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3rd Sunday of Advent / Tercer Domingo de Adviento

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH

195 West 13th Street . Holland, MI 49423

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Christmas Mass Schedule

Family Mass: 5:00 p.m. December 24 – Bilingual

“Midnight Mass”: 10:30 p.m. December 24 – Trilingual

Music begins at 10:00 p.m.

Christmas Day Mass: 10:30 a.m. December 25 – English

Christmas Day Mass: 12:30 p.m. December 25 – Spanish

Horario de Misas de Navidad

Misa Familiar: 5:00 p.m. 24 de Diciembre– Bilingüe

“Misa de Gallo”: 10:30 p.m. 24 de Diciembre– Trilingüe

La música comienza a las 10:00 p.m.

Misa de Navidad: 10:30 a.m. 25 de Diciembre—Inglés

Misa de Navidad: 12:30 p.m. 25 de Diciembre—Español

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Charles Brown, Pastor

Rev. James VanderLaan, Associate Pastor

Sr. Pat Lamb, R.S.M., Immigration Assistance

Sr. Noella Poinsette Outreach/ Social Justice

Tom Eggleston, Pastoral Associate

Fr. Fred Hoesli, O.P.

Deacon Edwin Gonzalez

616-392-6700

Ext. 106

Ext. 116

Ext. 115

Ext. 114

Ext. 104

616-335-9302

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Bi-lingual)

Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Masses

Monday 12:10 p.m.

Tuesday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Thursday 12:10 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions Saturday 4:00 p.m.

First Fridays Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Administration Staff

Elvia Dominguez, Office Manager

Emily Alba, Administrative Assistant

Francisca Flores, Accountant/Bookkeeper

Connie Ayling, Receptionist

Jason Heydens, Maintenance

Ext. 124

Ext. 109

Ext. 102

Ext. 101 or 122

616-499-1166

Music & Liturgy

Phillip Konczyk, Director

Ext. 117

Parish Nurse

Martha Kuyten, Parish Nurse

616-392-6700

Family & Adult Faith Formation

Ricardo Valdez, Director

Ext. 111

Guillermo Flores, Bilingual Coordinator

Ext. 110

Kevin Hilgert, Director of Youth Ministry

Ext. 108

Corpus Christi School

616-994-9864

St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Center

616-394-0676

Rectory

616-392-3985

Fax

616-392-2474

Office Hours

Monday - Thurs

8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

What's Happening @ St. Francis

Individual Confessions

- Tuesday, December 16—6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 17—6:45 to 8:30 p.m.
- Thursday, December 18—3:00 to 4:30 p.m.
- Friday, December 19—12:00 to 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, December 20—11 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Saturday, December 20—4:00 p.m.



Confesiones Individuales

- Martes, 16 de diciembre—6:30 a 8:30 p.m.
- Miércoles, 17 de diciembre—6:45 a 8:30 p.m.
- Jueves, 18 de diciembre—3:00 a 4:30 p.m.
- Viernes, 19 de diciembre—12:00 a 1:00 p.m.
- Sábado, 20 de diciembre—11 a.m. a 12:00 p.m.
- Sábado, 20 de diciembre—4:00 p.m.



***It's Christmas Time for
Forever Young!***

The December meeting is Wednesday
December 17 at 11:30 a.m.

Come and enjoy some Holiday fun!
We will be helping with Christmas
Baskets after lunch.

Call Barb Tenpas at (616) 396-2102
for what to bring for lunch.

Please remember toilet paper for our donations

Mass Intentions Peticiones de Misa

Sunday/Domingo, December 14, 2014

- 8:30 am † Federico Cruz Villalpondo Jr.— family
10:30 am † Judith Jarzembowski— Damien Jarzembowski
12:30 pm † Concepción Estrada— Jorge & Matilde Flores

Monday/Lunes, December 15, 2014

- 12:10 pm † Stanley Gasior — Dziuban family

Tuesday/Martes, December 16, 2014

- 9:00 am † Eugene Dziuban — Dziuban family

Wednesday/Miércoles, December 17, 2014

- 6:00 pm For the People

Thursday/Jueves, December 18, 2014

- 12:10 pm † Aletha Serr — family

Saturday/Sábado, December 20, 2014

- 5:00 pm † Benito Benavides Jr. — Benavides family

Sunday/Domingo, December 21, 2014

- 8:30 am † Mau Nguyen — Nguyen family
10:30 am † Luc Huyen — Huyen family
12:30 pm † Luis Martin Villegas — Silvia Villegas

A Gift for St. Francis de Sales? During this season of giving, please consider adding St. Francis to your gift list. Over the last several years, our offertory collections have been declining while our expenses have been increasing. Your gift will express your gratitude for God's blessings and help St. Francis continue to carry out God's mission for our parish. To learn more about our parish financial situation, please visit the parish website and search on "parish finances."

¿Un Regalo para San Francisco de Sales? Durante esta temporada navideña, considere por favor hacerle un regalo a San Francisco de Sales. En los últimos años, nuestra colecta dominical ha declinado mientras que nuestros gastos han subido. Su donativo expresará su gratitud por las bendiciones de Dios y ayudará a San Francisco de Sales a continuar llevando a cabo la misión de Dios en nuestra parroquia. Para mas información acerca de nuestra situación financiera, visite por favor nuestra pagina web y busque la sección titulada "parish finances."



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Scripture Readings for the Week

- 12/15 Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27
12/16 Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21: 28-32
12/17 Gen 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17
12/18 Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25
12/19 Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25
12/20 Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38
12/21 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-28

Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana

- 12/15 Núm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27
12/16 Sof 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21: 28-32
12/17 Gén 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17
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Outreach / Fe y Justicia



St. Vincent Center/Centro San Vicente
13th & Maple - Holland

Hours/Horario:

3 to 8 p.m. Monday & Wednesday/Lunes y Miércoles de 3 a 8 p.m.
12 to 4 p.m. on Saturday/Sábados de 12 a 4 p.m.

ST VINCENT de PAUL CENTER: The Center will be closed during the holidays and so it would be good to NOT bring any food on the weekends of Dec. 21 and Dec. 28. Food and Kleenex, tooth paste, etc. will be welcome again on Jan. 4. Thank you for your generosity. Although the Center will be closed those who are hungry will have access to food from mobile food pantries and other sources in the area.

ANOTHER THANKSGIVING THANK YOU: A BIG thank you to the students of **Corpus Christi School**. THEY FILLED A WHOLE SCHOOL BUS EXCEPT FOR THE 9 PEOPLE ABOARD – UNBELIEVABLE! The 8th graders who unloaded it here were wonderful and represented real well the spirit and generosity of the rest of the CC students. May each of you continue walking in the footprints of Jesus who cared for those who were often left out in society.

Centro San Vicente de Paúl: *El centro estará cerrado durante los días festivos y es por eso que le pedimos NO traiga ninguna comida los fines de semana del 21 y 28 de diciembre. Pueden volver a traer comida, kleenex, pasta dental, etc. desde el 4 de enero. Gracias por su generosidad. Aunque el centro estará cerrado, los necesitados de comida tendrán acceso a ella por medio de otras fuentes de ayuda en esta área.*

Otro Agradecimiento del Día de Acción de Gracias: *Un fuerte agradecimiento a los estudiantes de la Escuela Corpus Christi. ¡LLENARON UN CAMIÓN DE LA ESCUELA CON COMIDA EXCEPTO POR LAS 9 PERSONAS QUE VIAJARON EN EL — INCREÍBLE! Los estudiantes del grado 8 que descargaron el camión fueron maravillosos y representaron muy bien el espíritu de generosidad de los demás estudiantes de CC. Que cada uno de ustedes continúe caminando sobre las huellas de Jesús quien cuidó de aquellos que la sociedad abandonaba.*



Christmas Flowers

Forms to order Christmas Flowers in honor or memory of a loved one are available in the Kiosk. Please follow instructions on form and turn in to the office by **Dec. 15**.

Flores de Nochebuena

Los formularios para ordenar flores de Nochebuena en honor o en memoria de un ser querido están disponibles en el kiosco. Siga las instrucciones del formulario por favor y regréselos a la oficina parroquial para el 15 de diciembre.

Last Minute Gift Idea!



SFDS Music Ministry Cookbooks are for sale in the parish office. Cost is \$20.

Makes a great Christmas gift for the person who loves to cook!



Corpus Christi Corner



Corpus Christi Catholic School was well represented in Holland's Parade of Lights on December 2nd. At least a dozen Corpus Christi families participated in the parade by riding on, or walking alongside, our school float which proudly displays the themes "ABC's, 123's, Father, Son, Holy Spirit" and "Matthew, Mark, Luke, John. Talk about great teachers". Those who walked passed out Corpus Christi pencils and candy canes to spectators. Before the parade, families enjoyed pizza and hot chocolate with marshmallows at Our Brewing Company on Eighth Street.

Community / Comunidad



Providing Help. Creating Hope.

The holidays can be a stressful time for many people. If you are struggling with grief and loss, family or relationship issues, depression, anxiety, loneliness or any emotionally painful situation, please call Catholic Charities West Michigan's Behavioral Health Department at

1-877-359-6523 to schedule an appointment to talk to one of our highly qualified counselors. We are here for you.

Our community is in great need of people who are able to open their hearts and homes to foster children. Please call Catholic Charities West Michigan's Foster Care program 1-866-857-1593 and ask for a foster care licensing worker for more information.

Director of Dominican Center at Marywood

Dominican Sisters of Grand Rapids is seeking candidates to fill the full-time position of Director of Dominican Center at Marywood. The Director will further the mission of the Dominican Sisters ~ Grand Rapids through leadership of Dominican Center at Marywood. This position will oversee and grow relevant programming and conferencing services at Dominican Center which reflect the mission of the Center and the mission and vision of the Dominican Sisters ~ Grand Rapids Congregation as a regional center for spirituality, learning and collaboration with the primary goal of transformation of individuals and communities.

For complete details please contact Human Resources, 2025 E. Fulton, Grand Rapids, MI 49503
or HumanResources@GRDominicans.Org

Prison Jail Ministry Christmas Drive

Collecting **NEW-PACKAGED** plain white tube socks and **NEW** reading glasses: +125 to +220. These donated items will be used in various jails, shelters and juvenile detention centers within the Diocese.

Call Jude Acheson at 616-475-1255 or email jacherson@dioceseofgrandrapids.org.

Deadline is December 15. A box will be in the gathering space to put socks and glasses. Thank you!



Campaña Navideña del Ministerio para los Presos

Estamos colectando calcetines blancos que estén **NUEVOS Y EN SU PAQUETE ORIGINAL** y lentes para leer **NUEVOS** de +125 a +220. Estos artículos serán usados en varias cárceles y centros de detención que están dentro de la Diócesis.

Para información llame a Jude Acheson al 616-475-1255 o por email a jacherson@dioceseofgrandrapids.org.

El Último día de la colecta será el 15 de diciembre. Habrá una caja en el atrio donde puede poner los calcetines y lentes. ¡Muchas gracias!



To Your Health

Martha Kuyten, Parish Nurse

Year after year we make resolutions to exercise regularly, eat well, and give up smoking and other bad habits. Following such basic rules can cut heart disease risk by 80%, diabetes risk by 90% and cancer risk by 50% according to the Harvard Nurses' Health Study. Knowing our modifiable risks is important. That is what we CAN change.

A su Salud

Martha Kuyten, Enfermera de la Parroquia

Cada año hacemos resoluciones para hacer ejercicio regularmente, comer bien, dejar de fumar y dejar otros hábitos malos. Si sigue sus resoluciones puede reducir el riesgo de enfermedades del corazón en un 80%, el riesgo de la diabetes en un 90% y del cáncer en un 50% de acuerdo a un estudio de Harvard Nurses' Health Study. El saber nuestros riesgos que podemos modificar es importante. Esos riesgos son los que PODEMOS cambiar.

Kids Corner



GIFTS OF TREASURE

WEEKLY TITHES

December 7th Collection	\$15,480.10
Weekly Need	\$19,900.00
# of Envelopes and Checks	261

GROWING OUR FAITH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Pledges to Date	\$1,221,043.61
Collected to Date	\$ 902,096.63
Parish Goal	\$1,560,000.00
Shortfall	(\$ 338,956.39)

NOVEMBER OFFERTORY COMPARISON

<u>2014 YTD</u> <u>COLLECTION</u>	<u>2014 BUDGETED</u> <u>COLLECTION</u>
\$359,818.72	\$386,000.00

Retirement Fund for Religious "Share in the Care" Dec. 13-14

Why We Help?

The retirement-funding crisis can be attributed to three primary factors: insufficient retirement savings, rising health care costs, and declining income. Traditionally, women and men religious worked for small stipends that furnished only the basic of daily living. As a result, a majority of religious communities now lack adequate funding for retirement. At the same time the cost of care continues to increase while the number of religious able to serve in compensated ministry decreases. In 2103, of 590 religious communities submitting data to the National Religious Retirement office only 45 were adequately funded for retirement; 216 were 20% or less funded. Your contributions provides vital support to religious communities in meeting current and future retirement needs.

For more information please visit www.retiredreligious.org

Weekly Tithes \$175.00: **Latin American United for Progress (LAUP)**