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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m. .... St. John

#### THURSDAY

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

#### FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. .... St. John

Adoration following Mass

(on 1st Friday of the month until 4:00 p.m.  
with 3:45 p.m. Chaplet)

#### SATURDAY

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

#### SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. .... St. Joseph

10:30 a.m. .... St. Columbkille

5:00 p.m. .... St. John

### RECONCILIATION / CONFESSIONS

#### WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. .... St. John

#### 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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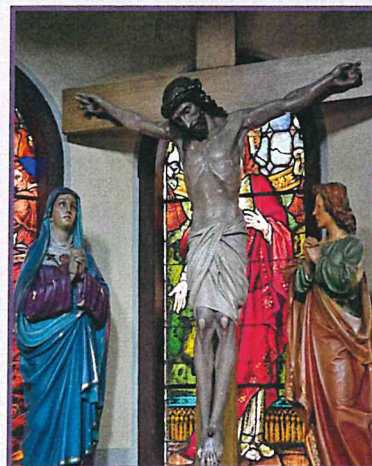
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**AUGUST**  
Month of the  
Immaculate  
Heart of Mary

**SEPTEMBER**  
Month of Our  
Lady of  
Sorrows

#### ➤ Holy Father's August Intention:

*Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.*

#### ➤ Holy Father's September Intention:

*For our relationship with all of creation – Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.*

### NEW PARISH VISION STATEMENT

Good Shepherd Parish will be a community where every member is on fire with the Truth. We will be guided by the Holy Spirit and will be a force for God's mission. We will be strengthened through our worship, participation in the Sacraments, lifelong faith formation, study of the Word, and fellowship with one another, our neighbors, and beyond. We will show our love by being the hands and feet of Christ and sharing our joy with our community, our diocese, and our world.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tues. at 12:00 p.m.**

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## September 14, 2025

# Exaltation of the Holy Cross

### 2025 Sep 14 SUN: EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS F

*Nm 21: 4b-9/ Ps 78: 1bc-2. 34-35. 36-37. 38/ Phil 2: 6-11/ Jn 3: 13-17*

### 2025 Sep 15 Mon: Our Lady of Sorrows M (Twenty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time)

*1 Tm 2: 1-8/ Ps 28: 2. 7. 8-9/ Optional Sequence Stabat Mater/ Jn 19: 25-27 or Lk 2: 33-35*

### 2025 Sep 16 Tue: Cornelius, pp, mt, and Cyprian, bp, mt M

*1 Tm 3: 1-13/ Ps 101: 1b-2ab. 2cd-3ab. 5. 6/ Lk 7: 11-17*

### 2025 Sep 17 Wed: Ordinary Weekday/ Robert Bellarmine, bp, r, dr/ Hildegard of Bingen, ab, dr

*1 Tm 3: 14-16/ Ps 111: 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/ Lk 7: 31-35*

### 2025 Sep 18 Thu: Ordinary Weekday

*1 Tm 4: 12-16/ Ps 111: 7-8. 9. 10/ Lk 7: 36-50*

### 2025 Sep 19 Fri: Ordinary Weekday/ Januarius, bp, mt

*1 Tm 6: 2c-12/ Ps 49: 6-7. 8-10. 17-18. 19-20/ Lk 8: 1-3*

### 2025 Sep 20 Sat: Andrew Kim Taegon, p, mt, Paul Chong Hasang, ca, mt, & co., mts M

*1 Tm 6: 13-16/ Ps 100: 1b-2. 3. 4. 5/ Lk 8: 4-15*

## Weekly Stewardship of Treasure

### Let Us Give Thanks!

Envelope Offerings	\$ 6,975.00
Flocknote Online Giving	\$ 754.85
Loose Offerings	\$ 515.00
Total Offerings	\$ 3,255.5
Envelopes Used:	131
Envelope Holders:	249
Avg. amount needed weekly	\$ 5,980.77
Weekly Budget shortfall or overage	\$2,264.08
Building Fund Donations (Current Project: St. John Window Repair):	\$19,578.55 towards goal of \$36,060

## Christ's Mission Appeal

*As of 9/8/25*

We have raised \$55,232.00 towards our goal of \$61,716.00. Thank you for your stewardship in the past, and this year! At the end of the appeal, what we have not raised will be taken from parish savings.

## Liturgical Decorator

We need a volunteer, to decorate for the liturgical seasons, at St. Columbkille. If you can share your time and talents to do this ministry, please call the office.

## Mass Intentions: September 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>

Saturday at St. John: +Anthony Grifka  
Sunday at St. Joseph: All Parishioners  
Sunday at St. Columbkille: +Cody David  
Sunday 5pm at St. John: Priest of Saginaw Diocese

## Mass Intentions: September 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

Saturday at St. John: +Curly (Jerome) Messing  
Sunday at St. Joseph: All Parishioners  
Sunday at St. Columbkille: +Joseph Pichla  
Sunday 5pm at St. John: CANCELED

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

### Offertory Counters:

**Sept. 15:** Debbie Osentoski, Luci Kubacki, Marge Briolat

**Sept 22:** Lisa Briolat, Kathy Beaver, Carol Beaudin

**Sept. 29:** Ann Ypma, Norma Peruski, Lori Uhl

### 4:00pm Mass: Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> - St. John

**Lector:** Marlene Bukoski

**EMHC:** Rose Maikzrek, Tess Sullivan, Debbie Osentoski

**Altar Server:** Grayson Guigar

**Sacristan:** Rose Maikzrek

**Ushers:** John Guigar, Charlie Briolat, Allen Peruski

**North Entrance Greeter:** Father Kumar

### 8:30am Mass: Sunday, September 21<sup>th</sup> - St. Joseph

**Lector:** Lynn Talaski

**EMHC:** Denise Kubacki, Paul Guza

**Altar Server:** Taylor Chase

**Sacristan:** Denise Kubacki

**Greeter:** Lisa Briolat

**Ushers:** Kevin & Louise Hessling

### 10:30am Mass: Sunday, September 21<sup>th</sup> - St. Columbkille

**Lector:** Maria Roth

**EMHC:** Jeremy Roth, Joe Flannery, Jerry Sweeney, Jerry & Val Fischer

**Altar Servers:** Broden Peruski, Laura Romzek

**Greeters:** Kubacki Family

**Gift Bearers:** Kempisty Family

**Ushers:** Jeff Sweeney, Brayden Sweeney, Marv Osentoski

## 5:00pm Mass on Sunday September 21<sup>st</sup> is Canceled due to Priest Assembly

**Our Lady of Velankanni**, also known as Our Lady of Good Health, is a highly venerated title of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the town of Velankanni, located in the state of Tamil Nadu, India. This site is one of the most significant and visited Catholic pilgrimage destinations in Asia.

## Overview of Our Lady of Velankanni

- Location: Velankanni, Nagapattinam district, Tamil Nadu, India
- Basilica Name: Basilica of Our Lady of Good Health (also called Velankanni Church)
- Religious Affiliation: Roman Catholic
- Devotion: To the Virgin Mary, under the title “Our Lady of Good Health”
- Annual Feast: Celebrated from August 29 to September 8, culminating on September 8 (Feast of the Nativity of Mary)

## History & Miracles

**According to tradition, there were three major miraculous events**

1. *Apparition to a Hindu Boy (16th century)*  
A young Hindu boy delivering milk reportedly saw the Virgin Mary holding the child Jesus. She asked him for milk for her child. The boy gave it to her and later found the milk pot was still full. This happened near where the basilica now stands.
2. *Healing of a Crippled Boy*  
Another miracle involved a crippled boy who was healed after seeing an apparition of Mary, prompting many locals to believe in her divine intercession.
3. *Portuguese Sailors Saved from a Storm (17th century)*  
A group of Portuguese sailors, caught in a deadly storm in the Bay of Bengal, prayed to the Virgin Mary. They safely landed near Velankanni on September 8, and in gratitude, built a small chapel in her honor.



## The Basilica Today

- The church has grown from a humble chapel to a massive basilica complex.
- It reflects Gothic architecture, with towering white spires and stained glass.
- It attracts millions of pilgrims each year, from all over India and the world, especially during the annual feast.
- People of all faiths come here, making it a symbol of interreligious harmony.

## Pilgrimage Practices

- Walking pilgrimages from distant towns and cities (some walk for days).
- Offering candles, shaped like body parts (e.g., heart, limbs) for healing.
- Bathing in the Holy Pond, believed to have healing properties.
- Multilingual Masses, in Tamil, English, Malayalam, Hindi, Telugu, and other languages.

## Why It's Special

- Known as the “Lourdes of the East” due to reported healings and miracles.
- Pilgrims include Hindus, Muslims, and Christians, all united in devotion.
- Velankanni exemplifies religious unity, compassion, and hope.

## Father Kumar

**Equipping the Faithful – Discipleship in the Workplace:** Join us on **Saturday, October 11, 2025**, for an inspiring event that focuses on discipleship in the workplace. Discover practical ways to live out your faith in your everyday work life. This engaging presentation will provide best practices and offer unique strategies you can use to share the good news at work. Come and be equipped to make a difference in your workplace! The event is from 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM (check-in begins at 8:00 AM), and will take place at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss St, Saginaw. The cost is \$25 and includes breakfast. The deadline to register is Monday, October 6, 2025. To register, go to the following link:

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UTG\\_at\\_Work](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UTG_at_Work), scan the QR code, or call Amy Dore at 989.797.6654



## Lukulu Africa Mission Update

Love for Lukulu will be having a mission recap on September 17th 2025, at 6pm at St. Agnes Catholic church in Freeland Mi. 300 Johnson St. We will be serving a Sloppy Joe dinner with salad and dessert. Free will offering will be accepted to help with the meal and supplies. Everyone is welcome to come and hear the stories and see videos from this years missionaries. We are excited to share our experiences and programs with you. We are also looking for people interested in going with us in 2026. Questions concerning dinner call or text Debi 989-295-3765, Questions regarding the Mission trip contact Tom Slivinski 989-295-4213



**Urgent Relief for Survival in Gaza:** A special collection will be taken for the families in Gaza the weekend of September 20 & 21. Gaza is enduring catastrophic conditions as hostilities escalate and basic necessities for survival vanish. Reports say deaths from starvation and severe malnutrition are rising daily. More than 2 million people are now crammed into an area smaller than 17 square miles. The Ministry of Health in Gaza reports that emergency rooms are filling with people collapsing from physical depletion. Bishop Gruss states: "As we have seen in the news, the people of Gaza are experiencing great suffering and hardship, Christians and other innocent victims alike. The situation stemming from the unrest is dire as people struggle to survive. I invite the people of the Diocese of Saginaw to join in answering the call to help our brothers and sisters in Gaza. We continue to pray, with the Holy Father, for a cease fire and for aid to enter this territory." 100% of donations go directly to helping recover and build the survivors of Gaza. Your donation may be made by check payable to **Diocese of Saginaw, 5800 Weiss St, Saginaw, MI 48603, "Attn: Maria Coss" with "GAZA Relief"** specified in the memo line.



## Emmaus Retreat for Grieving Parents Who Have Lost Children

### **Are you a parent who has lost a child and would appreciate support?**

Whether it happens through miscarriage, stillbirth, or later in life, the death of a child is a deep and tragic loss for parents – and for their hopes and dreams for the future. No matter what the age, cause of death, or how much time has passed, the grief over the loss of a child weighs heavily on the hearts of parents.

On Saturday October 4th, 2025, a one-day Emmaus Retreat for Grieving Parents will be offered at Holy Spirit Parish in Saginaw. There is no cost to attend (a free will offering will be optional to help cover catering and the cost of materials). The day begins at 9:30 a.m. and ends by 7:00 p.m. During this spiritual retreat, everyone is free to participate at their comfort level. For information or to register, call Deacon Gary Patelski at 989.295.5849 or Arlene Patelski at 989.295.9908 or email us at [gapatelski@aol.com](mailto:gapatelski@aol.com).

***The deadline for registration is September 29, 2025.***

**The Huron County Right to Life** is sponsoring the High School Volunteers of the Year award contest. It is open to all Huron County students in grades 9th-12th for the 2025-26 school year. Three cash prizes will be awarded locally with the winner advancing to the state level contest. Students must submit an application and a list of prolife involvement to our local affiliate by August 1, 2026. The list of prolife activities and involvement (from August 2025 to August 2026) must all be activities and volunteer work with the Huron County Right to Life and/or state organization (MiGen Leads).

Three upcoming 2025 opportunities to volunteer are: attending our monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 2 in Bad Axe, manning a shift at our booth at the Family Fun Days on September 6 from 11am-3pm in Bad Axe, and/or attending the Michigan March for Life on November 6 in Lansing (free bussing provided).

For more information, visit our website at [www.huronrtl.org](http://www.huronrtl.org) or call or text Jeanne at 954-540-0174.



## **“Lifelong Faith Formation”**

*(See Parish Vision on cover)*

### **Child Faith Formation (PreK-6): Weekly**

*St. John Ubly: Wednesdays 3:15-5pm*

*St. Columbkille: Wednesdays 6-7:30pm*

**Family Night:** October 1st, 5:30pm Parish Center

**Faith Formation Adoration:** *All invited!* September 17<sup>th</sup>, at St. John- 4:30pm, St. Columbkille- 7pm during the school year

**Youth Group (7-12 grade):** Starting in October

**Youth Mass:** October 19, 2025, at 10:30am

### **Adult Faith Formation Offerings:**

*Adoration:* All day Adoration until 4pm first Friday of every month; Holy Hour every Friday after 9am Mass  
*Scripture Study:* Mondays, September & October 6:30-8pm at St. Columbkille. Contact Valerie Fischer (989) 553-3088

*Prayer Group:* 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month in the parish center chapel at 5:30pm

**Christian Initiation/OCIA:** Dana Irion (989) 553-0585

## **ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...**

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- An ordinary Catholic like you, who desires to grow in their knowledge and love of Jesus?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for adults and children/youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information, please contact Dana Irion at 989-553-0585.



***Our First Faith Formation Family Night***



***Homeless Mat Ministry***

### **Knights of Columbus Ubly/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 Dave Keller at 989-670-3107. Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly at the parish center. This is confidential and anonymous – Call Jeff Maurer at 989-553-4224. Dave Keller - Grand Knight

### **Mats for the Homeless Ministry**

We will be working to recycle plastic bags into mats for the homeless. We meet on Tuesdays, 9am until noon at the Parish Center, until Thanksgiving. Come join us! For more info call Lori Osantoski (989) 375-4281.



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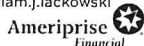
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