



Our Lady of Sorrows

Memorial: September 15



PARISH NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER

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Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary **FEAST DAY: 15 SEPTEMBER**

HAIL MARY, full of sorrows. the Crucified is with thee: tearful art thou amongst women, and tearful is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of the Crucified, grant tears to us crucifiers of thy Son, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

(Pre-1968 Indulgence of 100 days; PIUS IX, 1847 Raccolta)

Elementary Discipleship



ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 6 FAMILIES!

This is our last call to register for Discipleship classes (religious education). All registration is done online. Please visit our parish website at www.holyfamilycaledonia.org and click on the Discipleship drop down menu for the direct links to register your child/children for classes. Classes begin on Monday, October 3rd and Wednesday, October 5th. Monday class time: 4:30-5:45 Wednesday class time: 6:15-7:30 Please register as soon as possible so

we know how many classes and volunteers we will need.

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Consider joining our Discipleship Team!

We are in need of catechists, aides, and security volunteers for our discipleship classes. Tuition discounts are available to ministry volunteers. Curriculum and plans are provided to help lesson planning be as smooth and easy as possible. Please contact Diane Rodolfo at the Parish Office or email at elemcff@holyfamilycaledonia.org.



Young Adults



YOUNG ADULT GATHERINGS

<u>What:</u> Our Young Adult group, which is a fellowship of young adults who desire to live in the imitation of Our Lord Jesus Christ within our modern era, continues to grow! Our dynamic ministry encourages prayer, study, and lively engagement with others and with the Church. We welcome you to attend our events and bring new ideas so we can continue developing into a thriving young adult community.

When: Thursday Evenings, 7:00-10:00 PM

Where: Usually the JPII room (lower level of the church)

Questions or to be added to our distribution list: Contact Lori at 616-891-9259







Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. ~ Matthew 28:19-20



Holy Family is Hiring

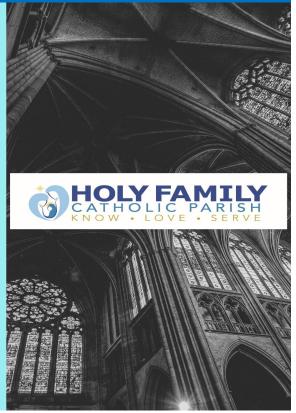
We are Hiring

Holy Family is seeking individuals with joyful, spiritually dedicated hearts, to join our team as the Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Coordinator of Parish Life.

*For full employment descriptions visit our parish website at www.holyfamilycaledonia.org

*To apply, send a cover letter and resume to: Deb Hazelbach

Director of Administration Holy Family Catholic Parish 9669 Kraft Ave. SE Caledonia, MI 49316 dhazelbach@holyfamilycaledonia.org





WANT TO GROW IN HOLINESS IN THIS CRAZY WORLD. BUT FIND YOURSELF TOO BUSY OR DO NOT KNOW HOW?

Want to transform your work, your marriage, your family, and your life, or perhaps looking for the quickest, surest, and easiest way to holiness, but don't know how or where to begin? If you're looking for a simple way to be spiritually renewed, develop a deeper relationship with Our Merciful Savior, and grow in holiness, we invite you to consider 33 Days to Morning Glory and our Small-group Retreat.

Marian consecration is the act of entrusting one's body, soul, possessions, works, and entire life to the protection, guidance, and intercession of Our Lady. Join us on six consecutive Wednesdays beginning November 2, 2022 at either 1pm or 7 pm as we begin a 33-day preparation for a Marian Consecration. You will learn the secrets to drawing closer to the Heart of Jesus through the Heart of Mary. Each week we will share our insights within our small group as well as watch a short video by popular author and speaker, Fr. Michael Gaitley. On December 8, 2022 we will have the opportunity to consecrate ourselves to Mary, after both Immaculate Conception Masses.

This is for individuals who have already consecrated themselves to Mary and would like to renew their consecration as well as those who have never done a consecration to the Blessed Mother. We invite you to pick up a flyer on the table with the CD's or the ministry cart outside of Holy Family Center for more details and watch for sign up opportunities in the coming weeks. A limited number of used books are available for use or new copies can be purchased from the retailer of your choice. Please contact Lori in the parish office for information.



Discipleship for Men



ATTENTION MEN OF HOLY FAMILY

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? Seek to be the best man you can be? Then Come Join...Wednesday mornings, starting on September 21 from 6:16-7:15 AM. For More information, please contact: Brian Baughman 616-893-3081, Chris Pieri 616-240-0015, or Pete Murray 616-813-4368.

FALL SCHEDULE:

Week 1 - All Things New

Speaker: Mark Hartfiel: The new is concealed in the old - the old is revealed in the new

Week 2 - The Road to Emmaus

Speaker: Dr. Scott Hahn: How Our Lord is Revealing His True Presence

Week 3 - God's Covenant Made New

Speaker: Dr. Scott Hahn: A Roman Execution turned into a Sacrifice

Week 4 - The Lamb's Supper

Speaker: Dr. Scott Hahn: Love Is What Transforms Suffering into Sacrifice

Week 5 - Four Great Truths about Mary

Speaker: Dr. Mark Miravalle: Our Advantages Over the World, the Flesh, and the Devil

Week 6 - Mary, Mother of All People

Speaker: Dr. Mark Miravalle: Mary as Our Spiritual Mother

Week 7 - The Marian Message to the Modern World

Speaker: Dr. Mark Miravelle: Understanding Five Modern Marian Apparitions

Week 8 - The Prophetic Vision of St. John Bosco

Speaker: Mark Hartfiel: "If we really understood the Mass, we would die of Joy"

Week 9 - From Protestant Pastor to Catholic Professor

Speaker: Dr. John Bergsma; Are You an Inexplicable Catholic?

Week 10 - Why God?

Speaker: Dr. John Bergsma: Looking inside the Human Conscience

Week 11 - Why Jesus Christ

Speaker: Dr. John Bergsma: Has this Creator tried to communicate with us?

Week 12 - Why the Catholic Church

Speaker: Dr. John Bergsma; The Criteria for Discovering the True Church

Week 13 - A New Evangelization

Speaker: Michael Gormley: How to 'Do' the New Evangelization



BREWING THE FAITH

Please plan to join us for our final summer gathering on Thursday, September 8 at 7:00 PM. Plan to meet at the fire pit for a relaxed opportunity to grow in our faith. Please feel free to bring a guest and a chair. Refreshments will be provided.

Annual Festivities



Events for the Ladies



BLESSED IS SHE

Ladies, please plan to join us for our next Holy Hour on September 12 beginning at 7:00pm. Weather permitting, we will gather at the fire pit for smores at the conclusion of Holy Hour so bring a chair and the beverage of your choice.



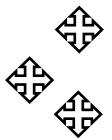
WELL-READ MOM SEEKS:

To suggest works of literature that encourage women to grow intellectually, spiritually, and personally through deepened thought and conversation.

 To foster meaningful friendship among women and thus to counteract the increasing isolation characteristic of our culture.



- To deepen awareness of the immensity of meaning hidden in each woman's daily life. To build community locally and nationally through meetings and Well-Read Mom events.
- · To provide original resource materials that illuminate the literature through the lens of Catholic tradition.



To encourage intentional family life, reading in the home, and all mothers' awareness of their unique presence in the heart of the family. (Each year's Reading Companion includes a "Family Supplement" with book suggestions each month for young readers and older readers with discussion questions for the family on the same theme of the main book selection). Holy Family will be hosting a Well-Read Mom group this year, held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. More information about WRM can be found at https://wellreadmom.com/. To sign up please look for the "Join Today" and under "Find My Community" choose Angela Bursch as the leader. Feel free to contact Angela at 616-295-5109 with any questions.

Stewardship & Tending to the Spirit

TURN A NEW LEAF – FALL INTO GIVING BLOOD ON SEPTEMBER 13

Holy Family at 9669 Kraft Ave will be hosting the next Caledonia Community Church blood drive on **Tuesday, September 13** from 1:00 to 6:30 pm. Streamline your process for check in by doing an online verification ON THE DAY OF YOUR DONATION. Log into https://www.versiti.org/versipass/michigan-versipass then



VersiPASS

click this hyperlink review education materials, complete the online questions and bring printed or mobile confirmation to your scheduled appointment- without this confirmation you will be asked to fill out the questions again.

2022 blood drives (Tuesday): Nov. 8

Appointment times are every 5 minutes. Donors <u>without appointments</u> will be fit into an open timeslot. If interested in donating blood you may sign up at https://bit.ly/CCC913 or call Char Mello, chairperson 616-901-2803. Please join us for good fellowship and snacks.



GRIEVING WITH GREAT HOPE

A new season of Holy Family's grief and loss group, Grieving with Great Hope, will begin in November and will meet on the following evenings: November 2, 9, 16, 30 and December 7 and 14 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. When we suffer a great loss, we can often find ourselves not knowing what our next steps will mean for us or even what those steps will be. Grieving with

Great Hope can give us the tools and the hope needed to carry on our life in the way our Lord wants us to continue. Come join us for a confidential, no-pressure group that promises to help during this difficult time in your life. Call Phyllis Powers-Fata, Holy Family's Care Coordinator, at 616-891-9259, Ext. 236, to register or to learn more.



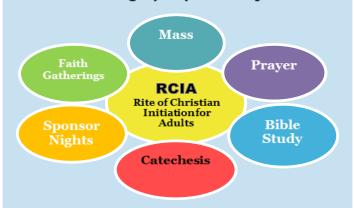
Catholic Opportunities



Curious about becoming Catholic?

Join us to have your questions about the Catholic Faith answered and to learn more about how to become Catholic.

We are planning a two-part RCIA inquiry session on Wednesday September 14 and Wednesday September 21 From 6:30-8:00 pm in the parish library. For more information contact Lori @ 616-891-9259 or email adultff@holyfamilycaledonia.org



THE SECOND ANNUAL MICHIGAN CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Women from across Michigan are invited to come together to focus on their faith and experience the fellowship of sisterhood in Christ Jesus. Throughout the day, women will be encouraged and inspired to ignite their spirits and grow their faith by hearing from Catholic speakers, engaging in praise and worship music, and celebrating holy Mass with our bishops. The conference will be held at the Lansing Center in Lansing, Michigan on

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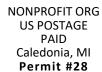






### CHRISTIAN WOOD CARVERS OF BETHLEHEM

"Have you even met someone from Bethlehem? Not Bethlehem, Pennsylvania but the "real one" – the place of Jesus' birth? Each year, Shibli Abu Farha and his son, George, come from their home in Beit Sahour (Shepherds' Field), just over the hill from Bethlehem. Shibli is a 7th generation carver of olivewood. His son, George, has now taken over the family factory which employs several men from the area. Due to conflict and difficult border crossings, business is often slow. As a result, Shibli & George come to the U.S. and to West Michigan each year representing the Christian Wood Carvers of Bethlehem. 100% of the proceeds of these beautiful items help to support our brothers and sisters who are part of the Church that still experiences persecution. On the weekend of September 17-18 we will have these olivewood carvings at Holy Family. There will be nativity scenes of all sizes, statues, rosaries, crosses, crucifixes, and much more."







Holy Family Parish is once again partnering with LANE to offer additional Discipleship opportunities for our parishioners. With your free Digital Passport, you will gain access to another year of

online and in-person classes and other educational resources for the whole family. If you have already registered, you do not need to register again but if you have not signed up for this free opportunity, please follow the directions below.

### **Get a Free LANE Digital Passport Through Our Parish**

1. Go to https://www.lanecatholic.org/subscription/holy-family-digital-passport

and click the "Subscribe now" button.

- 2. Create an account, then scroll down and click the "Begin your free trial" button to get 365 days of free access.
  - 3. Now you can begin learning! Browse upcoming and archived LANE classes and family resources.

#### **Preview of 2022-2023 LANE Classes**

Fall classes begin in-person and online the week of September 12!

The Miracle of the Eucharist

Exploring the Church in America

Perspectives on Priestly Vocations

We Are an Easter People: Sharing the Good News

Field Trips to Local Churches and Regional Landmarks

Domestic and International Pilgrimages

And more for adults and families

Please go to the LANE website to view all the opportunities and to sign up.