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St. John 4476 N. Washington St. Ubly, MI 48475



St. Joseph 4940 Ubly Rd. Argyle, MI 48410

St. Columbkille 3031 McAlpin Rd. Ubly, MI 48475

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

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

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

(CLOSED FRIDAY)

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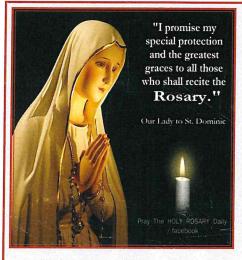
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OCTOBER Month of the Holy Rosary

NOVEMBER
Month of the
Holy Souls in
Purgatory

→ Holy Father's October Intention:

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

→ Holy Father's November Intention:

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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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November 16, 2025 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

2025 Nov 16 SUN: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mal 3: 19-20a/ Ps 98: 5-6. 7-8. 9/ 2 Thes 3: 7-12/ Lk 21: 5-19

2025 Nov 17 Mon: Elizabeth of Hungary, mw, r M

1 Mc 1: 10-15. 41-43. 54-57. 62-63 / Ps 119: 53. 61. 134. 150. 155. 158 / Lk 18:35-43

2025 Nov 18 Tue: Ordinary Weekday/ Dedication of the Churches of Peter and Paul/ Rose Philippine Duchesne, v, r, ms

2 Mc 6: 18-31 / Ps 3: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7 / Lk 19: 1-10. Proper readings for Peter & Paul: Acts 28: 11-16. 30-31 / Ps 98: 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4. 5-6 / Mt 14: 22-33

2025 Nov 19 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

2 Mc 7: 1. 20-31 / Ps 17: 1bcd. 5-6. 8b and 15 / Lk 19: 11-28

2025 Nov 20 Thu: Ordinary Weekday

1 Mc 2: 15-29/ Ps 50: 1b-2. 5-6. 14-15/ Lk 19: 41-44

2025 Nov 21 Fri: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary M

1 Mc 4: 3-37. 52-59/ 1 Chr 29: 10bcd. 11abc. 11d-12a. 12bcd/ Lk 19: 45-48

2025 Nov 22 Sat: Cecilia, v, mt M

1 Mc 6: 1-13/ Ps 9: 2-3. 4 and 6. 16 and 19/ Lk 20: 27-40

Weekly Stewardship of Treasure

Let Us Give Thanks!

Envelope Offerings	\$	5,289.00	
Flocknote Online Giving	\$	242.56	
Loose Offerings	\$	755.00	
Total Offerings	\$	6,286.56	
Envelopes Used:		99	
Envelope Holders:		249	
Avg. amount needed weekly	\$	5,980.77	
Weekly Budget shortfall or overage +\$305.79			
Building Fund Donations (Current Project: St. John			
Window Repair): \$21,379.55 towards goal of \$36,060.			
24/25 CMA payoff from Parish savings \$5,684.00.			

Thanksgiving Masses

9:00am, Wednesday, November 26th - St. John 7:00pm, Wednesday, November 26th - St. Columbkille

8:30am, Thursday, November 26th - St. Ignatius

Decorating at St. John

10:00am Sunday, November 23, for Advent & Christmas. All are welcome. Come join us!

Memorial Mass

9:00am, Friday, November 21st - St. John

Contact the office with names of your loved ones you would like remembered at this mass by Wednesday November19th.

Mass Intentions: November 15th & 16th

Saturday at St. John: +Jerome Czewski Sunday at St. Joseph: +Marie Wasierski Sunday at St. Columbkille: All Parishioners

Mass Intentions: November 22nd & 23rd

Saturday at St. John: +Marvin Longuski Sunday at St. Joseph: All Parishioners Sunday at St. Columbkille: +Loreane Holz

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Offertory Counters:

Nov.17: Marge Briolat, Glorie McCarty, Lori Uhl **Nov.24:** Carol Beaudin, Debbie Osentoski, Luci Kubacki

Dec. 1: Ann Ypma, Lisa Briolat, Luci Kubacki

4:00pm Mass: Saturday, November 22nd - St. John

Lector: Tess Sulivan

EMHC: Ann Ympa, Debbie Osentoski, Rose

Maikzrek

Altar Server: Ricardo Fabian Sacristan: Rose Maikzreek

Ushers: Whitey Pawlosky, Charlie Briolat, Richard

Trepkowski

North Entrance Greeter: Fr. Kumar

8:30am Mass: Sunday, November 23rd - St. Joseph

Lector: Lori Uhl

EMHC: Shirley Catalano, Debbie Peruski

Altar Server: Taylor Chase Sacristan: Shirley Catalano Greeter: Jo Izydorek

Ushers: Kevin & Louise Hessling

10:30am Mass: Sunday, November 23rd - St.

Columbkille

Lector: Clare Roth

EMHC: Jerry & Val Fischer, Kevin Romzek, Jerry

Sweeney, Karen Pichla

Altar Servers: Caleb & Luke Roth

Greeters: Paige Sweeney **Gift Bearers**: Briolat Family

Ushers: Ray Maurer, Jeff Maurer, Terry Sweeney

Communal Penance Service

2:00pm Sunday, December 7th at St. John

"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: December 3rd, 5:30pm Parish Center **Faith Formation Adoration:** *All invited!* November 19, at St. John- 4:30pm, St. Columbkille- 7pm during the school year

Youth Group (7-12 grade): November 16th, 3:00pm-5:00pm

Youth Mass: December 24, 2025, at 6pm St.

Columbkille

Adult Faith Formation Offerings:

Adoration: All day Adoration until 4pm first Friday of every month; Holy Hour every Friday after 9am Mass Scripture Study: March & April, 6:30-8pm at St. Columbkille

Bible Study: St. Joseph Hall after 8:30 mass.

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

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

Confirmation Sacrament Classes: at Parish Center, November 16, 6:00-7:00pm. November 23, 6:00-7:00pm

Cemetery Regulations

Fall clean-up will take place in all our Cemeteries during the month of November. Grave Blankets can be put on after Thanksgiving. Thank You!

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

Needed Missionary Disciples

Missionary disciples work within a parish to: Build Friendships with God, Accompany and build trust, Open Hearts and Minds, Foster Community, Go on Mission, Lead with Mercy, Empower the Holy Spirit within the Parish. Is the Lord calling you to this ministry? Interested or curious, call the office for more information (989) 658-8824.

Women's Advent by candlelight

Sunday, Nov. 30, 2025 @4pm
An opportunity for women to set aside the hustle and bustle of the holiday preparation and focus their minds and hearts on Christ.

We will share a drink, desserts, snacks and fellowship surrounded by the glow of candlelight. Guest Speaker: Kelly Deming Free will donation collected at the door.

Good Shepherd Parish Center

Rsvp by Nov. 21st to Marsha McDonald
989.551.3437

Get ready for an unforgettable evening!

We're thrilled to invite you to join us on Saturday, 11/22 5pm Good Shepherd Parish Center (1935 Hamilton St, Ubly) for a night full of excitement! Here's what we have planned just for you:

- Be inspired by a captivating video and Q&A session recounting our incredible mission trip to Lukulu, Zambia!
- Don't miss our silent auction featuring amazing handmade artifacts from Lukulu that you won't find anywhere else!
- Enjoy fantastic musical performances by our talented choirs, with a special appearance by Fr. Kumar on drums!
- Indulge in a delicious chili & baked potato bar, plus a kid-friendly selection that everyone will love! Dinner will be served at 6pm. Good will offering to benefit next year's mission trip.

Please RSVP Elizabeth O'Parka at eoparka@gmail.com or text/call 757-647-9103 or Bonita Guza at bgesen@yahoo.com or text/call 810-358-8444.

Safety & Security Team

Due to the recent increase of violence in places of worship, Good Shepherd Parish is forming a team to strengthen safety and security at all our gathering places. This team will work with the diocese and our local Emergency Managers to help create a culture of preparedness that balances hospitality with resilience. If you have skills that could be helpful, please contact the office.

My First Encounter with Snow in Michigan

When I first arrived in Michigan, many people asked me if I had ever seen snow before. Coming from India, where the sun often reigns supreme, my answer was always "not yet—but I'm waiting for that blessing!"

And then Sunday morning, it happened. I woke up to a world transformed. The trees, rooftops, and roads were all covered in a pure white blanket, as if God Himself had gently painted the earth overnight. I stepped outside, and the crisp air filled my lungs. The snowflakes danced around me—tiny, silent miracles falling from the sky.

There was something deeply spiritual in that moment. The quietness of the snow reminded me of how God often works—in silence, in gentleness, yet with the power to change everything. The whiteness of the snow made me think of Isaiah's promise: "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow." (Isaiah 1:18)

Of course, I soon discovered that snow also means shoveling driveways, careful driving, and cold fingers! Yet even in these challenges, I find joy and gratitude. The snow teaches patience and wonder—it slows us down, invites reflection, and reminds us that every season has its beauty and purpose.

This winter, as I look out at the snow-covered fields of Michigan, I give thanks for the God who brings newness in every season, even in the cold. May this winter be for all of us a time to let God's grace fall softly upon our hearts—refreshing, cleansing, and renewing us in His love.

God bless! Fr Kumar



Women's Silent Retreat

January 30 – February 1, 2026. In peaceful silence, we hear the gentle whisper of the Holy Spirit, inviting us to become the women God made us to be. Please join retreat leaders, Mary Jo Kerlin, Jean Thiele, and Stacey Trapani, for the Women's Silent Retreat on January 30-February 1, 2026, at the Center for Ministry in Saginaw. There will be time to journal, express your creativity, experience silent prayer, and participate in spiritual direction if you choose. Mostly we will rest in the presence of our loving creator. NEW THIS YEAR: In response to requests for more time in prayer, you have the option to arrive on Friday beginning at 1:00 p.m. ALSO NEW: We will begin at 7:00 p.m., with the option of arriving at 6:00 p.m., for dinner. You can indicate your preference on the registration form. There will be an option to attend Mass at the Center for Ministry on Sunday at 8:00 a.m., and breakfast will follow. We will conclude at noon on Sunday. The cost is \$190 for a private room, \$170 for a semi-private room, and \$110 for a commuter. This includes five meals, snacks, and beverages. Register at this link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WSR_2026, by scanning the QR code, or by calling 989.797.6654. Registration deadline is January 23, 2025, or when full. This retreat usually sells out, so be sure to register early

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. We will not be meeting after from November 19 until January 13th. **Come join us!**

Good Shepherd Christian Mothers & Women Christmas Party will meet on

Tuesday, December 9, at the Parish Center. Cocktails start at 5:30pm with dinner at 6:00pm. Cost is \$6. A \$15 gift exchange is optional. RSVP by November 24th to Rose Maikrzek at 989-658-8866 or Becky Olshove at 989-975-2275.

One of our parish goals is, "Every parishioner must invite at least one person back to Mass by March of 2026." This will be measured by the DMI survey in Lent 2026.

Here are two ways for **you** to accomplish this goal. You could spontaneously invite someone to mass on any given day during any interaction with them in an effort to expand our flock.

You could also be very intentional about who you choose to invite. If you have someone specific you have been missing at mass, you can start by enrolling them in Project 99. You simply scan the QR code, enter their name (first name is fine), and enter your email. You will receive regular emails with a prayer to say for your lost sheep.

Then there will be opportunities from now until Lent 2026 to invite that loved one back to mass. Forty percent of people invited back to mass have returned. They were just waiting to be asked.



Washington DC National March for Life.

The 2026 Movement in Motion bus trip is for pro-life students, parents, young adults, chaperones, families, and adults. There are three options: Bus 1 will stay for two nights (January 22nd-23rd) and leaves from Auburn Hills. It costs \$140 per person. Bus 2 will stay for three nights (January 22nd-24th) and leaves from Bloomfield Hills. It costs \$180/person. Bus 3 will stay for two nights (January 22nd-23rd) and leaves from Plymouth. It costs \$140 per person. All three options include a LIFESPAN hat. Go to milifespan.org and click on events for additional trip information and to register. The Huron County Right to Life would be happy to offer financial assistance to anyone attending the March for Life. To contact the Huron Co. RTL, call or text Jeanne at 954-540-0174.

Called by Name! Bishop Gruss is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15-30's) who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood. If you have not already, please submit the names of young men in your parish that you would like to nominate for this campaign, such as altar servers, volunteers, teens in youth ministry, etc.

To submit names, please visit saginawvocations.org/calledbyname. Men you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Gruss, invitations to discernment events, and support from our Vocation Team. Thank you for your participation in this important campaign!

Fall in Love All Over Again! A Worldwide

Marriage Encounter Experience is a time set aside for you and your spouse to connect more deeply and fan the spark of your love. Through presentations and time for private discussion, WWME offers tools to take your marriage to the next level. Apply today at wwme.org or contact Amy & Joe Kopacz at 517.667.0433 for more information. Upcoming Experiences:

November 21-23 at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center in Detroit

January 30 - February 1 at Country Inn & Suites in Grand Rapids

March 6-8 at the Center for Ministry in Saginaw April 10-12 at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

he Catholic Church has always taught us, through the words of Sacred Scripture and the witness of saints like Francis of Assisi, that the natural world is created by God, that it is good, and that humans have a special duty to care for creation so that it benefits not only themselves but also future generations. Today we live in a time where pollution, climate change, and poor agricultural practices harm creation and place us all in danger.

In 2015, Pope Francis responded to this environmental crisis by issuing the encyclical Laudato Si' (On Care for Our Common Home), in which he emphasizes the connection between humanity and nature and calls for "the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development" (no. 13).

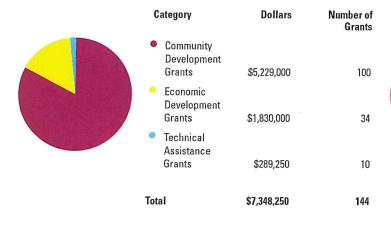
This spirit of cooperation, sustainability, and human dignity animates the work of organizations like La Cosecha Community Supported Agriculture, a cooperative farm network in Albuquerque, New Mexico, which makes

locally grown, sustainable, and nutritious foods available to low-income people. With support from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), La Cosecha has expanded its outreach beyond Albuquerque to 11 rural New Mexico counties, increased year-round accessibility to healthy produce and other food products, and obtained a US Department of Agriculture Good Agricultural Practices food-safety certification for its cooperative farm partners.

CCHD-funded organizations show how we can care for the environment, address the needs of the poor, and support responsible and sustainable local businesses at the same time. When you participate in the CCHD collection, you help not only other communities but also your own, because 25% of your contribution remains in your diocese to create local solutions to poverty.

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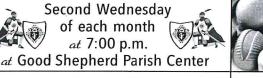
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