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Heavenly Father, Pour forth your Holy Spirit to inspire me with these words from Holy Scripture. Stir in my soul the desire to renew my faith and deepen my relationship with your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ so that I might truly believe in and live the Good News. Open my heart to hear the Gospel and grant me the confidence to proclaim the Good News to others. Pour out your Spirit, so that I might be strengthened to go forth and witness to the Gospel in my everyday life through my words and actions. In moments of hesitation, remind me: · If not me, then who will proclaim the Gospel? · If not now, then when will the Gospel be proclaimed? · If not the truth of the Gospel, then what shall I proclaim? God, our Father, I pray that through the Holy Spirit I might hear the call of the New Evangelization to deepen my faith, grow in confidence to proclaim the Gospel and boldly witness to the saving grace of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.	Latin Prayers Sit Nomen Domini Benedictum! - (Blessed be the Name of the Lord!) Ex hoc nunc, et usque in saeculum! – (from this time forth forevermore!) or Per omnia saecula saeculorum. – (unto ages of ages.) In nómine Patris, et Fílii, et Spíritus Sancti. Amen. (In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.)
 St. Joseph Catholic Church 126 East St. P.O. Box 37 Pewamo, MI 48873 989-593-3440 stjosephpewamo.org parishoffice@stjosephpewamo.org	Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi, quia per crucem tuam redemísti mundum. (We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You, because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world.)



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Christian masculinity and the spiritual power of silence

One of the most masculine virtues in the Bible could be better practiced by some men today.

2026 Fall Events

On a rainy summer evening in 1997, I joined about 40,000 other men for the opening night of a Christian men's conference that held the same ethos as a football game. The speakers claimed our masculine voices had been quiet for too long. They insisted the Bible teaches that silent men are weak, and strong men must be heard as the dominant voices in our families, churches, and communities. Today's brash online personalities sell machismo to young men and boys, many of whom are slipping behind in key social metrics. Broader society shares many of the same fundamental assumptions about what constitutes manhood. Stereotypical masculinity, whether labeled natural or toxic, tends to be equated with aggression, outspoken leadership, and emotional detachment. A supposed "real man" remains quiet only to camouflage his physical pain or mental distress. The Bible, though, abounds with righteous men whose silence was integral to their faith. Godly men in scripture used silence to protect the vulnerable, create space for women to be heard, and collaborate in response to God's call. Men and all people of faith can find inspiration and wisdom for daily living in these examples of silent fidelity. When St. Joseph discovered Mary's pregnancy, he could have demanded answers. Lesser men would have verbally abused Mary and defended their own reputation. Rather than shaming her, Joseph decided to end their relationship quietly. An angel instructed him to follow through with the marriage, and Joseph set aside doubts and obeyed the angel, even if it meant being perceived to father a child outside of society's norms.

The traditional roles of speech and silence are reversed in the marriage of Zechariah and Elizabeth, the elderly parents of John the Baptist. When the archangel Gabriel announced Elizabeth's pregnancy, Zechariah demanded answers: "How shall I know this?" Instead of lauding him as an outspoken man, Gabriel removed Zechariah's faculty of speech for the duration of Elizabeth's pregnancy. Once Elizabeth gave birth, she named their newborn son John. The couple's family assumed Zechariah would veto his wife, but he acquiesced to her. She decided, he submitted, and his voice immediately returned. In silence, Zechariah learned humility, which created space for Elizabeth's voice to be heard—and scripture describes them both as righteous and blameless (Luke 1:6). Silence was also vital for the ministry of one of the Bible's wordiest men. Moses balked when the Lord instructed him to confront Pharaoh. "I am slow of speech and slow of tongue," he told God (Exod. 4:10). Perhaps Moses had a speech disability, feared provoking the king, or a combination of both. Regardless, Moses depended on Aaron to speak for him, which permitted the brothers to collaborate as they "spoke to Pharaoh king of Egypt to bring the Israelites out of Egypt" (Exod. 6:27). Their sister, Miriam, whom scripture calls a prophet, participated in their leadership team. God spoke through her in jubilant song after Israel crossed the Red Sea (Exod. 15:20, Mic. 6:4). Moses' original reluctance to speak opened avenues of cooperation and celebration that benefitted the entire community. Continued on page 4.

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SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND OPINIONS

Do you have an idea for an event for the parish to consider hosting? Do you wish we had a certain kind of event that would appeal to you more? Please share your ideas and thoughts with the Parish Office. We would love to know your opinion. Email us at:

parishoffice@stjosephpewamo.org

DISCERNING PRIESTHOOD

“There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood, just as there can be no priesthood without the Eucharist” (cf. *Gift and Mystery. On the Fiftieth Anniversary of My Priestly Ordination*, New York, 1996, pp.77-78).

Contact Fr. Darrel to learn more about discerning your calling to the priesthood, Diaconate, or Lay Person Ministries.

JOIN THE CHURCH

If you are reading this event booklet and have not officially joined St. Joseph Parish, or possibly even the Catholic Faith, this is your sign that the time is now. You are already engaged and desire to know more about your faith! Contact the Parish Office to learn more about becoming a member of St. Joseph and/or a member of the Catholic Church.

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PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come to 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.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

We need priests and religious volunteers to help sustain and grow our Church. The Knights of Columbus have organized a Holy Hour for Vocations every third Thursday of the month. Please join us in praying for more men and women to follow their vocational calling to serve Our Lord. This is a conjoined effort with St. Mary Carson City, St. John the Baptist Hubbardston, and St. Joseph Pewamo. You will be lead in prayer by one of our knights prior to entering silent addoration.



She Shall Be Called Woman is a transformative journey designed to meet the deepest longings of the feminine heart. Our program is a sanctuary for women seeking to be truly seen, known, and loved, as they grow in their relationship with the Lord. Through vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, we equip you with the tools to embark on a profound spiritual journey. Join us for fellowship and faith Saturday mornings from **September 19th – November 14th 7:30am-9:00am** at the St. Joseph Parish Activity Center. All women of the parish high school age and older are invited. Attendance at each of the nine Saturdays is not necessary, but we hope you are able to join us.

Call Beth Thelen 989-640-4416, Aubrey George 989-292-2464, or Jill Thelen 989-640-1025 with any further questions.

PRAYER TEAMS AFTER MASS

Have you visited our Prayer Team yet? If not, you are missing out on something amazing. Prayer is one of the greatest gifts that we have. Asking for God’s intervention for whatever is happening in our lives. Do you need physical healing, even if it’s that pesky cough you can’t seem to shake? Are you experiencing emotional pain? Do you want to know what God wants for you? Do you need more strength, love, patience? Our Prayer Teams are available to pray with and for you for everything you need prayers for. Consider taking a leap of faith and meeting with our Prayer Teams on **Sept 19th & 20th after all Masses, and Dec 12th & 13th after all Masses.**



A&E MINISTRY

November 2nd - All Souls day at cemetery both set-up and Mass
November 28th - 8:00 am Advent set-up
December 23rd - 4:00 pm evening set-up

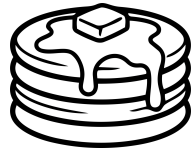
ROSARY FOR THE INFINITE DIGNITY OF LIFE

St. Joseph offers a Rosary for the infinite dignity of life the first Sunday of every month at 11:30 am, celebrating our Pro-LIFE parish. Please join us in praying for life at all stages, from womb to tomb .



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

The Pewamo Knights of Columbus will be holding a Sausage and Pancake Breakfast on **October 25th from 8:30 am to noon** at St. Joseph's Activity Center. The proceeds will be used to fund Coats for Kids and other various local charities. The cost is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 6-12, and free for children five & under. We hope to see you there!



**ALTAR SOCIETY CHICKEN &
BISCUITS**

September 19th 20th

The Altar Society uses the funds raised to continue to support our parish by purchasing the hosts, wine, linens, vestments, altar server garments, and other items needed, so thank you for your continued support.



ENDED BEGININGS

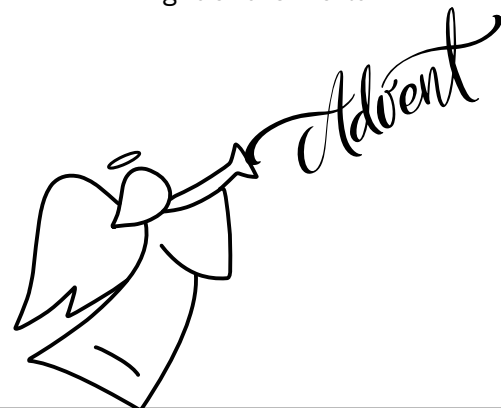
October 14th 6:30pm.

Many of those who have lost a child, including a child in utero, want to remember the child rightly, honor his/her life, and give thanks to God for the life He gave. For some, this means offering an intentional time together with God and offering support to one another. Please join us for a Prayer Service to honor the lives of those who were taken home at such a young age; whether through miscarriage, abortion, stillbirth, or infant death after birth.

SCHOOL ADVENT PROGRAM

December 10th 10:30am & 6:30pm

You are warmly invited to join us in the school gym as our students joyfully share the sacred story of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and the miraculous birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Come experience the wonder of Advent through the eyes and hearts of our children as we prepare to welcome the Light of the World.



DAY OF HEALING

No carry-ons when travelling to heaven.
What baggage are you carrying?
Unforgiveness?
Wounds?
Anxiety?
Obscurity?

Join us for focused prayer to help lighten your load and remove some of the baggage that we are carrying.

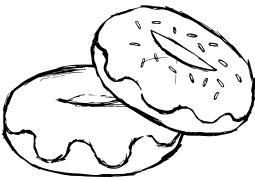
November 1st 9:30 - 1:15pm



COFFEE & DONUTS

St. Joseph Parish welcomes all parishioners to join together as a community while we share coffee and donuts after both Masses.

October 18 & November 8.



"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20)

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Meetings will take place on **September 9th and November 11th** in the Library.

St. Joseph PTO Chili Cookoff

Saturday November 14th after 4:30 Mass.

St. Joseph School PTO Chili Cook-Off is back! If you are interested in entering your Chili or donating a dessert, please contact Haley Weber at 517-896-5451 or pto@stjosephpewamo.org. There will be a cash reward for the best Chili in town! Cost for this event will be donation only, supporting St. Joseph PTO. Please gather your friends and family in support!

ALL SOULS DAY

November 2nd 6:30 pm

The month of November is dedicated to honoring and praying for those who have died. All Souls Day, in particular, is a traditional time to visit the graves of our loved ones. This year we will be offering a special All Souls Day liturgy at St. Joseph Cemetery. More information is coming soon. Please watch the bulletin for more details.

3 day candle sale contact Deacon.

When King Saul sought to assassinate David, Saul’s son, Jonathan, hid David and remained quiet concerning his whereabouts. The irrationally jealous monarch responded by cursing Jonathan and hurling a spear at him.

Jesus sets the ultimate standard of silence as fidelity beginning with his nativity. In The Life of the Virgin, seventh-century theologian St. Maximus the Confessor wrote that Jesus “entered into the Virgin’s holy womb silently and . . . he put on human flesh from her, and so he went forth easily and supernaturally.” For Maximus, silence was mysteriously essential for Jesus to receive the incarnation of his divinity from his mother.

Jesus regularly used silence to heal. After my son’s death, I found particular solace from the story about how Jesus secluded the family of Jairus from the wailing crowd to raise their lifeless daughter.

On another occasion, Jesus employed silence to save a woman from a mob of enraged men who had accused her of adultery. They shouted scripture, insisting she should be executed. Jesus ignored their noise, wrote on the ground, and hushed them. The horde slowly dispersed, and Jesus tenderly consoled the woman.

By staying quiet, Jesus invited marginalized voices into dialogue. He listened to a Samaritan woman and assented to the request of a Syrophoenician woman after she outdid him in lively debate.

Jesus remained silent when he was arrested, tortured, and put on trial. It is little wonder the earliest Christians understood Jesus as a “lamb that is led to the slaughter and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth” (Isa. 53:7).

In all these stories, men overcame the fear of being ignored, misunderstood, or harmed in their faithfulness to God. This means the silence of Christian discipleship is not only for men; it is a virtue for everyone who follows Christ, especially those in positions of responsibility.

I have experienced silent fidelity emerging from a profound love that allows me to voluntarily hand over the mic, trusting the Holy Spirit to convey an inimitable message through someone else—especially someone whose voice has customarily been muted or I may disagree with.

Practicing faithful silence involves what Simone Weil described as “negative effort.” This inner fortitude restrains the impulse of wanting to be heard, thereby opening a capacious expanse into which the Spirit of God can utter a creative word through someone else.

Developing the prudence vital for silent fidelity requires turning off the phone, and it cannot be performed by artificial intelligence. Although I frequently fail, disciplines such as Ignatian exercises, centering prayer, and eucharistic adoration help me foster the courage to check myself when tempted to speak up unnecessarily.

Still, remaining silent can feel like capitulation to the corrosive clamor of contemporary existence. Silence can perpetuate violence, conceal inequities, and prevent wholeness. Domestic abusers count on silence. Corrupt church officials have covered up misdeeds with secrecy. People—especially adolescents—often hide their mental health issues because they fear the stigma of asking for help. As politicians hurl bombastic insults and explosions drown out voices calling for peace, algorithms push customized commotion.

How can goodness be heard by keeping quiet? Yet silence as an expression of holiness is neither complicity nor withdrawal. It is the faith and hope necessary for engagement, reconciliation, and salubrity.

In church, prayerful silence is integral to synodality. Pope Leo XIV has approved this model of ecclesial encounter, allowing those who have historically spoken the most to hear others whose views have largely been neglected. The Synod of Young Adults in the Diocese of Phoenix provided venues for church leaders to pay attention to young adults and collaborate on ways for the church to better accompany them.

Local Catholic parishes provide ideal settings for silent fidelity. In some parishes, clergy unilaterally set agendas and make decisions without meaningful lay involvement. However, clergy can lead like Moses by stepping back and empowering lay parishioners to participate in leadership.

Fathers are uniquely situated to model Christian manhood. We can demonstrate that virtuous silence does not preclude boys from stating their opinions, articulating their needs, or participating in traditional male activities. Instead, it is an invitation to embody the example of Jesus who, in his self-giving, was not only true God but also true man.

There is no one-size-fits-all spirituality for men or anyone. Wielding speech or silence as weapons of cruelty, harassment, or derision always replaces the logic of Christ with spiritual swagger, regardless of who is doing it.

Authentic Christian discipleship recognizes there is a “time to keep silent and a time to speak” (Eccl. 3:7). For me, knowing what time it is involves failing, learning, and readjusting. But silent fidelity is not attained by doing nothing; it is discovered in the din and bustle of daily life.

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NOVENA SUGGESTIONS

Novenas help us to open ourselves to God in order to increase our faith and grow in the love of God and neighbor. They aid in inner healing, obtaining special graces, being transformed and growing in virtue and holiness. They bring us peace and joy, regardless of the answer we've received to our petition.

Sept
Holy Cross Novena: 5-14
Election Consecration 54 day: Sep 12-Nov5
Sts. Cosmas & Damian: 17-26
St. Michael: 20-29
Our Lady of Champion: Sep 30-Oct9

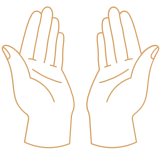
Oct
St. Carlo Acutis: 3-12
St. Jude: 11-20
St. Anthony Mary Claret: 15-24
Holy Souls in Purgatory: Oct 24- Nov 2
Election: Oct 27 - Nov 5

Nov
St. Andrew Avellino: 1-10
St. Margaret of Scotland: 7-16
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Nov 12 - 21
Christ the King: 13-22
St. Nicholas: Nov 27 - Dec 6

Dec
Our Lady of Guadalupe: 3-12
St. Anastasia: 16-25
Holy Innocents: 19-28
Holy Name of Jesus Dec 25 - Jan 3
Epiphany Magi: Dec 28 - Jan 6

Novenas are available at praymorenovenas.com
If you do not have access to printing the novena, please contact the Parish Office for assistance.

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”
~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



CONSIDER CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Joseph Catholic School is an accomplished institution, rich in its Catholic heritage and well-defined in its academic programs. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines the importance of Catholic Education and the responsibilities that go along with it. Contact St. Joseph School today to learn more about how we can partner with you for your child’s education. Phone: 989-593-3400 email: rweber@stjosephpewamo.org

- Facts about our school**
- Accredited by the Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools
 - Grades Young 5 through Eighth Grade
 - Affordable tuition, with tuition assistance for anyone in need
 - Small class sizes and family and community involvement make St. Joseph a leader in academic excellence
 - Growing Athletics, including basketball and volleyball teams
 - Community service opportunities

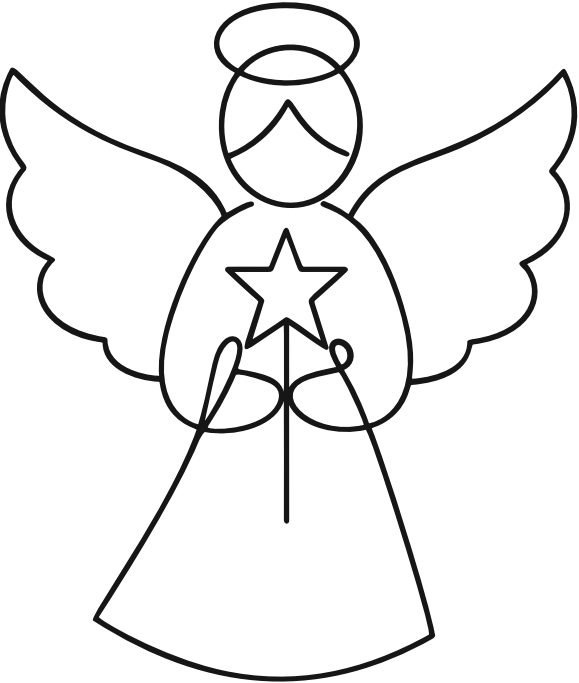
- Students have opportunities to live their faith**
- Mass twice a week
 - Preparation for First Holy Communion, Reconciliation, and Confirmation
 - Weekly Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, Morning Prayer and Pledge, Stations of the Cross, and other all-school prayer opportunities
 - Clergy regularly visits classrooms to interact with students
 - Students pray the Angelus Daily



Advent

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patriarchs
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advent
carols
purple
sunday
candle
wreath
weeks
jesus
peace
light
mary
love
hope
joy



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Why is Easter Greater than Christmas?

If Easter had not happened, Christmas would have no meaning. If the tomb is not empty, the cradle makes no difference. If Jesus did not rise from the dead, then he really is just a misguided Jewish rabbi with delusions of grandeur. If Easter is not true, then Christmas is only the story of an obscure baby born in an out-of-the-way village in a forgotten land 2000 years ago. It is Easter that gives Christmas its meaning.

- Dr. Ray Pritchard

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December 1
Isalah 11:1-2



December 2
Genesis 1:26-31



December 3
Genesis 3



December 4
Genesis 6-9



December 5
Genesis 12:1-7



December 6
Genesis 15:1-6



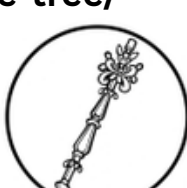
December 11
1 Samuel 16:1-13



December 12
2 Samuel 5:1-5



December 13
1 Kings 5:5; 1 Kings 6



December 14
Esther 4



December 15
Isalah 9:2-7



December 7
Genesis 37



December 8
Deuteronomy 5



December 16
Isalah 11:6-9



December 17
Jonah 1-3



December 18
Daniel 6



December 19
Micah 5:1-5



December 20
Luke 1:5-25



December 9
Joshua 2



December 10
Ruth 2-4



December 21
Matthew 3:1-6



December 22
Luke 1:26-38



December 23
Matthew 1:18-25



December 24
Luke 2:1-5



December 25
Luke 2:6-21

The Jesse Tree Advent tradition is a journey through the stories on Jesus's family tree. Each day, you hang an ornament on your Jesse Tree to symbolize a different Bible story about one of Jesus's ancestors, until you reach the birth of Jesus on December 25. There are many different ways to make a Jesse Tree. You can keep it simple or get creative! Ideas to create your own at <https://www.faithward.org/jesse-tree/>

Visit www.faithward.org/jesetree for more Jesse Tree Advent resources.

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FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT

There will be a retreat for candidates for First Reconciliation on **Wednesday Oct 28th at 5:30pm**

MIDDLE SCHOOL/CONFIRMATION RETREAT

There will be a retreat for Middle School/Confirmation candidates on **Sunday October 11th at 11:30am**

AND

Wednesday December 16th at 12:00 Noon

HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT

There will be a retreat for High School students on **Sunday October 18th at 11:30am**

SCHOOL BIKE-A-THON

September 11th 2:00 pm

Come cheer on our riders as they race with joy and determination! Gather with us in front of the school as we celebrate their efforts & cheer them on. Let's make it a memorable afternoon of faith, fun, and fellowship!

FEATHER BINGO

Feather Bingo

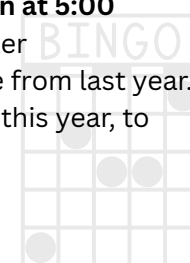
November 8

Starts at 6:00 - doors open at 5:00

Parish Activity Center

Please note this is a time change from last year.

We want to start a bit earlier this year, to expand the fun.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The second Friday of every month (at 6:00 pm) St. Joseph Parish offers the Stations of the Cross. This prayer helps us to enter more deeply into the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Come walk in the footsteps of the Lord.



FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday Adoration is focused on honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus and offering reparation for our sins. Jesus instructed St. Margaret Mary Alacoque to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in reparation for our sins and to show our love for Jesus.

"In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour."

RESTORE EVENT

"Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am faint; heal me, Lord, for my bones are in agony. My soul is in deep anguish. How long, Lord, how long? Turn, Lord, and deliver me; save me because of your unfailing love" (**Psalm 6:2**).

Please join us in church for a RESTORE evening on **October 25th, 6:00pm**. This RESTORE event will include adoration, confession, praise and worship music, and the St. Joseph Prayer Team will be available for those seeking prayers. Gather with us for a faith filled evening to encounter Jesus through the Holy Spirit.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
December						
6 8am Mass 10am Mass 11:30 Rosary for the infinite dignity of life	7 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass 5:30pm Altar Society Advent Party	8 Holy Day of Obligation Immaculate Conception 6am Adoration 12pm Mass 5pm Confessions 6:30 Mass	9 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions	10 6:15am Mass 10:30am & 6:30pm St. Joseph School Advent Program 7:30pm KC Meeting (rosary @7:10)	11 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass 6pm Stations of the Cross	12 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass Prayer Teams after Mass
13 8am Mass Prayer Teams after both Masses 10am Mass	14 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	15 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	16 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions 12pm Middle School/Confirmation Retreat	17 6:15am Mass 6pm Holy Hours for Vocations 7pm Cursillo School of Leaders	18 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	19 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
20 8am Mass 10am Mass	21 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	22 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	23 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions 4pm A&E Ministry	24 Christmas Eve 5pm Vigil Mass 8pm Vigil Mass	25 Christmas Day 9am Mass	26 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
27 8am Mass 10am Mass	28 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	29 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	30 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions	31 Eve of Holy Day of Obligation the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 4:30pm Mass		

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September						
6 8am Mass 10am Mass 11:30 Rosary for the infinite dignity of life	7 Labor Day 11:30 Rosary 12pm Mass	8 6am Adoration 6:30pm Mass	9 9am Library Meeting	10 12pm Mass 7:30pm KC Meeting (rosary at 7:10)	11 11:30 Rosary 2pm St Joseph School Bike-A-Thon 6pm Stations of the Cross	12 4:30 Mass
13 8am Mass 10am Mass	14 11:30 Rosary 12pm Mass	15 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass 7:15pm Patoral Council Meeting	16 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions	17 6:15am Mass 6pm Holy Hour For Vocations at St. Joseph 7pm Cursillo School of Leaders	18 6am Confessions 11:30 Rosary 12pm Mass	19 7am She Shall be Called Woman 3:30 Confessions 4:30 Mass Chicken & Biscuits after Mass Prayer teams after Mass
20 Chicken & Biscuits after both Masses 8am Mass Prayer teams after both Masses 10am Mass	21 11:30 Rosary 12pm Mass	22 6am Adoration	23	24 12pm Mass	25 11:30 Rosary 12pm Mass	26 7am She Shall be Called Woman 3:30 Confessions 4:30 Mass
27 8am Mass 10am Mass (Youth Choir)	28 11:30 Rosary 12pm Mass	29 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	30 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions			

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4 8am Mass 10am Mass 11:30am Rosary for the infinite dignity of life	5 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass 6pm Altar Society Meeting	6 6am Adoration 5pm Confession 6:30pm Mass	7 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions	8 6:15am Mass 7:30pm KC Meeting (rosary @ 7:10)	9 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass 6pm Stations of the Cross	10 7am She Shall be Called Woman 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
11 8am Mass 10am Mass 11:30am Middle School/Confirmation Retreat	12 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	13 6am Adoration 5pm Confession 6:30pm Mass	14 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions 9am Library Committee Meeting 6:30pm Ended Beginings	15 6:15am Mass 6pm Holy Hour for Vocations at St. Mary Carson City 7pm Cursillo School of Leaders	16 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	17 7am She Shall be Called Woman 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
18 8am Mass 9am Coffee & Donuts 10am Mass 11am Coffee & Donuts 11:30am High School Retreat	19 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	20 6am Adoration 5pm Confession 6:30pm Mass	21 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions	22 6:15am Mass	23 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	24 7am She Shall be Called Woman 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
25 8:30am KC Pancake Breakfast 8am Mass 10am Mass (Youth Choir) 6pm RESTORE Event	26 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	27 6am Adoration 5pm Confession 6:30pm Mass	28 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions 5:30pm First Reconciliation Retreat	29 6:15am Mass	30 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	31 All Hallows Eve 7am She Shall be Called Woman 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass

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November						
1 8am Mass 9:30 - 1:15 Day of Healing Retreat 10am Mass 11:30 Rosary for the infinite dignity of life	2 All Souls Day 11:30am Rosary 6:30pm Mass @ Cemetery	3 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	4 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions 6pm 1st Reconciliation Service	5 6:15am Mass	6 12am First Friday Adoration 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	7 7am She Shall be called Women 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
8 7am Coffee & Donuts 8am Mass 10am Mass 5:00pm Feather Bingo	9 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	10 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	11 Veterans Day 8am Mass 8:45am Confessions 9am Library Meeting 6:30 Finance Council Meeting	12 6:15am Mass 7:30pm KC Meeting (rosary @ 7:10)	13 6am Confessions 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass 6pm Stations of the Cross	14 7am She Shall be called Women 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass 5:30pm PTO Chili Cookoff
15 8am Mass 10am Mass	16 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	17 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	18	19 12pm Mass 6pm Holy hour for Vocations 7pm Cursillo School of Leaders	20 11:30am Rosary	21 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
22 8am Mass 10am Mass (Youth Choir)	23 11:30am Rosary 12pm Mass	24 6am Adoration 5pm Confessions 6:30pm Mass	25	26 Thanksgiving Day 9am Mass	27 11:30 Rosary	28 8:00am A&E Ministry 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass
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