The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

3516 E. Monroe Rd. Midland, MI 48642-8824

June 29, 2025

Weekend Liturgical Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. **Sunday:** 9:30 a.m.

Exposition/Reconciliation: Wednesdays 7:15-8:15 p.m.

Mass from Assumption is LIVE

streamed at our SUNDAY Mass, so keep an eye out for our Flocknote; you can also check out our Facebook page and website for a link.

See inside the bulletin for the weekday schedule of worship services.

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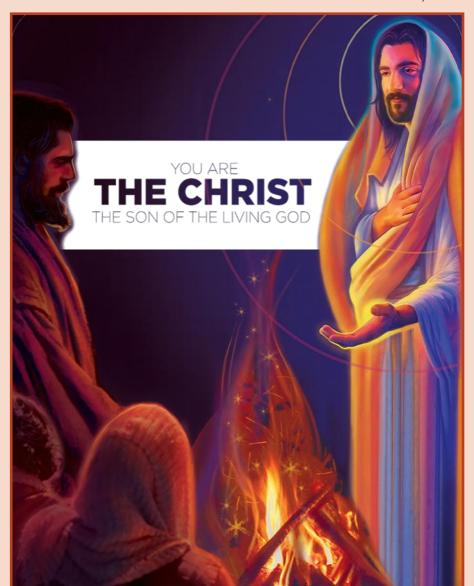
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MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Those wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick prior to surgeries, hospitalizations, or because of health concerns are asked to please contact the parish office. Otherwise, please notify the parish office if you or a family member is ill, homebound or hospitalized.





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From our Director of Parish Life

"Let everyone revere the deacons as Jesus Christ, the bishop as the image of the Father, and the presbyters as the senate of God and the assembly of the apostles. For without them one cannot speak of the Church. St. Ignatius of Antioch, from Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1554

We have now reached the halfway point of the Jubilee Year of Hope, and

this week we celebrate the Jubilee of Bishops, Priests, and Seminarians.

Bishops are mentioned in the New Testament and in the writings of the early Church. The Greek word *episkopos* means "overseer." After Jesus ascended to the Father and before the Holy Spirit descended upon the Church on Pentecost, Matthias was chosen to take the apostolic role left by Judas. (Acts of the Apostles 1:15-26). This began the chain of apostolic succession that continues to this day. Bishops are ordained as successors to the Apostles by the Laying on of Hands to proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and shepherd God's people, usually in a specific area, today referred to as dioceses.

We are blessed by the leadership of Bishop Robert Gruss over the Diocese of Saginaw. He has been discerning with a team of priests, religious, and lay people that Jesus is inviting us to be a "Diocese on Mission" courageously proclaiming the joy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to people who are wounded and hurting. Like Saints Peter and Paul, whom we commemorate this Sunday, we are called to be missionary disciples, ambitious for the Kingdom of God. We can no longer sit comfortably in our parishes expecting people to worship and serve with us out of habit or obligation. Bishop Gruss, the Pastor given to us by God, is calling us to be built up as evangelizing followers of Jesus, going out and inviting God's lost sheep back into the fold. I will share more about Bishop Gruss' invitation to us to become a "Parish on Mission" over the month of July.

The first "Pillar" of Bishop Gruss' invitation is to "Love and Support a Unified Presbyterate on Mission." The presbyterate are the priests of the diocese. On

this Jubilee of Priests, we give thanks for the service of our priests, who have been ordained to be co-workers of the bishop in his mission. Without priests, we would have very limited access to sacraments such as Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, and (most vitally) Eucharist. In the liturgical celebration of the sacraments, priests act in the Person of Christ the Head of the Church (in persona Christi capitis), speaking and acting as Christ for us in a unique way. In our diocese and parish, we are so blessed by the ministry of our senior priests who continue their sacramental service well into their retirement years. We appreciate so much the ministry of Fr. Rick Filary as our parish Sacramental Minister! Fr. Joe Griffin and other senior priests continue to serve our parish and other diocesan parishes through "substitute" presiding at Mass and Reconciliation and making hospital visits to the sick and dying. Thank you to those who signed up to pray for our priests during the month of June. Please let our priests know how grateful we are for their priestly ministry!

A central way that we can love and support our priests is to pray and foster a culture of vocations in our parish and diocese. As we mark this past week's Jubilee of Seminarians we give thanks to God, pray for, and support the seminarians of our diocese. These young men have courageously stepped forward to discern if God is calling them to serve the People of God as priests. A little over a year ago, Bishop Gruss asked each parish to establish a Vocations Commission to foster vocations in every parish. Through the leadership of some dedicated women and men, and with the support of our Knights of Columbus council, this Commission has been established in our parish. Since this Commission has begun meeting, we have begun to pray the Memorare prayer for vocations at each

Mass, we have hosted Bishop Gruss for a Holy Hour for Vocations and several other Holy Hours for Vocations (one of which was presided by then Deacon Dan Christe who shared his vocation story with us and who was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Gruss this spring), put together a spiritual bouquet for Fr. Rick, held egg roll and pierogi sales to support seminarian education, organized households to sign up to pray for priests and vocations during the month of June, implemented vocation education in our faith formation programs, and much more. May our prayers, formation opportunities, and financial support bear much fruit!

As we remember the leadership of St. Peter on this Jubilee of Bishops, Priests, and Seminarians, may we never take for granted the Grace offered to us though the sacraments and the ministry of our shepherds who make our access to the Grace of the sacraments possible. As we remember the missionary drive of St. Paul today who was converted by Christ while on the road to Damascus to persecute Christians, our prayers are with the Christians in Damascus where 25 people were killed and over 50 injured by a suicide bomber this past Sunday while participating in the Divine Liturgy. Christians in North America and all over the world either cannot celebrate the Sunday Eucharist this weekend because a priest can only visit once every few months, or they take their life in their hands by deciding to be baptized or to participate in the Eucharist in an area where the Church is being persecuted. May we honor their sacrifices by thanking our priests, by fostering more vocations to the priesthood, and never taking our opportunity to attend Mass each week conveniently and peacefully for granted.

John



2024-25

Goal: **\$95,236**

Current Gifts & Pledges: \$87,543 Percentage of Goal Attained: 91.9%

Gifts & Pledges Needed this Summer to Meet Goal: \$7,693

Remember, checks should be made payable to the Diocese of Saginaw, not our parish.

You can also give online on the Diocese website at www.saginaw.org/ appeal, through the weekly Flocknote or scan the QR Code.



Saints Peter and Paul



"I have competed well. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith." - 2 Timothy 4:7

The "race" is different for each one of us. God doesn't call us to live or - run in - anyone else's shoes. He calls us to be faithful and to use our own gifts and strengths to serve Him and His kingdom on Earth.

	Worship Schedule
MON, June 30 Gen 18:16-33 Mt 8:18-22	11:00a Funeral Mass for Frank Oskvarek
TUES, July 1 Gn 19:15-29 Mt 8: 23-27	8:00a Mass Health of Declan 8:30a Rosary
WED, July 2 Gn 21:5, 8-20a Mt 8: 28-34	6:30p Mass Followed by Exposition and Reconciliation 7:15-8:15
THUR, July 3 Eph 2:19-22 Jn 20: 24-29	8:00a Mass 8:30a Rosary
FRI, July 4 Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24: 1-8, 62-67; Mt 9: 9-13	Happy 4th of July ———
SAT, July 5 Gn 27:1-5, 15-29 Mt 9:14-17	4:30p Mass People of the Parish
SUN, July 6 Is 66: 10-14c Gal 6: 14-18 Lk 10: 1-12, 17-20	9:30a Mass Genevieve Wishowski

V is for Vocation: Fr. Prentice Tipton

As we celebrated the Jubilees for Seminarians, Bishops, and Priests this past week, we also celebrate and give thanks for Fr. Prentice Tipton, pastor of Prince of Peace Parish in Linwood. We pray for Fr. Prentice in his continued ministry to the faithful of St. Anne Church in Linwood and Sacred

Heart Church in Kawkawlin. Ordained at age 55 in 2008 at St. Mary's Cathedral, he has also served as a pastor in the Archdiocese of Detroit during his priestly ministry. Learn more about vocations: https://saginaw.org/vocations

Loving God, your Son, Jesus, has shown us that an open heart finds the way. Help me to find my way in this world. Keep my heart open to following Jesus' way of serving others in love. Give me the courage to accept the guidance you offer me through my family, my friends, and my parish community. Through the Holy Spirit, you call me to a particular way of life. If it is the way of a priest, sister, brother or deacon, then help me to walk it in joyful service to your people. With you, my God, I know I can find my way. Amen. (USCCB)

MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION TRUCK UPDATE!



Wednesday, July 16th

WE STILL NEED A FEW MORE VOLUNTEERS!

Distribution of food will take place on Wednesday, July 16th; volunteers are needed from 8 am

til 12 noon; lunch will be provided. Please call the office at 989-631-4447 for any questions or to sign-up.

PERSONAL CARE SUPPLIES

Those coming for the assistance that our Mobile Food Truck offers are often also in need of personal care products, something that the Food Truck does not provide.

STARTING NEXT WEEKEND,

we will be collecting the following items: **shampoo**, **conditioner**, **toothpaste**, **toothbrushes**, **body and hand soap**, **hand sanitizer**.

The big bin in the gathering space will be available to accept your donations. There will also be an opportunity to offer a monetary donation as well.



This weekend is our monthly Food Pantry Collection

June 28/29

Please remember to bring back your blue bags of donations this weekend. *Thank you...*



A Funeral
Mass for
Frank
Oskvarek
will be held
Monday,
June 30th
at 11 a.m.
here at
Assumption,

with visitation starting at 10 a.m.

- This Week -

Sunday, June 29

9:30 am Mass
FOOD PANTRY WEEKEND

Monday, June 30

11:00 am Frank Oskvarek

Funeral Mass

6:30 pm Catholicism Clarified

Tuesday, July 1

7:30 am Open Door in Kitchen

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Rosary

Wednesday, July 2

10:00 am Serving at Open Door

6:30 pm Mass

followed by Exposition

and Reconciliation

Thursday, July 3

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Rosary

Friday, July 4

Happy 4th of July!

No Mass, parish office closed

Saturday, July 5

4:30 pm Mass

Personal Care Items Collection

Sunday, July 6

9:30 am Mass

Personal Care Items Collection



2025/26 Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Programs **EARLY REGISTRATION**

Why wait until August when you can register NOW!

Online family registration is now open for both Children's Faith Formation and Youth Ministry! Next year's theme will be "Treasured" Children's FF will again be using Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Middle School YM will be learning about the treasures found within the Catholic faith and all things Catholic. High School YM will be taking a "Road Trip" finding treasures along the way and within themselves. Friends are welcome at all Youth Ministry levels... ALL are welcome!

Please scan the QR code to register today! Watch your emails for more information.

Cost for CFF and YM will remain the same as last year: 1 child/\$45; 2 children/\$90; 3+ children/\$120

If you have questions concerning Children's Faith Formation, contact: Wendy Graveline @ CFF@assumptionmidland.org



Questions about Youth Ministry (6-12th grade) or Confirmation (ages 12-14), contact: Kathy Russell @ Kathyr@assumptionmidland.org

Children's Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

CHILDREN

CFF has ended for the year, but please watch the bulletin for other events!

July 16 Mobile Food Truck (need volunteers)

If you have any questions about Children's Faith
Formation or Children's Liturgy of the Word, please contact
Wendy Graveline at cff@assumptionmidland.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle School and High School Sunday evening Youth Ministry has ended for the year. Register for the 25-26 year! Watch your email and the bulletin for YM events!



July 16 Mobile Food Truck (need volunteers)

Nov. 20-23 NCYC (HS—Save the Date)

Have questions about YM or events, please contact: Kathy Russell (kathyr@assumptionmidland.org)

"Faith Formation is more than a subject to be taught—it is an invitation to a way of life." - Joe Paprocki

ASSUMPTION PARISH PRESENTS

Catholicism Clarified

A Summer Series for Catholics

Do you ever hesitate to share your Catholic Faith because someone might ask a question you don't know how to answer? Or have you learned parts of the Catholic Faith without understanding how they all fit together?

Join us for a series of presentations based on Adult Christian Initiation formation to hear the message of our Catholic Faith in a comprehensive way and grow in confidence so you can share it with others!

June 30 The Teachings of Jesus

July 7 Liturgy & Sacraments

July 14 Baptism & Confirmation

July 21 Mass & Eucharist

July 28 Sacraments of Service

August 4 Sacraments of Healing

August 11 Faith & Creed

August 18 Christian Living (Morality)

August 25 The Way of Love and Justice



All sessions held Monday evenings at 6:30 PM

No sign up required. Drop in for as many sessions as you would like!

Contact John Graveline at john@assumptionmidland.org for more information

Quo Vadis (Where are you going?) Camp Experience

High school-aged men are invited to attend the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw's **Quo Vadis** camp experience. This experience is co-sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Gaylord.

The camp will include a variety of outdoor activities as well as offer time for prayer and fellowship. Those entering 9th through 12th grades in Fall 2025 are welcome.

During prayer and while taking part in a variety of outdoor activities and fun adventures, campers will have the opportunity to examine their lives, learn more about and share their faith and understand what it means to be a Christian man in today's world.

The camp will run from
Thursday, July 31 – Saturday, Aug. 2
at the Ralph A. McMullan Conference Center
on Higgins Lake in Roscommon, MI.

The cost is \$100 and includes all meals, accommodations and activities.

For more information go to: www.saginaw.org/quo-vadis or email Fr. Matthew Gembrowski at <u>mgembrowski@diosaq.org</u>





Bishop's Golf Outing and Banquet for Seminarian Education and Vocations



Join Bishop Robert Gruss and supporters throughout the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw for events to support the education of future priests and the promotion of vocations in our Diocese.

New Time of Year!

Golf Outing & Luncheon

Wednesday, July 23, 2025 \$100 each/\$400 per foursome

Currie Golf Course 1300 Currie Parkway, Midland, 48640

Morning ~ limited to 100 golfers; fills up fast 7 a.m. ~ Registration and breakfast 8 a.m. ~ Shotgun start

12:30 p.m. ~ Luncheon and awards

Afternoon

12:15 p.m. ~ Registration and luncheon 1:15 p.m. ~ Shotgun start Reception and awards following golf

New Banquet Location!

Banquet & Auction

Thursday, July 24, 2025 \$75 each/\$560 table of eight

The Great Hall 5121 Bay City Road, Midland

5:30 p.m. ~ Hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and silent auction

6:45 p.m. ~ Dinner and program

Guests will enjoy a special program ~ and silent and live auction items will include a wide variety of gifts and experiences that will appeal to many tastes and budgets

All proceeds from these events provide for the educational expenses of our current seminarians and nurturing and discernment of new vocations.

To register for either event, contact the diocesan Stewardship and Development Department at 989-797-6693 or email Tammy Heinlein at theinlein@diosag.org

Catholic Diocese of Saginaw **Priests' Retirement Fund Collection**

Most parish priests dedicate decades to serving the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw. Much of the work they do goes largely unnoticed. They have modest incomes during their years in active ministry and many rely on the diocese's Priests' Retirement Fund. This fund assists priests who are currently retired and those who will retire in the future.

Envelopes for this special collection are in your regular envelope packet or you can donate online through our Online Giving, go to www.AssumpitonMary.org or the Diocese website at www.saginaw.org/priestsretirement.





DIVE IN and make your way out to Dow Diamond on Friday, July 25th to watch the Great Lakes Loons battle the Beloit Sky Carp. Enjoy the ball game and listen to our very own MACC Choir sing the National Anthem.

Friday, July 25^m TIME @ 7:05 PM

You can buy your tickets online this year at https://www.gofevo.com/event/macc25 or scan the QR code.

You may also order tickets from Travis Webb at the Loons ticket office at 989-837-6173 or email twebb@loons.com.

For any questions, please contact your parish office. Assumption/989-631-4447 St. Brigid/989-835-7121

989.837.2255

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TICKET PRICES

Northern Lights Pavilion (includes buffet) \$27.00

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The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, July 4th for Independence Day!

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Monday, July 21st 1:30pm-6:00pm

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Full-Time Maintenance Position

Blessed Sacrament is seeking a dedicated and reliable Custodial & Maintenance Technician to oversee the upkeep and functionality of our church and parish facilities. This is a full-time position, including **evenings and weekends.** We are looking for a candidate with these qualities:

- Ability to perform physical tasks, including lifting (up to 50 lbs.), climbing, and operating equipment.
- Strong attention to detail and organizational skills.
- Flexibility to work weekends and adapt to varying schedules.
- Commitment to maintaining a safe, clean, and welcoming environment for parishioners and visitors.

All interested applicants please send your resume to Melisa Waskevich (melisaw@blessed-midland.org) or drop off at Blessed Sacrament during business hours.

Divorce Recovery

An eight-week support program for men and women in the Midland area who are navigating the challenges of divorce. Led by a team of adults who have been through divorce themselves, this compassionate process offers hope and healing.

All adults experiencing divorce are welcome to join. The next session begins with orientation Tuesday, September 2 at 6:30 PM at the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center.

To register, please call the parish office at 989-835-6777. For questions, contact Melissa Kato at melissat@blessed-midland.org.

Michigan



You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

Weekend Offerings

June 21/22, 20	025		
Weekly Envelopes	\$2,981		
Online Giving (6/16-6/22)	\$1,324		
Donations	\$1,150		
Weekend Total	\$5,455		
Weekly Goal	\$9,231		
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June 1-22, 2025			
Weekly Envelopes	. \$14,447		
Online Giving			





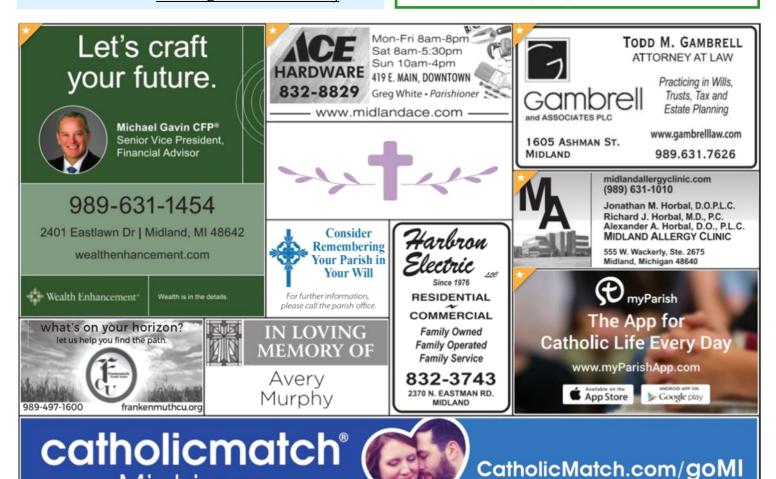
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Please make out a separate check for the special collections.



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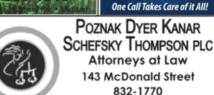
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