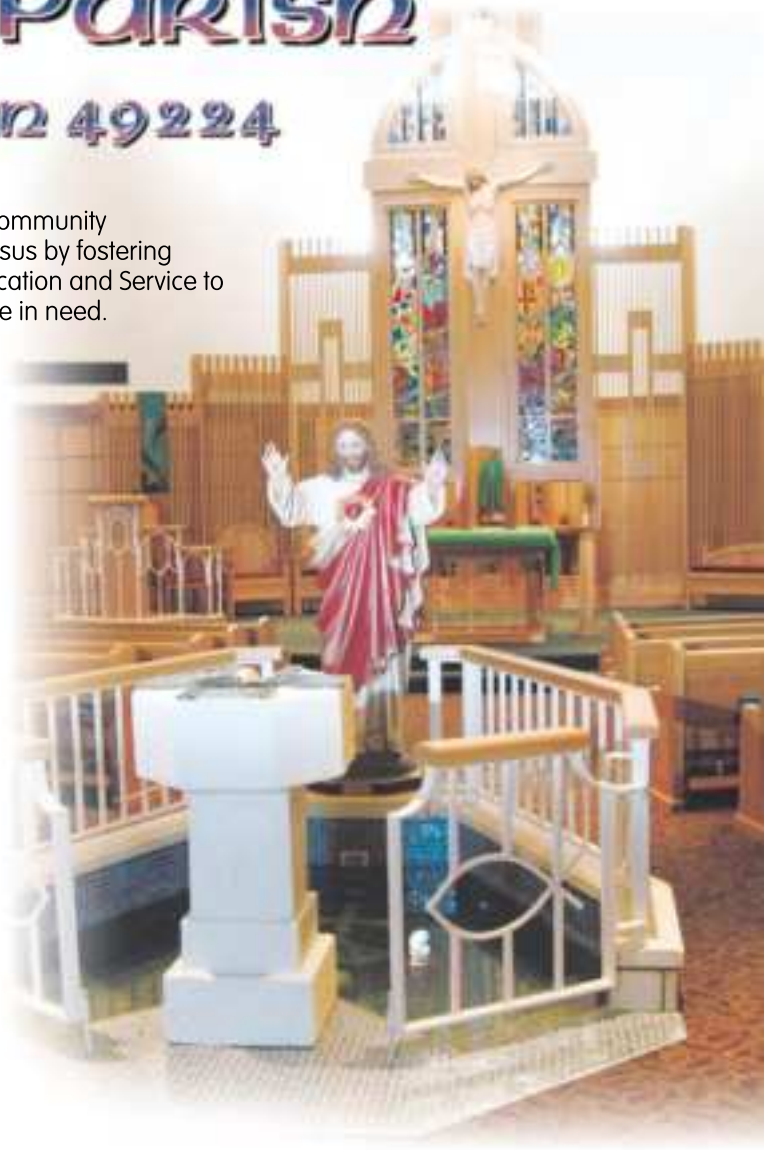
Saint John Parish

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
Director of Finance and Development - Mary Topa-phone ext.17

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 February 8-15, 2009

Sunday, February 8th
Mass 8:00 AM...People of St John Parish
9:15 AM... Religious Education Classes
Mass 10:30 AM....Anna Weiskittel
*by Steve & Gay*l Zenoniani
Monday, February 9th
No Mass
Tuesday, February 10th
No Mass
Wednesday, February 11th
Noon Mass... People of St. John Parish
Thursday, February 12th
No Mass
Friday, February 13th
9 AM..Mass...Anna Weiskittel
by Dan & Lillian Charbonneau
Saturday, February 14th
Mass...4:30 PM ...Leo & Lucille Lammers & Phyllis
by Lammers Famiily
Sunday, February 15th
Mass 8:00 AM...People of St John Parish
9:15 AM... Religious Education Classes
Mass 10:30 AM....Anna Weiskittel
by Richard Weaver

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. **If there is a two hour delay in school start time, Mass scheduled for 9 AM will be cancelled. The Noon Mass or later will be said.**

The sponsor of the week

Tender Care Health

Next Week Liturgy Team Three

Saturday, February 14th **4:30 PM**
Commentator: Bob Chojnowski
Lector: Ruth Schmitter
EM: Bob Kochinski, Nikki Kochinski, Katie Konkle
Altar Servers: Bernard Konkle, Susie Chojnowski
Ushers: Nelson Baumeister, Ray Tarwid

Sunday, February 15th **8:00 AM**
Commentator: Kathy Snyder
Lector: Mary Koch
EM: Joan Walsh, Bill Walsh, Liz Wilson
Altar Servers: Volunteer
Ushers: Toni Stokes, Kay Eagen

Sunday, February 15th **10:30 AM**
Commentator: Carl Weiskittel
Lector: Ken Blight
EM: Deb Weitzel, Mike McAuliffe, Carol deNicola
Altar Servers: Andrea Farmer
Ushers: John Richardson, Joe Zblewski

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

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, Arlene Marzic, Gail Waidelich.

Homebound/Sick
Contact the parish office or Fr Peltz if you or someone in your family is unable to attend Mass. Please indicate if you want someone to bring you Holy Communion or have Father Peltz make a house call for Confession or the Anointing of the Sick.

Trauma Recovery Program:
(English-speaking) New Groups begin March 9, 2009
There is a morning group (9:30 a.m.-noon)
and an evening group (7-9 p.m.)
Contact: Sharon Froom, 269-381-8917 ext. 222

Our Return to God of His Gifts to Us
January 31st & February 1st

Weekly budgeted amount.....$4,615.38
Adult, Loose $6,011.37
Children's $18.00
Parish Development.....$340.00

Thank You

I would like to thank all those, especially Mary Topa, who planned made preparations, and participated in last Sunday's Luncheon honoring the 5th Anniversary of the Dedication of our magnificent church. The food was great! The company and conversations were enjoyable. I really enjoyed joking around with some of our parishioners. In short, I had a great time and stayed longer than originally planned. Thank you all!

Fr. Peltz

Stations of the Cross

The Fathers of the Second Vatican Council called for a clear distinction to be made between devotions and the official liturgies and rites of the Church. I believe one way to make such a distinction is to have members of the laity lead devotions. It is not necessary for ordained ministers to do so and it empowers members of the faithful to exercise the gifts given to them in Baptism and Confirmation by being leaders of prayer.

This year we will have Stations of the Cross on Fridays of Lent at 4:30 PM provided members of the parish will answer the call to be leaders fo the devotion. I am also working with Fr. Ed Sculley of St. James Episcopal Church to see if members of his parish would like to take a leadership role on alternating Fridays. A sign up sheet will be available in the main entrance area of our church next weekend for leaders of this devotion. You may also contact Tom McGuire or Mary Topa at 517 629 4532 if interested.

Fr Peltz

A Lenten Retreat Day

Sr. Elizabeth Reis, SSJ, will lead a mini retreat on Saturday, February 28, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Transformations Spirituality Center, Nazareth. Sr. Elizabeth will reflect on "How Jesus Could Read People's Hearts". Retreatants will look at the dialogue between Jesus and the four people he saw before he died. Catechist certification is available. Register for $20 by February 20th or $25 after that date.

Volunteer

Catholic Family Services depends upon the generosity of our volunteers to help us accomplish our mission. Caring, compassionate volunteers, sharing their God-given gifts, talents and abilities, really make a difference in people's lives. We offer a variety of volunteer opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds and areas of expertise. Whether you are looking for a one-time experience or a long-term commitment, our volunteer coordinators will be glad to speak with you about your desire and ability to help. Please call 269-381-9800

Family Perspective

Today we celebrate World Marriage Day. Marriage is a healing sacrament because everyone comes to marriage with flaws of which we are ashamed. The love of a spouse allows us to admit our flaws and see our value through the accepting eyes of our spouse.

Catholic & Single

Catholic & Singles welcomes those 35 and over who are single (whether never married, divorced, or widowed) to participate in the Thursday Discussion group which continues to meet the third Thursday of each month at St. Catherine of Siena Parish from 7-9 pm. Their next meeting is *February 19th.* They are reading and discussing the book *The Five Love Languages for Singles.*

Catholic & Singles will meet on Saturday, February 21st for Dinner & Movie Night. Dinner at 5:00pm will be at the Craftsman Chop Company**,** 6905 Sears Drive, Portage and then those who gather will select a movie to see at Celebration Cinema. Contact Mary Ann Redmond for more information 269.323.0672.

DIOCESAN HEATING ASSISTANCE COLLECTION

Despite difficult economic times, our parishes and parishioners were very generous in supporting the Diocesan Heating Assistance Collection. Thanks to all parishes/missions who contributed to this. Note that when funds run out and Diocesan Heating Assistance Program is closed, all Heating Assistance Volunteers and County Agencies will be notified by mail.