# **Seventeenth** Sunday in Ordinary Time



# **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

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

July 27, 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.

#### **How To Contact Us**

Office Hours: Mon - Thurs / 8:30 a.m.—4 p.m., Closed on Fridays until after Labor Day

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Fax: 989-835-9722

Email: Assumption@AssumptionMidland.org Website: www.AssumptionMary.org

#### **Parish Staff**

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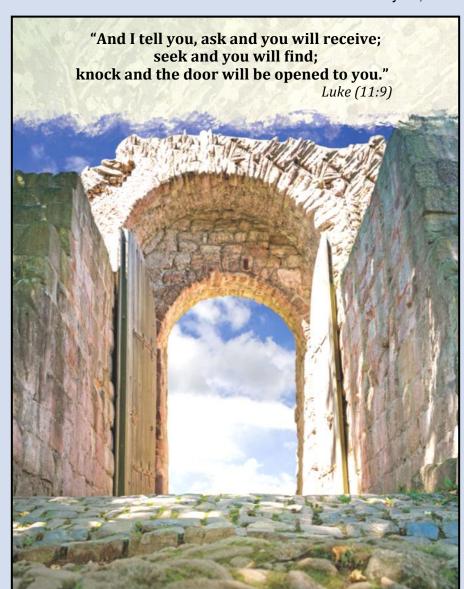
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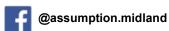


#### **MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

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.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** MONDAY at noon









# From our Director of Parish Life

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of the prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what it good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-23

As we continue the Jubilee Year of Hope, this weekend we celebrate

the Jubilee of Digital Missionaries and Influencers. From the earliest days of Christianity, evangelists and missionaries have used the cultural touchpoints, languages, and means of communication of various places and times to proclaim the Gospel message. One thinks of St. Paul's preaching in the Areopagus in Athens (Acts of the Apostles 17:16-31) and St. John's appropriation of the Greek term Logos (Word) in explaining the meaning of Jesus' Incarnation (John 1:1-14). In the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the Chinese Catholic author John C.H. Wu used the Eastern concept of Tao to translate Logos when he translated the Gospel of John into Literary Chinese. In the 17<sup>th</sup> century, the French priest Fr. Henri Nouvel spent his first year in the New World learning Native American languages and later lived among the Wendat (Huron) people at Mission Saine -Maire in Midland, Ontario and the Ojibwe (Chippewa) people at St. Ignace Mission in order to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus to the Indigenous Peoples of North America. Fr. Nouvel celebrated the first Catholic Mass here in Midland on December 7, 1675.

Just as Fr. Nouvel was a pioneer in the "New World" of his time, proclaiming the message of universal redemption in Jesus' death and resurrection, we are called to be missionaries of the Gospel message in the time of the greatest revolution in human communication since the invention of the printing press: the computer/internet age. At Assumption Parish, we recognize the importance of digital evangelization. Our live stream Mass on Sunday mornings, led by Max Schneider and a dedicated group of teenage volunteers, ensures that our traveling, sick, and homebound parishioners can pray along with us on Sunday mornings. Over the past year, we have updated our parish website and hired Anna Martin in the position of Evangelization Liaison to be our own "digital missionary." She has increased our social media presence on Facebook, Instagram, Flocknote, etc. Please wish Anna a happy Jubilee Day this weekend (as well as a happy feast day of her patron saint, St. Anne-Mary's mother and Jesus' grandmother—on July 26)! In order to spread the message of Jesus

in our times, we must be able to communicate using the latest digital means.

However, what technology gives with one hand, it seems to take away with the other. The promise of new avenues of communication and connectivity in the internet age is often threatened with the specter of the increasingly easy availability of selfishness and depravity, which threatens the soul of our humanity and polarizes and isolates us from each other. Technological advances (Al. transhumanism, new forms of eugenics, etc.) can be read as a modern retelling of the disastrous story of the Tower of Babel in the Bible (Genesis 11:1-9) or Mary Shelley's Frankenstein. Technology can be a wonderful tool of human stewardship, sharing the truth in love and bringing people together globally; however, we must always remind ourselves that technology is not and cannot ever be our salvation. Our only hope for true human fulfillment and eternal life is through the gift (Grace) of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen.

"We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life... we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ." – 1 John 1:1, 3

Therefore, as we strive to use modern technology and means of communication to help people encounter Jesus, we always keep before our eyes the truth that a social network is not yet a true community. Even though the beginning of St. John's Gospel proclaims Jesus as the eternal Word of God, he is not merely an idea, but became flesh to come to

assemble a beloved community of people for the glory of God, to share in God's life, and to transform our world according to God's love ("on earth as it is in heaven"). A true community is not primarily digital or intellectual, but flesh and blood, a shared common life. For example, a parishioner visited the office this week who had recently lost her mother. Those of us on staff each gave her a hug, helping her know that she is not alone in her grief. This fully personal encounter is impossible online, even with a "hug" emoji. That's why attendance and participation at events like weekly Mass and this past month's Food Truck, Neighboring Night, Blood Drive, Catholicism Clarified series, and Loons game is so important. They gather people of different ethnicities and heritages, education levels and social classes, political viewpoints and life experiences together as embodied people in the same time and place to worship, learn, serve, and live together as a beloved, sacramental (spiritual and material) community, breaking down the barriers of isolation and selfishness. They make our neighborhood, area, and world a better, more loving place.

As we celebrate the Jubilee of Digital Missionaries and Influencers, may we continue to be inspired by the missionary spirit of St. Paul and the other Apostles, John C.H. Wu, and Fr. Nouvel to spread the "joy of the Gospel" to all people through our deeds and words, online and in person. May we use the newest means of digital and social communication to help people encounter Jesus and grow in love with God and neighbor. May the new forms of digital media and social networks become a bridge to deeper friendship and truly human community among all people.

John



#### 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

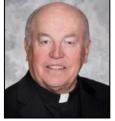
"... ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Luke 11:9

It can be confusing sometimes when we ask God for something that we want and we do not receive it. But there is a difference in our

wants and our needs. We may want something – and society reinforces that we need certain things – however those things may not really be what we need. God knows what we need and He will provide for our needs if we ask. God also provides each of us with special gifts. He wants – and needs – us to share those gifts with others.

	Worship Schedule
	ASSUMPTION
MON, July 28 Ex 32:15-24, 30-34 Mt 13:31-35	
<b>TUES, July 29</b> Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 Jn 11:19-27	8:00a Word & Communion 8:30a Rosary
WED, July 30 Ex 34:29-35 Mt 13:44-46	6:30p Mass—Mary Nguyen Followed by Exposition and Reconciliation
THUR, July 31 Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 Mt 13:47-53	<b>8:00a Mass</b> 8:30a Rosary
FRI, August 1 Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37 Mt 13:54-58	8:00a Mass 8:30a Rosary
SAT, August 2 Lv 25: 1, 8-17 Mt 14:1-12	4:30p Mass People of the Parish
SUN, August 3 Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Lk 12:13-21	9:30a Mass Donald & Helen Zondlak

#### V is for Vocation: Fr. Robert H. Byrne



We give thanks and pray for Fr. Robert Byrne, sacramental minister at Corpus Christi Parish in Bay City. Ordained in July 1975, he has acknowledged that the late Bishop Ken Untener inspired his own manner of preaching. Fr. Bob grew up in Maple Grove Township in Saginaw County and served as rector at the former St. John Seminary in Plymouth from 1980-1988. He

attained senior priest status in 2018 after several pastoral assignments around the diocese and serves on the College of Consultors. Notably, Fr. Bob was a pallbearer at Cardinal James Hickey's funeral in Washington, DC, in 2000. A jubilee Mass will be held at the Cathedral in Saginaw on Monday, August 4, for Fr. Bob and the other jubilarians.

Learn more about vocations: <a href="https://saginaw.org/vocations">https://saginaw.org/vocations</a>
Loving God, you speak to us and nourish us through the life of this Church community. In the name of Jesus, we ask you to send your Spirit to us so that men and women among us, young and old, will respond to your call to service and leadership in the Church. We pray especially, in our day, for those who hear your invitation to be a priest, sister, or brother. May those who are opening their hearts and minds to your call be encouraged and strengthened through our enthusiasm in your service. Amen. (USCCB)

# PRODUCE FOR THOSE IN NEED!

Hidden Harvest and The Bridge Store collect food from organizations, churches, and individuals and then distribute it to various food pantries, organizations, and soup kitchens that reach out to those in need.

Once again, we invite you to participate in this worthwhile project of

providing food for people in need. We invite you to bring in vegetables and/or fruit from your garden on: Tuesday or Thursday morning before 9:30 am (please do not leave outside the night before). Produce can be dropped off by the office door. Thanks for your support!

For more information on Hidden Harvest, check out their website at <a href="https://www.hiddenharvest.com">www.hiddenharvest.com</a>, and for The Bridge Store go to <a href="https://www.thebridgemidland.com">www.thebridgemidland.com</a>.

We have gotten our first picking last week.
We harvested broccoli, cucumber,
cabbage and beans. And believe it or not,
we are just getting started! The season
has already been blessed.



#### **Divorce Recovery**

An eight-week support program for men and women in the Midland area who are navigating the challenges of divorce.

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 or for questions, please call the parish office at **989-835-6777**.

#### - This Week -

#### Sunday, July 27

9:30 am Mass School Supplies Collection Food Pantry Weekend

#### Monday, July 28

10:00 am Stitch and Chat 6:30 pm Catholicism Clarified

#### Tuesday, July 29

8:00 am Word & Communion

8:30 am Rosary

#### Wednesday, July 30

6:30 pm Mass

followed by Exposition and Reconciliation

#### Thursday, July 31

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Rosary

#### Friday, August 1

8:00 am Mass 8:30 am Rosary

Parish Office Closed

#### Saturday, August 2

4:30 pm Mass

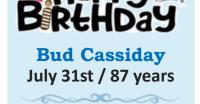
**School Supplies Collection** 

#### Sunday, August 3

9:30 am Mass

School Supplies Collection





#### **Texas Flooding Relief**

Recent flooding has devastated parts of central Texas. At least 24 lives have been lost and dozens more are missing. Families are displaced and in urgent need of assistance. Our local Catholic Charities agencies are on the ground, providing essential aid to those affected. In the response to the devastation, the Diocese of Saginaw is collaborating with Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA). Donations may be made to your parish and put in the collection basket or dropped off to the parish office. Please note 'Texas Flood Relief' in the memo line.

Or you may scan the QR code to give online.

Please direct questions to Maria Coss at the Diocese at (989) 797.6646. 100% of donations go directly to helping survivors recover and rebuild.



Thank you for sending hope in this time of crisis.

## Children's Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

#### **CHILDREN**

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

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!

**Aug. 14** Middle School Back to School Gathering

Sept. 21 Youth Ministry Kickoff

**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!

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

#### Cancer Services of Midland Volunteers Needed



Cancer Services provides unique services that help patients, caregivers, and families cope with their cancer emotionally and physically. We count on 150+ generous and friendly volunteers to support more than 600 clients a year.

One of the biggest needs we have right now is to find compassionate and loving individuals who can volunteer for the Maria Mencia Cancer Caregiver Support Network (MMCCSN).

MMCCSN is committed to providing support, calls, and visits to the caregivers (family & friends) of cancer patients.

No experience is needed to volunteer with us. We take our volunteers seriously, we train them and make sure they are comfortable before they can start working with us.

If you have a few hours each week and are looking to make a difference in people's lives, please give us a call at these numbers and ask to talk with Anila:

Office: 989-839-6254 Cell: 989-750-1004

# **BACK TO SCHOOL**

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To help children have a quality school year, our parish family, assisted by the Christian Service Commission, is once again organizing a collection of back-to-school items.

The supplies collected will be given to North Midland Family Center and given to families in need.

There will be bins for these items in the gathering space from July 26 thru August 3. Suggested items needed are:

**PENS ERASERS RULERS SCISSORS** PENCIL BOXES **COLORED PENCILS** STORAGE CONTAINERS

**PENCILS COLORING BOOKS GLUE STICKS FLASHCARDS BACKPACKS** CONSTRUCTION PAPER

**CRAYONS MARKERS** PAPER PRODUCTS **STENCILS FELT** 

**NOTEBOOKS** 

THANKS FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY! Your response to this collection in the past has been awesome.



#### Thank you Assumption

Thank you Assumption, Laura Atton—Chair of the Assumption Rummage Sale Committee, the organizers and volunteers for the donation of \$600 to Global Compassion Inc. from the rummage sale proceeds. We were able to drill a bore well in a small village in India from your donation and the donation of \$300 from the Father's Day Breakfast. Thank you!

Global Compassion Inc.

#### A Simple Way to Invite Others

Imagine that you're new to the neighborhood and searching for a faith community nearby...where would you look, and how would you decide where to go? For many people, this search begins

online. If your life has been enriched by sharing in our worship, fellowship, celebration, and ministry, consider inviting others to become part of the Assumption Parish family by leaving an online review! Scan the QR code, visit https://g.page/r/ CcDmvtKCq0-FEBM/review, or look up our parish on Google Maps and click "Write a Review."





## **Feast of the Assumption August 15, 2024**

**MACC Celebration** of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

#### Mass will be celebrated Thursday, August 14th at 7:00pm

Come join fellow MACC families following Mass for an ICE CREAM SOCIAL in the Holv Grounds area. Ice cream and cookies for everyone to come and share, spiced with lots of conversation and ongoing August festing of our feast day here at Assumption.

#### **Holy Day Masses around the MACC:**

#### August 14

7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass at Assumption

(Patronal Feast & MACC Mass)

#### August 15

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Brigid

9:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Grace

12:05 p.m. Mass at St. Brigid

12:05 p.m. Mass at Blessed Sacrament 7:00 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Grace

# Save the Dates! • FALL 2025 •

**SEP** 27

### An Evening with Elvis

A 90-minute musical tribute to the King of Rock and Roll by Elvis Tribute Artist Jake Slater.

OCT

#### **PolishFEST**

Homecooked Polish dinner, dancing, and family fun for all ages, with polka music by Steve Drzewicki Band!

NOV

#### Fall Bazaar

Over 60 craft vendors, plus our famous homemade noodles, egg rolls, cinnamon rolls, and more!

Stay tuned for more details!

#### **Giving Thanks For Summer**

Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer! Thank you for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.

Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.

Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

Draw me closer to You this summer.

Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel. As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.

- Author Unknown

#### **Priest Jubilee Celebration** 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 4

**Cathedral of Mary** of the Assumption, Saginaw

You are invited to join us for a Eucharistic Celebration in honor of our jubilarians. Following Mass, there will be a reception with hors d'oeuvres in the lower level of the Cathedral, and everyone present is invited to attend.

#### **Congratulations to our 2025 Jubilarians:**

Rev. Thomas J. Fleming, 40 years - April 28, 1985 Rev. Robert S. Gohm, 50 years - April 6, 1975 Rev. Loren M. Kalinowski, 50 years - June 1, 1975 Rev. Robert Byrne, 50 years – July 20, 1975 Rev. Daniel Fox, OFM Cap, 50 years - May 23, 1975 Rev. Donald Eppenbrock, 65 years – June 4, 1960 Rev. Joseph Miller, 65 years - June 4, 1960



#### Thank You!

Bottle & Can We continue to collect cans and bottles for Youth Ministry events. There is a container by the doors to the DuRussel Hall on the south side of the building. **Thank you** all for your continued support of our youth!! ~Kathy

#### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

The pain, shame, guilt, and betrayal of abortion runs deep and wide, but the unconditional love, mercy, and forgiveness of God is available to all who seek Him.

Anyone who has been impacted by abortion is invited to attend a retreat. Contact Beth at toheal4give@outlook.com or call 734.879.0427.

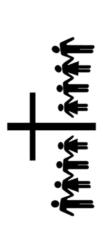
#### RIGHT TO LIFE Focus on Life Dinner

Join us for our Annual Focus on Life Dinner! It will be at The Great Hall

**Tuesday, September 16th** 

Doors will open at 5:30 pm, dinner/program at 6pm. There will be a cash bar and a silent auction! \$40/person or \$300 for table of 8

Contact RTL Midland County at 989-835-2222 or email us at mary@midlandrtl.org.



# Assumption of the B.V.M.

August 2025

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Mass / 9:30am	4	5 Open Door in Kitchen / 7:30am	6 Serving at Open Door / 10am	/ 8am		
SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION	Catholicism	Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Monicas / 3:30pm	Mass / 6:30pm followed by Reconciliation/ Exposition 7:15-8:15pm	Rosary / 8:30am	Rosary / 8:30am Parish Office Closed	Rosary / 8:30am <b>Mass / 4:30pm</b>
10 Mass / 9:30am	Clarified / 0:30pm 11	12 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am	13	14 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Middle School— Back to School event	15 No morning Mass	16 Serving at Open Door / 10am
	Catholicism Clarified / 6:30pm	Christian Service Meeting / 5:30pm	Mass / 6:30pm followed by Reconciliation/ Exposition 7:15-8:15pm	Assumption Vigil Feast Day Mass / 7pm followed by ice cream social	Parish Office Closed	Mass / 4:30pm
17 Mass / 9:30am	18	19 Mass / 8am	20	/ 8am	22 Mass / 8am	23 Mass / 4:30pm
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	25 Stitch and Chat 10am	26 <b>Mass / 8am</b> Rosary / 8:30am	27 No evening Mass, Reconciliation or Adoration	28 <b>Mass / 8am</b> Rosary / 8:30am	29 <b>Mass / 8am</b> Rosary / 8:30am	30 Mass / 4:30pm
and appreciation after Mass Food Pantry	Catholicism Clarified / 6:30pm		K of C Family Picnic		Parish Office Closed	
31 Mass / 9:30am		**************************************				



This year our Mobile Food Truck project was a wonderful success. We distributed 8,563 pounds of food to 95 households. Plus, every family was given personal care items that our parish donated. None of this would have been possible without the support of our parish and the 77 volunteers that helped.



# Feeding Our Faith July/Aug. Issue 2025

A newsletter brought to you by the Cathelic COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MID-MICHIGAN

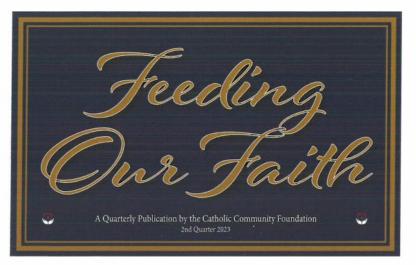
# Catholic Foundation Resumes Magazine Publication

The Catholic Community Foundation is excited to announce the revival of our popular Feeding Our Faith quarterly magazine beginning this fall! When we began publishing this bimonthly bulletin insert in 2023, our goal was to more broadly reach parishioners throughout the Diocese of Saginaw. We want every parishioner to know how we serve our Catholic community: through financial stewardship, parish endowments, and community grants and scholarships. The bulletin inserts you have received for the past two years have detailed impact stories of the difference we can make with your generosity.

Our new quarterly magazine will not replace these bimonthly bulletin inserts. The magazine will simply allow us to connect more directly with you while providing more space to highlight the effects of your donations and endowments.

A quarterly magazine will also allow us to honor our scholarship and grant recipients and thank our donors. We can also advertise our upcoming events—uniting the Catholic community in our diocese when we meet in person! With quarterly publications, we can also provide a comprehensive overview of our financial standing and the performance of our investments. Lastly, you will be able to hear directly from our Executive Director and our Board President about their vision for the future of the Catholic Community Foundation.

Because we want every parishioner to know how we serve our Catholic community and the difference we can make with your generosity, these bulletin inserts will still be produced. However, the quarterly magazine is



intended to be mailed directly to our donors, community partners, and the recipients of our grants and scholarships. Only a limited number of quarterly magazines will be sent to each parish.

If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please contact our Communications Specialist, Grace Giroux, at grace.giroux@ccfmm.org or at 989.303.9204.

The last issue of Feeding Our Faith Magazine, published in 2023.





Scan the QR code to follow our Facebook page!

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OF MID-MICHIGAN

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Grace Giroux - Communications & Development Specialist

#### 2025 Ouarter-At-A-Glance

September 9
Board Meeting

September 27
End-of-Life Seminar
St. Gabriel Parish of Auburn
84 W Midland Rd.
Auburn, MI 48611

October 1 2026/2027 Scholarship Applications Open

# Our New Website!

The Catholic Community Foundation is excited to announce our new website! Visit www.ccfmm.org.

Like our decision to redesign the *Feeding Our Faith* magazine, creating a new website is another way we serve our community by providing updated, accurate information. It is intended to be an accessible, simple way to learn about the Foundation.

This website gives our viewers an introduction of our mission and a history of the Foundation. With a list of our board and staff members, as well as descriptions of each of our seven committees, we are committed to providing updated information about our current organizational structure. The website also provides a list of annual financial statements, investment policies, and quarterly updates on investment performance.

The website is also constructed for the ease of our current and potential donors. Our donor portal is now easily accessible on our main menu. Our "Gift Giving" page details how to make one-time donations, how to set up an endowment, and how to plan a legacy gift. You can also download several guides that explain how to give through IRA charitable rollovers, stock transfers, or bequests. To view the impact of your gift giving, check out our "Publications" page, where we catalogue every past issue of *Feeding Our Faith*.

Lastly, the pages for "Grants" and "Scholarships" highlight two of the most important services we provide to our community. With an updated Grant and Scholarship Portal, our new website provides detailed, simplified instructions of how to apply for grants and scholarships. It also provides an organized list of the nine grants we manage, as well as the 56 scholarships available for Catholic elementary, middle school, high school, and college students.

Please visit www.ccfmm.org to explore our new website and share this resource with others. For questions, please contact our Communications & Development Specialist, Grace Giroux, at grace.giroux@ccfmm.org or at 989.303.9204.

#### HOUSING ASSISTANCE NEEDED

A female parishioner is seeking to rent a room beginning at the end of October. If you are willing and able to help alleviate this need, please contact John in the parish office.



#### This weekend is our monthly **Food Pantry Collection July 26/27**

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

#### Let's Go Golfing!

You're invited to

**Blessed Sacrament's Annual Golf Outing on** Sunday, August 24, 2025 at Currie Golf Course!

Enjoy a fun afternoon with a 1:00 PM shotgun start. Team registration is \$320, and all proceeds benefit the Guatemala Stove Team.

Your participation helps provide tools and materials to install safe, efficient stoves and water filters in the homes of indigenous families in Guatemala.

Sign up your team today: <a href="https://www.vancoevents.com/us">https://www.vancoevents.com/us</a> /events/landing/55179?embed

If you are not receiving your weekly Flocknote, go to midlandabvm.flocknote.com to sign up online and keep in touch with what is going on at Assumption or text MIDLANDABVM to 84576 to get it on your mobile device.

#### Weekend Offerings July 19/20, 2025

\$4,309		
\$2,012		
\$1,200		
\$7,521		
<i>\$9,231</i>		
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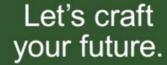
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