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
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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
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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: Apr 5-12, 2009

Sunday, April 5 ...Passion Sunday
8:00 AM...Mass...Marjorie Paniccia
by John & Jackie King
10:30 AM...Mass...In honor of Frank & Millie Hiday
by Cindy & Tom Petty
Coffee and Donuts after Masses, Compliments of Knights of Columbus

Monday, April 6
No Mass

Tuesday, April 7
No Mass

Wednesday, April 8
No Mass
7:00 PM...Choir Practice

Thursday, April 9...Holy Thursday
7:00 PM...Mass...People of St. John Parish
8:00-10:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, April 10...Good Friday
2:00 PM Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 11...Holy Saturday
12:45 PM Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
1:00 PM Easter Egg Hunt
8:30 PM...Mass...Jerry Sacharski
by Carl Weiskittel

Sunday, April 12 ...Easter Sunday
9:00 AM...Mass...People of St John Parish
11:00 AM...Mass...Anna Weiskittel
by Carol deNicola

Our Return to God of His Gifts to Us
March 28-29

Weekly budgeted amount	$4,615.38
Adult & Loose	$3,550.02
Children's	$15.00
Parish Development	$80.00
Easter Flowers	$70.00

Sponsor of the Week

Homestead Savings Bank

Holy Week Liturgy Team

Holy Thursday, April 9 — 7:00 PM
Commentator: Bob Chojnowski
Lector: Joan Walsh
EM: Katie Konkle, Chris Calvert, Arminda Lerma
Altar Servers: Bill Walsh, Bernard Konkle, Susie Chojnowski
Ushers: Chris Solis, Joe Zblewski

Good Friday, April 10 — 2:00 PM
Commentator: **Volunteer Needed**
Lector: Vicky Snyder, Alicia Botello (Passion)
EM: Jackie Olma, Arminda Lerma, Loretta & Gerald Lammers
Altar Servers: Zachary Calvert (Carry Cross), Keith Clemons
Ushers: John Richardson, Joe Zblewski

Easter Vigil, April 11 — 8:30 PM
Commentator: Bob Kochinski
Lector: Nikki Kochinski, Ruth Schmitter, Joan Walsh
EM: Bill Walsh, Kevin Markovich, Bill & Laura Zenoniani, **Volunteer Needed**
Altar Servers: Isabel Snyder, Alicia Botello, Aaron & Nick Lammers **Volunteer Needed**
Ushers: Hank Konkle, Jim Bommarito

Easter Sunday, April 12 — 9:00 AM
Commentator: Nancy Polnasek
Lector: Ken Blight
EM: Greg Polnasek, Chris Calvert, Deb Weitzel, Liz Wilson
Altar Servers: Keith Clemons, Caroline Dobbins
Ushers: Lester Stark, Steve Konkol

Easter Sunday, April 12 — 11:00 AM
Commentator: Sally Jackson
Lector: Aimee Fedore
EM: Arminda Lerma, Dave & Jenny Nearnberg, Volunteer
Altar Servers: Andrea Farmer, Alicia Botello
Ushers: John Richardson, Chris Solis

Thank You
Our entire parish is grateful to all those who made our Lenten Fish Dinners such a huge success. A report will be given in a future bulletin. Thanks again.
Fr. Peltz

Holy Thursday, April 9th
Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 PM

- Our teenage Candidates for Confirmation will participate in the Foot Washing Ritual (Practice at 6:00 PM.)
- Practice for Ministers to the Priest at 6:20 PM.
- Needed: Six men to carry plants from altar area into the Garden of Reposition at the end of Mass

Garden of Reposition

Please make plans to spend a little time in prayer with our Lord between 8:00 PM and 10:00 PM

Good Friday, April 10th
Celebration of Our Lord's Passion & Death
2:00PM

- Practice for Ministers to the Priest at 1:30 PM
- Intercessions will be sung by the choir
- Church will be closed after this liturgy so we can begin setting up for the Easter Liturgical Environment. No Stations of the Cross will be celebrated in Church on this day. Everyone is free to do them at home. They are after all considered to be a "personal devotion".

Easter Vigil, April 11th
8:30 PM

- No Confessions or 4:30 PM Mass
- Practice for those to be Baptized and Confirmed at at 11:00 AM.
- Practice for Ministers to the Priest at 11:30 AM
- Reading assignments:
  Gen 1:1-2:2: Ruth Schmitter
  Ex 14: 15-15:1: Nikki Kochinski
  Is 55: 1-11: Joan Walsh
  (Epistle) Rm 6: 3-11: Ruth Schmitter
- Response after First three Readings will be the option of Silent Reflection
- Solemn Entrance of Gospel Book and Great Alleluia after the Epistle
- All the Rites of Fire and Light will take place in Church so those with physical disabilities can participate in them

Holy Saturday: Blessing of Food Baskets

The Blessing of Easter Baskets containing some of the food for the Primary Meal of Easter will be conducted on Holy Saturday, April 11th at 12:45 PM in Church.

Easter Sunday Masses, April 12th
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

- In keeping with parish custom the Sunday Masses for Easter are changed from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM and from 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM.
- Commentators will read the Easter Sequence after the Second Reading.

Those to be Received Into the Church
Easter Vigil Service

Jeremy Kirby: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist
Dennis Jackson: Confirmation, Eucharist
Quinn Vokes: Confirmation, Eucharist
Kylea Topa: Baptism, Eucharist
Darvin Davidson, Jr.: Baptism, Eucharist
Shelby Masternak: Baptism, Eucharist

Easter Tree

This year there will be an Easter Tree placed in the Vestibule of the Church. It has roots in Eastern European Traditions.

Food Weekend

This year Food Weekend is Easter Weekend, so we moved the collection of food for the needy. Please bring food donations to church the weekend after Easter, April 18-19th.

Alms

Our Alms Box is located in front of the Baptism Font/ Pool. Please consider this "spiritual discipline" as being one of your Lenten practices. The free will offerings of alms will go to Rice Bowl, A.I.M., and our parish fund to help the needy.

Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish:

Marge & Sharon Bommarito, Cris Solis, Jr; Margaret Richardson**,** Edna Sheldon, Kathy Matson, John Owdziej, Zenon Ortiz, Nick Fuentes**,** Virginia Karmalski, Irene Campbell, David Riano, Fr. Peltz, Beverly Eis, Arlene Marzic, Gail Waidelich, Hank Paskett, Michael Lerma, John Carroll.

Pray for Our Troops

Pray for protection and safe return home of Nick Nystrom, Quintin Phillips, and Kyle Hagemann