

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH  
DEXTER, MICHIGAN

# Chips & Sawdust

June, July, August 2023

# THE Festival

AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Friday **July 21**  
6 pm – 10 pm

Saturday **July 22**  
Noon – 10 pm

Sunday **July 23**  
Noon – 5:30 pm

### SPECIAL JUNE EVENT



**flea market**

June 22 & 23  
9 am to 6 pm  
June 24  
9 am to 2 pm

St. Joseph Parish Center  
3rd Street & Dover  
Dexter



DOVER STREET  
3RD STREET  
(Village Church)

### SPECIAL JUNE EVENT

Friday **July 21**  
6 pm – 10 pm  
Food, drinks and...

**AMERICAN MUSIC-THEATRE SONGBOOK**

presented by


**The Encore**  
- Musical Theatre Company -



**Classic Car SHOW**

July 22

Saturday, 7 pm – 10 pm



**MAGIC BUS**

Woodstock Tribute Band



**K of C Chicken Dinner**

July 23

**Arts & Craft Tent**

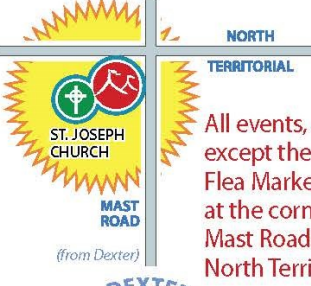
July 22 & 23

**Teen Events**

July 22 and 23




**WILDLIFE SAFARI**



NORTH TERRITORIAL

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

MAST ROAD  
(from Dexter)

DEXTER

All events, except the June Flea Market, are at the corner of Mast Road and North Territorial.

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**WEEKEND LITURGIES**

Saturday: 5:00pm; Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

**WEEKDAYS in Village Church**

Liturgy: Monday through Friday at 8:15am

Communion Service: First Monday of the month at 8:15am

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 3:30–4:30pm or by appointment

**PASTORAL STAFF**

Fr. Brendan Walsh	Pastor
Romolo Leone	Senior Deacon
Randy Desrochers	Deacon
Larry Deford	Deacon
John Goff	Deacon
Gail Assenmacher	Capital Campaign/Office Assistant
Darlene Cresson	Faith Formation Secretary
Don Dalgleish	Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Lisa Dobis	Finance
Gary Fradette	Cemetery Grounds
Marinell High	Director of Adult Faith Formation
Michelle Hochrein	Director of Religious Education
Steve Hinz	Director of Music & Liturgy
Erich McElroy	Village Campus Maintenance
Laura McKenzie	Administrative Assistant
Liz Neil	Cemetery
	Country Campus Maintenance

**2022-2023 PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Fr. Brendan Walsh	Pastor
Randy Desrochers	Deacon
Larry Deford	Deacon
Laura McKenzie	Staff Liaison

**Member**

Scott McClellan  
Ted Zettel  
George Hanson  
Carol Littleton  
Haley Baur  
Elyse Kempa  
Terry McCreight  
Reyne Meah  
Clay Cramer  
Gwen Evich  
Gary Hunter  
Ann Smart

**Commission Liaison**

Chair  
Vice Chair & Youth Formation  
Finance  
Children's Faith Formation  
Parish Life  
New Parishioner Contact  
Spiritual Life & Worship  
Properties  
Caritas  
Festival  
Adult Faith Formation  
Charitable Activities & Social Justice

**COMMISSIONS and ACTIVITIES****Commission**

Finance  
Worship  
Charitable Activities  
& Social Justice  
Parish Life  
Caritas Committee  
Education—Youth  
Education—PS-6  
Adult Faith Formation

**Chair**

Lisa Dobis  
Fr. Brendan Walsh  
Dcn. Randy Desrochers  
Marinell High  
Patti Hanson  
Don Dalgleish  
Michelle Hochrein  
Marinell High

**Activity**

Children's Liturgy of the Word  
Bulletin and *Chips* Editor  
Growing in God  
Building the  
Brotherhood of Christ  
DeWitt Retreat  
Men's Retreat  
Women's Retreat  
Festival  
Festival  
Giving Garden  
God Squad (Gr. 7-8)  
Knights of Columbus  
Columbus Ladies Auxiliary  
Music Ministry  
Mustard Seed (Gr.9-12)  
Nursery  
Religious Ed (Gr.PS-6)  
Religious Ed (Gr.7-8)  
RCIA  
Scouting (Troop 456)

**Chair**

Michelle Hochrein  
Laura McKenzie  
Marinell High  
Marinell High  
Joe Prochaska  
Ann Smart  
Doug Koepsell  
Ken Sample  
Rodger & Linda Cook  
Don Dalgleish  
Bert Wagner  
Marilyn Dehring  
Steve Hinz  
Don Dalgleish  
Marinell High  
Michelle Hochrein  
Don Dalgleish  
Marinell High  
Matthew Demerath

*Our Mission*

*As members of the family of God, we of St. Joseph Parish, Dexter, in the Diocese of Lansing, believe that we are called to be people of faith and prayer, to celebrate the sacraments, and to live the Word. We commit ourselves to being warm and welcoming, responding to each other's needs and to the needs of the community by sharing our gifts and talents.*

Weekend Liturgies and Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays are at the Country Church, 6805 Mast Road, (corner of N. Territorial and Mast), in Dexter. The Disciple House is also at this location.

The Village Church, Parish Center, Parish Office, Mary's Room Joseph's Room and Church Basement are located on the Village Campus at 3430 Dover, in Dexter.

## FR. BRENDAN'S BILLBOARD

### Parish Staff Changes

This summer as of July 1, Michelle Hochrein, our Director of Children's Faith Formation for the last ten years, will retire. Since the beginning of the year, we have advertised the position. Sadly, the applicants were few. In response, I have decided to reassign duties and responsibilities and we have asked parishioners to serve as area coordinators for our faith formation program.

Marinell High and Don Dagleish will serve as lead administrators, consultants, and mentors. We will have a team of leaders for First Reconciliation and First Communion lead by Jeanette Westermann. Laurie Miller will serve as the on-site coordinator for Children's Faith Formation on Tuesdays and Sundays. Jim Burns will serve as the on-site coordinator for Wednesday evenings. These stipend positions will help us to continue to offer our faith formation sessions. We will also be looking at how to restructure our God Squad and Mustard Seed Youth Groups.

### Maintenance Position

We will be adjusting how we care for our two campuses as we move through the summer months. Details coming soon.

### Phase II Construction Status

We continue to work through the concerns raised by Webster Township Planning Commission. We have a meeting on June 7 to address lighting, parking, and landscaping concerns. In April we received two zoning variances which allow us to add on to our current church and to help build a building that looks unified for years to come. A successful outcome! It is our hope to finalize our last issues and then receive our special use permit from the township board. Then we will seek to begin construction as quickly as possible.

### Flea Market

Soon our Flea Market will be upon us. Thank you to all who are already making donations. Your support of contributions and the work of organizing and selling is much appreciated.

### Festival Fun

Our Festival is around the corner and coming fast. Please remember, you can help in these ways.

- First, pray for a safe and successful weekend.
- Second, please sell, purchase, or make a donation to help make our raffle a success.
- Third, please share some of your time and energy to make our weekend of fun and friendship a success.
- Fourth, bring your family and friends to a weekend of shows, activities, food, and fellowship.

May these warm and sunny days fill us with the spirit and energy of Jesus' great love for us. As we live and celebrate our faith.

*Shalom,  
Fr. Brendan J. Walsh*

We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and his Son, Jesus Christ.

1 John 1:3

## PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATES

As the Easter Season ends and we move forward into Ordinary Time, I like to reflect on the joy of the season that I am carrying with me. Pentecost always leaves me in a state of gratitude for the love of the Trinity and the blessings of the Holy Spirit present throughout my life. There is a poem attributed to St. Teresa of Avila that I have been reflecting on frequently in my prayer and wanted to share:

"Christ has no body but yours,  
 No hands, no feet on earth but yours,  
 Yours are the eyes with which He looks  
 Compassion on this world,  
 Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good,  
 Yours are the hands, with which He blesses all the world.  
 Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,  
 Yours are the eyes, you are His body.  
 Christ has no body now but yours,  
 No hands, no feet on earth but yours,  
 Yours are the eyes with which he looks  
 compassion on this world.  
 Christ has no body now on earth but yours."



My prayer is that throughout this summer and Ordinary Time, Christ continues to fill each of our hearts with the joy of the special callings and talents he has gifted to each of us to spread His love throughout the world. As an outgoing member of Parish Council, I have enjoyed my time being able to support the parish and want to thank the other outgoing members for their dedication, support and sharing of their time and talents. A HUGE thank you to George Hansen, Carol Littleton, Scott McClellan, and Ted Zettel. I would be remiss without mentioning the many other fun events that summer brings to the St. Joseph community such as the Flea Market and the Festival that you can read more about on the following pages!

*Elyse Kempa, Pastoral Council*

## JULY 2023 FOCUS RECIPIENT



The committee has chosen **House by the Side of the Road** for our focus charity for the July 29/30, 2023, collection. The purpose of this charitable organization is to provide clothing and small household items at no charge to children and adults with limited funds for some of life's essential needs. People within Washtenaw County often find themselves in need after family breakup, job loss, house fires or after a prolonged illness within the family. House by the Side of the Road also serves the homeless and those reentering society after prison. People with mental health issues, recent immigrants and migrant workers also use the services of this organization.

House by the Side of the Road was started in 1970 in Washtenaw County as a partnership between the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners and churches in the area. When the county was unable to continue funding, the volunteers began procuring funds to keep the organization going. They are a 501 (c)(3) and are currently located at 2051 S. State Street in Ann Arbor.

When clients enter the building they will find rooms of bedding, books and media, clothing for adults, children and toddlers, household items, shoes and toys. While there are limits to how many items may be taken at once, all items are free without qualification.

Recent statistics show how that the need within our community is increasing. The non-profit states they served 451 households in March, 131 more than in February. They served 757 adults and 720 children in March, averaging 20 households per day.

House by the Side of the Road is 100% operated by volunteers. They currently have 47 regular volunteers and welcome additional support either by volunteering, donating items or cash.

St. Joseph Caritas Committee members selected this organization after thoughtful and prayerful consideration, and we hope that our Parish community will be generous in their donations to this worthwhile community service group.



*May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think  
in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus,  
that with one accord you may with one voice glorify  
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. - Romans 15: 5-6*

Together, we've walked through multiple liturgical seasons since I came in October, and I can't thank you enough for the joy you bring me at every Mass and prayer service through the unique sounds and prayers of every season. St. Joseph Parish is indeed a vibrant and loving community, and you bless each other with your incredible compassion and care.

Music in our liturgy, by its very nature, is an act of care and hospitality as we welcome each other into our personal prayer by our shared singing voice. I believe that music filled with much life and real joy has the powerful effect of heightening our level of prayer. We are called to an experience in our worship where our bodies vibrate with the sound of God's people in prayer. My job as Director of Music and Liturgy is one of allowing the Holy Spirit to enter our song that welcomes all people. By blending multiple styles and instrumentation and pulling from vast historical music, music from a previous generation, and music that resonates with our modern ears today, all people present have an opportunity for prayer and praise.

Isn't it indeed a radical act when we gather 25, 50, 250 or 400 people, who breathe together, form the same words, and sing melodies and rhythms and lift up hearts in praise to God? That's incredible! Our music, through one collective voice, is a beautiful opening of our hearts and is not simply intended for entertainment or for passive prayer. Sometimes, you clap exuberantly after being moved by a specific piece of music. While we say thank you, we recognize your applause as an "Amen" and as an expression that together we have met a prayer need and touched your heart, raising our community's level of prayer and praise.

We sing in many styles and they may not be a favorite and the challenge of newness may make it difficult. I know that in this process, we will not please everybody. The songs we raise in praise and prayer teach us to better understand God's love for all of us, each with our own perspective, and lead us to love each other better. We are a vibrant church living in a modern world that needs Jesus's message of hope and looking forward to the joyous Resurrection. We are a people looking ahead.

As always, please feel welcome to find a home in one of our choirs or ensembles. Our music will continue to reflect our unique prayer and community life here at St. Joseph Parish. Our music should heal our sorrows and anxieties, and should share the vitality and the real joy that comes to our heart through the Gospel of Jesus. Alongside receiving the sacraments, hearing God's sacred Word, and offering all of our prayers, we leave each experience to bring this joy to others. We leave, able to best live the Gospel message in the world. We leave as better and more loving people in the world.

*Steve Hinz, Director of Music and Liturgy*

## Congratulations & Welcome!!



At the Easter Vigil this year we welcomed three adults into our Catholic Christian faith through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. We also witnessed two young people receive Jesus for the first time in the sacrament of Eucharist.

Front Row: Leslie Shannon, Reese Sadler, Griffin Heike, Charles Hughes and Diane Henry

Leslie received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

Reese and Griffin received Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time.

Diane and Charles were baptized Christians who made a Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church, were Confirmed, and received Eucharist for the first time.

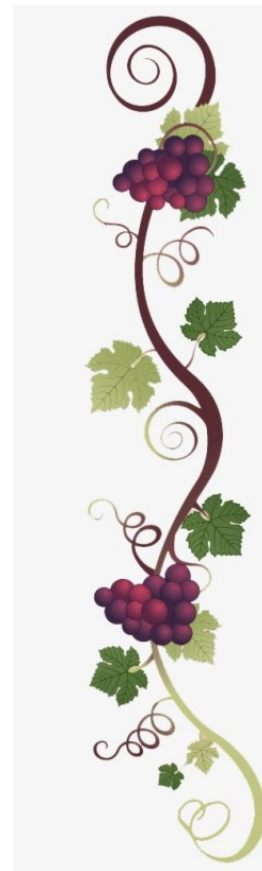
Leslie, Diane and Charles are fully initiated and they will take part in the Mass for the Neophytes at all Masses on June 3 and 4, 2023. *A neophyte is one who is newly baptized into the Catholic Faith or received into the Catholic Church.* Following each of these Masses the Neophytes, their sponsors and the RCIA team members will host a reception to thank our parishioners for the support they have shown in this past year.

Their next step is to continue learning their faith, taking an active role in their parish community, and helping all the rest of us to build up the Body of Christ! Please congratulate them the next time you see them at Mass.

### RCIA CONTINUES!

We are never done welcoming people into the process of learning more about the Catholic Faith. If you know someone who is searching for a faith home consider asking them if they would like to have the opportunity to ask questions and learn. Beginning on June 11 after the 9:00 am Mass, various members of the RCIA Team will be available to chat with people and answer questions they may have. We will continue to be available at that time through the summer months. Anyone interested is also welcome to call the Parish Office and speak with Marinell High. There is never an obligation to do anything except get your questions answered. Anything more is entirely up to the asking the questions. Marinell can be contacted by email at [mari-nell\\_high@stjos.com](mailto:mari-nell_high@stjos.com) or by phone at 734-426-8483.

# CONGRATULATIONS & BLESSINGS TO OUR CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED EUCHARIST FOR THE FIRST TIME





## **Daniel's Courage in Captivity VBS 2023**

**June 26-30th, 9am-12pm**

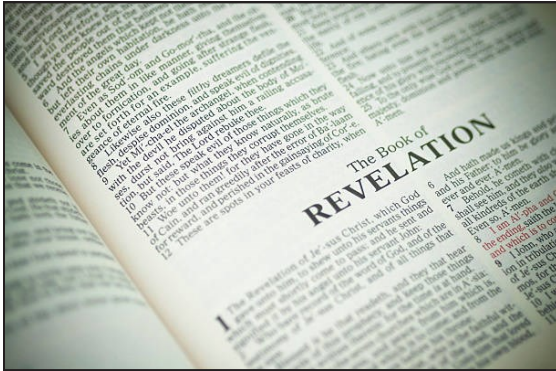
**Country Church Campus**

Please plan to join us in June as we travel back in time to Babylon and meet up with Daniel! Children entering grades Preschool (4 years) through 6th grade in the Fall of 2023 are welcome to participate and will be a part of a Tribe for the entire week! Each day the Tribes will meet with Daniel to hear of his situation, learn new songs, play amazing games at the Palace Playground, eat incredible snacks and visit the Marketplace where there will be all sorts of activities and goods available for purchase with the Darics (Babylonian coins) the children are given. We hope to see you in Babylon this summer! For more information or to register and/or volunteer, please visit [www.stjos.com](http://www.stjos.com)



## SUMMER FAITH FORMATION

### Let's Talk About the Book of Revelation!



What do you know about the Book of Revelation? What would you like to know? The Book of Revelation is often misunderstood, confusing and difficult to read. We will talk about the type of literature, the symbols, and how this book is more exciting than you have ever imagined! THERE IS NO HOMEWORK! We will use resources from Scott Hahn, Michael Barber, Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith as well as others. This four week study will happen beginning July 26/27 through August 16/17.

Registration is required so that we can have the appropriate amount of materials. Registration will be online at [www.stjos.com](http://www.stjos.com) beginning June 1 and in the office or in the Gathering Space beginning July 15/16 and July 23/23. The fee is \$10.00 per person. Please Marinell High at [marinell\\_high.stjos.com](mailto:marinell_high.stjos.com) or at 734-426-8483 for more information.



Mustard Seed Youth Group  
Summer Schedule 2023

Meeting at Festival Grounds/Pavilion or Disciple House

Wednesdays from 6-8PM

Summer Sessions are open for grades 7-12

- \* **Sunday, June 4**— Last Youth Group Meeting in the Loft until September
- \* **June 21**—First Summer Youth Group Meeting—Festival Grounds/ Pavilion
- \* **June 28** –Youth Group Meeting
- \* **July 5** – No Meeting
- \* **July 12** – Youth Group Meeting
- \* **July 19** – No Meeting
- \* **July 22–23** - Festival and Teen Café and Teen Activities throughout the weekend.
- \* **July 26** – Youth Group Meeting
- \* **August 2** – Youth Group Meeting
- \* **August 9** – Youth Group Meeting
- \* **August 23** Last summer youth group meeting at the Pavilion

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 GRADUATES!



*“Be strong! Be fearless! Don’t be afraid and don’t be scared by your enemies, because the Lord your God is the one who marches with you. He won’t let you down, and he won’t abandon you.” Deuteronomy 31:6*



**Kendall Everard**

**Thomas Grace**

## **JOSEPHINE C. OTTO SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**



## The Flea Market Returns this Summer!!

Save those treasures you no longer need.

**Donation drop off dates:** June 14 - June 18

**Location:** St. Joseph Parish Center (3430 Dover St.)

**Flea Market Sale Dates:** June 22, June 23, June 24

### ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

<b>BOOKS/DVDs/CDs/RECORDS:</b> Hardcover, Paperbacks, Cookbooks	<b>FURNITURE:</b> Tables, Chairs, Desks, Chests, Bookcases, Bedroom Sets, Upholstered Items, Lawn	<b>HOUSEWARES</b> Glassware, Dishes, Cookware, Utensils
<b>ELECTRONICS:</b> Radio, Small Kitchen, Clocks	<b>LINENS:</b> Bedding, Rugs, Window Treatments, Pillows	<b>GAMES/TOYS/PUZZLES/ STUFFED ANIMALS/ DOLLS</b>
<b>CRAFT/ FABRICS &amp; SEWING NOTIONS</b>	<b>HOME DÉCOR/ ART/ FRAMES / LAMPS</b>	<b>OFFICE / PERSONAL / PETS</b>
<b>LAWN &amp; GARDEN / RECREATION</b>	<b>SPORTING GOODS / BICYCLES</b>	<b>HARDWARE / TOOLS</b>
<b>BOUTIQUE / JEWELRY</b>	<b>LUGGAGE/PURSES</b>	<b>HOLIDAY / RELIGIOUS</b>

### UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

<b>BOOKS:</b> Text Books, Encyclopedias & Periodicals <b>Media</b> VHS tapes	<b>FURNITURE:</b> Sofa Beds, Pianos, Mattresses & Box Springs, Oversized Headboard, Metal Desks, Computer Desks, Baby Cribs	<b>TOILETS / SINKS / TUBS / FREEZERS / HOT WATER HEATERS / LARGE APPLI- ANCES / AIR CONDITIONERS / EXERCISE EQUIPMENT</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS / PAINTS /TIRES</b>	<b>ELECTRONICS:</b> TVs, Computers	<b>CAR SEATS / WOODEN PLAYPENS</b>
<b>PERSONAL:</b> Clothing & Open Toiletries or Cosmetics	<b>ARTIFICIAL CHRISTMAS TREES</b>	<b>SOILED, DINGY AND BROKEN ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED</b>

## 2023 ST. JOSEPH FUN FESTIVAL IS HERE!

St Joseph Parish is hosting our summer fun Festival on **July 21 through 23**. Beginning in January, more than 50 fellow parishioners have created our Festival framework and guided initial planning. Now it is time for us to throw a great party for our community! Look for Festival volunteer sign-up opportunities, which will be posted in the Country Church gathering space beginning on June 10/11 and online beginning June 7.

Here are some of the activities that will be planned for the Festival.

- ⇒ Our **Flea Market** is back and in full force, with **new dates**.
  - ⇒ **Flea Market donations** will be accepted starting **June 14**, with **SALE DATES** on **June 22 through 24**. Look for the expansive new tent, filled with furniture.
- ⇒ **Featured Festival activities** include a new look **Arts & Crafts Show** under their own tent, **Bingo, Classic Car Show, Inflatables, Kid's Games, Knockerball**, a **Cornhole tournament, Kickball, Mushball, Soccer and Free Throw** competitions, a **Vintage Baseball game** and many more treats... along with good food and fellowship.
- ⇒ **Friday Family Theatre Night** at the Festival will feature entertainment by the **Encore Theatre Company** in the Country Church Sanctuary. Vignettes from some of their upcoming performances will be highlighted.
- ⇒ **Saturday** entertainment under the Big Tent will feature the II-V-I Orchestra, Chelsea House Orchestra, Men in Black, and the 60's music tribute band Magic Bus.
- ⇒ **Sunday** Big Tent entertainment wraps up the Festival with the Kielbasa Kings and Beatles tribute band Toppermost.
- ⇒ **Entertainment in the Children's Tent** will include the King's Yomen, who will polish up our YO -YO skills; a Bieder Science hands-on demo; and everyone's favorite, Wildlife Safari. Guinness world record holder Eric the Juggler will amaze us with his skill on the Festival Midway.
- ⇒ And we will **thank GOD** for our blessings by praying our **11 AM Sunday Mass under the Big Tent**.
- ⇒ As in the past, it is the **VOLUNTEER** effort of our entire parish family that makes the Festival possible.

Together, we look forward to welcoming the Dexter community to our front yard this summer and making new friends with fellow parishioners!





### Nurse Honor Guard of Washtenaw County

The Nurse Honor Guard is a service offered to families of deceased nurses. The NHG has been present throughout the country in most states for many years. We recognize and honor the everyday heroes who dedicated their lives to the nursing profession. Upon request, a short nursing tribute is offered for the deceased nurse at their funeral or memorial service. Our mission is to provide comfort to the family of deceased nurses in Washtenaw County with our presence and to make known the value of each nurse who we honor with The Nightingale Tribute. Services are provided free of charge to the family.

A year ago, Gerrie Prochaska, learned about this tribute and wanted to begin servicing our county. With the help of Carol Littleton, a new chapter has been developed with volunteer nurses from our parish and other Washtenaw nurses that wanted to participate in this ministry. We presently have nine members in our chapter and are looking to add nurses to our roster of volunteers, retired or employed. To learn more about this rewarding and memorable tribute, please contact Gerrie Prochaska (734 223-6547) or Carol Littleton (734 255-0389).

### SCOUT BSA TROOP 456 ACTIVITIES



The service activity for this period was the troop's participation in the Spaghetti Dinner Event. The boys cooked, served and cleaned up the area as part of their involvement. Not to be forgotten, they also enjoyed the dinner when their tasks were done. During the evening after the dinner event, the troop had a sleep over in the Disciple House. In the planning for the month of June is a trip to Bruce Trail which is a Canadian national trail system that works its way from outside of Niagara Falls all the way north to the town of Tobermory Ontario, at the tip of the Bruce Peninsula. It traverses both private land and public land and is managed by the Bruce Trail Conservancy. In addition to camping at the various sites on the Bruce Trail, the event will involve hiking about 19 miles over a 4 day period. On 30 April, Bishop Boyea presented Tom Grace (Troop 456 Committee Chair), the St. George Award at St. Mary's Cathedral in Lansing. The National Catholic Committee on Scouting®, awards the St. George emblem to members of the laity and clergy, Scouters and non-Scouters alike, who have made significant and outstanding contributions to the spiritual development of Catholic youth through Scouting. **Congratulations Tom!**

If you are interested in joining the troop as a scout or adult volunteer contact Ron Carpinella (Charter Organization Rep) at 734 426 5734 or Pete Potsos (Scoutmaster) at 734 355 8729.

## We are one body, one body in Christ, and we do not stand alone.

### Welcome to Our New Parishioners

All are welcome in this place.

Dan Williams & Mandi Keener

Andrew Regan

George & Marjorie Kuboff

Lorraine Maudrie

Eric & Melissa Rilko  
Lara, Amelia and Claire

### Baptized into the Family of God

You are God's work of art,  
created in Jesus the Christ.

Adeline Margaret Simon  
Daughter of David & Sarah (Resse) Simon

Quinn Marie Kniebein  
Daughter of Ryan & Erin (Neil) Knierbein

Jacob Gerard Knierbein  
Son of Ryan & Erin (Neil) Knierbein

Own Robert Wright  
Son of Eric & Kelly (Snitchler) Wright

### In Loving Memory

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. And let  
perpetual light shine upon them.*

Derek Cresson

Donald Kruszewski

Jose Ruivo

Nancy Menz

Eric Letke

Alice Ledwidge

Josephine Henderson

Jerome Visel

Doris Calcut



### Do We Have Your Correct Contact Information ?



If you haven't been receiving emails from the Parish Office and find you are missing out on some parish news, ministry schedule announcements, etc., or have you given up your landline, please contact Laura McKenzie at the Parish Office [laura\\_mckenzie@stjos.com](mailto:laura_mckenzie@stjos.com) to confirm that we have your correct email address and phone contact on file.

### Homilies and Bulletins Online

Go to the parish website, [www.stjos.com](http://www.stjos.com), click on the button on the Home page for Bulletins - Chips - Homilies, and click on the weekend homily you'd like to hear! While you are there check out all the upcoming events at St. Joseph! You can also like us on Facebook.

### Parish Emails

Do you receive our weekly Wednesday email? Call or email the parish office to be added to the list. .

## *Dear St. Joseph Parish...*

March 2023

We received your generous \$1,028.09 donation. It means the world to us. Your gift allows us to partner together to continue our mission of providing compassionate and comprehensive services for those in our community who are in real need.

Warmest Regards,

Peg Bravo RN, BSN, MA, President, and CEO

Catholic Social Services

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March 2023

Thank you for the donation of \$1,713.50 from the January Caritas Collection. Your donation to Dexter Family Services continues to help us buy food for the pantry and to continue purchasing the food only cards for clients. The Dexter Food Pantry is now open 5 days a week. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Susan Walsh

Dexter Family Services

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April 2023

We received your generous \$5,640.05 donation for the food pantry, and it means the world to us. Thank you so much. God has blessed us with your partnership and generosity.

Warmly,

Peg Bravo, RN, BSN, MA President & CEO

Catholic Social Services

April 2023

On behalf of those we all serve in the name of Jesus through Family Life Services, thank you for your ongoing support. Parishioners from St. Joseph helped address 600 envelopes, helped organize our Night for Life and attended the evening and supported it with sponsorship and donations. We are grateful for your ministry of life.

God bless you,

Family Life Services Board of Directors

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April 2023

Thank you for the \$5,852 gift to Faith in Action.

This gift allows us to extend a helping hand to families who are struggling with the cost of necessities such as food, housing, and utilities.

Thank you for your support.

In appreciation,

Sarah Shugart

Executive Direction, Faith in Action





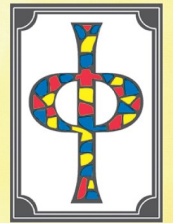
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