle	Russinda Rohde	Jace Peterson
Lesley Williams	Landon Battle	Georgia Sibert
Connie Waterman	Marsha Packer	2
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We continue to pray for all who need healing. If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the parish office. Be sure you have the consent of the person or a family member. Names will remain on the prayer list for three months. Requests may be renewed.

Angie Cedillo

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Knights' Corner

We will be selling our raffle tickets for the upcoming year after Masses until the end of December. All funds raised are distributed to the community throughout the year. Get yours, and

good luck!

Towards the end of December, we will be hosting a Traveling Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. When we have a firm date we will schedule an evening prayer, and all are welcome to attend.

Other upcoming events for our council include hosting the annual Spelling Bee for our school children on Friday, December 5; cooking pancakes and sausage for the community Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 6; and helping move the food for the food baskets to the parish office for sorting. Also, we have placed a tote in the back of the church to collect new and gently used coats and hoodies for distribution. Brother Knights, check your e-mails for times and locations for helping with these upcoming events.

Vivat Jesus! Ron Speckin, Grand Knight



We are collecting non-perishable food items for local families in need. Please bring in your donations from now until Sunday, December 14th, and place them near Mary's altar in the church.

We will soon be getting out information about families to "adopt" for Christmas. Please keep this program and all our families in your prayers.

If you have any questions or would like to help in any way, please contact Theresa Scholtens at 616-648-2959.

Es hora de comenzar a recolectar alimentos no perecederos para las familias locales necesitadas. Por favor, traiga sus donaciones desde ahora hasta el domingo 14 de diciembre y colóquelas cerca del altar de María en la iglesia. Pronto distribuiremos información sobre las familias a las que se puede "apadrinar" para Navidad. Por favor, mantenga este programa y a todas nuestras familias en sus oraciones. Si tiene alguna pregunta o desea ayudar de alguna manera, comuníquese con Theresa Scholtens al 616-648-2959.

Panther Prayer Corner

Please pray for those who are lonely or depressed during the holiday season. May our school community reach out in love and solidarity to all those in need.

PLEASE Note: Starting the First Sunday of Advent, November 30, the Sunday morning Mass at SS. Peter & Paul will be changed from 10 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. This small change will give Fr. Eugene a bit more time to arrive comfortably and avoid any unexpected delays or tricky weather conditions. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to welcoming you just a little later for the Sunday morning Masses.

CROP Walk 2025 Final Report

The final total for Ionia Area CROP Walk 2025 is in. We raised over \$19,240. Thank you for your prayers, participation, and donations. Please continue to do all you can to reply to the call of the gospel to serve Christ in each other. The Zion food pantry has doubled the number of families we serve in the last few weeks. Keep the hungry in our midst in your prayers. Peace. Love in Jesus, Pat Rinker

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

So many conflicting voices and influences make parenting difficult. In today's gospel Jesus encourages parents to bravely "give testimony" and trust He will give us the "wisdom" to be good parents. You are not alone in parenting; a loving Father is standing with you.

Book of the Names of the Dead

Our "Book of the Names of the Dead" will remain on a stand at the back of church during the month of November. You may write the names of recently deceased loved ones in the book before or after Mass. We will keep them all in our prayers. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Libro de los Nombres de los Difuntos

Nuestro "Libro de los Nombres de los Difuntos" se colocará nuevamente en un atril en la parte trasera de la iglesia durante el mes de noviembre. Puede escribir los nombres de sus seres queridos fallecidos recientemente en el libro antes o después de la Misa. Los tendremos a todos en nuestras oraciones. "Concédeles, Señor, el descanso eterno, y brille para ellos la luz perpetua. Que descansen en paz. Que sus almas y las almas de todos los fieles difuntos, por la misericordia de Dios, descansen en paz. Amén.

Faith Formation Program

Registration remains open for Seedlings (4 & 5 year olds) through High School. All regular classes are held in our school from **9:00—9:55 a.m.** For more information about Faith Formation, please contact Vanessa Booth at vbooth@ssppcatholic.com or 616-527-3610.

November

16th Faith Formation Classes

23rd Faith Formation Classes

30th Thanksgiving Break—no classes

December

7th Faith Formation Classes

14th Faith Formation Classes

21st Faith Formation Classes—Advent Party

Health Support Group

Are you or a family member struggling with cancer or another serious health issue? No matter where you are in your health journey, we are here for you. Team members of the Ministry of Consolation will be offering Health Support gatherings on Saturday mornings. Our next gathering will be on Saturday, December 6, at 9:30 a.m. at Biggby Coffee. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Vanessa at vbooth@ssppcatholic.com.

Ministry of Consolation

Called by the healing ministry of Jesus, the Ministry of Consolation continues to reach out to parishioners and community members suffering from any type of a loss, as well as those struggling with an illness. Our team is meeting this Saturday, November 15, to discuss future training dates and times. To learn more about this ministry, please contact: Vanessa Booth at vbooth@ssppcatholic.com.

Exploring Priesthood Discernment Meetings

Discernment is a time of obtaining spiritual guidance and understanding. If you are considering the priest-hood, the Diocese of Grand Rapids invites you to meet with other young men (ages 16+) to gather and discern God's will for your life.

Meetings will take place from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at St. Luke University Parish, 10144 42nd Ave., Georgetown Twp. and are offered on the **following Sundays in 2025/2026:_Nov. 23, Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 22, Apr. 19, May 17**

Just show up, or email Pattie Reynolds to RSVP or with questions: preynolds@grdiocese.org.

Coming Soon . . . A New Tradition
Lessons & Carols:
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Sunday, December 7, 2:30 p.m.
in SS. Peter & Paul Church

Advent by Candlelight

Saints Peter & Paul Church Tuesday, December 9, 2025

5 p.m.: Holy Hour in the church 6 p.m.: Dinner in Apostles Hall

Calling all ladies! Please join us for our annual Advent by Candlelight dinner. This year, we offer some new additions to our evening. To truly embrace the Advent spirit of quiet anticipation, we will begin with a Eucharistic Holy Hour of Adoration and Evening Prayer in church. Following that, we will move to Apostles Hall for a time of socializing, touring the tables, dinner catered by Olivera's, and a guest speaker.

The cost per woman will be \$20 this year. This will cover the cost of dinner and, more importantly, the rest will be donated to Pregnancy Services of Ionia County to support our local moms and babies during this season of giving.

If you would like to participate or host a table, please email Lauren Mulford by December 1st at lauren.mulford@gmail.com.

Mass of Healing, Recovery, and Renewal Wednesday, November 26, 7:00 p.m.

Parish of the Holy Spirit, Grand Rapids

The night before Thanksgiving is often known as the biggest bar night of the year. It's a time that can be especially heavy for those struggling with addiction and for families who carry that burden too.

This year, we're offering a remedy: a Healing Mass dedicated to those suffering from addiction, those in recovery, and those who love someone battling addiction.

Whether you're walking the road of sobriety, grieving a loved one, or need a space to pray and be held in God's grace, you are welcome.

Come as you are. Come to be seen. Come to be healed.



Come rest awhile in the Lord's presence.

Wednesdays 6-7 p.m.
in the Church