

St. John Vianney Parish

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We, the Faith community of St. John Vianney, are called by God to be a people of prayer, to live the Word, and to celebrate the Sacraments. We commit ourselves to become a warm and welcoming community, reaching out to others in need. By calling forth the varieties of gifts, talents, and ministries, we seek to provide an open environment with opportunities for all to grow in holiness and loving service.

www.sjvflint.com (Church)

67th Anniversary

www.sjvkids.com (School)

Missionary Appeal Weekend

Every year parishes throughout our diocese welcome missionaries from numerous congregations. These missionaries try to enlighten us in regards to our responsibility to have hearts that can hear the cries of our poor and less fortunate brothers and sisters living in areas of the world where day to day existence is always a challenge. Fr. Nonatus Lakra will speak at all the Masses on the weekend of July 19 & 20. Fr. Lakra, who will be making an appeal for the Diocese of Purnea in India. He is the Parochial Vicar for St. Mary Cathedral in Lansing. The Diocese of Purnea was born August 11, 1998, from the Diocese of Dumka by Pope John Paul II. A collection will be taken at all the Masses next weekend for his work. Your generosity next weekend can be your effort to respond to the "cries of the poor".

SJV Church Office Closed

The carpet in the church office will be cleaned this Friday on July 18, 2008. The church office will be closed on that day. Thank you.

Please come into Mass early enough not to disturb.

Leave late enough not to insult.

Worship reverently enough not to distract.

And dress proudly enough not to offend.

Bishop's Golf Classic



Please assist us with promoting the Bishop's Golf Classic Tuesday, September 9, 2008. Honorary Hosts are Knights of Columbus Councils of the Catholic Diocese of Lansing at Hawk Hollow and Eagle Eye. A 10:00 a.m. shotgun start on both courses. The proceeds are for seminarian education. For registration or sponsorship call 517-342-2503 or e-mail pohearn@dioceseoflansing.org.

Ordinary Time



The term "Ordinary Time" comes from the word "ordinal" meaning "counted." The season itself is far from plain or ordinary. It is divided into two parts: the time after the Christmas Season and the time after Pentecost. It begins with the weekdays after the feast of the Baptism of the Lord and the following Sunday is marked as the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. It is interrupted at the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. The long span of time between Pentecost and Advent lasts nearly half the year, through summertime and autumn. It is the counter-balance to the great seasons surrounding Easter and Christmas. It gives us a time to reflect on what we have celebrated and on the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Please Continue to Pray for
Our Military and Their Families





No farmer in his right mind would just scatter seed everywhere. He would make sure the soil was good and would provide the seed with every chance to grow. But that is not how God works. God gives his love and grace freely to everyone. We don't earn it. We may not even be ready to receive it, but it is given to us anyway. If God is so generous with us, what does that say about how we should treat others?

*(My word) shall not return to me void,
but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.
- ISAIAH 55:11*

Please Pray For Our Parish Family, as we enjoy

the days of summer we urge you to keep all who are sick, the shut-ins, the lonely and the bereaved, in your prayers so that they may be comforted. Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed.



PRAYER
REQUESTS

Food Collection

You donated 383 food and personal items during our collection last weekend. Thank you, once again, for your continued support and generosity for this ministry.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Parish Membership

Welcome to St. John Vianney. Are you new to the parish or attending Mass here regularly and wish to register? Please register at the Parish Office during weekly office hours between 8-4:30 p.m. or call 235-1812. Also a reminder to parishioners, please notify us of any change of address or phone number. Thank you.



Stewardship of Treasure, July 6, 2008	\$8,897.50
Loose Collection	\$401.00
Children's Stewardship (11 Envelopes)	\$13.50
Book Rack	\$10.00
Assumption	\$10.00
Ascension	\$10.00
Peters Pence	\$10.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$9,352.00
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes	\$78.00

Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one's time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just "a cup of cold water" to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded.

St. Luke Catholic Church

We have a job opportunity to run the snack bar in the kitchen for bingo. We need 2 people. For information , call Sr. Judy at 955-4520.

Class Reunion

Flint St. Mary's Class of 1948 is planning a 60 year reunion on Saturday, September 13, 2008. We need classmates names, addresses and phone numbers as soon as possible. Contact Loretta at 810-742-2099 or Francis, 810-659-8700.

The 15th Annual Summer Scripture Days

are scheduled for August 12 - 14, 2008 in Bethany House at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt. Rev. John McDermott, S.J. will present "Getting to Know Jesus Through the Gospel According to Mark". Brochures and registration information are available in the parish office or contact Catholic Charities at 517-342-2465.

Gaines K of C #12186 ~

presents their 6th Annual Gaines Community Rodeo on July 18 & 19. Gates open at 5:00 p.m.; starts at 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Admission is: age 13 to adult, \$8.00, children 5-12, \$5.00, and children under 5 are free. Clowns, balloons, face painting and pony rides. Limited bleacher seating. Bring a blanket or lawn chair to sit on the grass in the amphitheatre. No coolers, alcohol, food or pets. For more information please call 1-989-271-8800.

The Fortieth Anniversary of Humanae Vitae

Greetings, you are invited to come and celebrate the Fortieth Anniversary of Humanae Vitae with Bishop Earl Boyea on Saturday, August 2, 2008. Bishop Boyea will be the main celebrant at the 4:30 p.m. mass at St. Thomas Aquinas in East Lansing. Prior to the celebration mass, we will present Dr. Janet Smith as our guest speaker at 3:00 p.m. Dr. Smith will speak on "Humanae Vitae". Please come and join Bishop Earl Boyea on this celebration. Refreshments will be provided after both events. RSVP, if attending to Dr. Smith at nfp@dioceseoflansing.org. Thank You!

Saginaw St. Mary Cathedral ~

presents The St. Martin Cathedral Choir of Mainz, Germany (Domkantorei St. Martin) will perform at St. Mary Cathedral, 615 Hoyt Ave., **Saginaw**, MI 48607 on Sunday July 20, 2008. Mass is 5:30 p.m. and the Concert is 7:00 p.m. The Concert is FREE ~ all are welcome to listen to the Sacred and Traditional German Folk Music.

Prayer Chain Ministry

"Prayer Chain requests are welcome any time." Call Joyce at 810-630-0506, or Pat 810-635-3716, or the church office at 235-1812.

Stewardship of Time:

Take time to read your child a story about Jesus or write a letter to someone who may be homebound or alone or spend a little extra time with a special prayer for someone.



Mass Intentions

- MONDAY, JULY 14 - BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA**
 10:30 a.m. Living and Deceased brothers and sisters of the Fox Family by their sister, Beverly
- TUESDAY, JULY 15 - ST. BONAVENTURE**
 8:00 a.m. Kathleen, sister, and parents, Marge and Pat Callahan by Maureen Callahan
 10:30 a.m. Mass at Kith Haven - Robert Gazall by Mr. and Mrs. Mon Shaheen
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 16 - WEEKDAY**
 10:30 a.m. Rose Cranston by Shirley Seidel
- THURSDAY, JULY 17 - WEEKDAY**
 8:00 a.m. Fr. Neil Cornelli
- FRIDAY, JULY 18 - WEEKDAY**
 10:30 a.m. Marcia Puhlman by Tanny Kagerer
- SATURDAY, JULY 19 - VIGIL, SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 4:00 p.m. Pat Behan by St. Michael's Class of 1943
- SUNDAY, JULY 20- SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 8:00 a.m. Larry Galerneau by the Minor Denny Family
 11:00 a.m. Carmen McGovern by her niece, Diane, Don and Family
 7:00 p.m. Our St. John Vianney Parish Family

READINGS FOR JULY 20

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WISDOM 12:13, 16-19
 PSALM 86
 ROMANS 8:26-27
 MATTHEW 13:24-43

Christ The King 19th Annual-

African American Festival on July 19 & 20. This is represented through our theme, "One Family, One Neighborhood, One City." We joyfully ask you, your friends, family, and the entire community to join us and participate in this celebration! The festival will be held on the grounds of Christ the King, providing food, fun, and entertainment for all ages. Come enjoy delicious barbeque and fish dinners, games for children, and a variety of entertainment.

Job Opportunity

Coordinator of Catholic Chaplaincy Services, Lansing Region Catholic Hospital Ministry. Due to the retirement of the current Coordinator of Catholic Chaplaincy Services, the Lansing area Catholic parishes are seeking a replacement to coordinate hospital ministry at the Lansing area public hospitals. Applicants should have a background in theology and pastoral ministry, CPE or similar training in hospital ministry is preferred. The 30 hour per week salaried position includes benefits. Resumes can be sent to: Fr. John P. Klein, St. Gerard Parish, 4437 West Willow Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917.



THE WEEK
 AHEAD

- TUESDAY, JULY 15**
 10:30 a.m. Mass at Kith Haven
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 16**
 8:00 a.m. St. Joseph Workers
- FRIDAY, JULY 18**
 Church Office Closed (Cleaning Carpet)
 6:30 p.m. Bingo - Fisher Hall (Team #1)
- SATURDAY, JULY 19**
 Mission Sunday
 5:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
- SUNDAY, JULY 20**
 Mission Sunday

Altar Servers

- Adult Server for July 14-18**
 8:00 a.m. Gerald Starkey
- Saturday, July 19**
 4:00 p.m. Alison & Kristin Davis
- Sunday, July 20**
 8:00 a.m. Matthew George & Stephen Schlott
 11:00 a.m. Hannah Steffen & Jacob Steffen
 7:00 p.m. Heather & Khrystal Lewis

Altar Care

Team # 1: Joene McAuliffe and Olisa Ward.

Thank you!



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The rain makes the earth fruitful."

Isaiah 55

The readings today remind us and call us to reflect on how God continues to work through us and how we are to respond to God's call and action in our lives.

God's word in the first reading enables us to find and make real in our lives the message of God's love and guidance for each of us.

Paul in the second reading continues to reflect on the wonders and the beauty of creation. We celebrate the gift of God's Spirit dwelling in creation and each of us. Today Paul urges us to notice and be conscious of God's Spirit with us in the good times and in difficult times.

The parable of the Sower in the gospel picks up on the theme of summer planting and growth. God has planted the seed of his love and law within our hearts. We often may experience a lack of sense of growth in our lives. But we must remember that God gives us the growth we need to be patient and trust to allow the action to take place in our hearts, and our community. We as a Faith Community are given a wonderful a special opportunity to grow together in love and service. Let us not let fear or lack of trust miss the grace of this time as individuals, as a community.

Sr. Eileen