

The Resurrection of the Lord

EASTER SUNDAY

27 March 2016

TODAY

- Lord's Day Liturgy 8:30am & 10:30am

EASTER MONDAY | March 28

Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Mt 28:8-15

- Men's Bible Study (Room #101) 7am
- Catholic Divorce Group (PC LL #4) 6:30pm
- Novel Readers Book Club (McDuffee) 7pm

EASTER TUESDAY | March 29

Acts 2:36-41 / Jn 20:11-18

- No Mass
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel) 9am-7pm

EASTER WEDNESDAY | March 30

Acts 3:1-10 / Lk 24:13-35

- Mass in Church (+Betty Pellerito) 6:30pm
- Group Spiritual Direction (McDuffee) 7pm

EASTER THURSDAY | March 31

Acts 3:11-26 / Lk 24:35-48

- Journey Through Grief (Pc LL #1) 7pm

EASTER FRIDAY | April 1

Acts 4:1-12 / Jn 21:1-14

- Mass in Church (for all the homebound) 8:30am
- First Friday Breakfast (DH) 9am

EASTER SATURDAY | April 2

Acts 4:13-21 / Mk 16:9-15

- Reconciliation/Confessions (Church) 4-4:45pm
- Contemporary Choir Practice (Church) 4:30pm

LORD'S DAY LITURGIES | April 3, 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Acts 5:12-16 / Rv 1:9-13, 17-19 / Jn 20:19-31

5:30pm Saturday

Parish Family

8:30am Sunday

+Catherine Back (First Anniversary) +Dan Christie

10:30am Sunday

+Suzanne Doyle (First Anniversary)

+Deceased members of the Nufrio Family

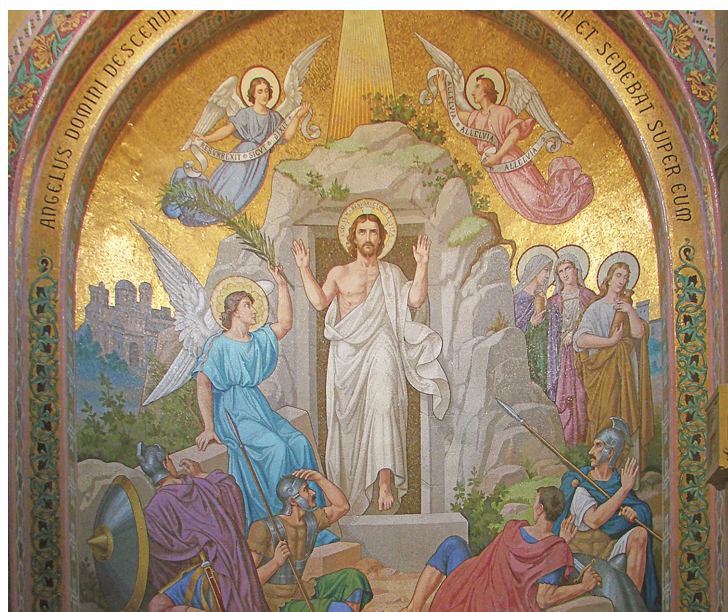


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empowered by the Holy Spirit
to grow our relationship with Jesus Christ
and with one another
as we worship, pray, learn and serve.



Alleluia! Aleluya!

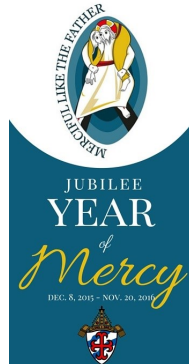
Living in Mercy

Standing with the Dead and Risen Christ. At the Easter Vigil, the priest prays on our behalf: "...stir up in your Church a spirit of adoption, / so that, renewed in body and mind/ we may render you undivided service."

We pray for not just lip service, nor just any service. **Undivided service!** We have spent the 40 Days, the Lenten Days peering across the baptismal waters to rediscover what it means to be disciple, to be Christian, to be workers steeped in mercy, overflowing with mercy—because the Risen Christ and his Father and the good Spirit filled us and continues to fill us with mercy, with covenant-love.

- How will I be like the first disciples this Octave of Easter?

Prepare for next week: Read and reflect on The Second Sunday of Easter (beginning on pg. 232) in the "Living Liturgy" missal.



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Parish & Formation Office Hours:

9-Noon; 1-5pm Mon-Thurs 9-Noon on Fridays

Parish Book of Prayer — This book near the main church entrance is for your prayers of intercession or gratitude. They are part of the intentions at Mass.

Parish Membership — Count yourself in! If you worship with us regularly, kindly register as a parishioner. You'll receive parish mailings, and it will help us provide pastoral care should you need it. Contact 532-9344; or parishoffice@spxcatholic.org.

Infant Baptisms are celebrated at various times throughout the year. If you believe raising your child in our Catholic faith is one of your most important duties as a parent, call the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage — The lifelong covenant between a man and a woman is a sign of God's covenant with us. At least six months of prayer and preparation are needed before entering this commitment. Please contact Fr. Chris as soon as you are engaged. Couples celebrating an anniversary ending in a "0" or "5" may request a special blessing.

OTHER MARRIAGE RESOURCES: www.foryourmarriage.org/

Pastoral Care of the Sick — If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound, or anticipating surgery, please contact Marjorie Flores or Fr. Chris in the parish office. The hospitals do not contact us.

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An Easter View from 40th & Wilson

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**H**appy Easter!

THANK YOU for coming to Mass in celebration of this great ongoing mystery: Jesus Christ dying to self, risen with God—showing us the way as his disciples.

I want to share some quotes I encountered recently. I hope they will prompt you to consider why the practice of the Roman Catholic faith is vital to us as individuals and for our wounded world.

The first one is from Trisha Yearwood. She's the country singer and author who played the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Fox musical, *The Passion*. (Yearwood also happens to be the wife of Garth Brooks.)

Parade magazine asked her why she did *The Passion*. Her answer:

"What's interesting to me is whether you were raised in the church and you know the story; whether you're Christian or not, the message is important: a story of suffering, sacrifice, love and forgiveness, hope and resurrection."

The other quotes were shared by Douglas Kindschi, director of the Kaufman Interfaith Institute at Grand Valley State University. In a recent Grand Rapids Press article, Kindschi shared his excitement about the winner of the Templeton Price for Progress in Spiritual Understanding. The 46th annual recipient is Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, the former Chief Rabbi of Great Britain.

Sacks has written several influen-

tial books, including "Not in God's Name: Confronting Religious Violence," published last fall.

"Sacks believes that the assumption that secularization and modern science will solve our problems is a gross over-simplification," Kindschi explains. "Not only does it fail to take account of the persistence of faith, it is helpless in addressing the human condition."

Then he quotes Sacks:

"None of the great institutions of the modern age—science, technology, the market economy or the liberal democratic state—offers a compelling answer of the three great questions every reflective human being will ask at some stage in life: Who am I? Why am I here? How then shall I live?"

"These belong to a different universe of discourse to that charted by science."

Sacks makes the following distinction:

"Science takes things apart to see how they work. Religion puts things together to see what they mean. We will always inhabit a world of the spirit that searches not just for explanation but also for meaning."

St. Pius X Parish exists so that we do not just view Jesus Christ from a distance, or in a musical or on certain days of the year. Following Jesus is a lifelong endeavor that takes us into eternity. That's Easter.

Building Improvement Feasibility study to begin

Our 5-year Pastoral Plan is intended to help us address obstacles that keep us from welcoming new parishioners, engaging existing parishioners, and stimulating the interest and involvement of youth.

Some of these obstacles lie in the area of our facilities. A **Campus and Facilities Master Plan** has been developed. The next step is a Feasibility Study to determine parishioners' overall reaction and level of support for the proposed plan. Feedback will be sought by either a personal confidential interview or by com-

pleting a survey. Next month, you will either receive a survey to complete or be invited to meet with a member of The Breton Group, a development consulting firm, for a personal interview. **All parishioner feedback is confidential** and only viewed by The Breton Group who will provide a summarized final report of all feedback regarding the proposed plan. PLEASE take this opportunity very seriously so parish leadership can continue making wise decisions. Please pray that God's will be done at St. Pius X.



Faith Formation | Religious Education

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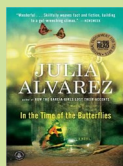
START SAVING YOUR CANS! Our 2nd Annual "Fill the Bus" with returnable cans and bottles is the week of April 30 & May 1. We are raising money for Sr. Luvia's orphanage in Haiti. **These are very difficult times for Sr. Luvia's neighborhood, due to political unrest in Haiti as the nation is still without a president. Your prayers and your returnable cans are appreciated.**

ELEMENTARY FORMATION: There are no Elementary Faith Formation session March 23 to April 10 due to Easter and Spring Break. **Classes resume April 13th.**

MIDDLE SCHOOL EDGE: Next one is 5:30pm Sunday, April 10.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

NOVEL READERS BOOK CLUB meets at 7pm Monday, March 28, in McDuffee to discuss *In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez. Contact Linda Stray (lindastray@yahoo.com or 249-8034) or Mary Boehm (meb2904@aol.com or 538-9635) with inquiries.



RADICAL MERCY - THE 12TH ANNUAL STATEWIDE MICHIGAN CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE: April 1-2, is for all young adults, ages 18-39 -- married, single, or in religious life. The conference begins with a Friday evening of reflection, Eucharistic Adoration and social gathering. It continues on Saturday with insightful and inspiring keynotes and small workshops to help deepen your knowledge of and relationship with Christ and the Catholic Church. The Conference will end with the Saturday evening vigil Mass celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday. Instantaneous translation of general sessions is offered in Spanish, and a track of workshops will be presented in Spanish. More information and online registration is available at www.2016micyac.eventbrite.com.

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS: The next Veritas retreat is being held April 8-10 at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Grand Rapids. Veritas is an opportunity for young adult men and women, ages 18-35, to discover and express their Catholic faith. The weekend consists of talks, music, and activities focused on recognizing the role God plays in our everyday life. The program is filled with practical information, which you can immediately apply to your daily life. Email Kathy at kannmcf@gmail.com or go to www.catholic-veritas.org/grand-rapids for more information.

HELP FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES

Feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Constantly fighting? Frustrated with one another? If you aren't sure what to do, but want to try to save your marriage, there is help available! A Retrouvaille weekend is

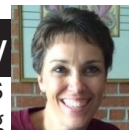
April 8-10 in Grand Rapids. Contact the Retrouvaille community at 616-752-7004 or retrouvaille.org.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Increase the love and romance in your marriage by attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter. It will help you renew and enrich your marriage—and your faith too. An upcoming get-away weekend is April 15-17 at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt. Details: www.wmme.org or contact Harry & Karen Porter at 888-628-7433.

High School Youth Ministry

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NO SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE tonight or April 3—Happy Easter

OPEN YOUTH ROOM on Wednesday, March 30 from 5:30-8pm.

VISIT AQUINAS COLLEGE on Friday, April 15...this is for all high school junior and seniors interested in Aquinas College. The Admissions Office invites you to come and discover what life at AQ is really all about. Get the inside scoop on academics, athletics, scholarships, service learning, study abroad, and more. Visit www.aquinas.edu/undergraduate.

Starting this fall, Aquinas will offer the only Bachelor of Science in Translation and Interpretation in the state of Michigan.

THE MYSTERY BUS TOUR ~ Departure from Holy Redeemer Saturday, April 16 ~ 11am-5:45pm



Join fellow teens from Holy Name of Jesus, Holy Redeemer, and St. Sebastian as we do outreach programs in the Grand Rapids area. All locations are a mystery. **You must wear jeans/khaki pants and tennis shoes.** Lunch and dinner will be provided. Please contact me to reserve a spot...permission slips are due by Sunday, April 3.

WORLD YOUTH DAY ~ KRAKOW, POLAND

July 24-Aug 1 (with optional days in the Diocese pre-tour beginning July 18). Register online at regonline.com/072416MANN.

HIGH SCHOOL Girls Night In

April 15-16 7PM-11AM

Come spend a relaxing fun-filled evening in the youth room with your SPX girlfriends!!

- Bring a snack to share.
- Food
- Games
- Relaxing
- Chocolate indulgences!

We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience.

—PIERRE TEILHARD DE CHARDIN, S.J.



Parish Life

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THAT MAN IS YOU!

Will be on break for a few weeks for Easter and Spring Break. It will start up again Saturday, April 16. It's not too late to join! It's a great group of guys looking to grow in their faith, be better husbands, fathers, and Catholics. Come see what its about!



PARISH BREAKFAST is April 10...plan on joining us after the Sunday Masses; we'll have pancakes, eggs, donut holes, sausage and more.

Men of the Parish, we are looking for your help at the breakfast.

We need help setting up, serving, and cleaning. Shifts start at 8am and go until 2pm...you can help part of the time or the full time. Contact the parish office if you can help.



50+ BREAKFAST AT RUSS' on Chicago Drive in Grandville for breakfast on Friday, April 15 after the 8:30am Mass. Contact the parish office to RSVP. All are welcome!

TRIVIA NIGHT: The Marriage Ministry would like you to attend our next couple's night on Saturday, April 16 at 6:30pm. We are having a trivia night with a catered dinner. The cost is only \$20 per couple. Sign up online at <http://bit.ly/marriedtrivia16> or call the Parish Office; deadline to register is April 11. Childcare will be provided, but you must sign up your children ahead of time. Questions, contact me via email or call the Parish Office.



WELCOMING BRUNCH: Have you joined the parish in the past year? Have questions or would like to meet more parishioners? Join us for our brunch on Sunday, April 17 after the 10:30 Mass. We'll have some great food and good people. Contact the parish office to RSVP.

Mass Assignments for April 2 & 3

LITURGICAL MINISTERS TRAINING ON AED: We are blessed to have two AED's at St. Pius X. Learn how to use these lifesaving devices on April 21 at 7pm in the McDuffee Room. Call the parish office by April 18 to reserve your spot; class size is limited to 25.

	8:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
Mass Coord.	Diane Remenak	Tony & Sandy Grandy	Linda DiCesare
Greeters	Carol Brink Wendy Charboneau Sandy Roys C'Ann Tyson	Michael & Gail Bieri Betty Cole Ruth Lobert	Patricia Anthony Kassandra Baker Kevin Gruszka Shari Shirley
Servers	Amy Charboneau 2 Volunteers Needed	Andrew Dukeshere Olivia Miars Volunteer Needed	Kiera Koetsier Mikayla Koetsier Jackie Sundstrom
Eucharistic Ministers	Mo Belliel Mattie Conlon Mary Cook Nick Dabbous Nancy Hoekstra Angie Lemont Harold Lemont Diane Remenak Paula Seguna	Dave Bristol Mary Bristol Judy Clinger Brenda Grandy Mike Grandy Tony Grandy Ellen Halfmann Nancy Hogerheide Barry Waters	Brenda Bargenquast Monique Bassett Dolores Jesnek Kathleen Kelly Meg Lyons Mike Miller Jacob Ruemenapp Kate Ruemenapp Andrew Sundstrom Nick Sundstrom Mike Tyler Nam Vu Susan Wise
Lector	Paul Wojtas Linda Harnish	Linda Polzin Jim Thrall	Dave Valko Chris Koetsier
LWC			Judy Konopka
	Usher Team: H	Usher Team: W	Usher Team: J

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Growing in Christ

Weekly Stewardship Report

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT — He is Risen! What a beautiful and confusing message a few of Jesus' followers shared with their friends.

This message that passed from the empty tomb to his followers changed their lives forever, giving them a new direction. Our lives today should also reflect the transformational power of this message, in the way we act, talk, and be in this world. In doing this, we are stewards of Jesus' resurrection, and help build God's kingdom here on earth. This job is not only for a select few, it's for everyone. How will you more fully live this message in your homes, in your workplace, and in the world?

Andy Rebollar, Pastoral Associate for Parish Life.

Time and Talent

MASS ATTENDANCE

Mar. 19 & 20: 5:30pm—347 | 8:30am—259 | 10:30am—582

THANK YOU FOR THE FUNERAL MASS

for Grant Pearce. We'd like to thank Rev. Chris Rouch, Fr. Phil Shangraw, Debra, Neff, who gave Communion to Grant every Sunday at our home, and Marjorie Flores, who supported us with books and hymnals during the final days of Grant's life. God bless you all. *The Grant Pearce Family*

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for your help and prayers through our difficult time with our son's death. *The Pat Krupp Family*

YUM! The treats were such a blessing. Thank you so much for taking the time to bake for us. Our women and children were able to enjoy some delicious goodies while getting the help they need.

We appreciate you! *Your friends at Safe Haven Ministries*

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who participated in the annual chili cook-off, especially those that came to enjoy the many varieties. Your attendance was greatly appreciated. Look for this event to be even larger next year. *The Knights of Columbus*

DONUT HELPERS NEEDED: We are looking for a few more people to help with donuts. It's a few hours every other month for the 8:30 or 10:30 Sunday Masses. It's an easy way to get involved as an individual, couple, or as a family. If you are interested or have questions, contact Sue VanGessel at suevangessel@gmail.com.

Treasure

HUNGERING FOR CELEBRATION: We prayed, fasted, and gave alms—and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in our risen Lord—and in the lives we've changed this Lent in Colombia, Laos, Rwanda, Honduras, Madagascar, and all over the world! Don't forget to turn in your rice bowl!



PARISH SUPPORT	Last week	Year to Date	Prior Year to Date
Fiscal Year 2015-16 Week 38/52	3/19 & 3/20		
Adult Envelopes	\$ 14,156	\$504,195	\$ 514,901
Electronic Giving spxcatholic.org	\$ 3,100	\$160,667	\$ 148,915
Youth Envelopes	\$ 2	\$ 149	\$ 437
Loose Offerings	\$ 801	\$ 25,959	\$ 23,819
Total Contributions	\$ 18,059	\$690,970	\$688,072
Budget Overage/(Shortfall)	\$ (550)	\$ 4,216	
OTHER GIVING—Rice Bowl	\$ 1,663	\$ 1,663	
Master's Mission	\$ 141	\$ 25,746	\$ 26,395

St. Pius X has 938 registered households. Last week, 310 contributed either by using an offertory envelope or electronically. Every gift is gratefully received as a sacrifice united with Christ's own self-offering in the Eucharist to share God's love.

Our prayer list for healing

Please continue to pray for the following and all the sick in our Parish, their families and friends, those hospitalized and home-bound, and those in care facilities. To be included on the Prayer Chain (separate from this bulletin list), call Jason George at (231) 736-7487.

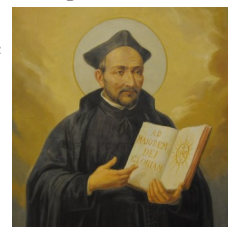
Jenny Walsh	Gerry Dekkinga	Bob Brock	Joe Capriglione
Kenneth Schumacher	Mary LaSarge	Jennifer Cook	Erika Yonker
Kelsey Gibson	Leslie Kelsey	Lenore Nufrio	Marie Nevins
Pat Deuling	Catherine Cesare	Diane & Mary Prindle	Andy Wierzbicki
Joe Lemont	Henry Visscher	Betty DiTrapani	Judy Bonzheim
Beverwyk Family	Joe & Margaret Grandy	Rose Reilly	Judy Wojtas
Anthony McAndrew	M. Forrester	Laurie Bialik	Sally Thome
Jennifer Hassell	Marty Schumacker	Margaret Harman	Pat Chichester
Terry Freybler	John Stoddard	Carol Guffy	Bob & Holly Ann Ott
Ben Baird	Derek Bull	Shannon Olman	Diane Austin
Rich Hubbard	Stephen Meurer	Dorothy Rennager	Linda Meagher
Kathy Maslowski	Charles & Mag Frodl	Patrick Bartz	Ilene Topolinski
Deb Russo	Tom & Becky Hoffmann	Ellen O'Toole	Sarah Johnson
Catherine Owens	Mike Connell	Edward Kaminski	Justin Vriezema
Jeff Zylstra	Mary Jebb	Markell Barnhart	Josina Galaszewski
Marlene Strong	Mary Beth Jensen	Pat Rummer	Robert Ryzanca
Cindy Cole	Megan Reynolds	Chris VanderSlice	Mary Benson-Slosser
Jill Moyer	Jim & Mary Norcutt	Leo Raap	Deb Finnigan
Nell Wouters	Allen Mulligan	Jim & Madeleine Stotenbur	Martha VanDyke
Brianne Bassett	Robert Schab	Roberta Hagen	Ken Jenkins
Tom Wojtas	Winnie Kulaga	Jonathan Kolenda	Sandy Ressel
Kerry Deboer	Donna Waters	Marlene Stroung	John Blanchard
Sr. Jean Marie Wojtas	Pat DeJong	Norm Pokora	Linda Wood
Terri Bernott	Clara Jo Braybrook	Barbara Barney	Zachary Matzke
Ann Berg	Jane Voss	Karen Bourassa	Pam Willemstein
George & Virginia Bieber	Gisela Foote	Judy Perrin	Bob Bagin
Matt Rich	Diane Rudnik	John Wheat	

An Easter Sunday Prayer

God our Father,
by raising Christ your Son
you conquered the power of death
and opened for us the way to eternal life.
Let our celebration today raise us up
and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen

PRAYER POST: Imaginative Prayer

Through his many years of directing others, St. Ignatius (founder of the Society of Jesus), discovered how useful the imagination could be in fostering a deeper relationship with God. Imaginative prayer is recognized as one of the hallmarks of Ignatian spirituality. Imaginative prayer makes the Jesus of the Gospels *our* Jesus. It helps us develop a unique and personal relationship with him. We watch Jesus's face. We listen to the way he speaks. We notice how people respond to him. These imaginative details bring us to know Jesus as more than a name or a historical figure in a book. He is a living person. We say what the villagers in John's Gospel told the Samaritan woman: "We have come to know him ourselves, and not just from your report." (David Fleming ignatianspirituality.com). *Pray with this Sunday's Gospel: John 20:1-9*



*We offer the sympathy, love, and prayers
of our parish to the family of:*

CLAUDE DEYOUNG
husband of Mary DeYoung

Christian Initiation & Pastoral Care

MARJORIE FLORES
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JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF SERIES: Are you mourning the loss of a loved one? It doesn't matter how long ago your loss was, it can still hurt. That is why this series is for all people at any stage of their grief journey, parishioners and those from the wider



community. You will be provided with a safe and supportive environment to express your feelings, share grief with others, and better understand the grief process. Five consecutive Thursday evenings March 31-April 28 7-8:30pm in the St. Pius X lower level room #1. Call Marjorie Flores with any questions or to register 532-9344.

CATHOLIC INQUIRY: At last night's Easter Vigil, we welcomed six new Roman Catholics into our faith. Perhaps you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about our religion. If you are not Catholic or have been Baptized Catholic and haven't celebrated your Confirmation or Communion, you are invited to an informal time of asking questions, discovering answers, and growing in faith. Contact Marjorie Flores at seeker@spxcatholic.org or call 532-9344 for more information.



A free conference to learn about the dangers of pornography and ways to protect your children and families

Thursday, May 12 | 7-9pm

Holy Redeemer Parish
2700 Baldwin Street, Jenison, MI 49428

To register please contact your
CROSSROADS Parish—all
others may call 669-9220 or
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