TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time



September 27, 2026

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When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.

Matthew 21:32

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PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY, September 26– Saturday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ord. Time

7:30 pm: SHE Shall be Called Women
3:30 pm: Confessions
4:30 pm: **MASS**– Gary Hendee & Living & Deceased Family Members

SUNDAY, September 27– Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ord. Time

8:00 am: **MASS–** Alma Smith
10:00 am: **MASS–** Parish Family
10:00 am: Youth Choir Mass

MONDAY, September 28– Monday of the Twenty- sixth Week in in Ord. Time

11:30 am: Rosary
12:00 pm: **MASS–** Paul & Mary Ann Esch & Living & Deceased Family Members
7:15 pm: Middle and High School Faith Formation

TUESDAY, September 29– Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

6:00 am–6:00 pm: Adoration
5:00 pm: Confessions
6:30 pm: **MASS-** Leo & Veronica Pohl & Evelyn Miller

WEDNESDAY, September 30– Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00 am: **MASS-** Beverly J Simon
8:45 am: Confessions
6:30 pm: Finance Council Meeting

THURSDAY, October 1– Memorial of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

6:15 am: **MASS–** Carl, Ken and Nancy Schrauben

FRIDAY, October 2– Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
**** FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH****

12am-12pm: First Friday of Adortation
6:00 am: Confessions
11:30 Rosary
12:00 pm: **MASS–** Eric & Ronnie Miles & Living & Deceased Family Members

SATURDAY, October 3– Saturday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ord. Time

7:30 am: SHE Shall be Called Women
3:30 pm: Confessions
4:30 pm: **MASS**– Lucille and Gerald Fedewa
5:30 pm: Baptism

SUNDAY, October 4– Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ord. Time

8:00 am: **MASS–** Parish Family
10:00 am: **MASS–** Altar Society Members & Living & Deceased Family Members
11:30 am: Rosary for the Infinite Dignity of Life

Stewardship of Time, Talent, & Treasure



2026-2027 School Raffle

(9/15) Hank & Jan Klein (#93)



Sanctuary Candle sponsored in Honor of:

Soul of Esmeralda Nava-Gozalez

(Contact the Parish Office if interested in sponsoring a Sanctuary Candle)

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.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/CONFIRMATION RETREAT

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

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.



CSA UPDATE

Please help us fulfill our assessment this year. Any monies not received through pledges will be paid out of the parish operating budget. Any monies received in excess of our assessment are returned to the parish.

2026 CSA Assessment $80,975.00
Shortfall $18,906.00
Paid : $64,385.00 (84% of our assessment)
September 21, 2026

Parish Support	9/13/26	Envelopes Used
General Collection	$3,587.25	35
Online Giving	$2,672.93	40
Total	$6,260.18	75
Needed Weekly	$9,000.00	

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.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Together with your families, 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. 11 at the 10 am Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew (301 Sheldon Blvd., Grand Rapids) for this annual celebration. A simple reception will immediately follow. Please RSVP by scanning the QR code or calling Buddy O'Malley at 616-333-1178.

ENDED BEGININGS

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 on October 14 at 6:30 pm 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.

PTO CHILI COOKOFF

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 on Saturday November 14 after 4:30 Mass.

Evangelization: Helping share in the future of our Church

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JOIN THE CHURCH

If you 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. Email parishoffice@stjosephpewamo.org or call 989-593-3440.



KNIGHTS CORNER COUNCIL # 8071

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Thanks to all who participated in the annual MI drive to help physical and intellectual challenged children. Money that was collected at this years Tootsie Roll sale was distributed to the following: $600 Twin Rivers School in Muir, $600 Ionia County ISD in Ionia , $515 Pewamo Elementary .Pewamo KofC also donated $500 to Pregnancy Services of Ionia County.

Meetings are second Thursday of the month next meeting October 8, rosary at 7:10 pm meeting at 7:30 all members welcome.



JOIN US FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY

The Diocese of Grand Rapids Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry invites young adults, ages 18–35, to join us on pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea, for World Youth Day 2027! The pilgrimage is July 30-Aug. 10, 2027.

World Youth Day is more than a trip—it is a life-changing pilgrimage that can deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ, strengthen your connection to the Church, and create friendships that last a lifetime. Along the way, pilgrims will also have the opportunity to experience the rich culture, history, and Catholic heritage of Korea.

As an added incentive, the first 20 pilgrims who register and submit their deposit by Sept. 29 for the full package (including the group flight and 2-day extension) will receive a complimentary pilgrim t-shirt and a Korean plug adapter.
Need more information or ready to register, visit: https://versoministries.com/departures/wyd-seoul-2027-diocese-of-grand-rapids/

Stewardship of Time (Prayer)

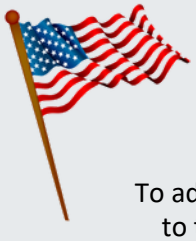
PARISHIONER PRAYER REQUESTS

Rob Davarn
Roger Freund
Cade Hamilton
Linda Klein
Kendall Kramer
Fr. Charlon Mason
Pat MacLachan
Nicole Schafer
Roman Schafer
Louis Simon
Pete Smith
Els Steenblik
Jason Thelen
Philip Thelen
Tom Thelen
Greg Tojong
Mary Louise Westbrook
Tony Wirth
(son of Mike & Donna)
Douglas Werner

If you would like to be included or know of someone who would like to be on the list, please contact the Prayer Network. ***Please join the Group on the MyParishApp. More information can be found at the parish website or by calling the Parish Office.***

Howtosubmitaprayer request: (1) Call the Parish Office or (2) enter a prayer request on the My Parish App.

PRAY FOROURMILITARY



Ethan George
Brandon Joseph
Kimberly Miller
Matthew Martin
Deegan Mason
Benjamin Robbins
Ryan Schafer

To add your family member to this list, please contact the Parish Office.

UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Lector			
Monday, September 28, 12:00 pm	**NEED**	**Matthew's Ministry** **Wednesday, September 30** Kim Klein Jill Thelen Robin Wirth 		
Tuesday, September 29, 6:30 pm	Becky Thelen			
Wednesday, September 30, 8:00 am	Ryan Weber			
Thursday, October 1, **6:15 am**	Mike Thelen			
Friday, October 2, 12:00 pm	Ryan Weber	**EMHC**	**Altar Server**	**Usher/Greeters**
Saturday, October 3, 4:30 pm	Jeremy Piggott	Marilyn Schneider	James Schneider **NEED**	Andrew Kowatch Judy Fox Corey Smith Brody Smith
Sunday, October 4, 8:00 am	Wanda Zenk	Todd Henning Karen Reiger Jackie Simon	**NEED** Lily Pline Luke Wittenbach	Thomas Fedewa Jeff Thelen Holden Smith Todd (Brandy) Smith
Sunday, October 4, 10:00 am	Francis Thelen	Sarah Jandernoa Mike Kramer Kevin Schafer	Maxwell Weber Lillian Weber Valerie Weber	Doug Fox Sam Thelen Ty Thelen Preston Weber



CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS

To learn more about Celebrating the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation (Confession), First Communion, Confirmation, Holy Orders, Holy Matrimony (Marriage), and/or Anointing of the Sick, please visit the parish website (stjosephpewamo.org) or contact the parish office at 989-593-3440.

