Saint John Parish

albion, michigan 49224

OUR MISSION
Led by the Spirit, Saint John Parish Community
is dedicated to being a living witness to Jesus by fostering
Spiritual growth through Worship, Catholic Education and Service to
God and His people, especially those in need.

PASTORAL STAFF:
Fr. Carl Peltz - Pastor -phone ext.10
Mr. Tom McGuire- Secretary to the Pastor/Administrative Assistant- phone ext. 11
Linda Markovich - DRE- phone ext. 15
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RECTORY: 879 Finley Drive
PHONE: 629-8678

CHURCH AND FAMILY CENTER: 1020 Irwin Avenue

OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Phone	517-629-4532
Fax	517-629-5462
Parish Web Site	www.stjohn-church.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Friday of week prior by 5:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register at the Parish Office, if you are 18 years or older.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

MASS SCHEDULE:
Weekdays and Holy Days: Consult Bulletin

Vigil - Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS OR RCIA: Contact the office.

WEDDINGS:
Contact the office six months before desired date.
If there is a previous marriage, one year

CARE OF THE SICK: Contact the office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m. at K.C. Hall

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY: 3rd Monday of the month from April to October

PRAYER NETWORK: call Marge Murray at 629-9271 or the Parish Office

Mass Schedule for December 21st - 28th

Sunday, December 21st
Mass 8:00 AM...Bronson James Harris
by Theresa
9:15 AM...No Religious Education Classes
***** 10:30 AM**....Harold Sage
by Jo Ann Ramsay
1:00-1:30 PM Confessions
Monday, December 22nd
No Mass
Tuesday, December 23rd
No Mass
Wednesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Mass 4:30 PM
Guy de Nicola
by Carol & Family
Christmas Eve Mass 8:00 PM
Lucy Rustenholtz
by John & Erin Carr & Family
Thursday, December 25th
Christmas Mass 10:00 AM
For the People of St. John Parish
Friday, December 26th
No Mass
Saturday, December 27th
No confessions
Mass 4:30 PM...Mary Konkle
by Hank & Pat
Sunday, December 28th
Mass 8:00 AM...Anna Weiskittel
by Bob & Pat Fisher
9:15 AM...No Religious Education Classes
Mass 10:30 AM....People of St John Parish

******Practice for children and ministers to the priest (Alter Servers) for the Christmas Eve Masses will take place immediately following the 10:30 AM Mass today, Sunday, December 21st.***

The sponsor of the week Paul Hickey, CPA

Christmas & Next Week Liturgy Team Four

Christmas Eve Mass, December 24th 4:30 PM
Commentator: Sally Jackson
***Lector: Aimee Fedore
***EM: Carol deNicola, Laura Zenoniani, Bill Zenoniani, Jr. Arminda Lerma
Altar Servers: Caroline Dobbins, Andrea Farmer, Keith Clemons
Ushers: Bob Koch, Bill Zenoniani, Sr.
Children will collect and take up the gifts.
Christmas Eve Mass, December 24th 8:00 PM
Commentator: Alicia Botello
***Lector: Sue Harden
***EM: Vonnie Lammers, Alex Harden, Jackie Olma, Bill Walsh
Altar Servers: Nick Lammers, Aaron Lammers, Steve Lammers
Ushers: Curt Millers, Bill Blight
******Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers: We will be doing something a little different Christmas Eve. Please come early for instructions.***
4:30 Mass come at 4:00 PM
8:00 PM Mass come at 7:25 PM
Christmas Mass, December 25th 10:00 AM
Commentator: Kathy Snyder
Lector: Ken Blight
EM: Vicky Snyder, Jenny Nearnberg, Dave Nearnberg

Altar Servers: Isabel Snyder
Ushers: Joe Zblewski, John Richardson
Saturday, December 27th 4:30 PM
Commentator: Al Lake
Lector: Vicky Snyder
EM: Gerald Lammers, Loretta Lammers, Jackie Olma
Altar Servers: Isabel Snyder, Rebekah Snyder
Ushers: Bill Zenoniani, Sr. Steve Zenoniani
Sunday, December 28th 8:00 AM
Commentator: Kevin Markovich
Lector: Sue Harden
EM: Ophelia Garza, Kay Eagen, Volunteer
Altar: Alex Harden, Keith Clemons
Ushers: Ken Waito, Volunteer
Sunday, December 28th 10:30 AM
Commentator: Nancy Polnasek
Lector: Jill Mestdagh
EM: Carl Weiskittel, Alicia Botello, Kathy Matson
Altar Servers: Tom Hickey, Mike McAuliffe
Ushers: Cris Solis, Pilar Rivera, III

RCIA News
Congratulations to Jeremy Kirby accepted and Dennis Jackson welcomed into St. John Parish community last Sunday. All who have participated and led the RCIA, the faith community says: "Thank you."
RCIA will resume again

Sunday, January 11, 2009–4:30 PM
Family Center Library

All are welcome and encouraged to join us in this process of faith growth.

Week Day Mass Cancellation Policy
Please be advised that when Albion Public Schools are cancelled for the day, any weekday Masses will be automatically cancelled. The exception will be Holy Days of Obligation.

Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish:
Marge Bommarito, June Carver, Sharon Bommarito, Cris Solis, Jr; Margaret Richardson**,** Edna Sheldon, Kathy Matson, John Owdziej, Jerry Sacharski, Zenon Ortiz, Gerald Lammers, Nick Fuentes, Richard Eis**,** Virginia Karmalski, Irene Campbell, Carol deNicola, David Riano, Fr. Peltz, Beverly Eis

Pray for Our Troops
Pray for the protection and safe return home of Rick Spells II, William Haun, Nick Nystrom, Quintin Phillips, Kyle Hagemann, and Garret Coppin.

Our Return to God Of His Gifts to Us
December 13th & 14th

Weekly amount budgeted weekly	$4,615.38
Adult & Loose	$3,712.94
Children	$12.00
Immaculate Conception	$363.00

Help Wanted
Two or three people are needed to help clean the sacred vessels for Christmas on

Tuesday December 23rd at 10:00 AM

The work of cleaning the sacred vessels is important for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you have not done this work before, consider doing it this year. Become a part of the preparation of the Christmas liturgies.

Christmas and New Year's Schedule
Wednesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Masses
4:30 PM
Christmas Blessings and Gift from Jesus for Infants and Children through 2nd Grade after Mass.
7:30 PM
Come join in the singing of Christmas carols.
8:00 PM
This will be the Solemn Mass of Christmas.
Thursday, December 25th
Christmas Mass
10:00 AM
Readings of Midnight Mass will be used at All Christmas Masses.
Masses for the Solemn Feast of the Holy Family
In honor of the Feast of the Holy Family , a covenant renewal rite will be conducted at all Masses. During the rite, spouses will recommit themselves to one another. Parents and children will renew their covenant of love, irrespective of age. If at all possible, please participate in next week's Mass as a family.
Saturday, December 27th
Vigil Mass 4:30 PM
No Confessions
Sunday December 28th Feast of the Holy Family
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Wednesday, December 31st
New Year's Eve Mass: 5:30 PM
Thursday, January 1st: No Mass
Friday, January 2nd: No Mass
Mass is scheduled for 5:30 PM on New Year's Eve so seniors can be home on New Years Eve at a reasonable hour and it allows a convenient time for those who usually participate in the first Mass of the New Year. Based on the participation of parishioners in Holy Day Masses, this time seems to be the best for those who are most likely to participate .

Fr Peltz Schedule
Fr Peltz will be away after Mass on Christmas Day and December 26th and New Year's Day and January 2nd.

The Parish Office Will Be Closed
December 23, 24, 25, 26
January 30, 31, 1, 2
Ordinary office business will not take place on these dates.