

CATHY HOPPOUGH GROUP
kw RIVERTOWN HOPPOUGH
KELLERWILLIAMS.
 REAL ESTATE

Cathy Hoppough
 REALTOR® | License #6502365936

Mobile: 616-915-2890
 119 N Dexter Street, Ionia MI 48846
 chopppough@kw.com
 cathyhoppough.kw.com
 Download My App: app.kw.com/KW2WNZK60

Basler Chiropractic Center
 527-6300
 351 W MAIN
 CLAUDE J. BASLER, D.C.

RICK ROGUSKY
STATE FARM INSURANCE

2300 S State Rd.
 Off: 527-0440
 24 Hour Service

Lehman Funeral Homes

Michael A. Lehman
 Elle Lehman-Lay

Ionia Chapel 220 Rich St. Ionia, MI 48846
 Portland Chapel 210 E. Bridge St. Portland, MI 48875

www.lehmanfuneralhomes.com
 Phone: 616-527-2250

GIVE your HEART ~
 BE an ORGAN DONOR

FRED HAIGHT INSURANCE AGENCY

989-855-3341

Wilson Heating, Cooling & Plumbing
 616-527-0391

24-HOUR SERVICE

Serving Ionia County Since 1965

CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER
 301 W. Washington Street, Ionia
 616-527-1530
 Tuesday 9 am to noon & 1 to 4 pm
 Wednesday 9 am to noon & 1 to 3 pm
 Saturday 9 am to noon

Lake Funeral Homes, Inc.
 A Third Generation Funeral Home
 Robert B. Lake, II - Director - Manager
 Robert B. Lake - Director
 Robert Lake, III

3521 S. State Road 527-0099
www.lakefuneralhomes.com

SS. Peter & Paul School
 Preschool through Grade 8
 317 Baldie Street, Ionia 616-527-3561

Open enrollment Pre-K through 8.
 Come and see what we have to offer!

Blundy-Hoppes Tire & Auto Clinic
 Voted Ionia County's #1 Tire & Exhaust Shop

Hours:
 Mon.-Th. 8:00-5:30
 Friday 8:00-5:00

3765 S. M66 in Ionia
 616-527-0670
www.blundyhoppes.com

We Participate in the SCRIP Program!

Geldhof

COMPLETE AUTO SERVICE!
 280 South Deder • Ionia, MI 48848
 Ph. 616-527-1101 • Fax: 616-527-5435

"SERVING IONIA COUNTY SINCE 1978"

HORIZON DAYCARE
 269-838-2786
 QUALITY RATED FREE MEALS
 QUALIFIED TEACHERS

• We Sell & Service ALL Major Brand Tires
 • Auto, Farm, & Industrial Tires
 • Complete Under Car Care

BFGoodrich **UNIROYAL**
 TAKE CONTROL FOR EVERYTHING YOU VALUE

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Supplies
 Mon. & Sat. • 9:30-3:00
 Tues. • 9:30-4:00
 Thurs. & Fri. 9:30-5:30
 989-593-2609
 108 S. Main Street, Fowler

This Space Sponsored by an Anonymous Parish Family

Ionia County Commission on Aging
 115 Hudson St.
 616-527-5365

Knights of Columbus
 Father Fierle Council #944

Meetings on the first Tuesday of each month in the Veritas Room
 Rosary at 7:00 p.m.
 Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Grand Knight: Tom O'Connor

This space sponsored by an ANONYMOUS DONOR

Stephen O'Mara, AAMS®, CRPC®
 Financial Advisor

431 Swartz Ct Ste 100
 Ionia, MI 48846
 Bus. 616-522-0544 TF. 866-522-0544
 Fax 866-749-0752
 steve.o'mara@edwardjones.com
www.edwardjones.com

Edward Jones
 MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

CARR AGENCY, INC.
 115 W MAIN ST, IONIA
 616.527.1200

The "No Problem" People... www.carrinsuranceagency.com

Auto-Owners Insurance

Endvi
 Complete Collision Repair
 3653 S. State Rd., Ionia
 616-775-5290
 AUTO BODY
www.endviautobodyionia.com

OMARA
 PLUMBING, HEATING & COOLING
 24 Hr. Emergency Service
 616-527-9368

JAMES S. KLEIN, DDS
JESSICA FERRIS, RDH
 Family Dentistry
 502 Skyview Dr, Ionia
 616-527-3866

H.S.V. Haskin
 Redi Mix Inc.

Owners: Allen & David Haskin
 7775 N. Clark Rd
 Lake Odessa, MI 48849
 ph# 616-374-8851

Call us for all of your ready mix concrete, aggregate and construction needs!

Open Mon-Fri, 8 am to 5 pm
 Sat, 8 am to 12 pm (seasonal)

Olivera's
 Pizzeria & Sports Pub
 119 N. Dexter St. (M-66) - Downtown Ionia 616.522.3000
www.oliverassportspub.com

LIVE LOCAL REALTY
 LIVE LOCAL. SELL LOCAL. GIVE LOCAL.
 616.527.3500 www.livelocal-realty.com
 3% of Commissions Can Go Back to SSPP!

Ionia Theatre
 205 W. Main St, Ionia
 Movies ~ Rentals
 616-527-3350

SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

434 High Street, Ionia, MI 48846
 Phone: 616-527-3610
 Website: www.saintspeterandpaulionia.org
 Email: parishoffice@ssppcatholic.com

February 16, 2025
Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Fr. Tom Brown
 616-527-3610, ext. 12
 616-755-1742 (evening)

School Principal: Mrs. Jenny Leik
 616-527-3561, ext. 18
 Email: jleik@ssppcatholic.com

Parish Office Hours
 Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule
 Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 8 & 11:30 a.m.; and 1 p.m. en español

Weekday Mass Schedule
 English: Mon & Wed, Mass at 12:10 p.m.
 Tues, No Mass or Service
 Thurs, Mass at 8:00 a.m. (school year)
 Fri, No Mass or Service

Reconciliation Schedule
 English: Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.
 Monday 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

For questions regarding Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, or any other sacrament, please call the parish office: 616-527-3610.

Prayer Chain
 If you have a prayer request for immediate need, please call 616-522-0279, or 616-527-0438.



DIocese OF GRAND RAPIDS
 Office of the Bishop

February 11, 2025

The Diocese of Grand Rapids Office of Communications issues the following statement from Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak, bishop of Grand Rapids, congratulating Bishop Edward Weisenburger on his appointment as archbishop of Detroit.

This morning brings news of great joy to our Province that our Holy Father has appointed Most Reverend Edward Weisenburger, bishop of Tucson, as the new archbishop of Detroit! Bishop Weisenburger is a man of great Eucharistic faith. He has spoken passionately in defense of our migrant brothers and sisters and care for creation. His heart for these priorities will be a great blessing as he begins his episcopal ministry in the Archdiocese.

We thank Archbishop Vigneron for his 16 years of faithful ministry to the people of Detroit and the Province of Detroit. He was one of the first to warmly welcome me when I was appointed Bishop of Grand Rapids, and he ordained me as bishop. His emphasis on evangelization has reinvigorated the Church in Detroit and I am grateful for his leadership on this priority for the Universal Church.

On behalf of the clergy, religious, and people of God of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, I wish to extend my congratulations and welcome Bishop Weisenburger as he begins his ministry to the people of the Archdiocese, and wish Archbishop Vigneron every blessing in his retirement.

We are one body in Christ!



The Week Ahead...

AH = Apostles Hall **CH** = Church
CR = Cornerstone Room **PO** = Parish Office
SC = School **VR** = Veritas Room
BC = Basement Chapel

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-4, 6/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Saturday, February 15

4:00 p.m. Pat Brockman (Kevin & Sharon Van Ett)

Sunday, February 16

8:00 a.m. Ray Dietrich
 11:30 a.m. Deborah Kaminski (Ron Kaminski)
 1:00 p.m. Misa en español

Monday, February 17—Seven Holy Founders of the Servites

Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1, 8, 16-17, 20-21/Mk 8:11-13
 11:00 a.m. Funeral of Theresa Sullivan
 (No Confessions or 12:10 p.m. Mass today)

Tuesday, February 18—Weekday

Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1-4, 9-10/Mk 8:14-21
 No Mass or Service

Wednesday, February 19—Weekday

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26
 12:10 p.m. Daniel Brown
 6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Holy Hour (BC)

Thursday, February 20—Weekday

Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-23, 29/Mk 8:27-33
 8:00 a.m. Donald Gardner (Patrick & Carol Lewis)

Friday, February 21—St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor

Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/Mk 8:34—9:1
 No Mass or Service

Saturday, February 22—The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 16:13-19
 8:30 a.m. Scriptural Rosary
 3:00 p.m. Confessions

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/
 1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Saturday, February 22

4:00 p.m. People of SS. Peter & Paul Parish

Sunday, February 23

8:00 a.m. Mary Ellen Thome (Mildred Brown)
 11:30 a.m. Catherine Verdun
 1:00 p.m. Misa en español

GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS—WEEK OF FEB. 16

GENERAL CLEANING:

Maria Cardenas, Teresa Nuñez, Carolina Velasco

VACUUMING:

Bruce Sibert, Joe Peckins

Sunday, February 16—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. OCIA (PO)
 6:00 p.m. Following Christ (AH)
No Faith Formation classes today

Monday, February 17—Presidents' Day

6:30 p.m. Monday Night Group (PO)
No School—Midwinter Break

Tuesday, February 18

5:45 p.m. Community Awareness Meeting (AH)
No School—Midwinter Break

Wednesday, February 19

1:00 p.m. Bingo (VR)
 6-7:30 p.m. TOPS (VR)
 6:30-8:30 p.m. East Deanery Planning Meeting (AH)
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (CH)

Thursday, February 20

3:45 p.m. Life Fit (VR)

Friday, February 21

Saturday, February 22

9-11 a.m. Grief Support Group (PO)

Sunday, February 23—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. OCIA (PO)
 10:15 a.m. Faith Formation Classes
 2-8 p.m. Following Christ Retreat (AH)



OUR PARISH OFFERING: February 8 & 9, 2025

Regular Offertory Collection	\$4,434.00
Electronic Giving	1,530.00
Total	\$5,964.00
-5% Tithe	-298.20
Net Total	\$5,665.80

Budgeted Weekly: \$9,807.69
Deficit for the Week: \$3,843.69

School Support Fund: \$216.00
 Flowers: \$75.00

Please note that the offertory collection is only part of the income needed to operate the parish. Other funds come from school tuition, fundraising, Mass stipends, educational trust fund interest, sale of votive candles, etc.

Awaken Us

Lord of all hopefulness, awaken us.
 Show us the meaning in our toil
 that we may ever rejoice in the promise
 of the seeds we sow.

Lord of all righteousness, awaken us.
 Show us the good path
 that we may walk in confidence
 in Your wisdom and understanding.

Lord of all hospitality, awaken us.
 Show us the refuge of eagles' wings
 that we may always be people of shelter
 in times of storm.

Lord of all freedom, awaken us.
 Show us the courage that called our forefathers
 out of bondage
 that we may always stand with the bound
 and the oppressed, and be their champions.

Lord of all peace, awaken us.
 Show us the heart that stills even raging waters
 that we may make still raging hearts,
 and reconcile warring neighbors.

Lord of all charity, awaken us.
 Teach us of the unending return on our sacrifice
 that we may rejoice more fully in our giving.

Lord, you have eyes for the just and ears for their cry.
 Awaken in us a heart of justice
 that you may count us among their number. Amen.

—from Catholic Relief Services

February 22 & 23, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Lector: Phill Wizorek
 Altar Servers: Levi & Logan Haskin
 EMs: Garry & Mary Lou Mulick, Sue Wizorek
 Greeters: Volunteers

11:30 a.m. Lector: Dan Lower
 Altar Servers: Shyla Johnson, Charlotte Mabe
 EMs: Shannon Andrews, Monica Mabe,
 Theresa Scholtens
 Greeters: Volunteers

8:00 a.m. Lector: Veronica Meyer
 Altar Servers: Alexis & Kendra Heinlein
 EMs: Julie Bennett, Kevin Heinlein, Laurie Tjalsma
 Greeters: Dave O'Mara

Please pray for:

Connie Waterman	Glen Alvord	Jennifer Lewis
Dorr Bissell	Heather Rensi	Mary O'Connor
Colson Skilling	Cherie Flinn	Kym Coryell
Jim Zook	Pamela Pontius	Terri Nurenberg
Roy Shaw	Anita Hozeski Scott	Jessica Fritz
Martha Brooks	Karen Miller	Travis Eveleth
Denise Ward	Pat McKinstry	Charles Timm
Shirley Weber	Russinda Rohde	Larry Lafler
Judy Dick	Landon Battle	Arlene Stanton
Cindy Hardy	Marsha Packer	Pat MacLachlan
Diana Kujala	Jack & Sue LaPeer	Jim & Barb Mulnix
Mark Dawson	Tamera Pierce	Ken and Sherry North
Tony Burns	Angie Cedillo	Nathan Lower
Lesley Williams	Jo Wirtz	Finnly Hunt
Lois Walker	Witney Fockler	Jerry & Maribeth Fritz
Gert Bennett	Becky Wagner	Tom White
Steve Barber	Amanda Eveleth	Pamela Coggan
Ed Blyth	Martha Misak	Joe Drysdale
Jim & Sue Huver	Jennifer Durden	Nichole Munsell
Doug Zeeck	Beth Buffey	Jace Peterson
Randy Tripp	Renee Wagner	Georgia Sibert
Mike Peckins	Michelle Richard-Mix	

We continue to pray for all who need healing. If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the parish office. Be sure you have the consent of the person or a family member. Names will remain on the prayer list for three months. Requests may be renewed.

SS. Peter & Paul Parish Staff (616) 527-3610

Permanent Deacon	Zenon Cardenas	616-527-8942
Secretary	Cecilia Luke	ext. 10
Office Manager	Adam Rewa	ext. 11
Pastoral Services	Toni McKay	ext. 13
Music Director	Whitney Crooks	616-527-3610
Faith Formation	Vanessa Booth	ext. 21
Maintenance	Matt Lang	616-527-3610
Cemetery Sexton	Aaren Perry	616-527-3610

SS. Peter and Paul School (616) 527-3561

www.ssppcatholic.com

Principal	Jenny Leik	ext. 18
Secretaries	Joann Johnson & Amie Heinlein	ext. 23

SS. Peter & Paul Parish - Pastoral Council

Shannon Andrews Deb Campbell

SS. Peter & Paul Parish - Finance Council

Chris Christensen	Kip Geldhof	Denise Peabody
Tom O'Connor	Dave O'Mara	Vanessa Booth

SS. Peter & Paul School - Board of Education

Cara Brownell	Nik Discher	Rachel Wilson
Andrew Bucholtz	Kevin Heinlein	Allen Wizorek
Lauren Christensen	Anna Johnson	



Knights' Corner

We are nearing the busy, busy season of Lent and help will be needed on each Friday of March for our Lenten Fish Dinners. See the sign up sheet in the back of the church to volunteer, or just show up!

We also will need many hands to make pies on the morning of Saturday, March 15, at St. Joseph, Pewamo. Working together as a group is a great experience and you don't need to be a Knight to help!

Knights of Columbus Pie Sale

Saturday, March 15, 2:00 to 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 16, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



Parish Office garage
Apple, Cherry & Blueberry pies
\$12 each or 3 for \$30

Order your pies after Mass in the back of church or by calling the parish office—(616) 527-3610. All proceeds support the charitable work of K of C Council 944. Thank you!

Don't Miss Our

Lenten Fish Dinners

on the First Four Fridays of Lent

March 7, 14, 21 and 28
5:00—7:00 pm



fish fry
\$12.00 for Adults
\$10.00 for Seniors
\$6.00 for Children, ages 6-12

Maximum price of \$35 for families with minor children

Fried fish, roasted potatoes, macaroni & cheese, vegetables, french fries, coleslaw, rolls, and dessert

Take outs available!

Proceeds to benefit SS. Peter & Paul Church and School



Sponsored by
Knights of Columbus
Council 944



*Come rest awhile
in the Lord's presence.*
Wednesdays 6-7 p.m.
in the Basement Chapel

Panther Prayer Corner

Please pray for the students, staff and families as they enter Mid-Winter break. May the extended weekend provide the opportunity for rest and recovery from the illness that has been moving throughout the school.

End of Year Statements

Would you like a copy of your parish contribution statement for 2024? Please call the parish office (616-527-3610) and we will mail it to you.



THANK YOU! Last week our school and parish partnered up to collect non-perishable food items along with cash donations. Together, we raised almost \$600 along with "countless" non-perishable items which will all be donated to the Zion Community Food Pantry! If you or your family would like to get more involved by helping at the food pantry or soup kitchen, please let us know. MANY hands make less work and a world of difference!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Give your spouse the gift of time away together enriching your marriage and your faith at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience! Upcoming experiences will be held February 28-March 2 at Center for Ministry in Saginaw; April 4-6 at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt; June 16-18 at Center for Ministry in Saginaw; and August 1-3 at Augustine Center in Petoskey. Apply today at wwme.org or contact Amy & Joe Kopacz at 517-667-0433 for more information.

Touched by Mercy

Those affected by suicide are invited to **Touched by Mercy** on March 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Franciscan Life Process Center, Lowell Campus, 11650 Downes St. NE. Join us for this day of reflection led by Sister Colleen Ann Nagle FSE, MA, LPC. Lunch is included. Cost is \$65. Register at <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/TBM2025>. Scholarships are available.

Vacation Bible School

We are planning our next Vacation Bible School for this summer. We need your help in choosing the best days and times to fit your schedule. Please complete a 5 question survey to help us plan a successful Vacation Bible School in 2025! Go to www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZSTBKTT. Questions? Please email vbooth@ssppcatholic.com.



Faith Formation

Classes are held on Sunday mornings in the school from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. It's never too late to register!

- Feb. 16 No Faith Formation Classes (Midwinter Break)
- Feb. 23 Faith Formation Classes for all grades
- March 2 Faith Formation Classes for all grades
- March 2 1st Communion Parent Meeting 10:30-11 a.m. in the school
- March 9 Faith Formation Classes for all grades
- March 16 Faith Formation Classes for all grades

Please note the special meeting on March 2 from 10:30-11 a.m. for parents and their second graders preparing for their First Communion.

For more information about Faith Formation, please contact Vanessa Booth at 616-527-3610 or vbooth@ssppcatholic.com.

Grief Support Group

Have you suffered the loss of a loved one or experienced a loss in your professional or personal life? We invite you to join our next grief support group series, which begins on February 22 and meets in the parish office living room from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Each of the sessions offers a topic of discussion, as well as time to reflect, listen, and share if one chooses. We want you to know that are not alone and we are here to walk the journey with you. For more information, please contact Vanessa at vbooth@ssppcatholic.com or 616-527-3610.

Health Support Group

Are you or a family member struggling with cancer or another serious health issue. No matter where you are in your health journey, we are here for you. Our support group is now reaching out to invite anyone who is facing a serious health challenge. Team members of the Ministry of Consolation will be offering Health Support gatherings on the third Saturday of each month. Our next group will be on Saturday, February 15, at Biggby Coffee beginning at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Vanessa at 616-527-3610, or vbooth@ssppcatholic.com.

Join us for some
Winter Blues FUN!

This Wednesday, February 19, after Mass,
at 1:00 p.m. in the Veritas Room



ALL ARE WELCOME!
Bring a \$5 gift and a lunch-time snack to share.
Coffee and water will be provided.
SEE YOU THERE!



Friday, February 28, 6:00 p.m., Apostles Hall
Bring a dish or snack to pass.
Coffee and water will be provided.

ENTRY FEE: \$5 Per Person* ~ No Partners
Bring quarters! .25 cents paid for each set
(Euchre) by the Euchred team.

*Entry Fee will be collected on the day of the event. Registering in advance is not required, but would be helpful. We need to have a total number of players that is divisible by four (16, 20, 24). Contact Toni at the parish office to register.

Games are played in tables of four, broken down into two teams of two. Each player draws a number. Players will rotate from table to table with each game. Player table assignments, by game, are randomly pre-set by player number.

Games will consist of eight hands with each person dealing twice at a table. If a team is set (Euchred), each player on that team must deposit \$.25 into the cup at their current table. Individual scores and number of sets (euchres) are recorded at the end of the eight hands of the current game.

Additional game rules provided on the day of the event.

All entry fees collected will be distributed to the individuals with the top three overall scores. Payout: 1st - 60%; 2nd - 30%; 3rd - 10%. The quarters collected in the 'euchred' cups from all tables will be awarded to the person with the highest number of sets.