



God  
is with  
us.

Matthew 1:23

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# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent



CHURCH OF THE  
**RESURRECTION**

*Sunday, December 21, 2025*  
Fourth Sunday of Advent

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:**  
Located in the heart of the City of Lansing, the Church of the Resurrection exists to help everyone in our parish family live in the light and hope of the Resurrection. Encouraged by our experience of God's love, we help others come to know and love Jesus in a personal way. Guided by God's truth, we offer answers to life's real challenges. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we help each other become mature disciples of Christ who will utilize our gifts to spread the Good News of Jesus in word and deed.

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**Saturday, December 20, 2025**

8:15am Int. Richard & Stephanie Imgrund for their anniversary—Their children  
 8:45am-9:30am Confessions  
 5:00pm Don Gardner—Jane Collinson

**Sunday, December 21, 2025****Fourth Sunday of Advent**

9:00am Patricia Ann Dokhota Mogg—Family  
 11:00am Int. Mary Stanewich—Mickie Kreft  
 5:00pm The Parish

**Monday, December 22, 2025**

7:45am Confessions  
 8:15am Fr. Louis Madey—Bob Murrell

**Tuesday, December 23, 2025****No Mass or Confession****Wednesday, December 24, 2025****Christmas Eve**

5:00pm Int. Brenda Seely—Mickie Kreft  
 11:30pm \*\*\*Musical Prelude\*\*\*  
 12:00am **Midnight Mass** For the Poor Souls in Purgatory—Sandi Walczak

**Thursday, December 25, 2025****The Nativity of the Lord—Christmas**

10:00am Ann Stevenson

**Friday, December 26, 2025**

7:45am Confessions  
 8:15am Dr. Peter Luea—Pohl Family  
 5:30-6:30pm Confessions

**Saturday, December 27, 2025**

8:15am Noah & Nancy Guettler—Family  
 8:45am-9:30am Confessions  
 5:00pm Jack & Amelia Rasch—Greco Family

**Sunday, December 28, 2025**

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**  
 9:00am For the deceased members of the Tomic and Jankovic Families—Family  
 11:00am The Parish  
 5:00pm Frances Roberta Fox—Elizabeth Neuens

**Novus Ordo Latin Mass**

The next Novus Ordo Latin Mass will be on Sunday, January 11, 2026.

*pray*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Our sick:** Lenny Bartold, Don West, Mary Zavala, Gabe Radke, and parish family including our homebound and those in nursing homes.

**Our military personnel:**

Capt. Thomas Braga-Henebry, USMCR  
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 Erick Martinez, Afghanistan  
 David Hanosh Suarez, Marines  
 Cody Eitrem, Navy  
 Cpl. Alex Ferguson, Marines  
 CW4 Joseph Hinojosa

**ROSARIES PRAYED FOR PEACE:**

76,562 total number of Rosaries prayed. Tally sheets are available at the East Entrances of Church.

**LIVING ROSARY INTENTION FOR DECEMBER**

For hearts, to receive the coming Lord and Savior of the world.

**\*\*\*If you arrive to Mass late, please use the Southeast door of the Church.\*\*\***

*Happy  
Birthday*

**Monday, December 22:** Christian Cherniawski, Lillian Vandreumel, Mary Zavala

**Tuesday, December 23:** Brian Jacobs, Marci Fox, Alice L'Huillier

**Wednesday, December 24:** Christina Albarez, Sarah Michaels, Ben Randhawa

**Thursday, December 25:** Julia Johns, Mary Savage, Jacob Allstott, Chris Luea, Magdalene Patrick, Dillon Maxwell

**Friday, December 26:** Mary Stanewich, George Wetmore, Martha Dobrzelowski, Charles Wetmore, Joseph Gradwhol

**Saturday, December 27:** Veronika Gaska, Yazmin Johnson, Emily Christopherson, Elijah Brito, Peter Demko, Nicholas Goodman

**Sunday, December 28:** Jessica Leese, Noelle Starrak, Susanna Tellschow

# SACRAMENTAL LIFE & WORKS OF MERCY

**Marriage Prep:** Arrangements must be made at least 9 months in advance; please call the parish office.

**Infant Baptism:** To register, fill out the Baptism Request Form at [www.corlansing.org](http://www.corlansing.org).

**Confession:** Mon, Thurs, and Fri 7:45am; Wed 6:30-7:30pm; Fri 5:30-6:30pm and Saturday 8:45-9:30am

**Daily Rosary:** Monday, Thurs-Sat 7:40am

**Perpetual Help Devotion:** Wednesdays at 5:45pm

**St. Monica Sodality:** 2nd Saturdays 7:40am Rosary, 8:15am Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet following Mass

**St Vincent de Paul Society:** 1454 E. Michigan Ave; 517-371-4380. Mon & Fri 10-11am and Wed 1-3pm

**St Vincent de Paul Parish Food Collection:**  
Toilet paper, toothpaste, bar soap, laundry soap and dish soap.

**Knights of Columbus Council 11099:** Grand Knight Chris Hanson, [www.corlansing.org/ministries](http://www.corlansing.org/ministries)

**Project Rachel Helpline:** There is help after an abortion. If you or someone you know is hurting from an abortion, call the Project Rachel Helpline 517-993-0291. **All calls are confidential.**

**Unplanned pregnancy:** Contact SP Women's Center at 517-484-1882.

**Visitation of the Sick:** If you know someone who is ill at home or in a nursing home and would like to receive communion please contact the parish office.

**Low-Gluten Hosts-During Mass:** You will need to come to the priest in the center aisle where he has a separate pyx with low-gluten hosts available.

**Registration:** If you are new to the area or would like to register please stop at the parish office: 1514 E. Michigan Ave, or website [www.corlansing.org](http://www.corlansing.org). If you are currently a registered member and would like to update your info please contact the office 517-482-4749.

## December 24-25, 2025

|  | Extraordinary Minister   | Reader   |
|--|--|--|
| <b>Wednesday,<br/>5:00 PM<br/>Christmas Eve</b>  | Owen Luea - 1<br>Jim Wohlscheid - 1<br>Helen Earley - 2<br>Brenda Wohlscheid - 2 | Christopher Luea - 1<br>Cristin Luea - 2       |
| <b>Wednesday,<br/>11:59 PM<br/>Midnight Mass</b> | Robert Hill - 1<br><b>NOT FILLED - 2</b>   | Richard Imgrund - 1<br>Stacia DeVries - 2      |
| <b>Thursday,<br/>10:00 AM<br/>Christmas Day</b>  | <b>NOT FILLED - 1</b><br><b>NOT FILLED - 2</b>                                   | <b>NOT FILLED - 1</b><br><b>NOT FILLED - 2</b> |

## December 27-28, 2025

|                              | Extraordinary Minister                         | Reader                                    |
|------------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Saturday,<br/>5:00 PM</b> | <b>NOT FILLED - 1</b><br>Diana Repichowski - 2 | <b>NOT FILLED - 1</b><br>Cindi Currie - 2 |
| <b>Sunday, 9:00 AM</b>       | Robert Hill - 1                                | Richard Imgrund - 1                       |
| <b>Sunday, 11:00 AM</b>      | Fred Christopherson - 1<br>Dan Miloch - 2      | Chris Veneklase - 1<br>Dee Webb - 2       |
| <b>Sunday, 5:00 PM</b>       | <b>NOT FILLED - 1</b>                          | Christopher Lewis - 1                     |

### Scripture Readings

#### For the Week of December 21, 2025

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b><br>Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Rm 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24   |
| <b>Monday</b>    | 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Lk 1:57-66   |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79   |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>The Nativity of the Lord</b><br><i>Vigil Mass:</i> Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25<br><i>Mass during the Night:</i> Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14<br><i>Mass at Dawn:</i> Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20<br><i>Mass during the Day:</i> Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14 |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr</b><br>Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17; Mt 10:17-22   |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist</b><br>1 Jn 1:14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a and 2-8  |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</b><br>Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23   |

## Welcome!

At this joyful time of year, many people feel drawn to church. It is the Lord's love drawing us to the vulnerable Baby Jesus, who came among us as a sign of God's humility and love for us. If you're visiting or it has been a long time since you have been here, we're glad you're here! For whatever reason you came, thanks for joining us. We want you to feel welcome, and we very much desire to support you (and your family) in any ways we can. Fill out a visitor's card, which you can find in the pew. We are honored to have you with us.

## Why We're Here . . .

The Church of the Resurrection is committed to spreading the Good News in word and deed, to living our faith in authentic ways, and supporting families (i.e., helping each other and our family members get to heaven). *Mission-Focused, Authentically Catholic, and Supportive of Families* are our parish "Core Values." Those values inform and shape our life and ministry as a parish, school, and community.

## Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

On Christmas Eve, we will have Masses at 5:00 and Midnight (prelude music will commence at 11:30 p.m.). On Christmas Day, there will be one Mass at 10:00 a.m. Next Sunday, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Holy Family at the usual times. After that, on the Eighth Day (the Octave) of Christmas, which is January 1, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. We will have a Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. December 31. We will have a second Mass that evening at 10:30 p.m., followed by adoration, with Benediction just prior to Midnight. New Year's Day we will have one Mass at 10:00 a.m. If those times won't work for you, please check with surrounding parishes to begin the new year well, by praising our Lord. Please note that our offices will be closed December 24-26. Offices will also be closed next week December 31 st through January 2nd . If you are traveling, may you enjoy the protection of your guardian angels, and have a joyous celebration with your family and friends. God bless you all.

## Special Event: Twelfth Night

On January 10th, we will celebrate our annual Twelfth Night Celebration. Doors will open after the evening Mass and the program will begin at 6:30 p.m. It's a celebration of the great gift of Christ's manifestation at Christmas and Epiphany. Adults in the parish and friends are invited to join us for an evening of songs, music, and poetry that will inspire and entertain in equal measure. The Twelfth Night has been a traditional celebration since before medieval times, particularly in Europe, and involves the consumption of abundant food and drink as well as performances to honor the birth of our Savior. You can sign-up to join us on our website. There is a modest cost for the event this year, which will help us cover our costs. Space is limited, so register early. I hope to see you there!

## Merry Christmas!

May you and those you love experience the joy and peace of this holy season, and know the love of God made flesh in the person of the Baby Jesus. In keeping with my ongoing concerns about technology, the parish and school (thanks to a generous donor) have purchased copies of Jonathan Haidt's *The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood Is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness*. School families have already received a copy. Please leave the balance of our copies for other members of the parish who have yet to buy a copy. I know that many of us have read the book or know the basic outline, but I think it is of fundamental importance in our times. Come, Holy Spirit!

**With prayerful anticipation of Christ's coming,**

**Father Steve**

# HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

On Christmas Eve, December 24th, there will be Mass at 5:00pm and 12:00 midnight (music prelude at 11:30pm).

Christmas morning Mass will be at 10:00am on December 25th.

December 31st Masses will be at 5:00pm and 10:30pm, followed by adoration.

On January 1st, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, Mass will be at 10:00am.

## Holiday Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed: December 24th, 25th, and 26th for the Christmas holiday, and on December 31st, January 1st, and January 2nd for the New Year holiday.



## KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP JANUARY 22, 2026 | 6:00-7:00 PM

### MEET THE TEACHER | TOUR THE CLASSROOM & SCHOOL | Q&A TIME

Resurrection School is excited to announce our 2026 Kindergarten Roundup, which will take place on Thursday, January 22nd from 6:00-7:00pm. All parish and school families with children entering Kindergarten in the Fall of 2026 are invited to attend. We are anticipating a full class this year, so please call the School Office today to reserve your place at Kindergarten Roundup.

Families will be given a tour of the school and time to ask any questions they may have. Students will meet Mrs. Starrak and have time to explore the Kindergarten room.

We highly encourage all families with children turning 5 on or before September 1, 2026 to attend, wherever you are in the educational discernment process. Call the School Office at (517) 487-0439 with any questions and to reserve your place at Kindergarten Roundup!

*Resurrection School partners with families to provide a nurturing Catholic environment focused on academic excellence, where students grow into disciples who know, love and serve our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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# TWELFTH NIGHT

**JANUARY 10**  
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM  
EVENT BEGINS AT 6:30PM

Join us for an evening of songs, music and poetry, and abundant food & drink that will inspire and entertain in equal measure.

**\$15/INDIVIDUAL | \$25/COUPLE | RSVP ONLINE | ADULTS ONLY**  
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**St. Gerard Christmas Day Dinner**

St. Gerard is sponsoring a sit down Christmas Dinner in a friendly atmosphere for those who will be alone on Christmas.

**When:** Christmas Day, December 25 at 12:30pm

**Where:** Fr. Weber Hall

**Call:** (517) 323-2379 or use the QR code to reserve a place. Reservations requiring transportation will only be taken through December 19, 2025.

If you can volunteer, email [Sean.Gehle@trinity-health.org](mailto:Sean.Gehle@trinity-health.org) or call (248) 225-7240.

**Decorating the Church for Christmas**

Christmas is fast approaching. We will be decorating the Church Tuesday, December 23rd at 9:00 a.m. You're invited to help beautify the Church for this holy season. Many hands make light work. Poinsettias will be placed around various areas, the Creche and trees will be setup, red bows will replace purple ones on the outside wreaths, and gold bows on the inside wreaths. Questions can be directed to Cindi Currie at 517-483-3279.

# THANK YOU

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With your support we raised **\$60,980!**



This was all made possible by the generosity of our Resurrection School Community. Thank you to our attendees, donors, sponsors, families, staff, community members and auction committee—your support made this all possible.

**Engaged Couples Retreat**

Prepare for the Sacrament of Matrimony! This retreat on January 9-10, 2026 offers time away for couples to grow deeper in their faith and love for each other and satisfies aspects of the Diocese of Lansing marriage catechumenate. This retreat includes:

- Theological and practical presentations
- Blessing of the Couples & Vigil Mass
- A special couples dinner on Saturday
- A ballroom dance lesson from Louis Soma of Our Dance Studio

Speakers include Fr. Bob Irish, Fr. Peter Ludwig, and Fr. Gary Koenigsknecht.

The suggested donation is \$250. Retreat takes place at the St. Francis Retreat Center in Dewitt, Michigan. Scan the QR code for more information, call 517-669-8321 or email [www.stfrancis.ws/engaged](http://www.stfrancis.ws/engaged).

**Offertory Update**

Fiscal Year-to-Date (November)

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| Actual:   | \$627,101 |
| Budgeted: | \$572,917 |

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| Variance: | + \$54,184 |
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## Christmas Flower Donations



Donations are now being accepted for the Church of the Resurrection Christmas flower decorations.

If you are paying with cash or check, please complete the form below, clip it out, and return it along with your donation in the Sunday collection basket. You can alternatively drop it off at the Parish Office no later than Monday, January 5, 2026.

Please make your check payable to: **Church of the Resurrection** with "Flowers" on the memo line.

If you wish to make an electronic donation, please complete the form below, clip it out, and return it in the Sunday collection basket, or to the parish office. You can make your donation to the Altar Society electronically by visiting our website, [corlansing.org](http://corlansing.org).

The memorial announcement flyer will be displayed in the church the weekend of January 17, 2026.

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