# 2ND SUNDAY OF DVENT



#### December 10, 2017 Second Sunday of Advent

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

Located in the heart of the City of Lansing, the Church of the Resurrection exists to help everyone in our parish family live in the light and hope of the Resurrection. Encouraged by our experience of God's love, we help others come to know and love Jesus in a personal way. Guided by God's truth, we offer answers to life's real challenges. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we help each other become mature disciples of Christ who will utilize our gifts to spread the Good News of Jesus in word and deed. сниксн 1505 E. Michigan Avenue Lansing, MI 48912

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"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." Mark 1:3

## **RESURRECTION DAILY LITURGIES**

Saturday December 9, 2017 8:15am Robert Lorenz—Jim 5:00pm Int Frank Courter- Chuck & Roberta Lott

#### Sunday December 10, 2017 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00am Ryan Garrison—Grandpa
11:00am For the Parish
5:30pm Tomic Milko, Tomic Vere, Jankovic Zrinka, Tomic Zeljka—Tomic Zoran Family
7:00pm Vespers

Monday December 11, 2017 8:15am Lois LaViolette—Resurrection Parish & School

Tuesday December 12, 2017 Our Lady of Guadalupe 8:15am Bilingual School Mass



6:15pm Perpetual Help Devotion 6:30pm Gary & Marilyn Gifford—Family 7-8:00pm Confession/Holy Hour

Wednesday December 13, 2017 8:15am Robert Lorenz—Family

Thursday December 14, 2017 8:15am Charles Saba—Kathy Saba 7:00pm-8:00pm Men's Evening of Adoration

Friday December 15, 2017 8:15am Jerry McKouen—David & Sandra Dunham 9:00am-8:00pm Adoration 7-8:00pm Confession/ No Holy Hour

Saturday December 16, 2017 8:15am Alison Daniels—Mom & Dad 9:00am-10:00am Confessions 5:00pm Patricia Kegle Browne—Julie Grescowle

#### Sunday December 17, 2017

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:00am Jack & Anna Marie Spalding—Family 11:00am Adrian Papa—Zandi Papa 5:30pm For the Parish 7:00pm Vespers

#### Readings for the Week of December 10, 2017

Sunday	Second Sunday of Advent		
	Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk		
	1:1-8		
Monday	Saint Damasus I, Pope		
	Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26		
Tuesday	Our Lady of Guadalupe		
	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jud 13:18bcde,		
	19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47		
Wednesday	Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr		
	Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; Mt 11:28-30		
Thursday	Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church		
	Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; Mt 11:11-15		
Friday	Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Mt 11:16-19		
Saturday	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt		
	17:9a, 10-13		
Sunday	Third Sunday of Advent		
	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-		
	24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28		



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

#### Our deceased: Rosanne Gross

Our sick: Pat Koenigsknecht, John Haslem, Damien DeWitt, Tom Lenhardt, Judith Xanders, Dan & Vickie Olivett, Elia Paget, Charles Wiegand, Mari Beth Quinn, Geraldine Radke, John Buchel, Andrea Payne, Linda Grisson, Dave Metzger, Brenda Wohlscheid, Trinidad Regal, Joel Rivera, Antoinette Redmond, Verina Wilhelm, Olga Creaser, Michael Walker, Gary Gurski, James Vincent, Gabriel Radke, our parish family including our homebound and those in nursing homes.

#### Our military personnel:

Chris Riley, Parris Island, S.C., Marines Kaleilani Kalahiki, Medical, Army Capt. Connor Caples, MD Travis AFB, CA Lt. Chris White, Washington, D.C. Erick Martinez, Afghanistan Anthony Sevenski, Navy David Hanosh Suarez, Marines

#### **ROSARIES PRAYED FOR PEACE:**

49,475 Total number Rosaries prayed. Tally sheets are available at the East Entrances of Church

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

May hearts prepare room for the Coming of the Lord. Please join this devotion to Our Blessed Mother, call Diane Woods: 482.0447

#### PARISH INTENTION FOR DECEMBER:

For the return of non practicing Catholics; that all obstacles that prevent those who have left the faith be removed.

We invite parishioners to fast on Tuesdays for this intention, consider joining us for Mass that evening at 6:30pm, when we will include the particular intention in the prayers of the faithful.



**Sat, Dec 9:** Aaron Wissner, Barbara Dunneback

**Sun, Dec 10:** Bernadette Mattson, Dan Dowsett, Jon Paget

Mon, Dec 11: Alex Niyongabo, Fred

Moreau, Gloria Sauceda, Linda Frederickson

Tues, Dec 12:

Wed, Dec 13: Danielle Brown, Janet Courter, Jason

DeLamielleure, Katelyn Janke, Phil Sidoti, Suzanne Laurion

Thurs, Dec 14: Helen Belisle, Larry Mourey, Peter Muniz, Sarah Corgan

Fri, Dec 15: Bill Richardson, Pat Nischan

Sat, Dec 16:

Sun, Dec 17: Anthony Earley, Deborah Ambrose, Marijo Wohlfert

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#### SACRAMENTAL LIFE & WORKS OF MERCY

**Marriage Prep:** Arrangements must be made at least 9 months in advance; please call the parish office.

**Infant Baptism:** Call the parish office or www.corlansing.org, to register.

**Confession**: Mon & Wed—Sat 7:45am; Tues & Fri 7:00pm and Saturday-9:00-10:00am

Daily Rosary: Mon & Wed- Fri 7:45am

Perpetual Help Devotion: Tuesdays 6:15pm

**St Joseph Devotion:** 1st Wednesdays 6:30am Rosary; 7:00am Mass

**St. Monica Sodality**: 2nd Saturdays 7:45am Rosary, 8:15am Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet following

**Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Mon— Fri 3:00pm, Holy Family Chapel, 1601 E Grand River Ave.

**St Vincent dePaul Society:** 1601 E. Grand River; 517-371-4380. Mon & Fri 10-11am and Wed 1-3pm **St Vincent dePaul Parish Food Collection:** Toilet paper, toothpaste, bar soap, laundry soap and dish soap.

**St Joseph the Worker Guild:** An opportunity for men and women to voluntarily offer their skills and talents to doing a variety of small jobs around the parish. <u>Meets</u> <u>Tuesdays 9:00am in the Parish Hall Conference Room.</u> Come once or come often. Contact: Cindi 485-5886; curriecindi@aol.com

**Project Rachel Helpline:** There is help after an abortion. If you or someone you know is hurting from an abortion, call the Project Rachel Helpline 517-993-0291. All calls are confidential.

**Unplanned pregnancy:** Contact Pregnancy Services of Greater Lansing 332-0633 or Shared Pregnancy 484-0365

**Drug or Alcohol Problems:** www.dioceseoflansing.org/ content/bishops-council-alcohol-and-other-drugs. Information is provided on all types of substance abuse with websites. There is also a list of all parish reps and phone numbers. For help or referrals call 517-342-2471.

**Visitation of the Sick:** If you know someone who is ill at home or in a nursing home and would like to receive communion please contact the parish office.

**Low Gluten Hosts-**Please let the priest or sacristan know prior to Mass if you require a low gluten host. During Mass you will need to come to the priest in the center aisle.

**REGISTRATION:** We invite you to become a member of our parish. If you are new to the area and would like to register please stop at the parish office: 1514 E. Michigan Ave, or visit our website www.corlansing.org. If you are currently a registered member and would like to update your information, please contact the office 517-482-4749.

# Please arrive <u>20 minutes</u> before Mass and sign in

## December 16 - 17: Third Sunday of Advent

	Extraordinary Minister	Reader	Altar Server	
Saturday, 5:00 PM	B. Stevenson NOT FILLED	B. Amburn J. Schutz	B. Amburn A. Amburn V. Amburn	
Sunday, 9:00 AM	J. DeWitt B. Fink	K. Darga S. DeVries	M. Wittgens P. Gulock J. Gulock J. Gulock C. McDonald	
Sunday, 11:00 AM	M. Harcus R. Pate M. Pate	R. Tombelli D. Webb	D. Bloomfield C. Abbott B. Abbott Q. Abbott M. Abbott	
Sunday, 5:30 PM	J. Kanclerz NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	M. LeTarte S. Kelley J. Lavagnino	

# COFFEE / DONUTS / CAFÉ & SCRIP SALES:

Scrip-Thursday Dec 14th, 3:00-5:30pm; Sunday Dec 17th after 9 & 11am Masses (sales will resume in January)

Coffee/Donuts & Café-Dec 17 & 31 Sunday after 9 & 11am Masses

# All events in Mercy Hall

**Each month the parish designates** an Organization of the Month to donate 7% of our Sunday and Holy Day tithing. If you would like to donate directly to this charity, make your checks out in their name and we will forward to them.

#### December 2017 donation will be split between: Shared Pregnancy, Pregnancy Services & Hannah's House

Send Bulletin submissions to: **bulletin@corlansing.org** by Monday 3pm prior to publication.

# PLEASE NOTE HOLIDAY DEADLINES ~NO EXCEPTIONS~ Dec 11 deadline for Dec 17 & 24

Dec 18 deadline for Dec 31 Jan 1 deadline for Jan 7

### A MESSAGE FROM FR. STEVE

#### "Catholics Come Home"

Beginning this past Wednesday, you may have seen ads inviting viewers to "come home" to the Catholic Church. This is part of a diocesan effort to invite loved ones and friends to return (or come for the first time) to the Catholic Church. Please keep praying for your loved ones and friends who have left the Church, and consider ways that you might invite them to join you for Mass or another parish/school event. One of the most important things we can do in this holy season is bear witness in our lives to our faith, and to share our joy with others. Your friends and family are more likely to respond to your invitation than to an ad on TV, but this ad campaign give us, in a sense, "permission" to invite them to "come home."

#### **Healing Encounter**

One regular opportunity for us to invite people to "come home" is our bi-monthly "Healing Encounter." For a while now, every second Saturday of *even* months (December February, April, etc.), we have been offering an evening of praise, adoration, and prayers for healing. Consider joining us (and inviting someone to come along with you) this Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. We will meet in the church at 7:00 p.m. and spend a couple of hours in the presence of the Lord. Each Encounter, we take time to pray, worship, and entreat Jesus to heal us. (If you have a candle that you've used before for the "Burning Bush," bring that with you. If you don't yet have a candle, come anyway. They will be available that evening.)

#### **Dangers of Devices**

Last week, I preached once again on the dangers of devices, and offered a strong invitation/exhortation/ encouragement to pull back from devices during Advent. This was a special Advent invitation, and I sense the Lord inviting all of us to create a space of "silence" in our hearts and homes. In my homily, which is available on our website (corlansing.org), I bore testimony to the increased freedom I have experienced that resulted from pulling significantly back from devices in my life. Though I don't think the Lord requires this of anyone, it has been really powerful for me.

#### Amusing Ourselves to Death

In my homily, I quoted from Neil Postman's 1985 Amusing Ourselves to Death, which outlined the dangers he believed TV posed for our culture and our lives. As I read the book, this excerpt was the most sobering for me: What [Aldous] Huxley teaches is that in the age of advanced technology, spiritual devastation is more likely to come from an enemy with a smiling face than from one whose countenance exudes suspicion and hate. In the Huxleyan prophecy, Big Brother does not watch us, by his choice. We watch him, by ours. We are all very much aware that devices are often used to pacify/entertain/ excite/satisfy ourselves and/or to do the same for others. Please note that I am not saying that devices are *intrinsically evil*. All technologies can be used for good or for evil. Nevertheless, I am convinced that devices often "rule" our lives as masters, rather than as servants. As I have said repeatedly, I am most concerned about how View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com

devices will affect the hearts, and minds of children.

#### Lumen Veritatis

This coming Saturday evening (December 16), Jim Owens will give our next *Lumen V eritatis* lecture, which is very timely in light of my homily last weekend. The lecture is entitled, "Neuroplasticity, Neurogenesis, & Human Flourishing." *Beginning with a discussion of how the brain establishes and develops neural pathways, Mr. Owens will provide principles by which each of us can pursue lives of true human flourishing. He will touch upon issues related to addiction, the dangerous effects of technology saturation (especially in young people), and the relationship between the development of virtue and neurological health.* The evening begins at 7:00 p.m. at the Lansing Catholic High School Auditorium with food, drinks, and fellowship. The talk will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be followed by questions and answers. Please plan to join us. And bring a friend.

# *The Power of Silence: Against the Dictatorship of Noise*

The other book I quoted from last week was Cardinal Robert Sarah's book on silence. It is very much worth a read, especially in this holy season. I offer here the excerpt from the book that I read at the 11:00 & 5:30 Masses:

...From morning to evening, from evening to morning, silence no longer has any place at all; the noise tries to prevent God himself from speaking. In this hell of noise, man disintegrates and is lost; he is broken up into countless worries, fantasies, and fears. In order to get out of these depressing tunnels, he desperately awaits noise so that it will bring him a few consolations. Noise is a deceptive, addictive, and false tranquilizer. <u>The tragedy of our world is never better summed up than in</u> the fury of senseless noise that stubbornly hates silence. This age detests the things that silence brings us to: encounter, wonder, and kneeling before God.

...In killing silence, man assassinates God. But who will help man to be quiet? His mobile phone is continually ringing; his fingers and mind are always busy sending messages.... Developing a taste for prayer is probably the first and foremost battle of our age. Stationed in garrisons of the most pitiful noises, is man prepared to return to silence? The death of silence is apparent. God will always help us to rediscover it.

As I concluded my reading of this quote, I added to the final part of the quote (*God will always help us to rediscover it* . . . ) "<u>if we let Him</u>." Let's let Him!

May we all enter into silence and hear the still small voice of God this Advent,

Father Steve

# THIS WEEKEND

# THE ST VINCENT DE

PAUL SOCIETY will be collecting wrapped toys for their Christmas baskets on the <u>Second Sunday of Advent (Dec 9 & 10)</u>. Please bring your wrapped gift, marked with age and for boy or girl, to Mass.

Please note that these are for children, if you'd like to donate for a 13-17 year old, you are encouraged to take an envelope from the Angel Tree.

Thank you for your continued support!

### CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE- As we pre-

pare for the birth of Christ during this Advent season, let us remember those less fortunate. The Altar Society and Knights of Columbus, in conjunction with the St. Vincent De Paul Society, are sponsoring a Christmas Giving Tree located in the vestibule.



Envelopes are available on the tree to be used for gift cards for area teens whose families are in need. Place a gift card (s) (fast food places or stores for teens) in one of the envelopes and put it in the collection basket, or drop it off at the office. The St. Vincent DePaul Society will include these contributions with the Christmas gift baskets they assemble.

# TOMORROW

**The deadline to donate the gift cards is Monday, December 11.** This does not replace the toy collection that the St. Vincent De Paul Society sponsors every year, but rather supplements it so that those 13 – 17 years of age may also experience your loving generosity.

# **MEN'S EVENING OF ADORATION**

Thursday December 14th 7-8pm in Church, with fellowship followed in Mercy Hall



Attention Bridge Players: We will play this Wednesday, December 13th at 1pm, Parish Hall. Contact Gary and Laura Langdon if you would like to play, 517-484-1812.



# YOUTH NEWS

An early reminder that a limited number of **<u>Steubenville</u>** spots are available for Jun 29-Jul 1, 2018.

RESURRECTION

Please contact Jay Jong at jjong@corlansing.org to reserve your spot or for more information.

For more information on Youth Group events join:

http://www.facebook.com/groups/catholicyouthlansing



# **NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS**

#### **DECEMBER ACTIVITIES:**

Council Meeting	<i>December 11</i> Mercy Hall at 7:30 pm Rosary in Church at 7:00 pm
Officers Meeting	<i>December 27</i> Mercy Hall at 7:00 pm
Knights Night	<i>December 28</i> Mercy Hall from 6:00 pm- 8:30 pm

Keep Christ in Christmas cards will be available for purchase in Mercy Hall after the 9 am and 11 am masses through December 17.

Please check out the council website: www.kofc11099.org

## THE PARISH LIBRARY

Thank You to everyone who generously donated books and films this year to make our library vibrant and enriching. *'tis the Season* to explore and enjoy the library's large selection of Family-Friendly books and Christmas films to enrich the holiday break. **But, Please,** limit your film selections to THREE at a time and have them back in **7 days** so others can enjoy them too!

Have a Blessed Advent and Christmas

# LCHS – Application Information

Application information has been mailed to 8th graders who are currently enrolled at one of the Lansing area Catholic schools. If you have an 8th grader who does not attend a Catholic school, but would like to receive application information, please contact Lansing Catholic's Admissions Office at admissions@lansingcatholic.org or 517-267-2102 to be added to the mailing list.

MANY HANDS FOR CHRIST needed after Hurricane Irma hit the *Mary Help of Christian Center* in Tampa, Florida. St Therese Parish is organizing a trip to help with several DIY and construction projects. Volunteers (including a cook!) are still needed to help Feb. 11th through Feb. 15th. Please contact Gudrun Cruz at 517-886-4998 for more info.

#### **St. Nicholas Bake sale fundraiser** Saturday, Dec 9th from 9am to 7pm Sunday, Dec 10th from 10am to 2pm Mercy Hall (127 Rumsey Ave)

We hope to see you there! Proceeds from the St. Nicholas Bake Sale will be divided between our Church and School.



# HELP IN THE HOME

Do you have an interest in using your craftsman abilities assisting CofR parishioners and residents within the parish boundaries? We are investigating a new ministry that would reach out to folks who do not have the physical capability or the mechanical ability to make minor, but important, repairs to their residence. Our initial thoughts are things such as changing lightbulbs or lighting fixtures, making minor plumbing repairs such as leaky faucets, doing light handyman work, such as fixing or installing handrails, and painting projects.

We have yet to formalize the organization and duties of the group, and if you have an interest your input and participation would be appreciated. Please prayerfully consider helping us in this important work.

**Contact Liz** at loneill@corlansing.org and put *Help in the Home* in the subject line of the email. Or call the parish office.

FRUIT SALE ORDER will be available for pick up
Dec 9th following the 5pm Mass,
Dec 10th following the 9am & 11am Masses.
Weekday pick Dec 11-14, 3pm-5pm.
All orders need to be picked up at the Loading Dock of

Mercy Hall Parking Lot (behind elementary school).

The Doc Egan Children's Christmas Party will take place <u>Saturday Dec 16th</u> from 1-3pm at the Knights of Columbus #788 Hall,5300 N Grand River Ave, Lansing. Enjoy the readings of a Christmas Story, games, snacks, gifts and a visit from Santa. Everyone is invited.

Merry Christmas from the Lansing Assembly #3334 Knights of Columbus

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#### Volunteers needed-Angel Tree Ministry

Deliver Christmas gifts to the children of incarcerated persons **Saturday**, **December 16**, starting at the Diocese at 12:00pm. Grab a partner or create a team and join us in bringing joy to the kids!

If we can get 15 or more teams we could each reach about 6-9 homes. If you are interested or would like to be placed in a team contact: Diane Arzberger, Dept. of Evangelization & Lay Formation, Diocese of Lansing at 517-342-2465

**SAVE THE DATE –**February 3-4, 2018

Living In Love retreat for married couples. For more info contact Craig & Jenn Galer (487-5244 / 648-3664; <u>ckgaler@gmail.com</u>) or Richard & Stephanie Imgrund (485-1920; <u>rimgrund@comcast.net</u>) or visit the Living In Love website (livinginlove.org; click on 'Upcoming Events'). You don't want to miss this!



The Dominican Sisters of Mary have released a new Christmas album entitled Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring: Christmas with The Dominican Sisters of Mary. The CD can be purchased from the Sisters' website SistersofMary.org or on Amazon.

### SAVE THE DATE: April 18, 2018, 11:00am

Persons with Special Needs are invited to celebrate Mass with Bishop Boyea at St Mary Cathedral. A luncheon reception will follow.

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# Advent & Christmas Schedule

# **Confession Schedule**

**Regional Penance Service** ~ Sunday Dec 11th, 2:00pm, St Thomas Aquinas and St Gerard Parish Church of the Resurrection ~ Dec 18th-23rd

> Monday~7:45am Tuesday~7:00pm-8:00pm Wednesday~7:45am

Thursday~7:45am Friday~7:45am & 7:00pm-8:00pm Saturday~7:45am & 9:00am-10:00am

# Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Dec 23~Vigil 5:00pm; Sunday Dec 24th~9am & 11am Saturday Dec 30th~Vigil 5:00pm; Sunday Dec 31st~9:00am & 11:00am

**Christmas Mass Schedule** 

Sunday Dec 24th Vigil~5:30pm & Midnight Mass with Musical Prelude at 11:30pm Monday Dec 25th Nativity of the Lord~9:00am & 11:00am

# January 1, 2018, Monday Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Sunday Dec 31st~5:30pm & 10:30pm Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction at Midnight Monday Jan 1st~10:00am



