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**February 21, 2021
First Sunday of Lent**

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.

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Mon-Thurs 8:00-12:00 & 12:30-4:30
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Saturday February 20, 2021**8:15am** Bob Slanker—Res Staff**5:00pm** Rita Brink—Mickie Kreft**6:30pm** Vespers**Sunday February 21, 2021****First Sunday of Lent****8:00am** Special intention of Joy Reader—
Don & Carolyn Radke**9:30am** For the Parish**11:30am** Piscatelli & Gray Families—
Stephanie Murdoch**6:30pm** Vespers**Tuesday February 23, 2021****6:15pm** Perpetual Help Devotion**6:30pm** For our host daughter, Rie,
from Japan—Jarl & Pat Nischan**7:00pm-8:00pm** Confession/Holy Hour**Wednesday February 24, 2021****8:15am** Fr. Charles E. Irvin**Thursday February 25, 2021****8:15am** William Roy Sprague--Family**Friday February 26, 2021****8:15am** Elna Mattson Masek--Family**6:30pm** Stations of the Cross**10:00am-8:00pm** Adoration**7:00pm-8:00pm** Confession/Holy Hour**Saturday February 27, 2021****8:15am** Int. Members of St. Monica
Sodality—Celeste Paget**5:00pm** Int. Kyle Blossey—Joseph &
Elaine Reynolds**6:30pm** Vespers**Sunday February 28, 2021****Second Sunday of Lent****8:00am** For the Parish**9:30am** Katie Bartold—Family**11:30am** James Vincent—Michelle &
Audrey Tavakoli**6:30pm** Vespers**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:****Our deceased:** Bill Savage, Dillard Garrison, Judy Fox**Our sick:** Gloria Arens, Tom Fox, Jim Garvie, Frank Courter, Mike Gillenkirk, Gabe Radke, and parish family including our homebound and those in nursing homes.**Our military personnel:**2nd Lt. Thomas A. Braga-Henebry, TX
Tom Baldwin, Fort Benning, GA
Chris Riley, Ft Worth, TX, 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
Cody Eitrem, Navy**ROSARIES PRAYED FOR PEACE:**

60,830 Total number Rosaries prayed. Tally sheets are available at the East Entrances of Church

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION FOR FEBRUARYFor those away from the Catholic Church, to return in joy.
*Please join this devotion to Our Blessed Mother.***PARISH INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY**

For racial healing of our land.

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.

Saturday, February 20: Jacob Johnson, Zackary Stone
Sunday, February 21: Marc Hemingway, Magdalena Wetmore, Constance Conley, Jill, Denning, Eileen Fischette, Vanja Tomic, Logan Marcus
Monday, February 22: James Divietri, Rosie Gomez, Kathryn Stevenson
Tuesday, February 23: Terry McDowell, Rosemary Buhl, James Clifford
Wednesday, February 24: Tony Duda, Azelie Dion, Ike Iyioko, Adrienne Wells, Don Radke, Amy McKenna
Thursday, February 25: Alex Gomez, Janice Harvey
Friday, February 26: Tom Small, Amber Gibson, Jill Jacobs, Rita Michaels, Susie Sambaer, Lauren Moreau, Jared Cairns, Derrek Ruddock
Saturday, February 27: Lionel Loutz, Elaine Riley, Anna DeLamielleure, Barbara Haslem
Sunday, February 28: Katie Bartold, Joseph Sambaer

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & WORKS OF MERCY

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

Infant Baptism: To register, fill out the Baptism Request Form at www.corlansing.org.

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

Daily Rosary: Wed-Sat 7:45am

Perpetual Help Devotion: Tuesdays 6:15pm

St. Monica Sodality: 2nd Saturdays 7:45am Rosary, 8:15am Mass

St Vincent dePaul Society: 1454 E. Michigan Ave; 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.

Knights of Columbus Council 11099: Grand Knight Russell Pate, www.corlansing.org/ministries

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 517-332-0633 or Shared Pregnancy 517-484-0365

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-During Mass you will need to come to the priest in the center aisle where he has a separate pyx with low gluten host available.

Registration: If you are new to the area or would like to register please stop at the parish office: 1514 E. Michigan Ave, or website www.corlansing.org. If you are currently a registered member and would like to update your info please contact the office 517-482-4749.

Please arrive **20 minutes** before Mass and sign in

Feb. 27-28: Second Sunday of Lent

	Extraordinary Minister	Reader
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Brady Stevenson Diana Repichowski	Joseph Reynolds Joanne Schutz
Sunday, 8:00 AM	Alexander Beirlant Beth Riley	Jacob Allstott John Day
Sunday, 9:30 AM	Bill Richardson Joe DeWitt	Fred Christopherson Edward Rivet
Sunday, 11:30 AM	Jesse Flores Elaine Jones	Ken Darga Jason Venema

Attention Altar Servers:

We welcome any trained Altar Server to please come by the Sacristy to volunteer during our Sunday masses.

Readings for the Week of February 21, 2021

Sunday	First Sunday of Lent Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15
Monday	Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday	Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday	Second Sunday of Lent Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116: 10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Love, Truth & Authentic Happiness: A new policy on the Human Person and Gender Dysphoria

On January 15, 2021, the Diocese of Lansing promulgated a new policy addressing timely concerns regarding gender dysphoria and the ways Catholic parishes and schools are being asked to respond to concerns of those who experience gender dysphoria and their families. I invite everyone to go to the diocesan website (www.dioceseoflansing.org/news/love-truth-authentic-happiness-new-policy-human-person-and-gender-dysphoria) to get the theological background for the policy as well as to view a very helpful podcast addressing the policy. We will link to the policy and the background information on our website. Here is a very brief snapshot of the purpose of the policy, which is based on our Catholic Christian understanding of the way that God made us in our goodness as human beings.

In order to create an environment that upholds the truth of human anthropology while also offering authentic pastoral support to those suffering with gender dysphoria, the new Diocese of Lansing policy requires that all Catholic parishes, schools, institutions, charities agencies, and other agencies respect the biological sex of the human person as given by God and, thus, apply all policies and procedures in relation to that person according to that person's God-given biological sex.

I am grateful for the excellent work Bishop Boyea and the diocesan staff have done to develop this policy and its explanatory materials. We are all aware that in 2021, the stance that this policy takes, like the Church's stance on homosexual acts, is anything but "politically correct." It is abundantly clear that the culture rejects the Christian understanding of the human person, which is regrettable, since the Christian view of the human person accords very well—perfectly, in fact—with biological science.

Wanting to Show Love

At the same time, we must be very mindful of our responsibility to love those who experience gender dysphoria. Our challenge is to discern how best to show love when someone experiences things like gender dysphoria. For understandable reasons, some people can be tempted to privilege the feelings of those who experience gender dysphoria over their biological sex, as if the latter were something socially constructed. In this sense,

responses from friends and family (or other professionals) can be guided more by sentiment than by truth. Naturally, many family members and friends desire to be supportive of those with gender dysphoria and they want to alleviate the pain of a loved-one or friend who is dealing with this. Such an impulse to be supportive is both understandable, and, as far as it goes, good.

True Love and the True Good

Nevertheless, as the policy makes clear, love must accord with the truth, and be guided by it. Another way of saying that is to say that *only what is true is truly loving*. In this painful situation, it seems important to recall that all of us can, at least at times, believe things that are not true, even about ourselves. What that means is that *insistent, consistent, persistent* beliefs can be wrong. The key to loving well is to help each other come to know the truth about ourselves, beginning with the truth that we are loved and lovable, beloved sons or daughters of our heavenly Father. May we all live in love and show true love to others, especially those who are struggling the most.

Let's Talk

Some of you may disagree with the policy and with these words of mine. I understand, and readily extend an invitation to talk together about the policy, whether your concerns center on your own experience, those of your loved one(s), or the growing number of children and adults who experience gender dysphoria. The call from the Lord, as I see it, is to speak the truth in love, which is my goal. May we all be guided by love in this regard. As St. Thomas Aquinas famously said, "love is the effective willing of the true good of the other." That's my goal, and I believe it is the goal of our bishop and his staff as well.

With love for all God's children,

Father Steve

Looking for a special alms giving intention for Lent? The Resurrection St. Vincent DePaul society invites you to consider donating personal needs items for their clients. Items such as: shampoo & conditioner, body wash, bar soap, toothpaste & tooth brushes, hand soap, toilet paper, tissue, feminine hygiene products, dish soap, and laundry detergent, are often requested, but available in extremely limited amounts. All size containers welcome, from travel sizes to family packs. **Drop your donations to bins near the entrances of the main church.**

Thank you!!

Fiji Cyclone Relief Collection

Bishop Boyea has received a request for a special collection from two priests currently serving the Diocese of Lansing.

Fr. Kusi Cobona, The Catholic Community of Saints James, Cornelius and Cyprian, and Fr. Leronio Vodivodi, Holy Family, Grand Blanc, who hail from Fiji, have requested this special collection on behalf of their devastated families and for the tens of thousands of Fijians who have encountered 3 back-to-back cyclones recently. "The damages are like the flooding and destruction of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. Many homes were blown away by the first cyclone, crops were damaged. The next two brought in so much rain that caused so many floods in places that had never been flooded before."

Specifically, they are looking for donations to help the parish of St. Martin de Porres, Lakeba Island, Fiji. "Our Parish is still recovering as we have completely lost our Parish hall, with damaged to the Church, Presbytery, dining hall and the old Sr's convent, resiliently we are managing with limited resources financially and physically as we are able to improvise with what we have at hand. I hope and pray you will be able to respond with love to the cries of our people in Fiji." Peni Vula Vanua

The fund "Fiji 3 Cyclone Relief" is set up to become Active on Thursday, February 18th and remain open in Give until Monday, March 8th. Donors can also write a check to Church of the Resurrection with "Fiji 3 Cyclone Relief" in the memo.

Thank You.



Planning Meeting - An online virtual Zoom meeting.

Monday, March 1, 2021. Knight John Gordon to provide meeting link.

All Members welcomed to attend.

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Must use Online Code for payment: MCGIVNEY2020 at: www.kofc.org/joinus

Full details online at above website.

Planning a Membership Drive after the 9:30 and 11:30 AM Masses.

To Be Announced. (Feb or March)

Need Members to form an Exemplification Ceremony Team.

Future Ceremonies to be performed in Church after the Weekend Mass.

Or in the Parish Hall when available. A couple times a year.

The Knights Council is still accepting monetary donations to provide continued

support for our four (4) Seminarians currently enrolled in a Seminary in Michigan.

or in another state. (Minnesota) Parish Office or Collection Box.

Officer nominations to start at May 2021 Members Meeting.



LCHS – Application Information

Lansing Catholic High School is now accepting online applications for next school year. Visit LCHS's website for details: lansingcatholic.org. If you have questions about admissions at Lansing Catholic High School please contact the admissions office at 517-267-2158 or admissions@lansingcatholic.org.

Tuition Assistance at LCHS

All families who would like to be considered for the maximum amount of tuition assistance at Lansing Catholic High School for next school year must apply by March 1st each school year. Visit LCHS's website for details: lansingcatholic.org. Families who have financial assistance questions should contact the LCHS tuition office at 517-267-2107 or tuition@lansingcatholic.org.

Hosting International Students at LCHS

Host families are needed for international students who will attend Lansing Catholic High School next school year. Families who host international students are also provided with a monthly stipend. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Lorrie Schartow at lschartow@flag-intl.org or 517-303-9671.



40 Days for Life, the international movement to end abortion through prayer and fasting with public vigil, has been instrumental in the sparing of over 18,000 lives from abortion. The "Spring" Campaign of 40 days begins Wed, Feb 17th and our public prayer vigil will be across from the PP in Frandor. If you are willing to stand in peaceful and prayerful vigil for the women and babies in need, join us. More info at: [40DaysforLife.com/lansing](https://www.40daysforlife.com/lansing); 517-528-8502.

During the Spring Campaign, Resurrection has been assigned to Mondays. We are only at 50% capacity.

- *7-8am: 2 people are needed
- *8-9am: 2 people are needed
- *10-11am: 2 people are needed
- *11am-12pm: 1 person is needed
- *12-1pm: 1 person is needed
- *5-6pm: 2 people are needed
- *6-7pm: 2 people are needed

Please use this sign-up link to register:

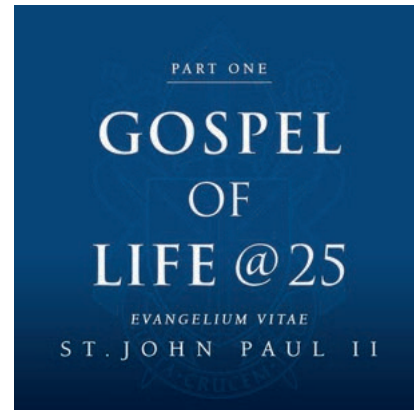
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2020 Donation Reports

You should have received reports of your 2020 financial gifts to the Parish and SVdP in the mail shortly. Please note there have been several process changes and challenges this year. Please take extra care in reviewing your report and let Don Radke know if you have any concerns about its accuracy. You can contact him via email at DRadke@CoRlansing.org or by phone at 517-482-4749 x104. Thank you for your faithful support!



Altar Society's Baby Shower will be the weekend of March 12-13th!



THE GOSPEL OF LIFE @ 25:

Just over a quarter of a century ago, Pope Saint John Paul II released his prophetic encyclical, *Evangelium vitae*, in response to the ever-increasing attacks against human life and dignity.

Over the next 12 months, we will be releasing a weekly teaching or reflection on this important encyclical so that the faithful may grow in their understanding of the Church's teaching on matters of life and human dignity. We hope you will join us on this journey of life.

Evangelium vitae, translated in English to "The Gospel of Life", was promulgated in Rome on 25 March 1995 by Pope John Paul II. It deals with issues pertaining to the sanctity of human life, including murder, abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment, reaffirming the Church's timeless teachings on those issues in a way that is relevant to this day.

The document gave greater foundation and focus to what a "Culture of Life" should look like and, by contrast, greater understanding as to what underpins the contemporary "Culture of Death" which continues to hold sway over much of the western world.

The United States' Conference of Catholic Bishops had designated 2020 as the year to begin celebrating the 25th anniversary of *Evangelium vitae* but, as with many things, COVID-19 got in the way. Hence the beginning of this new series, introduced upon this Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, January 22, 2021. Next installment? Next week. Until then, God bless you.

Jenny Ingles,
Director of Fertility and Life Ministries
Diocese of Lansing
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The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist Invite Young Single Women (Ages 16-32)



To *drop everything, take a leap of faith*, and spend

Saturday, February 27, 2021
8am – 5:30pm

on a mini-retreat at their convent in Lansing, MI

Join other young women exploring the answer to the question
“Where is God calling me?”



For more information or to register, email
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