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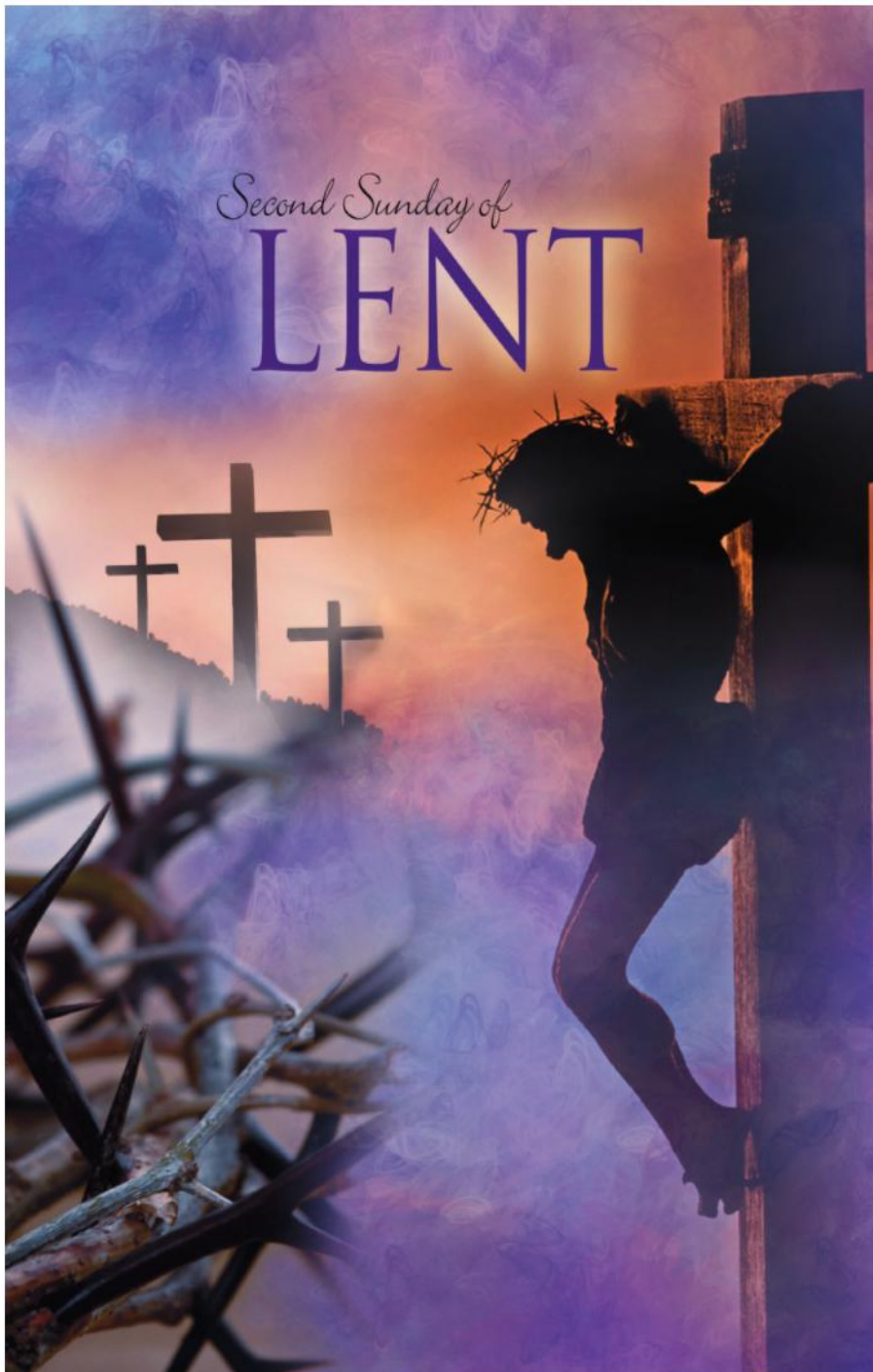
Weekend Mass

Sunday 9 am

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Saturday, March 15

4 pm Confessions (in church) St. Francis
4:30 pm Pray the Rosary St. Francis
5 pm †Earnest & Rosemary Sesselmann by Sesselmann Siblings

Sunday, March 16

9 am †Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wozniak by Family St. Michael
†Irena Walega by the Dzuban Family St. Michael
†Edward, Anna and Ted Maciag by Family St. Michael
11 am †Nancy Schmalzer by the Brash Family St. Francis

Tuesday, March 18

5 pm Confessions St. Michael
6 pm †Charles Anderson by the Piotrowski Family St. Michael

Wednesday, March 19

5 pm Confessions St. Francis
5:30 pm Pray the Rosary St. Francis
6 pm †Molly DeLong by Family St. Francis
†Donna Allen Carrier by Theresa Allen St. Francis
†Larry Flora by Marge Winkler St. Francis

Thursday, March 20

8:30 am Special Intention of the Nielson Family by Peg Nielson
9 am Confessions St. Francis
9 am-6 pm Eucharistic Adoration St. Francis
6 pm Stations of the Cross St. Francis

Friday, March 21

8 am Pray the Rosary St. Michael
8:30 am †Sandy Majeski by Nancy and Ted Gauthier St. Michael
9 am Confessions St. Michael
6 pm Stations of the Cross St. Michael

Saturday, March 22

4 pm Confessions (in church) St. Francis
4:30 pm Pray the Rosary St. Francis
5 pm †Michael VanFossen by Margo VanFossen St. Francis

Sunday, March 23

9 am †Larry Zaremba by Jan and Stasia Gasior St. Michael
†Ted Maciag Family St. Michael
11 am †Donna Allen Carrier by Dad & Mom St. Francis
†John McKendry by family St. Francis

Readings for Week of March 17

Monday: Daniel 9:4b-10 Psalm 79 Luke 6:36-38
Tuesday: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20 Psalm 50 Matthew 23:1-12
Wednesday: Solemnity of St. Joseph 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Psalm 89 Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22 Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Thursday: Jeremiah 17:5-10 Psalm 1 Luke 16:19-31
Friday: Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Psalm 105
Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20 Psalm 103 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Exodus 17:3-7 Psalm 95 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
John 4:5-42

Liturgical Roles

March 22

5pm Mass at St. Francis

Altar Servers

Josh Roznowski, Nancy Rogers, Dan Haggerty
Eucharistic Ministers Team #1
Marge Winkler, CC Cone, Suzette Heeres, Dee Marquart, Patricia O'Toole, Mary Amy Sanocki, Vickie Welbes

Greeters

Tim Gorman

Lectors

Melanie Schroder & Wayne LaPointe

Ushers Team #1

Josh Roznowski, Dan Alvesteffer, Dan Haggerty & Joe Staple

March 23

9am Mass at St. Michael

Altar Servers

Alexya Gutierrez and Ariella Secord

Eucharistic Ministers

Janet Gutierrez and Tom Schmiedeknecht(CH)
Kitty Slasinski and Tim Duba

Lector

Carol Hesling

11am Mass at St. Francis

Altar Servers

Cirner Family

Eucharistic Ministers Team #1

Corey Allard, Steve Anderson, Michael Banka, Ken Council, Vela Cabrera, Hannah Jones, Pam Matthews, Janet Stout, Kathy Vanderwater

Greeters

Goulet Family, Dave & Linda Olejarczyk, Stewart Family, Emily Muskovin

Lectors

Randy Kostrzewa & Dave Alexander

Ushers Team #2

Paul LeRoux, Matt Bosma, John Schneller, Ed, Vince & Neil Szymanski

St. Francis Weekly Offerings

Ash Wednesday - March 5, 2025

Holy Day: \$1,703

March 9, 2025

Contribution Envelopes: \$18,746

Online Giving \$2,440




“Dear in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of His devoted.”
-Psalm 116:15

As a faith community, we grieve together at the loss of our beloved Sister Agnes Mary Wojtkowiak, age 84. Her Funeral was this past Thursday, but was not open to the public due to the guidelines of her religious community. A sincere thank you to those who prayed a rosary for her and participated in our Vigil Service on Tuesday evening. Stay tuned as we will be offering a special Memorial Mass for Sister the end of March. She truly was devoted to the Lord, and He is well pleased to receive her into His eternal Kingdom of joy!

To read her Obituary, please visit this link:
<https://www.grdominicans.org/our-sisters/sister-agnes-mary-wojtkowiak-op/>

~ Rest in Peace ~
Sr. Agnes Mary Wojtkowiak
January 10, 1941 - March 8, 2025

“In difficult times, that's where
we grow the most.” 



Saint Michael the Archangel

Sunday 8:30am Pray the Rosary

Fridays in Lent! 6pm Stations of the Cross!

Happy 100th Birthday to...
Marjorie Bell!

Offertory

March 9, 2025

Sunday offertory: \$4,771

Online giving: \$850

St. Michael's Prayer Line

Audrey Adamczak (231) 759-8164

Marlene Evans (231) 670-6149



**EMHC Training, March 29,
10:00 AM, St. Patrick's Church**

As part of the Eucharistic Revival, all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are expected to be trained in updated diocesan norms for ministry. This is an opportunity to renew and revitalize their ministry and become closer to Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

If you are currently an EMHC, have done so in the past, or have always considered becoming one, please come to one of the diocesan training sessions. Aaron Sanders, Director of Worship for the Diocese of Grand Rapids, will lead the training.

**Join us for a training session on March 29 at 10:00 AM at
St. Patrick's Church, 920 Fulton St. in Grand Haven.**

Call St. Francis de Sales or St. Patrick's parish
offices to get registered!*

*if you have a Eucharistic Minister Card dated April
2023 or after and signed by Fr. Steve you do not need
this training.

Lenten Stations & Soup Suppers

Thursdays during Lent at 6pm! Stations of the Cross in the Marian Chapel followed by soup in Shepherds Hall!

**Bringing a soup to share is encouraged but not required!*

March 20, 27 April 3, 10

Pray the Rosary daily!
**We continue to pray for our priests
and for religious vocations**

St. Michael the Archangel
Friday 8 am
Sunday 8:30 am

St. Francis de Sales
Wednesday 5:30 pm
Saturday 4:30 pm

St. Francis de Sales Calendar of Events

Monday, March 17

10am Mary Monday Rosary Marian Chapel
 6pm That Man is YOU! Conf. Room 3

Tuesday, March 18

9am Women's Guild Guild Room
 10am Bible Study Conf. Room 3
 5:30pm Y Healthy Weight Class Conf. Room 5/Wilma Hall

Wednesday, March 19

7pm Relate - Bible Study Youth Room

Thursday, March 20

9am TOPS Conf. Room 3
 5pm Faith Formation: Grades PreK-K Atrium
 6:30pm Faith Formation: Grades PreK-5 Classrooms
 6:30pm Lent Soup Suppers Shepherds Hall

Saturday, March 22

9am Men's Faith & Fellowship Conf. Room 3

Sunday, March 23

12:15pm OCIA Conf. Room 3
 12:15pm Sunday Social Shepherd's Hall
 7pm High School Youth Group Youth Room

Faith Formation

St Francis & St Michael

Middle & High School Youth Groups

- Sundays - 7:00-8:30pm
- In the St Francis youth room
- See website for complete schedule

1st - 5th Grades

- Thursdays - 6:30-8pm
- See website for complete schedule

3 yrs - Kindergarten

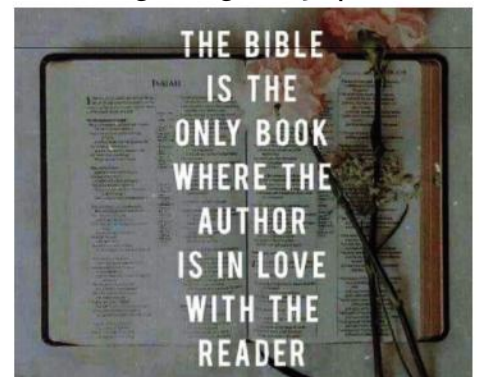
- Thursdays 5-6pm OR 6:30-8pm
- See website for complete schedule

Adults

- Relate Group - for 18+
- Next Group
 - 3/19 Bible Study at 7pm
 - In youth room
- See website for complete schedule

That Man is YOU!

Facilitator: Pat McKeown
Mondays at 6:00pm with
 Video and Discussion
 beginning at 6:30pm.



Adoration Volunteer

We are looking for someone to assist with scheduling 2-3 times per year, assisting with subs, and closing Adoration on Thursdays. This task will be done as a team (there will be 2+ volunteers leading the tasks)

If you'd like to know more contact Liorah

OCIA Schedule

St. Francis & St Michael

March 16th: No Session
 March 23rd: Social Justice
 March 30: Medical Ethics
 Contact Liorah Marianos if you have questions

Ministries looking for Volunteers!

Ushers, Cantors, Adoration Scheduler, and Greeters

If you'd like to know more about any of these ministries, contact Liorah

Tuesday Bible Study

Please join us as we study The Acts of the Apostles and Evangelization. Starting Tuesday, March 18th 10-11:30am for 8 weeks. There will be a video presentation and discussion after. Please join us. All are welcome.

Men's Faith & Fellowship

Facilitator: Mark Schrier
 Join us **Saturday mornings at 9am** and enjoy refreshments & fellowship as we discuss "Epic: History of the Catholic Church".

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 Cathleen Dubault
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 Jim Geisler
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 Marleah Kooi
 Alice Kujawski
 Pat Linck
 Kristine Masters
 Jim Mastee
 Jerry McKenzie
 Paul Medenbach
 Rhonda Leonard-Nathan
 Phyllis Oza
 Theresa Panzero
 Sue Paquin
 Veronica Rush
 Emily Ruud
 Jim Sowa

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*Due to HIPAA laws, only names that have been given to the parish by an individual or family member can be printed in the bulletin.



Welcome St. Francis' New Music Ministry Director, Ellen McCarl

Some of you may already know me, or know of me, but to those I haven't met yet... I look forward to getting to know you.

I was privileged many years ago to serve as the Director of Music Ministry at St. Francis de Sales and feel more than blessed to be called "home" to serve once again.

It is my hope to re-establish a strong ministry once again and am calling on you for your help as we look to the future of this vital ministry with this exciting, and ever changing, parish community of St. Francis de Sales. **A meeting is planned with me for Thursday, March 27, in the choir rehearsal room beginning at 7:00 pm to discuss and plan moving forward together.**

I look forward to seeing you, meeting you, and hearing from you.

He who sings prays twice!!

Ellen McCarl
 Director of Music Ministry, St Francis de Sales Parish



R.I.P. Sr. Agnes Mary Wojtkowiak

We pray for the repose of the soul of Sr. Agnes Mary. With her passing on March 8, 2025, she will be missed by the parishioners she faithfully served for 40 years.

Sr. Agnes Mary entered the Dominican Order in 1958. She taught in several Catholic schools in Michigan before arriving at St. Michael the Archangel in 1983. There her ministry expanded beyond children to "the many families and older parishioners who often need the friendship, emotional and spiritual support, and prayers" that she could provide.



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