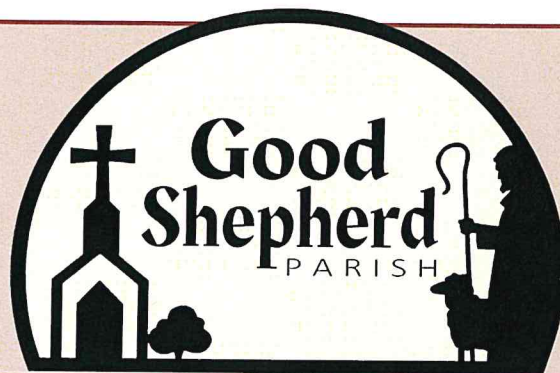


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**St. John**  
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**St. Joseph**  
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**St. Columbkille**  
3031 McAlpin Rd.  
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### MASS SCHEDULE

**TUESDAY (1st & 3rd of the month)**  
3:30 p.m. . . . . Meadow Lane, Bad Axe

**WEDNESDAY**  
11:30 a.m. . . . . Parish Center Chapel

**THURSDAY**  
7:00 p.m. . . . . St. Columbkille

**FRIDAY**  
9:00 a.m. . . . . St. John  
Adoration following Mass

**SATURDAY**  
4:00 p.m. . . . . St. John

**SUNDAY**  
8:30 a.m. . . . . St. Joseph  
10:30 a.m. . . . . St. Columbkille

### RECONCILIATION

**WEDNESDAY**  
11:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. . . . . Father's Office

**THURSDAY**  
After 7:00 p.m. Mass . . . . . St. Columbkille

**FRIDAY**  
After 9:00 a.m. Mass . . . . . St. John

**SATURDAY**  
3:30 p.m. . . . . (Ask Fr. at door) St. John

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*“Oh Mary, conceived  
without sin, pray for us  
who have recourse to you”*



### DIOCESAN MISSION STATEMENT

*Trusting in the Holy Spirit and nourished by  
the Eucharist, we, the faithful of  
the Diocese of Saginaw, are companions on  
the journey to share the love of Jesus Christ.*

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**January 7, 2024**  
**The Epiphany of the Lord**



**Mass for the Baptism of the Lord:  
Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am - St John**

**Mass Readings for the Week**

**Jan 8 Mon: BAPTISM OF THE LORD F**

*Is 55: 1-11 or 1 Jn 5: 1-9/ Is 12: 2-3. 4bcd. 5-6 (3)/ Mk 1: 7-11*

**Jan 9 Tue: Ordinary Weekday**

*When the Baptism of the Lord occurs on Monday of the First Week in Ordinary Time (e.g. this year), the readings assigned to Monday may be joined to those of Tuesday so that the opening of each book will be read. Monday's readings: 1 Sm 1: 1-8/ Ps 116: 12-13. 14-17. 18-19/ Mk 1: 14-20. Tuesday's readings: 1 Sm 1: 9-20/ 1 Sm 2: 1. 4-5. 6-7. 8abcd/ Mk 1: 21-28*

**Jan 10 Wed: Ordinary Weekday**

*1 Sm 3: 1-10. 19-20/ Ps 40: 2 and 5. 7-8a. 8b-9. 10/ Mk 1: 29-39*

**Jan 11 Thu: Ordinary Weekday**

*1 Sm 4: 1-11/ Ps 44: 10-11. 14-15. 24-25/ Mk 1: 40-45*

**Jan 12 Fri: Ordinary Weekday**

*1 Sm 8: 4-7. 10-22a/ Ps 89: 16-17. 18-19/ Mk 2: 1-12*

**Jan 13 Sat: Ordinary Weekday/ BVM/ Hilary, bp, dr**

*1 Sm 9: 1-4. 17-19; 10: 1/ Ps 21: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Mk 2: 13-17*

**Jan 14 SUN: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*1 Sm 3: 3b-10. 19/ Ps 40: 2. 4. 7-8. 8-9. 10 (8a. 9a)/ 1 Cor 6: 13c-15a. 17-20/ Jn 1: 35-42*

**In This Sunday's Readings**

*"They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." - Matthew 2:11*

It is worthy to note that the Magi showed respect to Jesus and prayed before offering their gifts. Taking time to pray about our gifts and reflecting on how we are to share them is important. God gave us all of our gifts and He has plans for us on how we are to use them to help one another.



**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

***Let Us Give Thanks!***

Total Weekend Sacrificial Giving –\$4,771.00

Includes Loose of \$518.00

650 Parish Families –121 Envelopes Used

***Christmas Flower Donations: \$1,949.00***

***Religious Retirement: \$2,458.00***

***Thank You!!***

**Mass Intentions for January 6 & 7, 2024**

Saturday, St. John: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Sunday, St. Joseph: +Frank Lasceski

Sunday, St. Columbkille: +Howard Messing

**Mass Intentions for January 13 & 14, 2024**

Saturday, St. John: +Eugene Smalley

Sunday, St. Joseph: +David Kroetsch

Sunday, St. Columbkille: Good Shepherd Parishioners

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**Counters of Sacrificial Offerings:**

**January 8:** Diana Briolat, Luci Kubacki, Rose Maikrzek

**January 16:** Carol Beaudin, Ann Ypma, Barb Roggenbuck

**January 22:** Charlotte Baker, Carol Beaudin, Kathy Beaver

**4:00pm Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> - St John**

**Lector:** Luci Kubacki

**EMHC:** Debbie Osentoski, Ann Ypma

**Altar Server:** Volunteer

**Sacristan:** Rose Maikzrek

**Ushers:** Virgil Briolat, Jim Osentoski, Richard Trepkowski

**8:30am Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> - St Joseph**

**Lector:** Shirley Catalano

**EMHC:** Denise Kubacki, Lynn Talaski

**Altar Server:** Paul Guza

**Greeter:** Jo Izydorek

**Sacristan:** Denise Kubacki

**Ushers:** Bruce Uhl, Kevin Hessling

**10:30am Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> - St Columbkille**

**Lector:** Lori Osantoski

**EMHC:** Michelle Banky, Jermei Roth, Joe Flannery, Jerry & Valerie Fischer

**Altar Servers:** Broden Peruski, Sadie Fischer

**Greeters:** Bambach Family

**Gift Bearers:** Nathan Peruski Family

**Ushers:** Terry Sweeney, Ray Maurer, Jeff Maurer

**Rosaries**

Join us for the Rosary before  
each weekend Mass:

3:40pm at St John

8:10am at St Joseph

10:00am at St Columbkille



### Donations

In Memory of Eugene Gorkowski's 10 year anniversary on 1/8/2014 and Agnes Gorkowski's 13 year anniversary on 1/8/2011.

By Lori and Mike Osantoski

*May God grant them resurrection to eternal Life.*

### Faith Formation for All Ages

The Faith Formation program of Good Shepherd Parish:

St. John Ubyly: Wednesdays 3:15-5pm

St. Columbkille: Wednesdays 6-7:30pm

Youth Group Sundays (except 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday) 5-8pm at the Parish Center- check with Dawn for schedule changes

January 10<sup>th</sup>- Adoration at both sites- parents are welcome!

January 17<sup>th</sup>-Rosary at both sites- parents are welcome!

**Next Youth Mass:** January 28, 2024- St. Columbkille- 10:30am

**Next Family Night:** February 7<sup>th</sup>. Dinner at 5:30pm

**Adult Bible Study-** contact Valerie Fischer 989-553-3088

### Christian Mothers Meeting

Our next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 6:30pm at the Parish Center. Hope to see many of you there!

### Mats for the Homeless Workshop

We will be starting our weekly get together to make plastic mats for the homeless with plastic bags. Come once to learn the process and you can do it at home or come every week for fellowship and fun. Bring a friend. Starting Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the parish center. If school is canceled because of weather, the workshop will be canceled.

### Christ's Mission Appeal

*Please prayerfully consider giving to this appeal if you have not done so. Thank you for your continued support in 2024. Consider a second gift. Lord Jesus, give us generous hearts!*

### Helena Young Adult Meeting

Our next event will be Friday, Jan 12th at 6pm. We will be having "Q&A with Fr. K Live" at the Helena hall. We will also have food, fellowship, and some great group discussions!

### Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, January 7, 2024 serving 8am-12pm. TVO Hall 2153 Bingham Street Ubyly. Adults \$10.00, Children (6-12) \$5.00, 5 & under-Free. Takeouts available-call Steve (989) 315-1226. Proceeds to support Area Veterans.

### Eucharistic Revival Night

Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and Worship and preaching by Father Stephen Blaxton. Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, St. John's Peck at 7pm. For more information contact Holy Family Parish: holyfamilyparish1@gmail.com or 810- 648-2968.

### Knights of Columbus

#### Ubyly/Sheridan Council #12850

All meetings are at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on the Second Wednesday of the month. We are always looking for New Members – call Jeff Maurer @989-553-4224. Our **food pantry** is available for anyone in need, located in Ubyly. This is confidential and anonymous – Call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer - Grand Knight - Ubyly/Sheridan Council #12850

### Grief Retreat

**Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents  
Whose Children of Any Age Have Died by Any  
Cause, No Matter How Long Ago**

The Catholic Diocese of Saginaw 2024  
Saturday 1-Day Spiritual Retreat

March 16 at Good Shepherd Parish in Ubyly  
**OR** April 6 at Holy Spirit Church in Saginaw  
Call Beth 989- 797-6655 or www.emfpg.org

### St. Joseph Altar Society Euchre Party

Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 1pm

St. Joseph Church Hall in Argyle

Admission \$8.00- Includes a light lunch and prizes

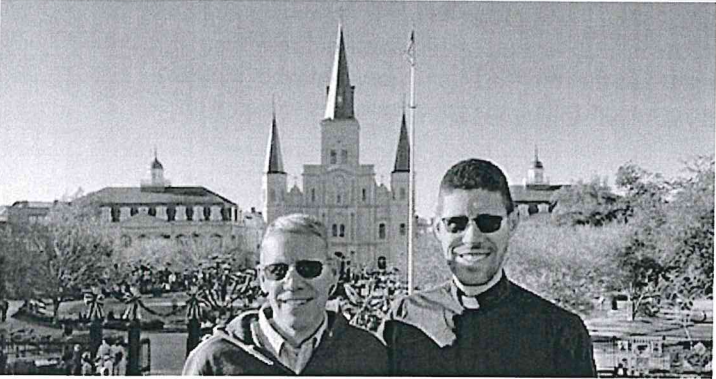
Please join us on February 25<sup>th</sup>, March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup> for future Euchre parties.

### Ruth K of C Euchre Party

Sunday, January 14, 2024 at Ruth K of C Hall at 1:00pm

Cash prizes & hot lunch included

Admission is \$6.00. Come Join Us!



SAINTS-IN-THE-MAKING:

*\*Another photo of Faith Formation children honoring Jesus in the nativity Christmas program before Christmas Eve Mass*

*\*My dad and I at Disney... kidding! It's the Cathedral-Basilica of St. Louis, New Orleans, LA. Blessed to offer my Mass Intention there for all Good Shepherd parishioners!*

Dear Saint-in-the-Making,

MERRY CHRISTMAS and BLESSED NEW YEAR!

I pray you enjoyed time with your loved ones this Christmas and new year's. I pray you grow closer to them in 2024, and take every opportunity to practice Christ-like, prayer-fueled, Eucharist-empowered "kindness and forgiveness", to use a phrase of one of our parishioners.

How can you help someone carry their cross this Christmas Season? How can you be the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus in your family, parish, and community in 2024?

**ASK PADRE: Why does Father sometimes need to check the number of hosts in the "ciborium" (bowl-like sacred vessel) that the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) is holding, during Communion?**

Every weekend, the sacristans (ministers who set up and clean up for Mass) count the number of people at Mass right before Mass begins, but often people (sometimes more than a few) come in at the last minute or late. Sacristans

account for this by putting in extra hosts. These accumulate from week to week in the ciborium in the tabernacle.

On the last weekend of the month, out of reverence for Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, the consecrated Hosts in the tabernacle should all be consumed before they become too old. So sacristans attempt to plan for this by putting out a smaller number of hosts to be consecrated at Mass. Before the Communion Procession, Father does his best to place the proper number of consecrated Hosts in each ciborium.

However, sometimes Father needs to check the number of Hosts in the ciborium of the Extraordinary Minister, to make sure that everyone will be fed. If running low, Father may instruct the Extraordinary Minister to break Hosts in half. But ideally this will not need to be done.

**ASK PADRE: Why is there a veil on the chalice and on the ciborium in the tabernacle?**

In Christianity, veils are placed on persons and things because they are holy and "set aside for God" or set aside for worship. The optional veil on the ciborium in the tabernacle reminds us that the this sacred vessel contains the precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ in the Eucharist.

The chalice represents Christ. The unveiling of the chalice veil before the Liturgy of the Eucharist symbolizes the fact that the mysteries we've just heard in the Liturgy of the Word are unveiled and fulfilled in the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. In the liturgy we re-live, in a sacramental way, the self-offering of Christ in the Paschal Mystery.

Some priests use chalice veil (optional, but encouraged by the church's rubrics) to remind us that the Sacrifice of the Mass IS the Sacrifice of the Cross, made present in the here-and-now. We re-live the stations of the Cross at every Mass. In the 10th Station, "Jesus is stripped of his garments." We're reminded of this when the chalice is stripped of its veil. Christ become vulnerable and poor for the salvation of all His beloved vulnerable and poor. (Source: [Article by Fr. Adam Hertzfeld, St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Findlay OH](#))

*"To Jesus through Mary", Love, Fr. Nate*



As I write this newsletter I want to wish all of you a very blessed Merry Christmas and a Healthy Happy New Year. May this holiday season remind us of the true meaning of Christmas? The joy of giving to our loved ones and those not fortunate to experience the love Christmas brings, the birth of Jesus and the promise his death and resurrection to an eternity with our heavenly father. As Christians we are reminded of the true Christmas story and what it means for us all. May we continue to embrace this gift in the upcoming year and to share the good news this season with all those we meet.

The December meeting of Council 12850 of the Ugly-Sheridan Knights of Columbus was called to order at 7:00 by the Grand Knight. When called to order the Grand Knight led the group in the Lord's Prayer and the pledge of allegiance. There were 14 members present for the meeting. After the roll call the last month's minutes were approved. Motion to approve made by Eugene Mazure with support by Dan Creguer. The motion carried. The Treasures report was given. A Motion to accept the report was made by Terry Sweeney with support by Ray Maurer. The motion was accepted.

There were no bills for December.

#### Grand Knight Report:

A thank you was received for our donation to cloth-a-child. We also received a thank you from Children Waiting Everywhere for our donation.

We also received a \$500 donation to the food pantry.

Newsletter to start up after the first of the year. The council again will make Santa available for the children at St. Columbkille's Christmas program. A motion to pay Santa \$25 was made by Dan Creguer with support by Ray Maurer. The motion carried.

Bad Axe council is holding there fish dinners and the Ruth council will be making Holiday sausage to sell as a fundraiser.

Please welcome Scott Osentoski as a new member to our council. Please to continue to reach out to Catholic men as possible members to our order. As always, anyone interested is encouraged to reach out to any member or myself for information. My contact number is 989-553-4224.

The next faith formation meal will be hosted by the Knights on January 3rd. Dan Creguer and Jeff Maurer will be organizing the event. Any member is asked to help is available.

The Financial Secretary reported we are in good standing with Supreme Council.

The District Deputy reported that there will be a Diocesan meeting Jan. 24th at St. Stan's in Bay City. There is also a Tri-District meeting on Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> in Lexington. There was some discussion on the need for new members. Dues statements will be sent out.

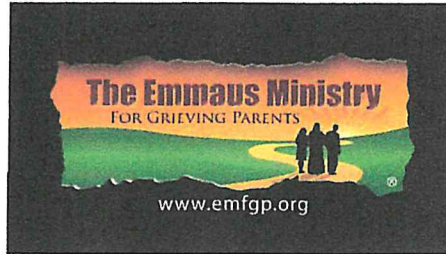
Our Insurance field agent gave us a report on a new program for membership. It is called the CORE program.

Ray Maurer was named as Knight of the Month.

Prayers for the good of the order. Carl and Barb Keller, Betty Tracy, Dan Ulfig, Bob Van Erp, Holly Cooper, Brian Clark, Len Schumacher, Gayle Petera, Elaine Mazure, Melvin Leppek, Ed Cutlyn, and the repose souls of Dan Guigar, Eugene Smalley and Terry Britt.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm Next meeting is January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

## Diocese of Saginaw



### *A Spiritual One-Day Retreat for Parents Who Have Experienced the Death of a Child of Any Age, By Any Cause, No Matter How Long Ago*

Losing a child under any circumstances is horrendous. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously. Just as He comforted His grieving disciples on the road to Emmaus, Jesus comforts us and we comfort each other in this very special ministry.

Join other Emmaus Parent Companions in a warm and loving place—to think, to talk, to feel, and to pray. Find compassion, rest, and peace... at least for a time.

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## Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents

### ONE-DAY SPIRITUAL RETREAT

All Are Welcome!

Pre-registration is required and must be completed 1 week prior.

Freewill offering.

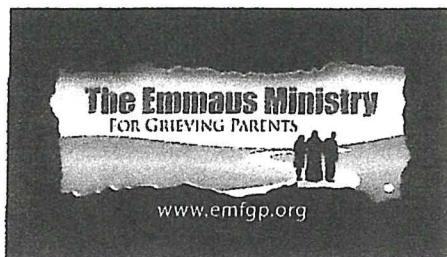
#### 1-day Retreats in 2024:

March 16- Good Shepherd Parish Center in Ubly, MI. *Contact:* Mary Greyerbiehl 586-596-8064

April 6- Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Saginaw, MI. *Contact:* Deacon Gary and Arlene Patelski 989-295-5849

Register online at [www.emfgp.org](http://www.emfgp.org) or take a registration form

## Diocese of Saginaw-Thumb Area



### REGISTRATION FORM

The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents at  
Good Shepherd Parish Center, 1935 Hamilton St., Ubyly, MI 48475

One-Day Spiritual Retreat  
Saturday, March 16 from 9:30am-7pm

*The retreat will include all materials, snacks, coffee/tea/water, lunch, and dinner. Just bring yourself!*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

If sending a freewill offering, please make checks payable to *Good Shepherd Parish*. Registrations must be received by March 10, 2024. Space is limited to 26 participants. Send this form to: **Julie Gillespie-EMFGP** 4292 Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726. If you'd prefer, register online at [www.emfgp.org](http://www.emfgp.org)

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*To speak to a grieving parent who has attended one of our programs,  
Please call Mary at 586-596-8064 or Julie at 937-573-7252*

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For more information on upcoming programs  
<http://www.emfgp.org>

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