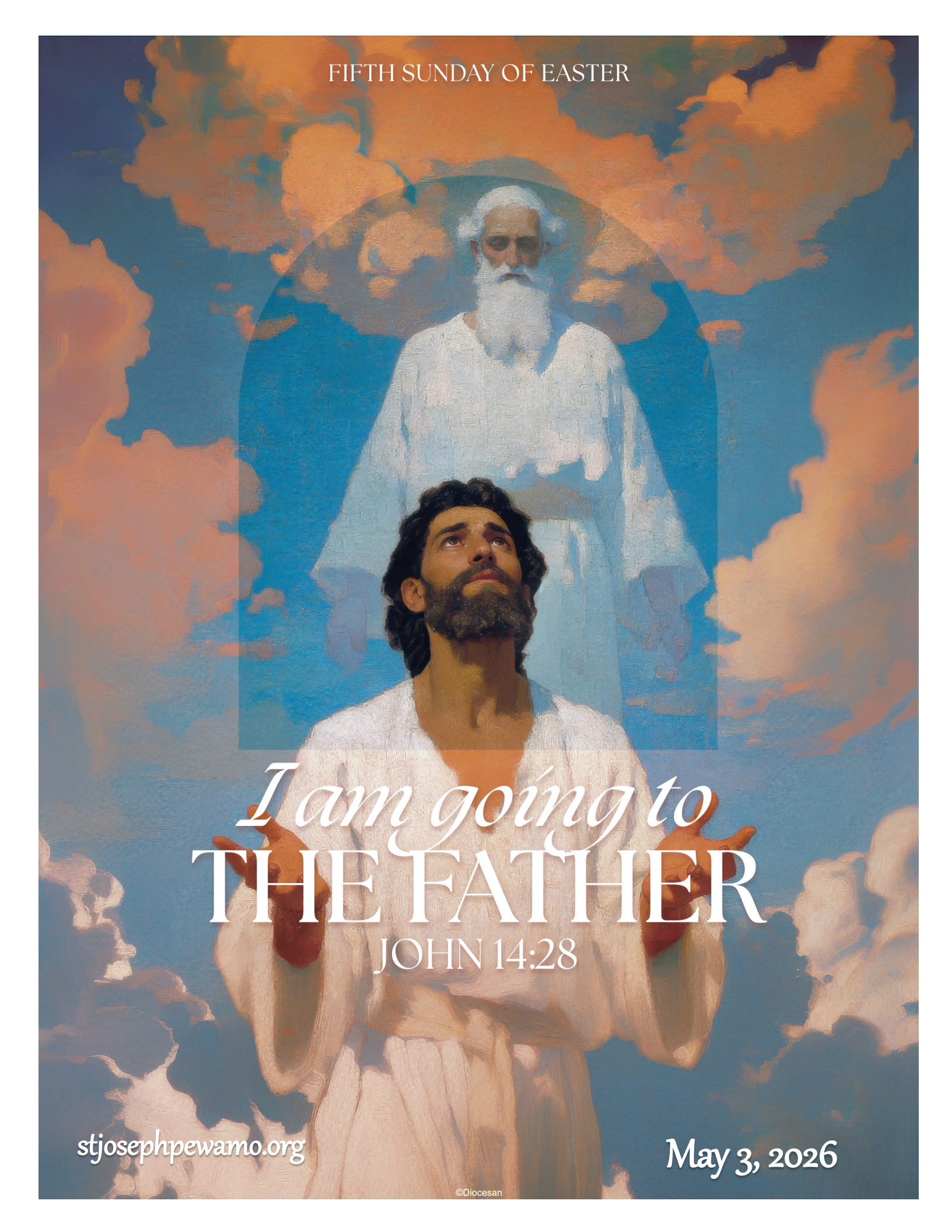


FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



I am going to
THE FATHER

JOHN 14:28

stjosephpewamo.org

May 3, 2026

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Diocese of Grand Rapids

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Tuesday 2:00 pm - 7:30 pm
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PARISH LIBRARY

Open during all scheduled
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SCHOOL OFFICE

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Parish-wide
Emailed
Newsletter



**Bulletin deadline is 2 weeks before
the bulletin date desired.**

Please send to stewardship@stjosephpewamo.org

**SATURDAY, May 2– Memorial of Saint Athanasius, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church**

3:30 pm: Confessions
4:30 pm: **MASS**– Dave & Judy Bierstetel & Living &
Deceased Family Members

SUNDAY, May 3– Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am: **MASS**– Joseph and Eleanor Klein
10:00 am: **MASS**– Parish Family
9:00 am: Day of Healing
11:00 am: Baptism
11:30 am: Rosary for the Infinite Dignity of Life

MONDAY, May 4– Monday of the Fifth Week of Easter

11:30 am: Rosary
12:00 pm: **MASS**– Herm Klein & Living &
Deceased Family Members

TUESDAY, May 5– Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter

6:00 am–6:00 pm: Adoration
5:00 pm: Confessions
6:30 pm: **MASS**– Phil & Donna Kramer & Family

WEDNESDAY, May 6– Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Easter

8:00 am: **MASS**– Poor Souls in Purgatory
8:45 am: Confessions

THURSDAY, May 7– Thursday of the Fifth Week of Easter

6:15 am: **MASS**– Susanne Smith

FRIDAY, May 8– Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter

6:00 am: Confessions
11:30 Rosary
12:00 pm: **MASS**– Robert & Irene Spitzley, Philip Spitzley
6:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, May 9– Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter

3:30 pm: Confessions
4:30 pm: **MASS**– Parish Family

SUNDAY, May 10– Sixth Sunday of Easter

*** MOTHER’S DAY ***
8:00 am: **MASS**– For Mothers
10:00 am: **MASS**– For Mothers

Stewardship of Time, Talent, & Treasure



2025-2026 School Raffle
(4/21) Garrett Feldpausch (#57)



Sanctuary Candle sponsored
in Honor of:
Fay & Richard Schmitz

FLOWER FUND

Please consider donating to the St. Joseph Church Flower Fund. This fund will be used by the Art and Environment committee to purchase and care for the flowers, plants, and décor items utilized in heightening the beauty of the Mass throughout the liturgical season. Flower Fund envelopes will be included with your envelope packets in July. Those who wish to contribute before July, or do not utilize parish envelopes, may label their donation "Flower Fund" and place it in the offertory. Thank you in advance for your contributions to this ministry!

8th GRADE GRADUATION

St. Joseph will celebrate 8th Grade Graduation on May 20. Mass begins at 6:30pm followed by a light reception. Come show your support to the student's hard work.

ATTENTION TEENAGERS: REGISTRATION FOR THIS SUMMERS STEUBENVILLE RETREAT IS NOW OPEN

Unloved ... unappreciated ... forgotten. This is how the stupid coward, Satan, wants us to live. As beloved children of God, though, we are... WORTHY. No matter what. "Worthy" is the theme of this summer's Steubenville youth retreat. Allow your life to be changed forever. Registration is now open. If you are a P-W student currently in 8th-12th grade, join us from July 17-19 for a weekend you'll never forget. You can sign up here <https://sites.google.com/stmarychurch.net/smpym/steubenville> or email Austin Fox at afox@stmarychurch.net

Parish Support	April 19, 2026	Envelopes Used
General Collection	\$2,114.01	34
Online Giving	\$2,206.85	39
Total	\$4,320.86	73
Needed Weekly	\$ 9,000.00	

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL - FIRST GRADE TEACHER OPENING

St. Joseph School is seeking a qualified candidate for a First Grade teaching position. Applicants must hold a current State of Michigan Elementary (All Subjects) Teaching Certificate.

Interested candidates should submit an employment application (requested by emailing Ryan Weber), along with a cover letter, resume, copy of a valid teaching certificate, and two letters of recommendation. Materials should be emailed to Ryan Weber, Principal, at rweber@stjosephpewamo.org. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH - WE ARE HIRING - FACILITIES MANAGER

St. Joseph Parish is hiring for a Facilities Manager. This position is responsible for the care and upkeep of our parish grounds and buildings. This position is full-time plus and will require some evening, weekend and holiday work. St. Joseph Parish offers a robust benefits program. Pay rate is determined by experience. Please contact the Parish Office or scan the QR code to apply.



2026 P-W JUNIOR FOOTBALL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

P-W Junior Football offers flag and tackle football for students attending St. Mary School, St. Joseph School and Pewamo-Westphalia Community schools. Flag football is offered for students in grades 2-5 and tackle football is offered for students in grades 6-8. Registration closes on June 6th. For more information and to register your child, please visit www.pwjuniorfootball.com.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Join us on May 21 at St. Joseph for a peaceful time of prayer and reflection. Come spend some quiet time with the Lord as we pray for vocations, everyone is welcome,

Evangelization: Helping share in the future of our Church

PARISH CAMPOUT

Reminder about the Grand Campout in September. Dates are September 13, 14, and 15, at Leisure Lake campground, phone number is 989-875-4689. If you have questions, call Mary Werner at 989-593-2532. Hope to see you there.



Hadley Kate OBrien
Parents:
Lily & Garrett OBrien

WITH GRATITUDE

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for all of the spiritual bouquets, attendance at my service and party, the many cards and gifts, and my helpers at the party. I can't thank you enough. I love you all and will continue to serve you as best as I can.

Special thanks to Fr. Darrel and Fr. Michalek and Deacon Wade for the memorial candle in the sanctuary light. With love and respect, Father Charlon

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET

The St. Joseph Parish Altar Society Mother/Daughter Banquet will be held on Monday, May 11, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. (Please note the time change) Dinner and table service will be provided. You may bring your mothers/daughters from other parishes. We will be accepting donations for new baby items or cash donations for Pregnancy Services of Ionia. Please sign up on the sheets in the back of church or you can text or call Barb Wesley at 616-481-1799 or Therese Simon at 517-927-7248. Please either sign up in the back of church or text or call by Tuesday, May 5, 2026.



2026 CSA Assessment \$80,975.00
Paid : \$46,135.00 (57% of our assessment)
April 14, 2026

KNIGHTS CORNER COUNCIL # 8071



Dave Antes, Grand Knight
antesdk@gmail.com



Please use agent
code MTHELEN

Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month
in the KC Room. Rosary at 7:10 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Founded by Blessed Michael McGivney in 1882, the Knights of Columbus is the premier lay Catholic men's organization. Guided by the principles of charity, unity and fraternity, we build lifelong relationships with our members and families. We are multigenerational and international. We offer formation, mutual aid and financial security to members through our charity, products and outreach. We aspire to invite every Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus and to extend our charitable reach as widely as possible.

PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER

Reminder, while Nickie is in Rome with CHARIS and visiting holy sites, she will be praying for our intentions. You can submit intentions on one sheet, seal it in an envelope, and put your name on the outside. Place it in the basket at the back of church by the 6:30 PM Mass on Tuesday, May 12. Join in prayer on May 16–24: Novena for evangelization and May 25–June 2 for Novena to the Holy Spirit (for CHARIS and Pope Leo XIV) (Copies available in the back of church.) Presentation will be Sunday, June 28 at 12:30pm for CHARIS mission and trip recap.



WEDDING BANNS II

Evan Thelen &
Emily Kramer

*The canonical requirement of banns is to enable anyone
to raise any canonical impediment to marriage.*

Stewardship of Time (Prayer)

PARISHIONER PRAYER REQUESTS

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

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



Aidan Clute
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.

*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.*

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

UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Lector			
Monday, May 4, 12:00 pm	Diane Thelen	Matthew's Ministry Wednesday, May 6 Kim Klein Jackie Simon Robin Wirth		
Tuesday, May 5, 6:30 pm	Becky Thelen			
Wednesday, May 6, 8:00 am	Ryan Weber			
Thursday, May 7, 6:15 am	Mike Thelen			
Friday, May 8, 12:00 pm	Ryan Weber	EMHC	Altar Server	Usher/Greeters
Saturday, May 9, 4:30 pm	Alton Schneider	Beth Mowatt	Alijah Harrington Christian Harrington	Andrew Kowatch Judy Fox Roger Fox Steve Martin
Sunday, May 10, 8:00 am	Jim Schmitz	Michele Klein Bev Schmitz Ron Simon	Camille Hoffman Maria Klein Silas Williams	Susan Craft Todd (Brandy) Smith Holden Smith Jeff Thelen
Sunday, May 10, 10:00 am	Amy Thelen	Mike Kramer Jerry Waldron Kathy Waldron	Simeon Arens Lou George Emeric Thelen	Nolan George Doug George Darrin Heckman Bill Kramer



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.

