BAPTISM of the LORD

"I, the LORD, have called you for justice, I have grasped you by the hand;
I formed you, and set you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness."

Isaiah 42:6-7



We invite you to join us in worship

Tuesday

6:30 p.m. Scripture

Wednesday

9:00 a.m.Mass @ Resurrection Alger

Thursday

9:00 a.m.Mass

Friday

9:00 a.m.Mass 1:00 p.m.Rosary

Saturday

4:30 p.m.Mass

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Mass @ Resurrection Alger 10:30 a.m. Mass

Stewardship Reflection

"... the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel."

Ephesians 3:6

The Epiphany of the Lord celebrates that Christ came to all of us – not just the Hebrews. All of us, no matter our background, have unique gifts, given to us by God. How do you use your gifts to play a role in the Body of Christ?

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9;

Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9;

Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9;

Mk 1:29-39

Thursday Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mk

1:40-45

Friday Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8;

Mk 2:1-12

Saturday Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-

17

Sunday Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10;

1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

Join Us When We Recite the Rosary

Fridays at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Remember, where two or more of us are found--he is in our midst.



CONDOLENCES

We express our condolences to the families of Ted Scheid and Donna Watz. May Ted and Donna live on in God's eternal love and may their families be comforted at this time of sadness and loss.

FR. MIKE MAHER

Our diocese lost Fr. Mike Maher this week at the age of 96. Fr. Maher served us as a priest for over seventy years. He was pastor at St. James in Whittemore in one of his many assignments. Rest in peace good and faithful servant!

NEW REFRIGERATOR IN KITCHEN

Our old refrigerator served us well for over thirty years, but it was time to up-grade after the compressor died. We now have a more energy efficient model which will take its turn in serving us, especially for funeral dinners.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Jesus is anointed by God for his ministry in today's gospel message. We learn from Isaiah (first reading) that he will minister as a compassionate, loving shepherd who seeks to bring back all who feel or believe themselves unworthy of God's love. All are invited into God's kingdom of love, and believers are to be the prime examples of love in thought, word and deed.

Fr. Dave

Why Was Jesus Baptized?

Why did Jesus need to be baptized? Certainly he had nothing to repent, and he was already filled with the Spirit. So why did he bother? Perhaps it was for the same reason that doctors-intraining record their experiences as patients and lawyers in mock trials with law students serve as judge and jury. Those with knowledge and power are trying to empathize with those who are on the receiving end of their authority.

But Jesus can't possibly walk in our guilt and shame, and how can he know what it feels like to turn from God? Perhaps, then, the reason Jesus is baptized is to show us that our call to new life is not about being released from shame and guilt but being washed in love. Through that process, we move from sin into grace. Love leads us to new life, but it doesn't say the old never existed. The mountains made low with love were mountains once. And without the constant renewal of love, they can become mountains again.

Our Baptism reminds us that we are worthy of love and more important we are capable of love. Our past sins do not define who we are in this present moment. We can choose love over hate, courage over cowardice, integrity over ambiguity. Live in this new Spirit and you will be true to your Baptism and Christ's. Patrice J. Tuohy

Prayer Network

Successful Outcome: Bree. Please keep Bree in your prayers.

Our Gifts For December 30 Weekend:

Envelopes	(200)	\$4,630.25
Loose		\$ 793.75
Total		\$5,424.00

Our Gifts For Mary, Mother of God:

Envelopes	(/4)	\$1,099.00
Loose		\$ 69.00
Total		\$1,168.00

Our Gifts For January 6, 2019:

Envelopes	(219)	\$6,288.00
Loose		\$ 544.00
Total		\$6,832.00

Yearly Financial Statements

2018 Financial Statements-Please contact the parish office if you would like a copy of your 2018 yearly (envelope) contribution statement. Copies will be mailed **upon request**. Any one time CSA gift \$250 and over will be mailed from the Diocese of Saginaw. All other CSA contributions will be given with your 2018 envelope contribution statement. Thank you.

RESURRECTION FAMILY FUN BOWL

The Parish Life Committee has planned a bowling outing for our family, the family of Resurrection! A family of all ages! If bowling is your game, then see the details below.

Family Fun Bowl

Main Street Bowl, Standish Sunday, January 27th 2 pm-4 pm

Pizza and pop provided by Resurrection of the Lord Limited to 60-70 bowlers.

Please reserve your spot by signing up at Mass the month of January. The bowling alley needs a head count to accommodate us.

For more information contact Ray Gehlman 989-903-5306.

Food Pantry News

We are finished with the first quarter of our fiscal year October 1 to December 31st serving 530 families which equates to 1,720 people.

With the generous gifts of money from the community and our Parish family we were able to give 161 Christmas baskets and 146 gifts of clothing to children from the Angel tree.

A huge thank you to all our volunteers. Those who work in the food pantry and the volunteers who helped prepare the Christmas baskets and worked on giveaway days. Also, thanks to the Knights of Columbus men who come twice a month to unload food from the Food Bank semi.

Thank you to Elaine Christie for her hard work on counting and applying for the Direct Your Dollars from Family Fare, also to the D of I for donating their portion of the money to the Food Pantry.

Without the generosity of so many people, we would not be able to continue Gods work feeding the hungry.

Please continue to save your Family Fare receipts and drop them off in the box provided.

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

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Wednesday—12 noon—6:00 p.m.

Thursday—9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. E-Mail: rotlway@yahoo.com

After Hours Emergency Number: 989-846-6162.

Thank You

The family of Kenneth Trudell III would like to thank Father Dave, Gary, the singers, organist, lector, Eucharistic Ministers and the cooks, kitchen help and people that brought a dish. Anyone else that helped make my sons funeral so special. It helped his family get through this very difficult time. Greatly appreciated. Bev Trudell

Hearing Assistance Aids

For parishioners needing a little extra help in hearing during Mass, Resurrection of the Lord Parish has hearing boosters in the Sacristy of the church. Please bring them back to the Sacristy when leaving Mass.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Instead of flowers and candy, give the gift of yourselves to each other on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. Upcoming weekends will be held , Jan. 25-27 at Holiday Inn-Troy or March 15-17 at St. Francis Retreat Center-DeWitt.. Apply online at wwme.org or contact Chris & Darla Vinton at 734-531-9191.

V.F.W. Monthly Breakfast

Sunday, January 13th from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall on old M-76.

Knights of Columbus News

Standish Knights of Columbus Father Labory Council 2724 proudly announces the Knight of the Month and Family of the Month. Congratulations to Carl Setlak, Knight of the Month, and Ken and Patricia Adrian, Family of the Month.

Daughters of Isabella Marian Circle 925

We will not be meeting in January or February. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 12th.

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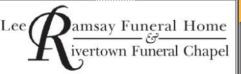
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