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MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY (1st of the month)

3:30 p.m. Meadow Lane, Bad Axe

WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m. St. John

THURSDAY

10:30 a.m. (2nd of the month)
Medical Care Facility
6:00 p.m. St. Columbkille

FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. St. John
Adoration following Mass
(on 1st Friday of the month – Adoration starting
at 9:00 a.m., Mass at 11:00 a.m. with Adoration
continuing until 4:00 p.m.)

SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. St. John

SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. St. Ignatius
10:30 a.m. St. Columbkille
5:00 p.m. St. John (June, July, & August)

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. St. John

THURSDAY

After 6:00 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)

OFFICE PHONE: 989-658-8824

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JULY

**Month of
the Precious
Blood of Jesus**

AUGUST

**Month of
the Immaculate
Heart of Mary**

→ **Holy Father's July Intention:**

For Respect for Human Life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

→ **Holy Father's August Intention:**

For Evangelization in the City

Let us pray that in large cities, often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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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July 12, 2026

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

2026 Jul 12 SUN: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY

INORDINARY TIME *Is 55: 10-11/ Ps 65: 10, 11, 12-13, 14 (Lk 8:8)/ Rom 8: 18-23/ Mt 13: 1-23*

2026 Jul 13 Mon: Ordinary Weekday/ Henry, mm *Is 1: 10-17/ Ps 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/ Mt 10: 34 11: 1*

2026 Jul 14 Tue: Kateri Tekakwitha, v M *Is 7: 1-9/ Ps 48: 2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/ Mt 11: 20-24*

2026 Jul 15 Wed: Bonaventure, bp, r, dr M *Is 10: 5-7, 13b-16/ Ps 94: 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/ Mt 11: 25-27*

2026 Jul 16 Thu: Ordinary Weekday/ Our Lady of Mount Carmel *Is 26: 7-9, 11, 16-19/ Ps 102: 13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/ Mt 11: 28-30*

2026 Jul 17 Fri: Ordinary Weekday *Is 38: 1-6, 21-22, 7-8/ Is 38: 10, 11, 12abcd, 16/ Mt 12: 1-8*

2026 Jul 18 Sat: Ordinary Weekday/ BVM/ Camillus de Lellis, pMi *2: 1-5/ Ps 10: 1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/ Mt 12: 14-21*

Weekly Stewardship of Treasure

Let Us Give Thanks!

Envelope Offerings	\$ 4,402.00
Flocknote Online Giving	\$ 373.80
Loose Offerings	\$ 611.00
Total Offerings	\$ 5,386.80
Envelopes Used	109
Envelope Holders	249
Avg. amount needed weekly	\$ 5,980.77
Weekly Budget shortfall/overage	\$ - 593.97
Building Fund	\$ 200.00
Total Priest Retirement	\$ 3,174.00

Donation to the building fund in Loving memory of Schefka & Czewski Families.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Holy Hour for vocations with Bishop Gruss:

Tuesday, September 15, 2026, Good Shepherd Parish, St. John the Evangelist Church – Ubly, 7 to 8pm. The intention of the Holy Hours is to increase vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life within our Diocese, and at the same time deepen our own love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Mass Intentions:

Friday, July 10, at St. John: VBS children and families
 Saturday, July 11, at St. John: +John Beaudin
 Sunday, July 12, at St. Ignatius: All Parishioners
 Sunday, July 12, at St. Columbkille: +Marvin Messing
 Sunday, July 12, at St. John: +Doris Lemke

Friday, July 17, at St. John: +Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Saturday, July 18, at St. John: +Joan Warner
 Sunday, July 19, at St. Ignatius: All Parishioners
 Sunday, July 19, at St. Columbkille: +Marvin Messing
 Sunday, July 19, at St. John: +Mary & Al Kubacki

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Offertory Counters:

July 13: Norma Peruski, Carol Beaudin, Donna Stepka

July 20: Denise Kubacki, Ann Ympa, Kathy Beaver

July 27: Lori Uhl, Debbie Osentoski, Glorie McCarty

4:00pm Mass: July 18th - St. John

Lector: Tess Sullivan

EMHC: Rose Maikrzek, Dave Eilers, Cathy Stacer

Altar Server: Ricardo Fabian

Sacristan: Dave Eilers

North Entrance Greeter: Lincoln & Stella Smalley

Ushers: Rich Trepkowski, Bob Brahmer, Jim Osentoski

8:30am Mass: July 19th - St. Ignatius

Lector: Paul Deo

EMHC: Lori Uhl, Paul Guza

Altar Server: Taylor Chase

Sacristan: Steve/Lisa Briolat

Greeter: Lisa Briolat

Ushers: Steve Briolat, Kevin Hessling

10:30am Mass: July 19th - St. Columbkille

Lector: Katie Sweeney

EMHC: JaCie Tyrrell, Karen Pichla, Jeremy Roth, Kevin & Sarah Romzek

Altar Servers: Courtney Kempisty, Sadie Fischer

Greeter: Briolat Family

Gift Bearers: Briolat Family

Ushers: Dan Cregeur, Nathan Peruski, Steve Peruski

5:00pm Sunday Mass: St. John July 19th

Celebrant: Father Kevin Wojciechowski, **Holy Name of Mary, Harbor Beach**

"Lifelong Faith Formation"

(See Parish Vision on cover)

Child Faith Formation (PreK-6): Weekly

St. John Ubly: Fall 2026, Wednesdays 3:15-5pm

St. Columbkille: Fall 2026, Wednesdays 6-7:30pm

Family Night: Fall 2026

Faith Formation Adoration: Fall 2026

Youth Group: (7-12 grade) 3rd Sunday starting in September 2026 – September 20, at 5:30pm

Youth Mass: Fall 2026

Adult Faith Formation Offerings:

Adoration: All day Adoration until 4pm first Friday of every month; Holy Hour every Friday after 9am Mass

Scripture Study: Starting Sept. 2026 at St. Columbkille

Bible Study: St. Ignatius Hall after 8:30 mass, now to July 12th, studying the book of Revelation, Joann Roy 904-571-0156

Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month in the parish center chapel – **Taking the summer off**

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

Confirmation Sacrament Classes: at Parish Center, (resuming in fall) 6:00-7:30pm

Haiti Project

We are gathering at the parish center July 13 to July 17, and July 20 to July 24, from 9 to 3 to sew shorts and dresses for missions. Please join us as we need people to cut, sew and iron. Any questions, call Diane 989-551-1727.

The Huron County Right to Life wants

YOU!!! The Huron County Right to Life is looking for parade walkers of all ages for the Cheeseburger Parade in Caseville on Wed, Aug 19. We also need volunteers to man our prolife booth at Family Fun Festival in Bad Axe on Sat, Sept 12. Contact Mary Jo at 989-954-7028 for parades or Marilyn at 989-316-6683 for booths. Thank you.

Raising funds for the Education of Future Priest Bishop's Annual Golf Outing and Banquet

– The golf outing will take place on Wednesday, July 22 at Currie Golf Course in Midland. As in the past, there will be morning and afternoon flights. The dinner and auction are set for Thursday, July 23 at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Bay City. To register for either event, contact the diocesan Stewardship office at 989-797-6693 or email Tammy Heinlein at theinlein@diosag.org.

Faith Formation is in need of a K-1 teacher at the Ubly site from 3:15 to 5pm. **Youth Group** is in need of a helper which will meet the 3rd Sunday of each month at 5:30pm starting in September. Contact JaCie at jtyrrell@goodshepherd.diosag.org or call the office 989-658-8824.

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2026-2027

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OR EMAIL [BMATTYS@OLLHSCHOOL.ORG](mailto:bmattys@ollhschool.org)

Emergency Collection for Venezuela

Earthquake Relief: On Wednesday, June 24, 2026, two powerful earthquakes struck approximately 100 miles west of Caracas, Venezuela, causing widespread devastation. Buildings collapsed, homes and critical infrastructure were severely damaged, and thousands of people were left without safe shelter. Even as the full extent of the damage continues to emerge, Catholic parishes have opened their doors to shelter displaced families and provide emergency assistance. Catholic Relief Services (CRS), working through Caritas Venezuela and the local Church, is providing emergency shelter, food, safe drinking water, medical care, and other critical relief to those affected. If you would like to help our brothers and sisters in Venezuela, please make your check payable to: **Diocese of Saginaw**, 5800 Weiss St, Saginaw, MI 48603, Attn: Maria Coss. Please write **"Venezuela Earthquakes"** in the memo line. For questions, please contact Maria Coss at 989.797.6646. 100% of all donations will go directly toward helping survivors recover and rebuild. Thank you for your generosity and for bringing hope to those affected during this time of great need.

The Word of God Always Bears Fruit

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
This Sunday readings invite us to reflect on the power of God's Word. In the first reading, God says through the prophet Isaiah that just as rain and snow fall from heaven and make the earth fruitful, so His Word never returns to Him empty. It accomplishes the purpose for which He sends it.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us the familiar Parable of the Sower. The sower generously scatters seed everywhere. The seed is the Word of God, and the different types of soil represent the different conditions of the human heart.

Some seed falls on the path. This represents hearts that hear God's Word but never allow it to enter deeply. Distractions, indifference, or the influence of evil quickly take it away.

Other seed falls on rocky ground. These are people who receive God's Word with enthusiasm but give up when difficulties, suffering, or criticism come. Their faith has no deep roots.

Some seed falls among thorns. These are hearts overwhelmed by worries, the pursuit of wealth, excessive attachment to worldly success, or unhealthy desires. These "thorns" choke the Word before it can bear fruit.

Finally, some seed falls on good soil. These are people who hear God's Word, welcome it with faith, live it faithfully, and produce abundant fruit—thirty, sixty, and even a hundredfold.

The important question for each of us is not, "What kind of soil are others?" but rather, "What kind of soil am I today?"

God continues to sow His Word generously. Every Sunday, every Mass, every page of Scripture, every moment of prayer is another opportunity for Him to plant His seed in our hearts. The problem is never with the seed. God's Word is perfect. The challenge is the condition of our hearts.

How do we become good soil?

First, we must make time for God's Word. Reading a few verses of Scripture each day can gradually transform our minds and hearts.

Second, we must remove the "stones" of resentment, pride, and unforgiveness that prevent our faith from taking root.

Third, we must pull out the "weeds" of excessive worry, greed, and distractions that keep us from growing spiritually.

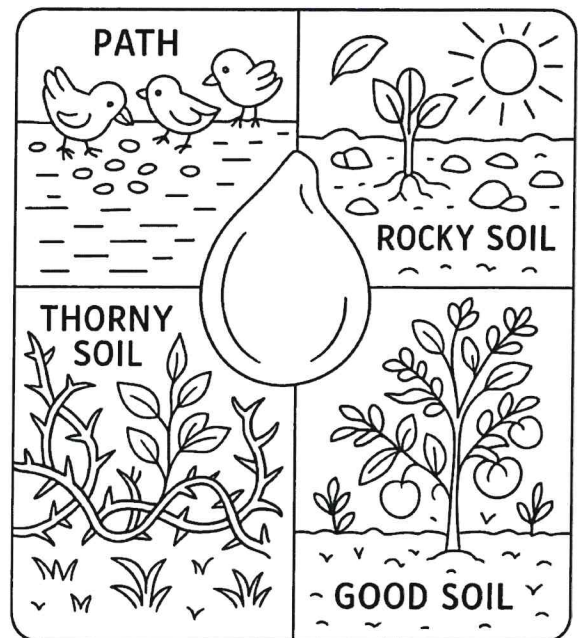
Finally, we must nourish our faith through prayer, the Eucharist, and acts of charity. A fruitful Christian is not simply someone who knows the Bible but someone who lives it every day.

Dear friends, our world desperately needs Christians who bear good fruit—people who show kindness instead of anger, forgiveness instead of revenge, generosity instead of selfishness, hope instead of despair, and love instead of hatred.

God bless us

Fr Kumar

PARABLE OF THE SEED



MATTHEW 13:3-9

August 30, 2026 - Celebrating the

Sacrament of Matrimony: "...what God has joined together..." The Diocese of Saginaw will celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony on Sunday, August 30, 2026, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Gruss at 2:00 PM, at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, 5376 State St, Saginaw. A reception will follow at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss St, Saginaw. Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries anytime in 2026 (beginning with 5 years and in 5-year increments thereafter) are welcome to join along with their children and their families. Registration requested by going to the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8-30-26>, or calling Kelly Hadd at 989.797.6655.

DIOCESE OF SAGINAW MIGRANT PANTRY IS OPEN: The migrant pantry at Our Lady Consolata Parish, Gagetown, is getting ready to serve our farmworker community! The pantry will receive donations during office hours. **Tuesday and Wednesday: 9:00am-4:00pm, Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm**

****Please call the Parish office first to schedule a drop off time** (989) 665-1027 press 5**

The Gagetown pantry will be open to migrant families from **7:00pm-9:00pm** on the following Tuesday evenings: **July 14, July 28, August 11, August 25.** If you, or someone you know, is interested in participating in the Our Lady Consolata Migrant Pantry, please contact the office number mentioned above. ***May the Lord bless you for your prayers, kindness, and generosity. Que el Señor te bendiga por tus oraciones, bondad, y generosidad.***

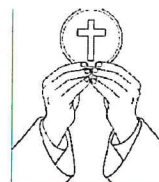
Walking With Moms In Need: The needs of pregnant and new moms is constant. Only through your generous hearts has the diocese been able to support multiple moms in need, each with a different and unique story. We have provided rent assistance and utility payments, among other things, to moms of twins, moms navigating unexpected and high-risk pregnancies, moms with terminally ill babies, and struggling moms just trying to make their way and do the right thing. If you would like to offer financial support to moms in need, please scan the QR code to make an online donation or send a check payable to the **Diocese of Saginaw**, and include in the memo **"WWMN"** to The Diocese of Saginaw, WWMN Fund, 5800 Weiss Street, Saginaw, MI 48603. The Walking With Moms In Need initiative is a program established by the USCCB to be part of our parishes. If you feel a call to this ministry and are interested in exploring how you can make a difference, please reach out to Kelly Hadd at khadd@diosag.org or call 989.797.6655. Thank you for supporting life!

Canoe Trip with Bishop Gruss: 6th – 12th grade youth (and chaperones) are invited to join Bishop Gruss for canoeing, food, fun, and a Eucharistic Procession. Finish the day with 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Gladwin. The cost is \$35 per person for canoe (\$5 livery fee if you bring your own canoe or kayak). Go to the following link to register: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8-8-26>. If you have any questions, please contact Taylor Piotrkowski at tp Piotrkowski@diosag.org or call 989.797.6639.

August 12, 2026 -Saints of America's Founding and the Holy Spirit: Join us on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, from 6:30 – 8:00 PM at the Diocesan Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss St, Saginaw for the third talk in the monthly series on the Holy Spirit. Father Stephen Blaxton will present on **Saints of America's Founding and the Holy Spirit.** Learn more and register at saginaw.org/holy-spirit-year (you can live stream). If you have questions, you may email Chris Pham at cpham@diosag.org or call 989.797.6637.

OLLH STEAK RAFFLE TICKETS \$5 each. Drawing will be held on August 19th at the OLLH Golf Outing in Verona. 1st through 10th place prizes, plus sellers prize drawing. 1st place wins 75 New York Strip Steaks. For more info, call Jess at the school office, 989-479-3393, ext. 3000. Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

OLLH ONLINE SUMMER AUCTION: Bidding will open August 1st-4th at www.bidnow.us. We invite individuals, families, and businesses to support OLLH School through a donation to our online auction. Proceeds help fund school programs, staff, and educational resources that enhance the learning experience for our students. Donations accepted until July 24th. For more info, call 989-479-3393.



SEMINARIAN UPDATE: Through the hard work of Fr. Andy LaFramboise and the prayers of the people of the Diocese of Saginaw, five men of the Diocese of Saginaw have applied and have been accepted by Bishop Gruss to begin studies and formation for the priesthood. Three of the men have already been accepted into a Seminary for the Fall 2026 with two men having their applications before a Seminary Admission Board for approval within the next few weeks to begin studies this Fall. Once these men have been approved, their names will be published in the Chancery Notes. These five men will join the current four seminarians in formation and studies: Michael Kuehne, Stephen Sebald, Carter Filhart, and Gerard LaFramboise. This will mean nine seminarians studying for the Diocese of Saginaw. Let's all keep praying and encouraging men to consider the Diocesan Priesthood. Together we will reach our goal of 20 seminarians by 2030.

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